

Campus

Global cuisine offered for International Week

International cuisine will be offered at 11:30 a.m. today in the Student Center Lounge as International Week's festivities continue.

The International Student Association is offering food from around the globe during Thursday's International Week event, "Taste of the World."

Kim Gonzales, International Week chairwoman for ISA, said students are encouraged to attend the event because it will help them learn about other countries while enjoying different foods.

Students and professors read poems in their native language or translated them into English on Wednesday for ISA's Global Poetry Night.

Gonzales said the poetry night was one of the most successful events she can remember.

"We are thrilled by the student turnout at the International Week events this year," she said. "It's exciting that students really want to learn."

Last performance by Russian troupe begins

The Russian State Theatre Koleso will present "Errors in the Night" at 8 p.m. tonight through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in University Theatre.

The play, which is an adaptation of Oliver Goldsmith's "She Stoops to Conquer," will be performed in both Russian and English. A few TCU students have small parts in the performance.

This is the fourth and final play the Russian actors will perform at TCU.

Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, are available by calling the theater box office at 921-7626. Admission for TCU students, faculty and staff is free.

Fort Worth orchestra to perform tonight

The Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. today at Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The concert, conducted by Ron Spigelman, will feature violin soloist Elissa Lee Kokkonen and harp soloist David Williams.

The concert will include works by Elgar, Mozart, Ravel, R. Strauss and Wagner.

Students will be admitted free to the concert by showing their TCU ID if seats are available.

Tickets, which range from \$17 to \$28, are available by calling 335-9000.

Nation

Livestock farms may be pollution source

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency will unveil a strategy Thursday for regulating large commercial cattle, hog and poultry farms to control pollution into the nation's waterways, administration sources said.

The plan is the first step under the clean water action plan President Clinton announced last month to control pesticide and nutrient runoff from farms and urban areas into lakes, rivers and streams.

Once formalized through regulations that would be announced later this year, the plan would significantly broaden the federal government's oversight of thousands of commercial livestock and poultry farms across the country.

Although some details of the plan were not available late Wednesday, officials envision regulating large poultry and other livestock farms much like they do industrial plants under the Clean Water Act.

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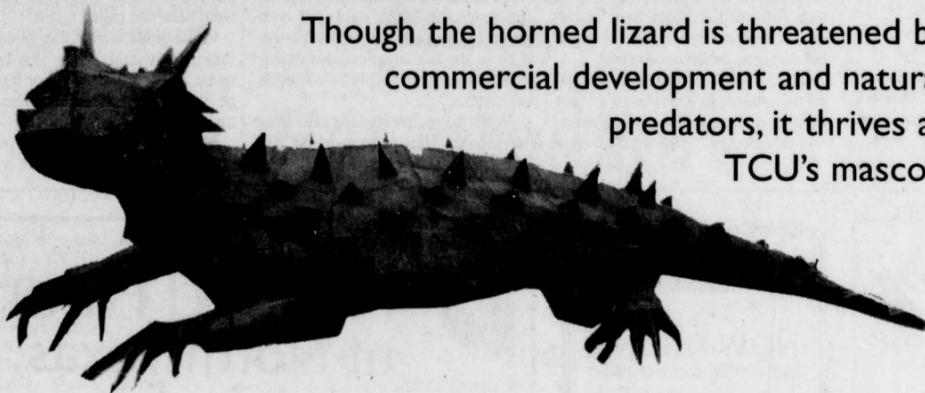
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Though the horned lizard is threatened by commercial development and natural predators, it thrives as TCU's mascot.

deep in the eyes of the horned frog statue in the Reed-Sadler mall area lies 101 years of TCU heritage and history of the school mascot.

By Julie Redwine  
STAFF REPORTER

Photo by Kristina D'Aun Bosquez  
SKIFF STAFF

Since 1897, when the horned frog, actually a lizard, was chosen, its likeness has been featured on everything from clothes to bumper stickers.

But today the actual animal is less likely to be seen in its own habitat.

In the past, the horned lizard was common on TCU's campus, said Robert S. Doran, a professor of mathematics for 29 years.

"It's wonderful," Doran said. "The horned

frog is a native to Texas. You used to see them on campus."

Steve Hammack, a former TCU student and a supervisor in the reptile department at the Fort Worth Zoo, said the horned lizard has been commonly and improperly called a horned frog.

He said the animal is a generally gentle creature that uses its camouflage for protection and squirts blood from its eyes if a predator gets too close.

The animal could once be found throughout Texas and in the western parts of the

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Frogs party

Watching WAC in the Rickel

By Nicole Edwards  
STAFF REPORTER

The Recreational Sports department and the Student Center will sponsor an all-campus TCU basketball game-watching party at 4:30 p.m. today in the Rickel Building.

The 13th-ranked men's basketball team plays Southern Methodist University today in a quarterfinal match-up of the Western Athletic Conference Championships in Las Vegas. If the team wins that game, they will play the winner of the Tulsa-New Mexico game.

Both the party and the game begin at 4:30 p.m., but people can come early to set up their seating area in the bleachers or to claim a good spot on the gym floor, said Mary Ellen Milam, associate director of Recreational Sports.

Organizers are encouraging TCU students, faculty and friends to come celebrate and support the WAC tournament game.

Milam said this event will bring the TCU community together to cheer the nationally-ranked team to victory.

"We're even trying to get some cheerleaders and a part of the band to come and support," she said.

The event is geared toward everyone, she said. Fliers, posters and other invitations have been sent to campus organizations and TCU friends to include them in the event as well.

Steve Kintigh, director of Recreational Sports, said he expects many people to attend since this is the first time the men's team has had the opportunity to play toward the WAC regular-season and championship title.

"We expect at least 500 people," he said. "Part of our job is to promote wholesome recreational activities, and this is one of the better ways to do that."

Event sponsors have rented two big-screen televisions with surround sound for a quality viewing experience, he said.

The idea for the party was inspired over a month ago by conversations between Kintigh and House of Student Representatives President Shana Lawlor, he said.

Lawlor said the event is not targeted toward one group of people and is a promotion of community and unity on campus.

"We've been behind the (team) since the beginning, and this is a chance for the university to support the team in a positive way," she said. "The men have done great things for the university, and this is one way for us to commend them."

Marriott will provide concessions for the event. Students will be able to use their meal cards to buy candy, popcorn and nachos, Milam said.

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Students wonder what fees fund

By Melanie R. Rodriguez  
SKIFF STAFF

TCU students pay \$1,190 in student fees yearly, but most have said they've never seen the specific use of \$1,150 of those fees.

Full-time graduate and undergraduate TCU students pay both a \$1,150 general university fee and a \$40 House of Student Representatives fee per academic year.

Angela Hutchings, a junior finance major, said she doesn't like being uninformed about where her money is going to be used.

"It bothers me that I don't know exactly where my fees are going," she said. "I think we as a student body should have a say in the allocation of the fees."

Ann Sewell, associate vice chancellor for finance and business, said the fee is revenue for the school, and the fee is not allocated toward anything specific like it would be in state schools.

"It's not like a state school where it goes directly to laboratory or library use," she said. "We don't earmark the money."

Sewell said the general university fee is included with other revenue received, such as gifts and tuition. The university then goes through a budgeting process, in which departments put in their bids to the deans of their respective schools.

The bids then go to Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William H. Koehler and the other four vice chancellors, Sewell said. They then make their recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Duc Pham, a sophomore premed major, also said he would like to know where his money is going.

"I don't think I should be charged so much and not know where it's going," Pham said.

The annual \$40 House fee is collected by the business and finance office, but it goes directly to student government, Sewell said.

Susan Adams, dean of campus life and assistant vice chancellor of student life, said the House received a total amount just over \$200,000 for the 1997-98 year.

At other Texas schools, students' money for university fees are allocated differently.

Students at the University of Texas-Arlington pay a Student Service Fee of \$11.75 per credit hour.

Mardie Sorensen, director of student activities at UTA, said after the revenue is collected, departments and organizations then place their bids.

A committee then reviews the bids and makes recommendations to the president of the university and the budget committee, she said.

The reviewing committee is comprised of nine stu-

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Phone harassment cases increase

TCU police step up efforts to catch obscene callers on and off campus

By Robyn Ross  
STAFF REPORTER

"Hey, sexy" and "I know you want to talk to me" are two of the many different lines TCU students have been hearing as part of the number of phone harassment incidents which have become a more frequent problem on the TCU campus this year.

However, efforts by Campus Police to stop phone harassment have been effective in solving many cases on campus recently.

Last semester 23 harassment incidents were reported, and this semester 14 have been reported so far. These numbers are up from last year, when a total of 24 incidents were reported.

Detective Kelly Ham said when a student receives repeated harassing calls, he requests that a 'trap' be put on the phone by

Southwestern Bell. Ham calls the trace center in Dallas, gives his authorized ID number and says what number he wants trapped.

When the victim gets a call, she leaves the phone off the hook, goes to any other phone on campus and dials a number which locks the call in and enters it in a computer. After two or three calls are logged, Ham requests a fax of the information.

Forty percent of this year's cases have been solved, Ham said, but the remaining figure of 60 percent is a little deceiving.

"That 60 percent includes the people who have already quit calling by the time we set a trap on their phones," he said. "So some of those cases are already solved, in a way, because they're not calling anymore."

Ham said there has been an increase in false harassment reports since the sexual

assaults off campus in February. False cases are those not legally classified as harassment. The caller may get the wrong number or think he is calling a different person, but he is not trying to scare or harass the victim, Ham said.

"Sometimes someone will get the wrong number but a student will call and report it as harassment," he said. "Other people will call and say, 'This guy's been calling me for six months, and I'm tired of it. Do something about it.'"

Ham said about 25 percent of the harassing calls have obscene content.

"The rest of them are more on the sexually explicit side but aren't actually obscene," he said. "They're more like, 'I saw you and I know what you're wearing, you sure are pretty,' or something like that."

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Departments revive bilingual program

By Selena Hernandez  
STAFF REPORTER

The department of education is in the process of finalizing a proposal that would establish a bilingual program for education majors for the fall semester of 1999.

Cecilia Silva, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction, is spearheading the committee composed of professors and administrators from both the education and Spanish departments.

Silva said the committee is drafting a lengthy proposal to be sent to, and hopefully endorsed by, the Texas Education Agency in Austin.

"It's exciting to have two departments working together," Silva said.

She said she hopes education majors will become "fully bilingual and fully bicultural students when they end the program."

Donald Frischmann, associate professor of Spanish and Latin American studies, said the program will make education majors aware of skills they should pursue.

"I think (the program) is something totally necessary, given the composition of student bodies in public schools, especially in Fort Worth," he said. "I think to not address

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Fort Worth Neighborhood Police Officer Matt Welch engraves identification numbers on a car Wednesday as an anti-theft measure.

# Pulse

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## PARTY

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Larry Markley, director of the Student Center, said the party starts today and will go on as long as possible as long as the Frogs win. The gym where the party will be held can accommodate up to 1,200

people, Kintigh said. Other supporters of the event include Programming Council's Special Events Committee, Hyperfrogs and the athletic department.

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dents, five of whom are elected by the student body and four of whom are appointed by the president.

Sorensen said the committee's recommendations are normally accepted. Charlie Noonan, a TCU senior busi-

ness major, said he would like to participate in the allocation of the fees, but the lack of student input in the decision-making doesn't really bother him.

"I think I should have a say-so to a certain extent," he said.

At Baylor University, the collected student fees are allocated specifically for student services.

Full-time undergraduate students of Baylor University pay a \$788 student service fee for one academic year.

Jimmy McCluskey, dean for Student Development and Services at Baylor, said the fee is used for a variety of things, such as computer use, medical and legal services and recreational facilities.

## HARASS

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Abby Allen, a freshman premajor, said she has received harassing calls. "Some guy called me, and at first I thought it was someone I knew, because he knew my name," she said. "Then he started getting weird, saying he wanted to touch me, and so I told him to grow up and hung up."

She said that after her boyfriend answered the phone, and when it rang a third time, the calls stopped. She said she did not report the calls.

Ham said sometimes cases which at first appear to be harassment turn out to be misunderstandings. He mentioned an incident involving a campus organization that used a pager to provide information about their activities. A student tried to dial the pager but forgot to get an outside line.

The first four digits dialed connected the student to a professor's voice mail, and, thinking the organization had recorded the voice mail message

as a joke, the student left his own joke message on the machine. The message was not an appropriate one to leave for the professor, and the professor reported it as harassment.

"I've talked to the kids who were responsible, and I'm convinced it was an honest mistake," Ham said. "They were horrified when they found out what happened."

Jill Laster, associate vice chancellor for administrative services, said the campus voice mail system can identify extensions on campus.

"If the call is from an administrative office, sometimes it'll give the name of the office, but usually it gives the extension," she said. "If you punch '8', you can reply to the person if he or she has an on-campus extension, but you can't reply to someone off-campus."

When the recipient of the calls lives off campus, Ham takes a report and

refers the case to a Fort Worth police officer.

Ham said since August, only two of the suspects caught have been off-campus callers. One was a man from Alvarado who was trying to reach a male friend who had moved.

Ham said the other off-campus caller was a Jewish rabbi who made 4,434 phone calls to campus. The man said he learned on the Internet that all the on-campus exchanges begin with '920' and called them.

"He started with '0001,' '0002,' and went down the list," Ham said. "If a guy answered, he'd scratch it off. If a girl answered, he'd circle it. Then he went back and called again."

"If he could engage her in conversation he would put a star by her name. If she got irritated or hung up he would scratch it off. The third time, it was sexually explicit."

Ham said that by law, the punish-

ment for someone convicted of harassment is six months in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine.

Associate Dean of Campus Life Mike Russel said the punishment for a student could range from a warning to expulsion.

"In and of itself, the harassment is symptomatic of something else going on," Russel said. "Most people don't pick up the phone and just call people. Anytime the calls are relationship-based, it's a symptom of a student's inability to connect in a meaningful way."

Russel said punishment depends on a student's motivation for making the calls. He and Ham said counseling from the Counseling Center, Alcohol and Drug Education or an outside source were all options.

"There are all kinds of ways to motivate someone to change a behavior pattern," Ham said.

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editorial

## FREE THE FEES

When the Board of Trustees meets later this month, just as likely as students complaining about tuition will be students ignoring the ever-greater percentage increases that usually accompany general university fees, which now stand at \$1,150 per year for most students.

It's pretty clear what tuition dollars are used for since they are inter-related with class instruction and course work — the more you pay, the more (in theory) instruction you receive.

The correlation between university fees and benefits is more hazy, especially since TCU does not cite specific uses for the revenue.

The notion that university fees should be a separate charge from tuition and then

be thrown into the same pot of money as tuition is misleading and unnecessary.

If TCU is looking to receive a certain amount of money, it should: 1) state specific things to be funded by the fees and plan budgets accordingly; or 2) increase tuition to make up for the university fee and avoid the false perception of keeping tuition low when the extra revenue needed to keep the university running is simply made up by charging fees.

At the very least, students should have a say (like they do at the University of Texas-Arlington) in how fee money is allocated. TCU should not try hiding normal university expenses behind the facade of student fee revenue.

**University fees should either be eliminated or defined.**

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## Eat strangely

### Salsa with cornflakes won't kill you in the long run

It's true. The evidence is all around us. Simple observation tells us that college students have the habit of eating some very odd things. "What odd things?" you may ask. "There's nothing strange about what I eat."

Well, allow me to let you in on a little secret. Nowhere outside the little bubble that shelters TCU from the outside world (and other little college campus bubbles sprinkled around the country) is it normal to dine at Whataburger every Thursday night at 3 a.m., consider cheese bread sticks their own food group or get 82 percent of your carbohydrates from fermented alcoholic beverages.

Some students are only able to sustain consciousness during class by consuming dangerously large quantities of caffeine. Others eat ranch dressing like it is the one true condiment of versatility, designed for use on everything from pizza crust to quesadillas.

And then there are those people whose entire lunch consists of nothing but a triple helping of mashed potatoes on a plate.

There are also students whose eating habits developed in a bizarre direction, opposite from the rest of us (read: super-healthy). They are the stick-like people who will never be seen buying more than a bottle of water, a banana and/or a bagel in The Main, and whose walk has begun to resemble that of a person perpetually attached to a Stairmaster.

So, we admit we sometimes put away some weird stuff. But is it really that life-threatening to adopt a "college diet" for just four or five years of our lives?

When I asked Anne Van Beber, a registered dietician and professor of nutrition and dietetics, if the unusual eating choices of some college students would affect their eating habits and health for the rest of their lives, she said this depends on a number of factors. Primarily, though, it is based on whether these odd eating habits reflect a pattern of poor nutrition choices.

"Short-term poor eating habits should not affect people's overall health for the rest of their lives," she said, "but those who consume diets too high in fat, calories and caffeine while in college are at a greater risk for developing later health complications than those who overemphasize low-fat, low-calorie foods in their diets."

Some of our food choices could develop into unhealthy eating habits we take with us when we leave col-

lege and could ultimately threaten our lives by increasing our risk for many chronic diseases, including heart disease and diabetes.

Others are just plain bizarre, but harmless in the long run. For instance, eating Kellogg's Corn Pops almost every night for dinner, as I did my freshman year, is probably not going to cause severe nutrient deficiencies for years to come, but regularly going to the drive-thru for dinner with no plan to ease up anytime in the next couple of years could have its consequences later in life.

(Note: My sophomore year I developed a strong aversion to Kellogg's Corn Pops and can no longer even smell them without feeling slightly nauseated and dizzy.)

So, continue pouring salsa on your cornflakes, sprinkling carrots on your frozen yogurt or brussels sprouts on your baked potato without worry. Just because you eat weirdly now does not mean you are developing poor eating habits that will compromise your health later on.

Part of the beauty of being in college is that we can (within reason) eat like crap for a few years of our lives with virtually no one to stop us.

With all the oddities of college life, our strange eating habits should be some of our securities, not our uncertainties.

*Rachael Smiley is a junior art history major from Tulsa, Okla.*

Commentary



RACHAEL SMILEY

## Restaurants should post health inspection records

Despite the endless jokes people make about the cleanliness of on-campus (and off-campus) cafeterias across the nation, one method that might convince some customers a restaurant is following health codes is the voluntary posting of health department inspection findings at places that serve food.

A local news program publicized the fact that it is not mandatory to post such information in Fort Worth, despite the fact that any consumer at the restaurant can see the latest inspection report on request.

I'd be willing to bet most people don't know that. I'd be even more willing to bet not too many are going to hold up progress at a restau-

rant by demanding to see the report. I can see the people waiting behind me and their "please leave if you don't trust this place because I'm hungry now" stares already.

I can't blame them, because at times, particularly when I'm at my favorite restaurants, I feel the same way.

So the posting of the reports seems to be the most efficient way to distribute the information to those who are interested. Heck, if a restaurant passed the inspection with flying colors, that might make someone reconsider a return visit when the meal they had wasn't exactly what they expected.

I know I'd feel a lot better knowing restaurant owners aren't afraid for people to know what the health department thought of them. It's a little scary to think about what those restaurants that don't post the reports are trying to hide from the public.

David Ripple, director of dining services, said none of the on-campus dining establishments

post their health department reports.

Ripple said the reason the reports aren't posted is that "it's not required — the school hasn't asked us to."

So why not do it anyway?

Ripple said "sometimes I've thought about putting them up because we do so well."

I'm a little bit encouraged that he says he has thought about posting these reports, but until they're posted, no student will eat on campus with easy access to exactly what the health department thinks about TCU's dining services.

If we want to complain about how scary we think it would be to eat meat prepared by Marriott, it would be a lot more fair if we had seen in a health department report that meat is being stored improperly.

Of course, who would expect customers to make the effort to find out if they are right when they assume a restaurant is unclean?

But not too many people will take the time to call David Ripple, ask him what the latest

inspection said and then determine if they should eat on campus.

That's why the inspections should be posted at every dining establishment the inspectors visit.

Just a short walk down University Drive, you can eat at a restaurant whose owner isn't afraid to post what the health department thinks of the state of his restaurant. Jons Grille posts its report right next to the menu.

Kind of makes you want to go chow down on some of his famous X-rated fries, doesn't it?

At least you can eat them pretty much assured that they were made under clean conditions.

This customer thinks that's a definite bonus, and remember, as the customer, I'm always right.

Now how about an order of X-rated fries?

*Skiff Editor in chief Kimberly Wilson is a senior news-editorial journalism major from San Antonio.*

Commentary



KIMBERLY WILSON

## UCRs give students breadth in their college education

TCU is an educational institution, but it is also a microcosm of society. People often say that you enter the "real world" only after you graduate. Well, I think college is real life with similar problems and similar opportunities.

In some respects, the opportunities are far greater at TCU because we may be forced into them. University Core Requirements are one such opportunity

that may benefit TCU students more than we ever realized.

I have heard many complaints about the extent of the class requirements, because many students are content to concentrate on their majors. That's understandable, but I think a liberal education is broader than what a specific major can give.

Opportunities arise that we may never have considered when we allow ourselves the chance to just accept those opportunities.

For example, I never would have taken an English class at TCU unless I was forced to. When I started college, all I wanted to do was get into as many business classes as possible. Now that I have written for the Skiff, the yearbook and have had one of my poems accepted for

publication, I am reassessing my decision to concentrate so heavily on business.

I enjoyed both of my core writing composition classes and am even taking two other English classes that I am not required to have to graduate. Without TCU's core requirements, my writing talent would never have developed.

Another core requirement I was forced to fulfill was that of fine arts. Anyone who knows me also knows that I have absolutely no musical or artistic talent whatsoever. I was dreading the class I chose, "Survey of Jazz," and wondered how I was ever going to pass it.

Somehow I managed, gaining a real appreciation for jazz along the way. A whole new world opened up to me because I accepted an opportunity, although I didn't consider it an opportu-

nity at the time.

I attended jazz concerts because they were required to pass the class. But even after the class, I continued to go to some of the jazz concerts on campus, and now I have a deeper understanding of the history and significance of jazz.

Study of the Bible is yet another of the classes I took solely to fulfill a UCR. I consider the class to have been a great opportunity for me — my spirituality was strengthened by the readings and class discussions.

I now understand more about myself and more about the Jewish faith and can better interact and participate in biblical discussions.

I consider it a great opportunity, and a great privilege, to attend a university that is concerned about the diversity of

knowledge its graduates gain. Broad knowledge is a requirement of a fully educated citizen who is ready to enter the "real world."

Sometimes it may seem that UCRs are pointless and get in the way of classes in your major, but a liberal education is about educating a person as a whole. Brown University does not even allow its students to declare majors, but instead they have concentrations so as to not limit their scope of knowledge to one specific area.

TCU should retain its core requirements to ensure the quality of its students and the knowledge base we take away with us.

*Paul Blatt is a junior accounting major from Lombard, Ill.*

## Ignorance will make you smarter

Hail to the information age — its data and truth surround us. We're all living in enlightened times, a neo-Renaissance if you will.

Information arrives on our doorstep (or at least in the bushes) every morning for those who take advantage of papers and journals. The best part is that all the stories and information are new — hence why they're called the news.

Commentary



MICHAEL KRUSE

Society's library of knowledge shows remarkable growth. Encyclopedias are revised annually, high school curriculums have changed since we were there last and still there seems to be no end to our discoveries.

Possibly a side effect of this information utopia is that everyone incorporates this newfound knowledge differently. People ignore what is of little interest to them and submerge themselves in topics close to their hearts.

What results is a breed of educated civilians who seemingly know it all. And if they don't, they dare you to prove them wrong.

Mark Twain once said something to the effect that it's better for everyone to think you're a clueless twit than to open your mouth and prove them right. This is one of my favorite quotes of all time (Yogi Berra aside), though anybody who knows me would probably argue otherwise. Which is my point.

It seems that as soon as people get to college, or maybe as early as puberty, every individual is expected to have an opinion on every issue that has ever graced this land.

People are pro-choice before they learn about abortion. They're anti-sex before they've laid eyes on that perfect angel. They're pro-Christ and damn all dissenters before they even come to know this Jesus fellow. And so on.

Now, there is absolutely nothing wrong in having faith, creed or opinions. These are the clues to a person's personality. The problem is that people often support an extreme, mentally embarking any rational discussion that could build on their beliefs while differing from their opinions.

In a given situation, there are two possibilities: A — it's going to rain, B — it's not; A — Democrat, B — Republican; A — KU Jayhawk fan, B — K-state Wildcat fool.

People hasten to arrive at one end or another. Maybe some time is taken before a conclusion is reached. But once people occupy a given mind frame, they're often unwilling or unable to think objectively.

We must realize that in any given situation, there can be moderate solutions, D and E, or completely other solutions, F and G, but there's always solution C, "I don't know."

This phrase scares people more than some of its frightful predecessors like "I'm a Commie" or "I voted for Nixon." A young man stammers and stutters less when he sighs, "I love you" to his first sweetheart than when he's forced to admit vacancy of reasoning. But why?

Ignorance is bliss in many situations because it gives a person the opportunity to learn. When you don't know all the facts, you don't have to make up your mind. When you don't make up your mind, you open it to an infinite range of lesson and opinion. Eventually, most people will learn to discriminate between them, but for now, an individual who aspires for enlightenment should absorb it all.

Everyone should go to college and walk away a little bit dumber. But this should be intentional, not inadvertent like at some colleges (UCLA among others). For the smarter we stand, the dumber we fall (when we prove ourselves wrong).

For a happy life, practice saying two sets of three little words: "I love you" and "I don't know." Often, they're intertwined.

For those of you who have humored me by reading this column, thanks for letting me feel not so smart. I'm a Horned Frog and I'm dumber than a cross-eyed dog. If you think I speak for the brain dead, you're absolutely right. They're some of the most enlightened people I know.

*Michael Kruse is a junior advertising/public relations major from Overland Park, Kan.*



Eric Wood, a junior finance major, reviews a case containing faculty research items at the library Tuesday.

## Exhibit displays faculty's work

Books, articles show the publication aspect of professors' jobs

By Reagan Duplisea  
SKIFF STAFF

Students do not often realize their professors have lives outside the classroom, but the new exhibit of faculty publications at the Mary Coats Burnett Library shows another side to the people who stand in front of classrooms every day.

One hundred hard- and soft-cover books fill display cases and 98 journal articles line the wall of the library foyer.

Hugh Macdonald, coordinator for public services and chairman of the exhibit and art committee at the library, said many faculty members responded to letters that were sent out in early December asking for publications from the last three years.

"We were pleased with the number of participants," Macdonald said. "If we'd had any more, we wouldn't be able to exhibit them all."

Macdonald said this exhibit, which represents 87 faculty authors, is the first of its kind at TCU.

Mark Thistlethwaite, professor of art history, has his book "Rothermel" in the exhibit.

Thistlethwaite said the book, which covers the life of 19th century Philadelphia artist Peter Rothermel, accompanied an exhibit of the artist's works which he organized in Pennsylvania.

"Rothermel's works are not well-known now, but they were well-known at the time," Thistlethwaite said. "He didn't paint modern art subjects of the 20th century."

For his contributions to the book "Roman Rhetoric," English professor Robert Enos traveled to Greek archaeological sites for research.

"I studied at the American School of Classical Studies at Athens for a summer, and my wife and I did field work there," he said.

Enos said his contributions concern the influence Greek thought had on Roman literature and how the original Olympics included literary and theatrical competitions as opposed to strictly athletic events.

Barbara Standlee, administrative assistant at the library, said she sees the exhibit as one of importance to students.

"The sheer magnitude of the articles on the wall is a message to stu-

dents," Standlee said. "As an undergraduate, I was never aware of the faculty's need to publish. It's just a continuing part of their careers."

"It's stimulating to break ground and do something new and earn the respect of your colleagues," she said.

Enos said the exhibit "showcases the depth and breadth" of what teachers are doing.

"People who are engaged in their work carry that into the classroom," Enos said.

Michael Meckna, an assistant professor of music whose two articles and book, "20th Century Brass Soloists," are displayed, said the exhibit shows TCU what kind of work is going on beyond the classrooms.

"The exhibit is important in inspiring other faculty members and students as well," Meckna said. "It shows the importance of publication in academic life."

Macdonald said he doubts the faculty exhibit will become an annual event, but he would like to see it put on every two or three years.

The exhibit began Feb. 23 and will run through the end of March.

## College News Digest

### House committee rekindles investigation of Cornell prof

ITHACA, N.Y. — Almost two years after Cornell University administrators closed the books on the case, the U.S. House of Representatives has initiated an investigation into accusations of academic misconduct brought by Antonia Demas against David Levitsky, professor of nutrition.

While the university concluded in an October 1996 report that Levitsky did not commit academic misconduct, three senior professors continue to stand behind Demas' claims of plagiarism, lying and harassment. Demas said her lawyer plans to file suit against Cornell within the next month.

Representative George Brown, D-Calif., a ranking minority member of the House Science Committee, is leading the nationwide investigation, which is searching for patterns of misconduct in several universities.

Stein refused to comment on the specifics of the case. Demas' 23 allegations against Levitsky, outlined in a March 1996 "Letter of Particulars" to Peter C. Stein, dean of faculty, include charges of failing to give proper credit in a variety of instances, lying about the role she would play in a study on low-fat foods and harassing her with calls and e-mails.

—Cornell Daily Sun  
Cornell University

### California boys suspected of hacking into MIT computers

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Two teenage boys are suspected of having illegally broken into the computer system at Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Plasma Fusion Center.

The boys are members of a group of hackers in northern California which is believed to have broken into four Navy and seven Air Force systems, as well as dozens of less sensitive facilities.

Although the computers contained only unclassified

information, the mass violations have raised concerns about the possibility of electronic sabotage as terrorism.

In addition to the 11 military systems, several federal laboratories, including facilities performing nuclear weapons research, were compromised. Several universities besides MIT, including the University of California, Berkeley, were also invaded by the group.

On Wednesday, FBI agents seized computers, software, printers, and other equipment from the boys' homes, located north of San Francisco. However, none of the teens has been arrested. The FBI has not released any of the boys' names.

—The Tech  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### Alabama student charged with rape, sodomy and robbery

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Police arrested a University of Alabama-Birmingham student Feb. 25 in connection with two recent rapes.

The suspect, Kenneth Ray Morrow Jr., was arrested in his dormitory. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Birmingham Police and UAB Police, armed with a search warrant, were searching Morrow's room when he returned, apparently from shopping.

The investigators found items belonging to some of the rape victims and a pair of handcuffs in the suspect's room. Jefferson County Sheriff Jim Woodward said Morrow was arrested in connection with the two rapes, and could possibly be linked to others.

Morrow was charged with one count of rape, sodomy and robbery in Shelby County in connection with a rape occurring at an apartment complex off of U.S. 280 on Feb. 13.

Morrow also was charged with one count of rape in Jefferson County, connected to a Center Point, Calif., rape occurring Jan. 31.

—Kaleidoscope  
University of Alabama-Birmingham

## BILINGUAL

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bilingual education is to ignore reality."

Luther Clegg, chairman of curriculum and instruction in the education department, said getting the proposal endorsed is a yearlong process.

The department just implemented an English as a Second Language program this year.

Silva said the current ESL class requirements would be incorporated into the bilingual program, which would require students to be fluent in Spanish.

Lisa Galvan, a graduate student pursuing a master's degree in elementary education and certification, said the idea of a bilingual program at TCU doesn't seem practical because of the lack of racial diversity.

"There are so few people who care about children's education, let alone hispanic education," Galvan said. "Being Hispanic, my little internal goals are to work with Hispanic children."

Nikki Monkman, a junior english major and education minor, said a

program of this nature would be a positive addition to the department because of the growth of Spanish-speaking students and schools.

"(The program) wouldn't interest me, but I know that it would be beneficial for students who want to teach in Spanish-speaking environments," she said.

Silva said the program will prepare students for a different educational structure.

"Teachers that are sought after are those that have a second language (bilingual background)," she said.

## MASCOT

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United States, he said.

Now, the lizard, which is protected by the state government, can only be found in west Texas and as far north as California and Utah, Hammack said. The creatures are also common in Mexico.

The decline in the horned lizard's population has been because of increased commercial development and hungry fire ants, said Gary Ferguson, a TCU professor of biology.

Ferguson said the fire ants will eat anything up to the size of a horned lizard, including its eggs.

Ben Proctor, a professor of history for 41 years, said the horned lizard is a strong creature, despite its decline in numbers.

"They had long lives and staying

power," Proctor said. "They were quite common at one time."

Allison Holt, director of admissions marketing, said TCU has taken advantage of the uniqueness of its horned mascot.

"It's an advantage having an unusual mascot," she said. "It adds a historical perspective to the school and shows how old and well-established it is."

Holt said when the Amon Carter Stadium was built in 1929, thousands of horned lizards were discovered on the property.

In 1984, TCU received its first statue of the horned lizard on the then-barren campus grounds.

Seppo Aarnos of Libertyville, Ill., donated a TCU horned frog statue made of steel, copper and

other alloys to the university. The statue was dedicated to Aarnos' two daughters, Reva and Lonna Aarnos, both former TCU students.

Chancellor William E. Tucker said Aarnos' 1984 donation has been significant in carrying on the TCU tradition.

"Mr. Aarnos did a great service to TCU," Tucker said. "I was very pleased with his intention and delighted with the outcome because the horned frog sculpture has become a part of a living tradition at TCU."

One year later, Aarnos honored Tucker with a small bronze replica of the horned frog statue. The replica still sits on Tucker's desk today.

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# Choreographer develops dancers' talent

## Bujones' life filled with worldwide ballet honors

By Selena Hernandez  
STAFF REPORTER

In a small TCU dance studio, a jam box blares the brassy sounds of the big bands.

All eyes in the room seem to be fixated on one dancer who stands center stage, meticulously creating the perfect choreography to capture the jazzy mood.

Fernando Bujones, an internationally renowned ballet performer, has become TCU's first choreographer-in-residence — a position created specifically for him.

Bujones, 43, said his mother was a dance instructor and enrolled him in her class as a means to improve his poor appetite.

"I started studying dance because I enjoyed the movement and my appetite got better," he said.

Bujones' appetite grew both physically and professionally.

Since then, he has traveled throughout the world with various ballet companies performing classical, neoclassical and contemporary repertoires. He's performed at the White House and for the late Princess Diana.

Bujones said he has enjoyed working with different companies and has fond memories from his travels.

"When you work with different human beings and their emotions and their technical and artistic levels, it's always fascinating experience," he said.

Bujones said the high point of his career was in 1974 when he received the gold medal in the senior dance category at the Varna Dance Competition in Varna,

Bulgaria.

At the time, he was 19.

"It didn't hit me perhaps as strong at that moment because I was involved in the whole euphoria, but years later it's like a bottle of wine — it has more weight and more weight, and the feeling is just sensational," he said.

Bujones said after that performance, he wanted to perform with the same degree of energy throughout his career.

"It was a pleasurable pressure that I put on myself because I wanted to be the best and maintain the level of that gold medal all the time in my dance," he said.

Although Bujones' portfolio is chalked full of lead performances and worldwide recognition, his private life has had a dance influence as well — he has been married seven years to Maria, a native from Peru. She met Bujones while she was dancing with a company in Germany.

Bujones came to work with the company on its production of "Sleeping Beauty." The two met, fell in love, and, after a year of long distance conversations, they married.

"I always tell my friends I met my prince in 'Sleeping Beauty,'" she said.

In a sense, it was a fairy tale

story for Maria, she said. She had grown up watching Bujones' instructional video tapes since she was 12 years old. She said she would tell her friends she would marry him some day, and she did.

She said she respects Bujones, not only for his talent, but for his mind and heart as well.

"I admire him for the person he is," she said. "He has the blood of a Latin American — warm and passionate — and he has the mind of an Anglo-Saxon — organized."

Aside from being the choreographer and director for the

Ballet of Monterrey in Mexico and directing the Florida Classical Ballet in Miami, Bujones spends two weeks, twice a year, at TCU where he choreographs pieces for the company.

This semester, Bujones choreographed "Forever '40s," a piece that incorporated ballet and modern dance. His piece was one of the five numbers featured in last weekend's program, "Forward to the Past: The Forties."

Bujones said he enjoys working with the students.

"I've learned that these dancers are here from the heart," he said.

Angela McCord, a senior ballet major and a principal dancer in Bujones' piece, said working with Bujones has been both challenging

and rewarding. She said some rehearsals would last about eight hours a day.

"He knows what he wants and he's here to get it," McCord said.

She said although the dancers might feel overwhelmed by Bujones' rigorous schedule, the memory of working with him and the experience of being taught by him will last forever.

Bujones said he knows that each student possesses a unique talent and everyone has different strengths and weaknesses. He said he doesn't like to show a dancer's limitations.

"The music is the language we use to create our movements and the dancers are the instruments," he said. "I place my dancers, and my ideas, second."

Ellen Garrison, chairwoman of the ballet department at TCU, said it has been a wonderful experience having Bujones in the department.

"He makes you feel comfortable," Garrison said. "He inspires and reaffirms the ideas of artistic and personal integrity."

Kevin Freeman, a graduate ballet student, said Bujones has given him a new sense of artistic style.

"He's concerned with the audience more than he is with the technicality and dance," Freeman said.

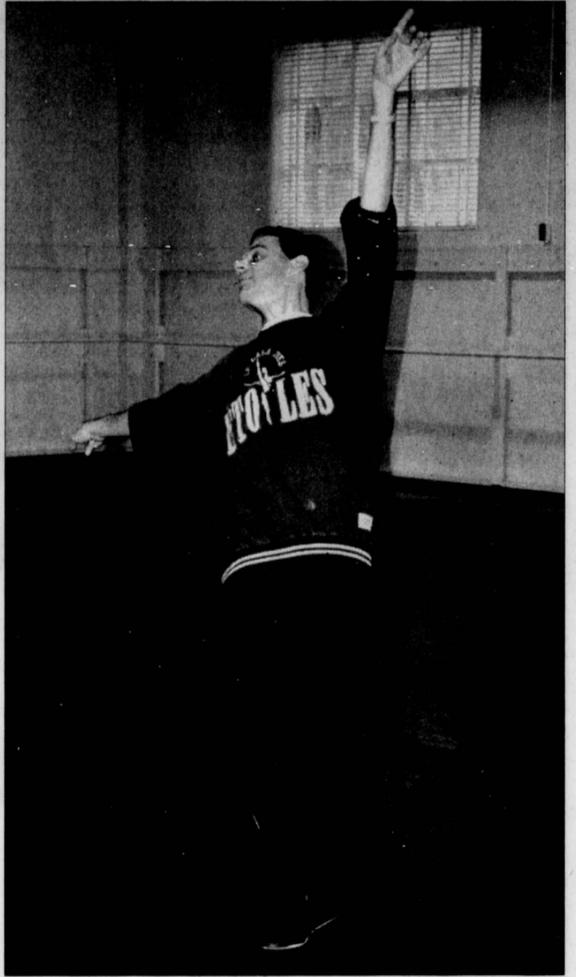
Bujones said he has enjoyed working with the students, which has been beneficial for both sides.

He said his career has opened him up to the world and has brought him great satisfaction.

"Dance has been such a large part of my life. It hasn't been everything, but it's been a tremendous part of my life, and yet, it's never limited me," he said.

"He makes you feel comfortable. He inspires and reaffirms the ideas of artistic and personal integrity."

— Ellen Garrison  
chairman,  
ballet department



Fernando Bujones, TCU's choreographer-in-residence, practices in the Ballet Building during a January trip to campus.

## World Report

### Nation

#### Snowboarders' hearing on pot charges postponed

MINDEN, Nev. — Two international snowboarders jailed on marijuana charges were released Wednesday, but must return to court next month to face charges that could end their careers.

Michael Kildevaeld, 31, and Frederic Brett Tippie, 29, wearing leg and wrist shackles, were released on their own recognizance after their lawyers argued they hadn't had time to read the arrest files.

The judge rescheduled their hearing for April 8. Kildevaeld and Tippie signed a waiver agreeing not to fight extradition to Nevada if they fail to appear in court.

"I'll be back," Tippie told the judge.

Kildevaeld, a member of Denmark's Olympic snowboarding team, and fellow boarder Frederic Brett Tippie of Canada were arrested Feb. 28 after a sheriff's deputy stopped their car for traveling 83 mph in a 55 mph speed zone.

A drug-sniffing dog found about two grams of suspected marijuana and a pipe inside the vehicle.

Both men were charged with felony possession of a controlled substance and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia.

Outside the courtroom, their lawyers said that a conviction could effectively kill the pair's snowboarding careers.

"The stakes are very high for two grams of marijuana," Scott Freeman, Kildevaeld's attorney, said. "They're very much worried about their careers being destroyed. If they're convicted of a felony, they become felons and their careers are over."

### State

#### Death row inmate receives stay of execution

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — Condemned killer David Allen Castillo received a reprieve late Wednesday, the day before he was set to die for the 1983 stabbing death of a Rio Grande Valley liquor store employee.

The 33-year-old Texas death row inmate was to receive lethal injection Thursday. But late Wednesday, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans halted the execution and gave the inmate 10 days to explain his case.

The Texas attorney general will have seven days to respond and then Castillo will be given three days to reply.

Castillo was convicted in the July-14, 1983, stabbing death of Clarence Champion, a cashier at the Party House Liquor Store in Mercedes. Castillo confronted Champion and demanded the store's cash. When Champion resisted, Castillo attacked him with a knife.

In a dissenting opinion by Circuit Judge Jerry E. Smith, it was noted that

Castillo's appeal was a last-minute effort.

"The motion for stay of execution was not filed until March 2 — only three days before the scheduled execution," Smith said.

When Castillo's attorney, Jeffrey Pokorak was pressed by the court on why the stay request was so tardy, the St. Mary's University School of Law professor reportedly replied "that he was 'up for tenure' this year at the law school and has been busy with that process," Smith said.

"That is a lame excuse for neglecting Castillo, who is scheduled to die in two days," the judge said.

#### Murder suspects 'in the mood to kill'

ARLINGTON — A mentally impaired woman was kidnapped, shot at with a bow and arrow and pellet guns and eventually murdered because her attackers "were in the mood to kill someone," according to a police affidavit released Wednesday.

Michael Hall, 18, and Robert Neville Jr., 23, were arrested Tuesday in the death of 19-year-old Amy Robinson.

Police nabbed them during a customs check at the Mexican border near Eagle Pass. They later told police where to find Robinson's body, in a field near a broadcast tower in Fort Worth.

The woman had been missing for two weeks.

Allegations in an affidavit released by police Wednesday were based largely on a statement from Hall's stepbrother, Alleron Gray, who said Hall admitted to the murder before he fled town.

According to the statement, Hall told his stepbrother he and Neville saw the victim riding her bicycle to work on Feb. 15 and offered her a lift.

They put her bicycle in the trunk of Neville's car and drove her to a remote location. There, according to the affidavit, Neville tried to shoot the woman with a bow and arrow but missed.

Hall then shot Robinson with a pellet gun as she tried to run away. Both attackers then shot her with pellet guns, according to the stepbrother's statement.

Neville shot the woman to death, possibly with a .22-caliber pistol, after Hall noticed she was choking on her own blood, the affidavit says.

"Alleron said he asked Michael why they had done this and he said Michael told him he and Neville were just in the mood to kill someone," according to the affidavit.

Robinson's bicycle was found near her body.

The men, both of whom had worked with the victim at a Kroger grocery store, were held Wednesday in the Maverick County Jail Wednesday night on \$500,000 bail each.

Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson said it's unknown when they'll be returned to North Texas to face the charges.

Members of Robinson's family said they want prosecutors to seek the death penalty for Hall and Neville, who is a registered sex offender and has a 1994 burglary conviction.

## Panel warns about perils of terrorism

By Tom Raam  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — While last month's anthrax scare in Las Vegas turned out to be harmless, Americans could face real danger from biological or chemical terrorism, a panel of specialists told a Senate hearing Wednesday.

"The current confrontation with Iraq highlights the potential significance of state support for biological terrorism," said W. Seth Carus, a visiting professor at the government-funded National Defense University. He suggested it was "certainly possible" that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might try to orchestrate a terrorist attack within the United States if provoked by U.S. air strikes.

Even more troubling: recent reports of a Russian-made form of a deadly anthrax bacteria said to be resistant to penicillin and all other current vaccines.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., has raised the possibility that individual Russian biologists might illicitly sell samples of their work to rogue nations like Iraq.

But the witnesses, all specialists in biological weapons, urged against panic. They said programs are progressing in U.S. cities to combat such threats of at-home terrorism. They also asserted that the dangers are sometimes overstated.

Col. David Franz, deputy commander of the Army's Medical Research and Materiel Command, suggested that a biological attack in an American city would be difficult to pull off effectively — short of a "very technically competent, well-funded terrorist program."

"There are a lot of hoaxes and lesser threats," he said, urging that public officials "turn down" the volume in talking about the risks.

Franz told the hearing, convened jointly by the Senate Judiciary and Intelligence committees, that some of the most lethal biological substances — such as anthrax, botulinum toxin or Ebola virus — are only deadly if made airborne and inhaled.

Senators stirred uncomfortably when Franz raised the what-if notion that one of those toxins was discovered spilled on the floor under their feet.

"Clean it up with disinfectant and go about our business," he testified.

The third witness before the panel, Dr. Stephen M. Ostroff, an associate director at the National Center for Infectious Diseases, said shipments of potentially hazardous biological materials are coming under increasingly tough scrutiny and regulation.

"Addressing the threat of bioterrorism requires an unprecedented level of cooperation and partnership" among government agencies, he said.

Lugar said that under a 1996 law he helped write, preparedness programs have been started in 27 of 120 scheduled cities. The programs are federal-state-city efforts to coordinate the response to any chemical, biological and nuclear incident.

The hearing was called after two men were arrested in Las Vegas on Feb. 18. An FBI informant said they claimed to have deadly anthrax in their possession. Charges were dismissed against the two after tests showed the material was a harmless anthrax veterinary vaccine.

## Senate continues inquiry into Microsoft's business dealings

By Rob Wells  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A Senate probe of Microsoft Corp. is expected to intensify as investigators attempt to question Microsoft customers about the company's business practices.

Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said Tuesday his panel was trying to negotiate waivers to Microsoft's "nondisclosure agreements" that forbid businesses that license Microsoft software from discussing those agreements with outsiders.

Hatch told Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates that he wanted an agreement that "would not bar Microsoft licensees from cooperating with the committee."

Gates didn't comment on the issue, but a Microsoft spokesman said the company would cooperate.

"We're eager to share information

with the committee but need assurances that our trade secrets and confidential information will be protected," said Microsoft spokesman Tom Pilla.

Hatch and other committee members clearly were in a mood to further investigate Microsoft after more than four hours of a hearing that aired many allegations against the giant computer software company. The hearing was called to examine competition in the software market but wound up focusing on Microsoft.

Gates was pressed repeatedly to make his case that Microsoft wasn't a monopoly out to crush rivals in the Internet software market.

The exploding software industry was "an open economic opportunity for any entrepreneur in America," he said.

But the man sitting next to Gates at the witness table, Scott McNealy, chief executive of rival Sun Microsystems Inc.,

wasn't convinced.

"Sometimes I wonder why you would go up against the most dangerous and powerful industrialist of our age," McNealy said. "It's a very lonely seat here."

McNealy described an industry in which software developers can be fearful of criticizing Microsoft.

"How do you go and complain about your key supplier in a public manner?" McNealy asked. "It's very, very difficult to get people to go on record."

Gates asserted that lower prices and vastly improved features in computer software were evidence of an open and thriving market, not one beset by a monopoly. Government control, which some have proposed, would only restrict innovation, he said.

"Anybody who is doing great products in this business can do very, very well,"

Gates said.

Hatch quickly replied: "Well, Mr. Gates, not if there's predatory pricing. And not if there is improper, monopolistic control..."

"I point it out because, it isn't just the business of selling software. It's the business of selling it fairly," the senator said.

The appearance of Gates, one of the world's richest men, packed the hearing room. Long lines of spectators stretched outside through much of the proceedings.

The hearing came as Microsoft continues to fight a Justice Department lawsuit alleging it violated a 1995 court order designed to prevent anti-competitive conduct. Justice lawyers argue Microsoft was leveraging its dominance in Windows software — installed on about 90 percent of personal computers — to gain market

share in the market of Internet browsers, which navigate around the World Wide Web.

In January, Microsoft avoided a contempt-of-court citation by agreeing to let computer makers temporarily offer its latest version of Windows 95 without easy access to its Internet Explorer software. The company has appealed a December federal court order on the browser issue.

Hatch repeatedly questioned Gates about allegations the software maker restricted Internet businesses from promoting products of rival Netscape.

"You've been somewhat hard to nail down on a very specific question," Hatch said near the end of the hearing. "Do you put any limitation on content providers that limit them... for advertising or promoting Netscape?"

Gates replied: "Every Internet content

provider that has a business relationship with Microsoft is free to develop content that uses competitors' platforms and standards."

Hatch persisted, saying Gates wasn't responding to the question. At one point, Hatch grew visibly exasperated with the Microsoft executive's responses. "It's a very simple question," the senator said.

Gates described limited instances in which Microsoft has not allowed Internet businesses to promote Netscape on one part of their Web site. That's when a computer user reaches Web pages through the "channel guide" on Microsoft's Internet Explorer. The channel guide is a feature of preloaded Internet addresses that seeks to simplify navigating the Internet.

Gates replied that Microsoft doesn't have competitive products on pages are linked through the channel guide.

## Basketball season highlighted Frogs start championships with best record in WAC

By Wendy Bogema  
SPORTS EDITOR

When the men's basketball team takes on Southern Methodist this afternoon, they begin the Western Athletic Conference Championships with a No. 1 seed and the best record in the conference.

They also enter the tournament as the first team in WAC history to go undefeated in conference play. There were high expectations for this team entering Pacific Division play, and while there were some scares along the way, the Frogs proved they can win games even when they don't play to the best of their ability.

The Frogs began division play Jan. 8 against Fresno State at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum and the Frogs defeated them 91-76.

After struggling in the first half, the Frogs opened the second half with six consecutive three pointers, including four by senior guard Malcolm Johnson, who had a career-high 38 points.

Two days later, another California team, the San Jose State Spartans, came to Fort Worth and were beaten by the Frogs 104-65.

The Frogs only led 44-41 at half-time, but came out and scored 60 in the second half behind junior center Lee Nailon who finished the night with 41 points.

TCU had its first WAC road trip the following weekend beginning with a Saturday night game against San Diego State. The Frogs played without the services of Nailon who was sitting out a one-game suspension, but Johnson picked up the slack and

led the team with 31 points. The Frogs defeated the Aztecs 105-61 and scored 59 points in the second half, only two shy of San Diego State's total for the game.

The next Monday TCU flew across the Pacific to face the then No. 24 University of Hawai'i team, who is nearly impossible to beat at home. The Frogs did just that, however, again behind the solid play of Johnson who led the team with 22 points. They defeated the Rainbows 83-76 in front of a national television audience.

The Frogs again played on national television the next Monday at SMU in Dallas, where they defeated the Mustangs 100-82.

Nailon led the team in both scoring and rebounding with 26 points and 11 boards.

The Frogs returned home the next Thursday to face the Rice Owls, whom they defeated 97-67. Nailon led all scorers with 27, but the play of Jones was the real story.

The Owls held Jones to four points in the first half, but he found his touch in the second to finish with 22 points for the game.

In only their second overtime game of the season, the Frogs narrowly defeated Tulsa 102-100 on Feb. 2 in Fort Worth.

Jones led all scorers with 34, but it was freshman guard Ryan Carroll who won the game. With the score tied 100-100 in the final few seconds of overtime, Fowler in-bounded the ball from the baseline opposite his teammates. The ball sailed through the air and was tipped by Tulsa sophomore Eric Coley into the waiting hands of Carroll who put up an easy layup for the win.

The Frogs earned an Associated Press No. 26 ranking with these wins and made another road trip to California to begin the second round of division play. They defeated Fresno State 99-91 on Feb. 5.

Senior forward James Penny came off the bench to lead the Frogs in scoring with 28.

Next, the Frogs crushed San Jose State 119-84 behind Nailon's 44 points. These two wins improved the Frogs ranking to No. 22.

TCU returned home the following Thursday to face Hawai'i in front of

a near-sellout crowd. They won 126-84 and Nailon scored over 40 points for the second game in a row, leading the team with 46.

The Frogs played one of their worst offensive games of the season the next Saturday night, but managed to defeat San Diego State 91-69 due to good defensive play. Nailon scored a career-low five points in the game and it was Johnson who led the team in scoring with 22.

TCU moved up to No. 19 in the AP poll following these two wins and clinched the Pacific Division title the next Monday with a 79-70 victory over SMU.

Once again the Frogs didn't play their best game, but strong play from Jones and Johnson, who finished with 24 and 21 points respectively, gave them the win.

For their last two regular season games, the Frogs again took to the road, this time with a No. 15 ranking. They first faced Tulsa and, despite having their worst offensive outing for the season, came away with a 57-54 victory.

The Frogs were down by one with 15 seconds left when Nailon made a shot that put them up by one. Tulsa had an opportunity to score, but Nailon stole the ball and was fouled. He made both of his free throws and put the game out of Tulsa's reach.

In their final regular season game, the Frogs crushed Rice 86-73 last Saturday in Houston to end their historic run with a perfect conference record and, with their current 15-game win streak, set the school record for consecutive wins.



Prince Fowler  
all-defensive team



Malcolm Johnson  
all-WAC first team



Mike Jones  
all-WAC first team



Billy Tubbs  
Pacific Division  
Coach of the Year

The men's basketball team made WAC history and set several school and WAC records on their way to the WAC Championship tournament. The team dominated postseason awards with junior center Lee Nailon (shown right) leading the way. He was named the WAC Pacific Division Player of the Year and was also named to the all-WAC first team and all-newcomer team.

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## Road to the WAC Championships

**Jan. 8**  
TCU 91,  
Fresno State 76

High scorer:  
Malcolm Johnson with 38.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 15.

**Jan. 10**  
TCU 104,  
San Jose State 65

High scorer:  
Lee Nailon with 41.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 15

**Jan. 17**  
TCU 105,  
San Diego State 61

High scorer:  
Malcolm Johnson with 31.  
High rebounder:  
James Penny with 8.

**Jan. 19**  
TCU 83,  
(then No. 24) Hawai'i 76

High scorer:  
Malcolm Johnson with 22.  
High rebounder:  
Lee Nailon with 11.

**Jan. 26**  
TCU 100,  
SMU 82

High scorer:  
Lee Nailon with 26.  
High rebounder:  
Lee Nailon with 10

**Jan. 29**  
TCU 97,  
Rice 67

High scorer:  
Lee Nailon with 27.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 10

**Feb. 2**  
TCU 102,  
Tulsa 100

High scorer:  
Mike Jones with 34.  
High rebounder:  
Lee Nailon with 10.

**Feb. 5**  
No. 26 TCU 99,  
Fresno State 91

High scorer:  
James Penny with 28.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 16.

**Feb. 7**  
No. 26 TCU 119,  
San Jose State 84

High scorer:  
Lee Nailon with 44.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 15.

**Feb. 12**  
No. 22 TCU 126,  
Hawai'i 84

High scorer:  
Lee Nailon with 46.  
High rebounder:  
Lee Nailon with 16.

**Feb. 14**  
No. 22 TCU 91,  
San Diego State 69

High scorer:  
Malcolm Johnson with 22.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 14

**Feb. 16**  
No. 19 TCU 79,  
SMU 70

High scorer:  
Mike Jones with 24.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 13

**Feb. 26**  
No. 15 TCU 57,  
Tulsa 54

High scorer:  
Malcolm Johnson with 19.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 14.

**Feb. 28**  
No. 15 TCU 86,  
Rice 73

High scorer:  
Lee Nailon with 25.  
High rebounder:  
Dennis Davis with 9.

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No. 13 TCU vs. SMU

WAC Tournament Quarterfinal  
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## Skiff prediction

About TCU... The Frogs enter the quarterfinals of the WAC Tournament on a serious roll. TCU matches up with a familiar opponent and one they dominated twice in the regular season. For TCU the game plan rarely changes... get the ball inside to Nailon as often as possible and then look for quick outside shots if he is unable to get a good look at the hoop. TCU must stop the guard tandem of Stephen Woods and Jeryl Sasser and watch the inside play of Jay Poerner.

About SMU... The Mustangs defeated Colorado State in the opening round of the WAC Tournament for the second consecutive year. SMU is 18-9 but nearly blew a 25-point lead to the Rams on Tuesday. SMU has to have production from Sasser and Woods and needs to double-team Nailon. The key stat for the Mustangs could be rebounding, a category that TCU owned the past two meetings.

Prediction... TCU has the tough task of beating a team three times in a year. SMU keeps hearing about the future and next year's recruiting class, but the Mustangs want to focus on the here and now. TCU's goal is an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. TCU has too many weapons for the Mustangs and the Frogs move on to the semifinals.

## Cards, basketball can be similar

The chimes of the slot machines, the shouts of joy after the perfect roll in craps and the "oohs" and "ahs" when the dealer gets blackjack and takes everybody's money — these are the sights and sounds of a Las Vegas casino.

The 1998 WAC Tournament is a lot like the glitter and lights of a casino in the city that really never sleeps. You have your winners and losers, but you also have your favorites and underdogs.

In the casino, the favorite is the dealer and the underdog is the player. However, the player can put himself or herself into a better position to win by gaining a little knowledge about a specific game from a coach.

The WAC Tournament has seeds that help determine which teams are the favorites and underdogs. That doesn't mean the favorites always win. The players can also increase their chances of victory with the help of a coach.

My casino coach was Mary Ann Sena-Edelen, a former dealer who now teaches newcomers how to play various casino games for free at the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino.

Monday's lesson was blackjack. "The biggest mistake that people make in coming to Las Vegas is not knowing basic strategy," said Sena-Edelen. "If you don't know how to play well, then you won't win any money."

That is certainly the bottom line. For TCU and most of the teams that received a bye, winning the WAC Tournament is the only reward in Las Vegas. These teams know basic strategy and always put themselves in a position to win.

Two things caught my eye about Las Vegas. You never see any clocks unless you wear a watch and there aren't any windows in the casinos.

"People judge their day based on the schedules they have while they are at home," Sena-Edelen said. "At anytime, anywhere we (the casinos) want you to play. If you know what time it is or can see that it is dark, you might stop and eat or go to bed."

There is definitely no clock anywhere in sight while TCU is on the court. The shot clock may be on, but do the Frogs ever pay attention?

Every casino in Vegas changes card decks at least once every eight hours. Think of it as a substitution. The cards get tired and worn out just like the athletes on the basketball court.

The players compete on a court. The cards go into a "shoe" and are handed out on a table.

"What's the object of '21'?" asked

the casino coach to her class on Monday. "To get to '21'" replied a reluctant student. "No, the object of blackjack is to beat the dealer," said Sena-Edelen.

That is the object of basketball as well. We at TCU forget that the object isn't to score 100 points, but to win the game.

Already in this tournament we have seen an overtime game. You can't tie in NCAA basketball, but you can on the blackjack table — it's called a "push."

"You see those lights up on the ceiling?" asked Sena-Edelen. "Those aren't lights at all, they are cameras and someone is always watching the money, cards and players."

Interesting. Basketball does that too. Either television or video is always present during a game so coaches can scout opponents and review tape on their own team's performance.

Blackjack and basketball. Two games that are more similar than you might think. The goals of both games have stayed the same throughout their existence. Beat the competition. It doesn't matter how it looks, just win.

Maybe TCU can leave Las Vegas on Sunday morning with a Jack on top and an Ace in the hole. Blackjack. The payoff: an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament and a No. 4 seed.

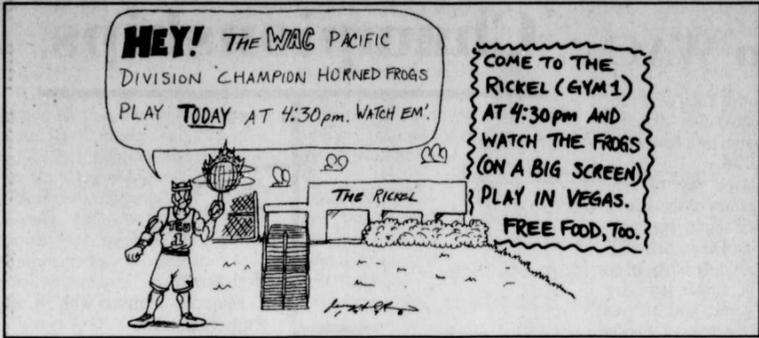
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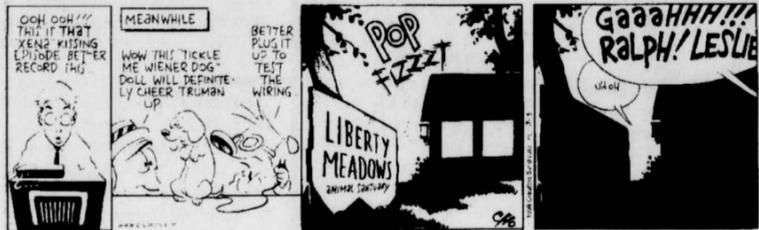
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24 In profusion  
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46 Booster rocket  
47 Post-workout woes

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44 Ballet bend  
45 "Paint Your"  
46 Booster rocket  
47 Post-workout woes

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