

Campus

Bob Hubbard to talk about communication

If men and women are from different planets, then TCU students can learn about one another in "The Secret Language of Men" at 7 p.m. tonight in the Student Center Ballroom.

The Kappa Alpha Theta sorority is sponsoring Bob Hubbard, who will speak on communication between the sexes and the thoughts of men and women in relationships.

The event is free and open to the public.

Meal card donations part of Hunger Week

Hunger Week activities for today include meal card donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center and Worth Hills Cafeteria. Meal card donations will be at the same time on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Hunger Banquet, featuring Andrew Fort, a professor of religion, as keynote speaker, will be held at 6 p.m. in the Reed Hall Faculty Center. Fort will speak on the myths and facts about world hunger.

On Wednesday and Thursday, Hunger Auction Display items will be in the Student Center Lounge starting at noon. Hunger Week Chapel will also begin at noon Wednesday in Robert Carr Chapel.

Kappa Alpha Theta will sponsor a service outing at 4 p.m. later that day. They will meet in front of the Student Center.

Another service outing will be sponsored by Uniting Campus Ministries at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in front of the Student Center. That evening at 7 p.m. in the Student Center, Fort will speak again.

To end Hunger Week activities, the Hunger Auction will start in the Student Center Lounge at noon Friday. Students and faculty are welcomed to donate items as well as participate in the auction.

Colleges

Kentucky students killed in accident

LEXINGTON, Ky. (UPI) — A University of Kentucky football player and another UK student were killed in an auto accident early Sunday morning about 10 miles north of Somerset, Ky.

Senior starting center Jason Watts was driving his 1985 Chevrolet pickup southbound on U.S. 27 when his tires dropped off the side of the road. Watts overcorrected and lost control of the vehicle, sending it back across the roadway, flipping and then resting on its top, according to a report from the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office.

Watts, red-shirt freshman Artie Steinmetz, 19, of Edgewood, Ky., and UK student Christopher Scott Brock, 21, of Hyden, Ky., were all thrown from the vehicle. Both Steinmetz and Brock were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident by the Pulaski County coroner's office. None was wearing his seat belt.

UK Athletics Director C.M. Newton said Watts suffered a severe cut on the arm that covered most of his forearm and will have surgery this morning to begin cleaning the wound and repair damage to the arm.

At a news conference Sunday night, Newton said the situation has been difficult for the families and coaches.

"This is a really difficult time for the three families, the Steinmetzes, Brockses and Wattses," a teary-eyed Newton said. "All of our thoughts and prayers are with them. This is a very trying time for the University of Kentucky football and athletic families. It puts bowl games, winning seasons, and big games with arch rivals in a whole different perspective."

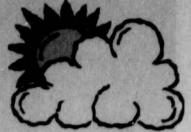
— Karen Gandy
University of Kentucky

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Frogs renew hopes of winning season.

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Candidates given forum for voice

◆ Hopeful officers field questions, prepare for today's SGA elections.

By Joaquin Herrera
STAFF REPORTER

House vice presidential candidates addressed issues such as communication and diversity during their debate Monday in the Student Center Lounge.

All five candidates — Sarah Burleson, Jason Cordova, Jared Pope, Thomas Tucker and Ben Wilkinson — answered questions from a six-person panel and then from the audience.

The questions addressed issues such as diversity, the proposed student senate and the role each candidate has taken in the past year to change student government.

Students can vote for House vice president and other SGA officers from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today in front of the Worth Hills Cafeteria and The Main. Students must bring their ID to vote.

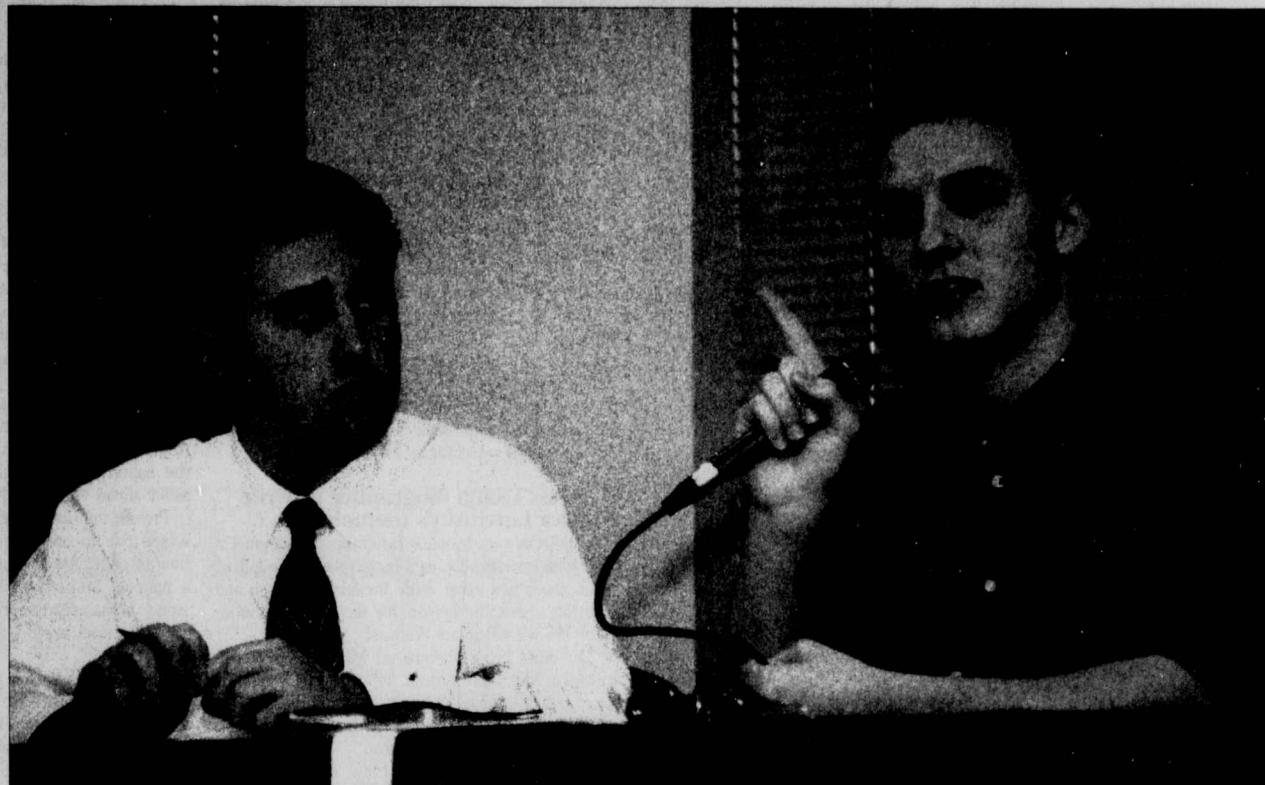
Worth Hills residents must vote in the Worth Hills Cafeteria, said Carlo Capua, chairman of the Elections and Regulations Committee.

Diana Munro, a junior marketing major, said Monday's debate was the same people saying the same thing, the same way, over and over again.

"Good questions were asked, but I don't think anybody answered them," she said. "(The candidates) have ideas about things that should happen, but most of them have been around for two or three years to change those issues. I don't think in the year to come those people will do anything to change it."

Cordova said the issues brought up at the debate needed to be discussed and presented to students.

"We got a lot of ideas across whether they agreed or disagreed with them," Cordova said. "It gave the student body a chance to hear what we



Vice presidential candidates Ben Wilkinson (left) and Thomas Tucker discuss issues during Monday's vice presidential debate in the Student Center Lounge.

stand for and what we're all about."

The confrontation of the five candidates helped to get ideas out in the open, Cordova said.

"No matter which of us gets elected — whether it's me or any of the other candidates — I hope we will be able to take some of the ideas and act on them," he said. "The great thing is that we're all friends; we all get along great, and it's been a clean campaign."

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went well but would have liked to have more time to deal with each question.

"I wish there was more time to comment on the University Retreat and more about how we want to change it, because I think there were a lot of general ideas put out," he said.

The audience, which fluctuated throughout the two-hour debate, was largest during the lunch hour.

"I was happy to see a lot of people at the end," Pope said. "I saw people leave and come back after classes, so

that was really good."

He said the forum would have been more effective if held at a different time during the election process.

"I think (the debate is) necessary earlier because a lot of people already have their minds made up a day before the elections," he said. "Not to say they didn't do a great job setting it up; I just think (the debate) needs to be earlier."

The debate was one of the final events to happen before today's election. The Election and Appeals Board,

which had called a meeting to question Ben Wilkinson's and Ben Alexander's use of a phone line, canceled it because an official complaint was not filed, Capua said.

Alexander said all he can do is abide by the rules as he understands them.

"Since there hasn't been a formal complaint, there's no need for me to go in front of the Election and Appeals Board," he said. "If they want me to come talk to them, I'd be happy to do that."

APO gets involved with Hunger Week

By Tessa S. Dancer
STAFF REPORTER

At the steps of the Tarrant Area Food Bank, a sign on the brick wall designates the volunteer entrance.

Through these glass doors, 15 members of Alpha Phi Omega, a national, co-ed service fraternity, were called to the duty of Hunger Week's kickoff service outing.

Lisa Jenkins, a junior business management major and the co-chairwoman of Hunger Week,

said she selected APO to sponsor the first service outing, because they have a history of great service and leadership on campus.

Monday's project at the Food Bank involved sorting and boxing cereal, microwave popcorn, canned corn, salsa, rice and more.

Tom Hubmer, a sophomore neuroscience major, is a veteran member of the APO service to the Food Bank. He said he is delighted that APO is involved in the first Hunger Week activity.

"I am glad we are able to help out the Hunger

Week organizers and the Tarrant Area Food Bank," he said. "Everyone wins."

Sarah Edwards, a junior social work major and president of APO, said the purpose of the service is to bring awareness to the campus about hunger and to get students involved in service.

"Service is for a lifetime," Edwards said, adding that alumni of TCU still come back to do service projects and to provide resources.

TCU alumnus Bob Bourland just happened

to be at the Food Bank, loading, carrying and lifting boxes.

John McCoy, a night supervisor for quality control at the Food Bank, said, "He is one of the best."

McCoy said he depends on volunteers to help separate the food that comes from grocery stores. The food is then categorized and repackaged into boxes of about 10 pounds of

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Out of place

Permanent residents search for support system

By Blanca E. Rojo
STAFF REPORTER

Amid problems associated with being from another country, some immigrant students have complained that TCU lacks a support system for them.

International Student Services, which helps international students who are not permanent residents with problems such as financial verification, English language proficiency, establishment of a Social Security number and cultural education, can-

not help those international students with permanent resident status, said Al Mladenka, director of International Student Services.

"I don't have the financial resources to include them into our mailings and maintaining of files," he said.

This year, 414 international students are under the care of Mladenka with only the help of one assistant.

Although he said he wishes he could help the permanent residents, he doesn't have the staff to do it. Plus,

he said he's authorized to help only the non-immigrant students.

Kurt Gayle, Intensive English Program director, said, "No one knows where to fit them administratively."

Maria Perez, a permanent resident enrolled in the Intensive English Program, said she wishes she could have a place to go to discuss her schoolwork difficulties.

"I find everyone is busy with their

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Technology center under way

◆ Preparations begin for new building named for former chancellor.

By Beth Wilson
CAMPUS EDITOR

TCU has taken the first step past the boardroom in the planning of the William E. and Jean Tucker Technology Center. A site has been picked, departments have been contacted, an architectural firm has been contracted and data is being compiled regarding the needs and functions of such a building on the TCU campus.

Within the next few years, TCU

will strengthen its command of new technology and cutting-edge equipment with the completion of this center. Preparing for the construction and considered for the move are the departments of engineering, computer science, math and the information services.

The new center will be built between the Sid W. Richardson and Bass buildings, where the three temporary structures that house the departments of sociology, social work and criminal justice, the Institute for Behavioral Research and the Counseling Center now reside.

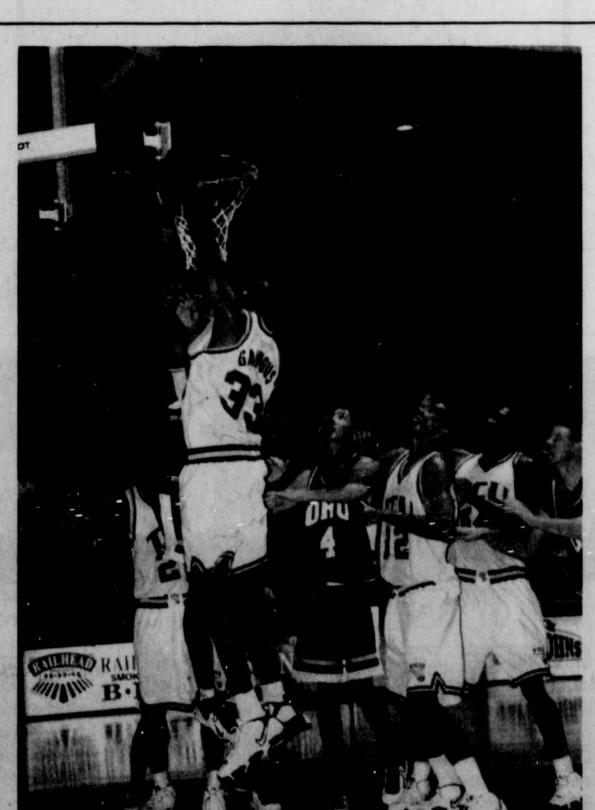
Chancellor Michael Ferrari said

this project makes sense and will raise visibility of TCU and strengthen the technology.

The decision to begin work on this project may have been prompted by the new sense of community Ferrari brought to TCU when he became chancellor July 1.

"We're getting focused on what is really important, what's missing and putting it in place for students," he said.

Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William Koehler said the idea for a technology center has been discussed for several years.



Junior forward Marquise Gainous works hard under the boards in TCU's 94-93 victory over Oral Roberts in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum on Saturday. Gainous had 27 points and 16 rebounds. Story, page 9.

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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 Moody Building South, Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050 or e-mailed to skiffletters@tcu.edu. Deadline for receiving announcements is 2 p.m. the day before they are to run. The Skiff reserves the right to edit submissions for style, taste and space available.

FRANK STONES RESEARCH LECTURESHIP and the mathematics department sponsors John Hempel from Rice University at 4 p.m. today in Winton-Scott Hall Room 145. His topic will be "The complex of curves on a surface as a description of three manifolds." Refreshments will be available at 3:30 p.m. in Room 171.

FREE LEGAL ADVICE available from 6 to 7 p.m. Nov. 18 in the House of Student Representatives Office in the Student Center Annex.

KAPPA KUDDLES TEDDY BEAR DRIVE, sponsored by Kappa Kappa Gamma, runs until Nov. 20 to gather new and gently used teddy bears to be donated to Cook Children's Medical Center and Children's Alliance. Bring bears to the University Ministries office in the Student Center or to the Kappa Kappa Gamma house. Call 257-4055.

DISCOUNT TICKETS available at the Student Center Information Desk for many area attractions and services including movie theaters, the zoo, bus tokens and passes and dining dollars.

THE CLASS OF 1999 can now purchase a brick and become part of the Senior Appreciation Program. Call 257-5423.

BATTLE OF FLOWERS ASSOCIATION'S 74TH ORATORICAL CONTEST offers undergraduate students up to \$1,000 in prize money for the winning speech. An additional \$1,800 in prize money will also be awarded. The contest will be held March 5 in San Antonio and is limited to the first 15 applicants. This year's topic is "Life in the Texas Mission." For more information send an e-mail to Judy Lackritz@juno.com or write to her at 1033 Ivy Lane, San Antonio Texas 78209.

In The News . . .

World

Britain first in European Union to end use of animals in cosmetic tests

LONDON — Britain today became the first European Union country to ban the use of animals in all cosmetic products testing, but the move will not block animal testing for drugs and scientific research.

The ban, adopted after an agreement with cosmetics companies, will have scant effect on most animal testing in Britain. Last year, experiments were carried out involving 2.6 million animals, of which only 1,266 were used for testing cosmetics, the Home Office said.

The decision was welcomed by animal rights activists, who have long protested the practice.

Last year, British cosmetic companies agreed voluntarily with the government to stop testing finished cosmetic products on animals.

The new agreement extends the ban to testing ingredients used in cosmetics. Companies will voluntarily give up their testing licenses, the Home Office said.

"This is great news for our civilization and for the animals," said former Beatle Paul McCartney, whose wife Linda was a leading animal rights proponent before she died of breast cancer in April.

"On behalf of my family — and I know Linda would want to be included — we are very happy to see this happening and we hope that other countries will now follow this lead," he added.

Mrs. McCartney opposed all animal testing, although her husband has acknowledged that drugs tested on animals were probably used during her cancer treatment.

Lawmaker Roger Gale, chairman of an all-party parliamentary committee on animal welfare, said Britain should press for an Europe-wide ban.

Princess Diana biographer to write Monica Lewinsky's memoirs

LONDON — Monica Lewinsky has signed a deal with Princess Diana's biographer for a tell-all book about her affair with President Clinton and will talk about the liaison for the first time in an interview with Barbara Walters.

The deals were announced Monday by British publisher Michael O'Mara, who put the book project together, and ABC News.

O'Mara said Lewinsky was drawn to the book idea because Andrew Morton — whose book, "Diana: Her True Story," blew the lid on the princess' troubled marriage — would be the author.

"She likes the idea of an author who is used to writing sympathetic books about women who have relationships with powerful men," said O'Mara, chairman of London-based Michael O'Mara Books.

"It wasn't the money; she could have gotten much higher prices elsewhere."

He refused to confirm news reports of a seven-figure deal for the book, to be published simultaneously in Britain and the United States.

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The book, to be called "Monica's Story," is expected to be in stores by the summer, said John Murphy, a spokesman for the U.S. publisher, St. Martin's Press of New York.

Lewinsky's immunity agreement contains a no-talk provision, and she must secure a release from independent counsel Kenneth Starr to speak publicly about the affair.

In a statement, ABC said the Walters interview would "mark the first time (Lewinsky) speaks publicly about the story, and about her relationship with the president."

In addition, Lewinsky will discuss "what it has been like having her private life play out on a public stage," the statement said.

An ABC appearance would be for free, since major U.S. networks don't pay for interviews, but Lewinsky could sell the foreign rights. British television's Channel 4 said it is negotiating with her.

O'Mara said Morton already has conducted preliminary interviews with his subject.

"Monica is an intelligent, well-spoken, average American girl — not the foolish bimbo that the press paints her as," he said. "That is an image she very much wants to change."

Nation

States take first step in fight against tobacco influence on children

WASHINGTON — At least 12 states will sign a \$206 billion agreement to settle lawsuits against the tobacco industry despite complaints that the deal falls far short of an earlier proposal that died in Congress this year.

State attorneys general, who announced the proposal at a news conference Monday, hailed it as a first step in the effort to curb tobacco's influence on the nation's youth. But they urged Congress to move ahead with other restrictions.

President Clinton said the agreement, which also would put an end to tobacco advertising on billboards, public transportation and apparel and funds a national anti-smoking campaign, was a "milestone" in the effort to protect children.

But he, too, urged Congress to pick up where it left off.

"With this very large settlement ... we are moving forward but we have a lot more to do," the president said at the White House, where he was joined by some of the eight state attorneys general who spent five months negotiating the deal.

Twelve states, including the eight negotiators, plan to sign the agreement: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Iowa, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Utah and Washington.

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OAKLAND, Calif. — A jury sided with a major handgun manufacturer on Monday, deciding that

Beretta U.S.A. was not negligent for failing to include safety features that might have saved the life of a boy who was accidentally shot to death.

The jury voted against each question that would have found Beretta liable in the death of Kenzo Dix, a 15-year-old Berkeley High School freshman, court clerk Miranda Edgerly said.

Dix died in 1994 while playing with a friend who found his father's Beretta 9 mm semiautomatic handgun. The friend removed the loaded clip from the pistol, but a cartridge remained in the chamber and fired when Dix's friend pulled the trigger.

Lynn and Griffin Dix's lawsuit against Beretta said the gun should have been designed to prevent unauthorized users from firing it, or alert a user when a live round is in the chamber. They also said it lacked warnings that it should be locked away when not in use.

"It's disappointing, but it's the first one," said Nancy Hersh, a lawyer for the Dix family. "I think we'll win the next one."

She said the vote was 9-3 not to find the gun defective; it takes 9 votes for a verdict in civil cases. She said seven jurors voted to find the manufacturer's warnings inadequate, but the jury did not find that the inadequate warnings caused the death.

She said no decision has been made on an appeal.

Lawyers for Beretta could not be reached for comment.

State

Civil rights group joins lawsuit against school district

AMARILLO, Texas — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has joined two other civil rights groups in a federal lawsuit contending the Amarillo school board's at-large election system illegally dilutes minority voting strength.

Seven minority candidates lost in elections held earlier this year under the current system, in which voters citywide cast ballots for all board positions.

The NAACP joined the League of Latin American Citizens and the Mexican American Legal Defense Fund in seeking seven geographic precincts within the Amarillo Independent School District. The groups believe precincts would allow minority-populated areas to exercise more strength at the ballot box.

Alphonso Vaughn, president of the Amarillo NAACP, announced the group's decision Sunday at the Mount Zion Baptist Church.

"The NAACP's attempts to help resolve this dilemma have proven fruitless," Vaughn told the *Amarillo Globe News*. "Having exhausted all the options available to us for resolving this issue, we must firmly stand with LULAC in their persistent attempts to obtain equal representation for all citizens on the AISD board."

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Opinion

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editorial

VOTING STARTS NOW

Student government elections are today

We know we're often the first to point out their mistakes. And we know we're the first to make a joke about their ineptitude in just about everything they do. We even know that right now as we write, one of them is drafting a new resolution that will no doubt become fodder for future editorials.

But we write today for a different purpose.

While many of us will head off to classes today mindless of what the professors are actually trying to say and mindful of the fact that we could all use a little extra sleep, the fates of several very important people are at stake.

These very important people whose fates lie in the hands of the TCU student body are the students who have decided to run for Student Government Association offices.

You've seen the signs and posters all over campus. You've tripped over them on the way to class. You've glanced over their smiling faces in the *Skiff* Voter's Guide, and you've probably walked past the Student Center just as they were beginning one of their heated debates.

If you're anything like the candidates and the current SGA members say you are, then you've probably gone completely out of your way to show your apathy in this whole election thing.

Well, now is the time to snap out of it!

Today is the opportunity for all of us to go out and decide how our \$20 student government fees are spent, or if they'll even stay at just \$20. Today is the day to elect a House that may actually get something done in the next year. Today is election day.

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Life terms would solve problems

Elected officials in this country are furnished with a variety of duties and privileges not bestowed on the average citizen. They can make the laws, execute the laws and interpret the true meanings of the laws. They can also accept illegal campaign contributions. And let's not forget, they can also quit.

They can quit any time they want. Why, Newt Gingrich did it not two weeks ago. Things got a little hairy, the Republicans lost a few seats in Congress, a former friend challenged him for his job, and the next thing we know, Newt throws in the towel.

I can't say a lot for President Clinton, but I have to give him this: The man is not a quitter. We can say as much as we want about him being a scumbag, but I don't think the president would have resigned if Ken Starr had discovered 3 kilos of cocaine and receipts from the sale of nuclear weapons to Paraguay on his person, along with evidence that he

was playing bridge with Saddam Hussein every Thursday evening.

Now that's persistence. Granted, President Clinton is not the most esteemed example of persistence, but he is, nonetheless, an example. More than a few politicians could take a lesson from this persevering man.

Here's an idea: What if elected officials weren't allowed to quit?

Preposterous, yes, but an interesting proposition just the same. What if they were "elected for life," with death being the only way to escape their position? This wouldn't be like Supreme Court justices and federal judges being appointed for life, because they can always retire. Anyone considering running for office would think long and hard before adding his or her name to the ballot.

For the sake of argument, let's assume this rule was enacted upon the resignation of Nixon after the Watergate scandal. Who would be the president of the United States? Well, since he isn't dead yet, it would be Gerald Ford.

I know you are saying that hearing Gerald Ford would be president for 25 years is plenty enough to convince you that this is the worst idea you've ever heard. But folks, I really don't think that if he'd remained

president he would have lived quite this long. A body can only sustain so many falls from the stairs of Air Force One.

Life in office might convince politicians to avoid party politics and do what's best for the people they represent, since job security would no longer be an issue. If a scandal occurred, officials might try harder to do good and redeem themselves since they would be in the public eye forever and never be able to escape into a life of relative obscurity following a ruined political career.

Rates of suicide and assassination among government officials do have the potential for a marked increase if we start requiring officials to serve life terms. We would also rob them of any opportunity for career advancement. George W. Bush could never run for president because he would have to serve as governor of Texas for the rest of his life.

Saddam Hussein is, in all likelihood, the president of Iraq for the rest of his life. I cannot really say this is a good thing for his country.

Obviously, allowing elected officials to serve only a specific term in office before having to again go before the voters and convince them that they are the appropriate people to be representing them is part of what makes this nation a democracy.

If, for instance, Gerald Ford really were still president, he would not be representing me, as a voter now, because he was elected before I was born.

Then again, Gerald Ford was never elected by anyone. The point is, we should have the opportunity to frequently reevaluate who represents us in government by holding elections and that these elected officials owe it to us to serve out their term unless serious health prevents it, or we force them to quit.

Newt Gingrich was just elected to another term in the House of Representatives when he realized that his speakership was in jeopardy, and thus he abruptly quit. He may have saved face, but he took the easy way out. Who knows what could have happened if he stuck with it and made some much needed improvements?

President Clinton could have resigned to avoid impeachment proceedings; Al Gore could have been indicted for accepting illegal foreign campaign contributions; and where would that have left Newt Gingrich but president of the United States?

Well, stranger things have happened, haven't they, Gerald Ford?

Rachael Smiley is a senior art history major from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

letters to the editor

Homecoming themes need to be clearly defined to all

Homecoming has traditionally been for alumni and the Greek community. This year, other organizations participated along with the Greek community. This was mainly due to Programming Council Homecoming Committee Chairwoman Allison Serafin's desire to "diversify" Homecoming.

I applaud Allison's efforts, but it takes more than just saying, "Hey, we want your organization represented in Homecoming." For an event to be successful, everyone needs to be involved from the beginning to the end — from the planning to the communicating, receiving and the executing.

This year, there were "other" groups represented, but their efforts unfortunately were not good enough. Only one organization placed in a category out of all the Homecoming events.

Speaking for Minority Council, I feel we may have been eliminated from really competing against Greek students because we were "misinformed" about the theme. For example, homecoming's theme was "The Dawn of a New Era." The banner competition's theme was "TCU in the Movies." We were told to incorporate both themes and display it on the banner. Of all the banners I saw in the Student Center, I saw only three banners (out of about 10) that had TCU at the movies.

Two banners were by minority groups, and the other banner was by Greeks. Was it just coincidence that the other banners were also "misinformed" about the theme? I think not.

If you decide on one theme, then stick with it. Don't tell one group one thing and one group another. Why is it that the banner that won had nothing to do with this theme?

Again, I applaud Allison's efforts to make the Homecoming king and queen more than just a popular vote (by bringing about Mr. and Mrs. TCU), but I disagreed with the way interviews were conducted. Questions like, "How do you feel about Worth Hills having to ride the shuttle and should they receive part of their money back on parking permits?" were irrelevant and said nothing about who the candidates were as individuals.

Elections were also unorganized. Worth Hills had a separate voting day and place while other students voted only in The Main on a day that wasn't even announced. I was a candidate for Mrs. TCU, and I didn't know when the elections were until I walked by the voting booth in time to cast a vote. Don't you think all of this is a little unfair?

Homecoming is an event that should be enjoyed by everyone, not just alumni and the Greek community; but it is a little discouraging for non-Greek organizations to get involved when the odds are stacked against them.

Linda Nguyen
junior environmental science major

facts need to be clear before judgment made

First of all, congratulations! You proved your consistency once again by misquoting House adviser Larry Markley in Thursday's *Skiff*.

Secondly, you assumed that our Elections Appeal Board meeting in the Pi Kappa chapter room was a "conflict of interest." I don't think "asinine" is strong enough to describe this connection you struggled to make. There's a little thing on the door called a lock! We used it.

I won't waste more ink explaining the "48-hour rule" you attempted to scandalize. Like I said, it's a rule that needs to be changed. Instead of praising our attempts

to better student government, you chose to continue dwelling on a moot point with your banter.

I want to send a special thanks to the *Skiff* editorial board for attempting to "interpret the SGA Election Code" for us. I'm honored at your attempts, but you've got more important things to focus on. I'm sure it takes lots of time and talent to misquote people.

Finally, and most importantly, you have never allowed the SGA to be satisfied with our progress. You have always been there to ridicule our decisions and laugh at our efforts to better TCU. In this way, though, you push us to work harder for TCU and constantly improve ourselves, which continually makes us stronger and more dedicated to this university.

Thank you on behalf of our Student Government Association.

Carlo Capua
junior marketing major
*Editor's note: When contacted by the *Skiff* on Monday, Student Government Association adviser Larry Markley said he was not aware of any inaccuracy in his quotes that ran in Thursday's paper.*

Service group deserves credit for countless hours

I am writing this in response to your insert in the Friday, Nov. 6 edition ("Spreading Goodwill: Volunteering at TCU"). The stories in this special edition of the *Skiff* dealt with people doing service on campus, and I found it strange that Alpha Phi Omega was mentioned so few times.

I am a member of Alpha Phi Omega — a very proud member. At the TCU blood drive I dressed up like a fool to get people to donate blood, but I did not see anything in the *Skiff* about the blood drive before it happened.

No interviews with the organizers. No

pictures. Nothing.

Here is another point: Every semester our organization collectively does about 2,000 hours of community service. This was completely done on our own time and our own will — not merely to fill a requirement.

Tom Hubner single-handedly did the most service on the TCU campus. He won an award last semester from TCUCAN, and he is a member of Alpha Phi Omega.

Who picks up all the campus recycling? APO.

We did Boo at the Zoo every day during the week it was scheduled. We go to the Samaritan House — a home for HIV patients — and do activities with them. We go to Hugley Retirement Center and do activities with the elderly. We decorate Christmas trees, baby-sit children with diabetes, sort food at the Tarrant County Food Bank; and all this in one measly week.

We do so much service, it's silly. The only thing I am asking for is a little recognition from the TCU campus. We are an underground organization, and we really shouldn't be. So please, next time you write about organizations on campus that do service, look to APO. We don't do service merely to be recognized, but when I see other organizations getting credit for things that we do much more of it upsets me.

Michael Volk
junior biology major

Album review contains unnecessary biases

While one may agree or disagree about the greatness of "U2: The Best of 1980-1990," it is difficult to overlook the mediocrity of the review that appeared in the *Skiff* Friday, Nov. 13. ("U2's hits, B-sides live on"). Guy Bickers issued an opinion riddled with bias and an ensuing self-

righteousness that is, at the very least, overbearing.

Most professional reviewers take the time to learn, or already have the knowledge, of the band's musical background. While I don't doubt Mr. Bickers knows (and probably at length) the band's catalog of music, there is very little information in the article to prove that the knowledge exists.

Instead, there are statements such as "... I didn't even have to listen to (the album) to review it," followed by "Don't worry. ... I did." While this format might be accepted in an opinion column, I reiterate that this is a review which, in professional terms, should strive for objectivity — in this case about the music reviewed. Instead, there is anticipation of other albums, complaints about the liner notes, complaints about the radio and justification of hairstyles.

But perhaps the lowest point comes at the end with the statement, "If you like U2 — and you know you do — go buy this set. If you don't ... you're a liar." This pattern of circular thinking is sophomoric and furthers the idea of personal self-righteousness, a trait that is already overloaded on this campus.

James Reimer
senior radio-TV-film major

London commentary gives memorable picture of city

Thank you for Robyn Ross' commentary from London (Wednesday, Nov. 11, "London provides new environment for students"). Those of us who have walked the cliffs of southern England with a loved one know how accurately, and beautifully, her words capture the essence of that chilly, misty coastline. How fitting that this elegant piece should have run on Veterans Day.

Andy Haskett
KTCU-FM station manager

New leaders chosen

• Student Publications Committee selects ad manager, editor for spring.

By Lety Laurel
STAFF REPORTER

The editor in chief and advertising manager for the *TCU Daily Skiff* for spring 1998 were selected Thursday by the Student Publications Committee.

After a year of experience on the *Skiff* editorial board, Brenda Schulte, a senior news-editorial journalism major, will become editor in chief. Maren Anderson, a senior international communications major, will become advertising manager after working two semesters as an advertising representative for the *Skiff*.

"They both have fairly large shoes to fill, but we were pretty confident they would do it," said Nowell Donovan, professor of geology and chairman of the Student Publications Committee. "There is a sense of strength from both of them

that really came through. I think they will match the challenge."

Schulte's ideas for improving the newspaper range from creating more of a social atmosphere for the staff to increasing campus coverage.

"I think that what we do up here is really important to the campus," she said. "We let students know what the administration and other students are doing so students can respond to it."

"I think sometimes when we're working to cover the frequent newsmakers, we miss a few smaller groups. I hope to get more representation for those groups in the *Skiff*."

Anderson said as advertising manager she will oversee 1,200 accounts, manage the advertising representatives and ad production department



Brenda Shulte
Skiff editor

and be responsible for the advertising layout of the paper. "I liked what the past ad managers did, and I feel like I could do it, too. I want to work well with the staff and be known for knowing what I am doing and being on top of things."

The Student Publications Committee, composed of faculty from various departments, students and administrators, meets twice a semester to select the *Skiff* editor in chief and advertising manager, and once a year, the *Image* magazine editor in chief.

We look for people who can engage others in a creative way to make them work their best and for people who are not afraid to kick against the established norms, Donovan said.



Maren Anderson
Skiff ad manager

Students held after plan to kill others is revealed

By Jim Chisen
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BURLINGTON, Wis.— Five boys, who complained they were being picked on, plotted to kill certain staff members and students in a classroom-to-classroom bloodbath at their high school, police said Monday.

The boys, all 15 or 16, told police they had intended to carry out the attack Monday using guns stolen from one of the youngsters' homes, said Assistant Police Chief Gary Large.

But that teen-ager got cold feet and tried to back out, so the group never got the guns, police said.

An informant tipped police to the alleged plot and all five teenagers were taken into custody Sunday night.

Two were released without being charged. The three others appeared in juvenile court Monday

and were ordered held without bail on charges of conspiracy to commit murder.

Some fellow students said the five dressed in black, listened to heavy-metal music and liked classmates to think they worshipped Satan.

The five had allegedly planned to meet at Burlington High School, hold administrators at gunpoint and order them to lock down the school.

"And then they would go specifically to where those classrooms were and handle what they thought they had to do," Large said.

Police said the boys had a hit list of students and educators, including the principal and assistant principal. The boys told police their list included students who had "treated them like trash," prosecutor Richard Barta said.

Barta said the teen-agers

described their plot as a suicide mission.

Other students picked on the boys because of their satanic image, said freshman John Janowski.

The boys "kind of wanted people to be afraid of them," Janowski said. "They didn't communicate with the normal-type people. They're more in their own devil-worshipping-type world."

Large said two of the students were on juvenile probation, but he would not say why.

Classes went on as usual Monday in the community of 9,500 in a largely agricultural area about 25 miles southwest of Milwaukee.

"Everybody was scared and wondering," said sophomore Angelique Robinson. "People were wondering if they were on the list and what if, what if."

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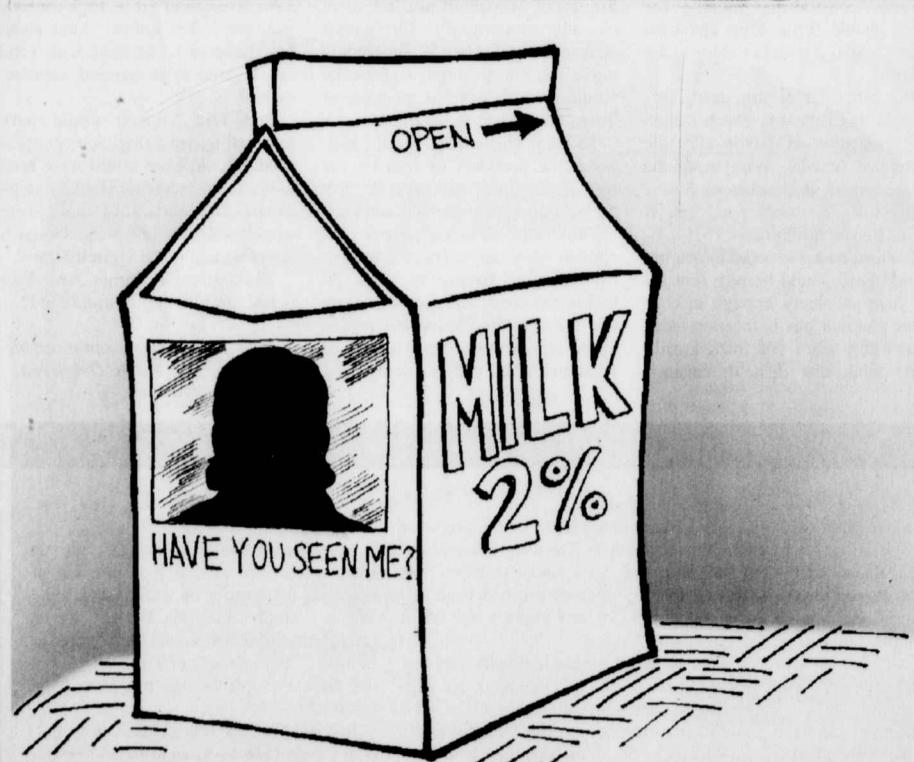
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Campus continues global trend

♦ Foreign students still apply to TCU despite decline in financial aid.

By Blanca E. Rojo
STAFF REPORTER

International students are not new to TCU's campus, but this year diversity is spread across campus like no time before.

The percentage of international students in comparison to TCU's total student body has increased this fall to 5.6 percent, up from 5.3 percent in 1997, an International Student Services statistical report stated.

That brings 1998 fall semester's highest-ever total to 414 students representing 75 countries, an increase from last year's 395 students representing 68 countries.

Al Mladenka, director of International Student Services, said the enrollment of international students at TCU has increased in the last three years.

TCU has sought to promote itself as a global university and several factors account for the jump in numbers, he said.

Increased recruitment efforts, including those within the international admissions office and the Intensive English Program, have increased international student enrollment, Mladenka said.

Karen Scott, director of international admissions, said she makes recruiting trips to Asia, Latin America

and Europe on a yearly basis.

The tours, which usually last one to three weeks, entail visiting up to 10 cities in a trip, she said.

Scott said a student volunteer network, International Ambassadors, helps in recruitment efforts by setting up phone-a-thons and calling prospective students in Asia and Latin America.

Another form of recruitment has been through TCU's home page and e-mail, she said.

Delia Pitts, director of international education, said that on a recent recruiting trip to Malaysia, she encountered the mother of a prospective student who was so knowledgeable about TCU, she thought the mother should've been the recruiter. It was because of the Internet, Pitts said.

"I get two to three messages a week from international students asking for information," Pitts said. "They're starting to look and learn about TCU."

The university also advertises in international student guides and publications.

Mladenka also said perhaps the best recruiting tools the university has are former TCU students.

"We are successful in providing for our non-immigrant international students, which then helps our students to be happier and more successful and which contributes or encourages them to help us in our recruitment efforts," he said.

Pitts said the fact TCU is a Texan

university also helps attract foreigners.

The cost of living in Texas is less than at either of the two coasts, and Texas is also safer, she said.

This is important information for a parent who sends his or her child across the world, Pitts said.

"I think news coverage often involves crimes and violence," Pitts said. "We benefit from negative attention given to other parts of the United States."

TCU's cost also makes it an attractive option, she said. TCU offers a high-quality education for a low cost when compared with other small- and medium-sized private colleges.

"More international students are realizing they can get a very strong education for a moderate amount of money," Pitts said.

And although the Asian economic crisis has decreased international student enrollment in other colleges and universities across the country, Mladenka said TCU has continued to increase its numbers.

Pitts said, "If you look nationally at enrollments from Asia, we bucked the trend."

This year, for example, enrollment from Japan jumped from 60 to 73 students.

However, Mladenka said the university has seen some problems, including the loss of six students.

Over this last year, they've either had to go home or transfer to less expensive public institutions,

Mladenka said.

The five countries hit hardest by the Asian economic crisis have been Korea, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia and the Philippines.

The 1998 International Student Services report stated that TCU lost one student each from Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia.

"We did make efforts at providing additional financial aid grants," Mladenka said, adding that the Continuing International Student Financial Aid fund declined from nearly \$8,000 this spring to close to \$400.

To compensate for the economic hardships international students face, the federal government enforced special student relief in the summer of 1998. This allows an international student to acquire a work permit in weeks instead of months, to work more hours than the customary 20-hour week and to reduce undergraduate course loads down to six hours.

Scott said TCU is not as unique as it was three years ago in offering financial aid to international students.

"One girl I offered the largest possible financial aid award to couldn't afford TCU," she said.

Mladenka said he has a list of 15 students who desperately need financial aid and he "is ever hopeful that more faculty and staff will contribute to that fund through their annual pledges and/or encourage their churches, organizations, or community individuals."

Ralph Lauren clashes with Polo magazine

By Mark Babineck
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

does," Godbold said.

Polo Ralph Lauren asked Westchester to give up the Polo name after its overhaul from a small specialty publication into a slick, broader-focused magazine that launched with around 1 million issues. Westchester responded by suing to protect the name secured by founder and former publisher Ami Shnit斯基 in 1992.

Both sides claimed victory last July when Milloy ruled the magazine could continue publishing if it plastered a disclaimer on every issue and subscription card stating it is not affiliated with Polo Ralph Lauren.

Godbold said surveys show the notice has dramatically reduced consumer confusion, but Polo Ralph Lauren still wants the magazine to stop using the name altogether.

Godbold also argued that Shnit斯基, since 1987, had envisioned Polo Magazine developing into an affluent lifestyles publication while continuing to cover the sport.

However, Fagen cited a letter Shnit斯基 wrote to Westchester Media before the magazine was sold last year in which he pointed to "Polo Lauren's spectacular achievement with the name Polo."

"The sale of the old Polo Magazine was, from the beginning, not the sale of a magazine at all," Fagen said. "It was the sale of a name."

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own problems, and they don't want to help anybody," Perez said.

Perez said she's had trouble finding a full-time job and hopes someone helps her.

Bassima Alsafoori, a senior political science major from Syria, said the idea of having official TCU help would be nice.

"Even though I've lived here for 10 years, I still have problems," she said. "For example, academics."

She said she's trying to acquire English at a college level.

"I feel like it's on a lower level," Alsafoori said. "But it is my second language."

She said she's spending a lot of money and not getting help.

Gayle said some permanent resident international students attend community colleges before transferring to TCU, where they make B's and C's. But at TCU, they do extremely poorly, he said.

If some of these students took the Test of English as a Foreign Language, he said, they wouldn't meet the standards.

"It's a standard that reflects a need," Gayle said.

Karen Scott, director of international admissions, said permanent residents fall under U.S. rules and aren't required to take the TOEFL.

To avoid the problems some permanent

resident international students face, Gayle said TCU should indicate whether an international student is a native speaker.

Ida Doraiswamy, a Brite Divinity School student from India, said having a support system for resident international students would help students who need it.

"Even though I've been here for years, it would be helpful if I could go to someone and ask questions," she said.

Just having a place to ask for advice and direction would help, Doraiswamy said.

Yan Mei Song, an IEP student from China, said she doesn't even understand some of the mail she receives.

"I wish I could go somewhere to ask, 'What does this mean?'" she said.

Shalini Doss, a senior criminal justice major from India, has lived in the United States for 13 years. She said she wouldn't need help from ISS but can understand how other permanent resident international students might.

"It does help to have someone show you the way," Doss said. "It would help to teach them the customs through education."

Gayle said non-immigrants have to go through an international orientation where they learn about American culture, but permanent residents can't.

Daniel Castillo, a junior psychology

major, said the university should do more to help permanent resident international students because language can be a barrier and culture shock can also be a problem.

"They're used to a different identity," Castillo said.

He said when international students come to this country, they have to work at developing a new identity.

"They have to try to fit in to not be seen as outsiders," he said.

But former International Students Association Vice President Kim Gonzalez said one of the organization's goals is to let members become familiar with other cultures.

In some ways, she said, ISA can provide a support system, or a family, to all international students.

Current ISA Vice President Miho Nishikawa, a junior social work major, said ISA may be able to help in language problems.

Nishikawa said ISA members aren't professional counselors but may be able to refer international students to people who can help them.

Gonzalez said she sees many sources at TCU that are not utilized and students need to be more assertive and ask questions.

Mladinka said, "If there's any group of students that need help, we need to take it to the administration."

Execution delayed for additional tests

By Michael Graczyk
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — Only the federal courts stand between infamous killer Kenneth Allen McDuff and a Tuesday evening appointment in the Texas death chamber.

The 52-year-old McDuff, the only condemned Texas inmate ever paroled and then returned to death row for another murder conviction, awaited word from the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

McDuff, considered among Texas' most violent and sadistic criminals, was seeking a delay so additional tests could be conducted on hair samples that authorities said linked him to the 1992 rape-slaying of a pregnant mother of two from Waco.

McDuff faced lethal injection for the March 1, 1992, murder of 22-year-old Melissa Ann Northrup. Abducted from a convenience store where she worked, her body was found in a gravel pit. Her hands were tied behind her back and she had been strangled with a rope.

He also received a second death sentence in 1994 for killing 28-year-old accountant Colleen Reed, who was abducted in Austin.

And authorities say McDuff may be responsible for as many as a dozen other killings, primarily in central Texas between Austin and Waco.

"I can't imagine anyone in this country

who deserves to die more than Kenneth McDuff," said Lori Bible, Reed's sister. "I can't imagine our courts will step in and try

to stop this. But then I never could have imagined someone would vote to free this monster from prison."

Bible, who could have watched the execution, gave her death chamber witness spot to a federal marshal who headed the investigation that led to McDuff's arrest. However, five other friends and relatives of McDuff murder victims were scheduled to attend.

McDuff, first imprisoned in 1965 for burglary, went to death row in 1968 for the shooting deaths two years earlier of two teenage boys and the rape-strangulation of their 16-year-old female companion.

But while he was awaiting execution, the U.S. Supreme Court in 1972 struck down the death penalty as unconstitutional and McDuff's sentence was commuted to life.

He won parole about 17 years later when parole board members, facing severe crowding in Texas prisons, released him along with thousands of inmates so they could free space for newly convicted felons. Northrup and Reed were killed a short time later.

It wasn't until last month that an informant's tip led authorities to Reed's skeleton, buried along the Brazos River south of Waco. Unearthed nearby were the remains of two other women, also believed to be McDuff victims.

McDuff won a federal court reprieve several weeks ago that put off a scheduled Oct. 21 execution for both the Northrup and Reed killings. A federal district judge later lifted the stay in the Northrup case. He has no execution date pending for the Reed slaying.



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"We have been planning, working and raising money for two years," he said.

The timing of the center project has to do with several factors, Koehler said. First, there were other buildings on campus to be constructed — the Tom Brown-Pete Wright Residential Community and the Walsh Center for Performing Arts. Also, the engineering department needed time to develop its program.

Dean of AddRan College of Arts and Sciences Michael McCracken said all construction must fall under the "master plan," the university's sequence for construction of buildings.

Before work could begin on the technology center, McCracken said, the engineering department needed a solid foundation. The 6-year-old program was recently accredited, allowing the faculty and staff to focus fully on the planning and progress of the new technology center.

"We now have some sense of where we are and can look to the future," McCracken said. "We can move forward in a meaningful way."

Development and construction of new buildings is a long and involved project, and TCU is just at the starting line for this new center.

"Optimistically, we are looking at something that is three years out," Koehler said.

Right now, Koehler said, the uni-

versity is in the "programming and schematic design phase."

"We are attempting to understand the functions that will take place in the building," Koehler said.

Expectations for the new center are high during this stage of planning because anything is possible. Those involved are allowed to offer their vision of what should be included. Questionnaires have been given to each involved department to discover what is needed in such a technology center.

Dick Rinewalt, chairman of the computer science department, said he is pleased with the progress on the new center.

"We've been talking for years, and now it's happening," he said.

After the architects gather all the information about what is desired in the building, they will begin conceptualizing the different areas of the building, Koehler said.

"We are designing from the inside out," Koehler said.

Technology is a rapidly changing field and this must be taken into account when designing this center, Koehler said.

"We can't anticipate what the technology will be in 30 years," he said, "but it will be nothing like what we have today."

That concept requires the new building be easily adapted for whatever the future of technology might be.

"The building must be as open,

flexible and easy to change as possible," Koehler said.

He said growth of TCU and the specific departments also must be considered in the planning of the center.

Koehler said there is the possibility for future expansion of the engineering department, perhaps another discipline or a graduate program.

This construction project seeks each departments' desires and ideas for the new center.

The department of computer science is currently spread out among several halls in Sid Richardson and Winton-Scott Hall. Computer labs are also situated on several levels of these buildings.

Rinewalt said the new center will bring the faculty together and allow them to interact with more ease.

Rinewalt said he expects to have classrooms with computer and Internet connections. He said he would like to have a high-intensity projector to display computer screens.

The current method of teaching programming includes crude blackboard drawings of what is on the computer screen; the projector would allow them to display what it really looks like.

The engineering department also seeks consolidation in this new center. Classes are currently held all over campus and also in a temporary

building behind the Bailey Building.

Majin Sierra, a senior engineering major, said the center could centralize the department. It could also bring more credit to the program, he said.

Sierra said other schools with engineering programs have at least one building; even a small department like TCU's could use this new center, he said.

"It's a great selling point for incoming students," he said.

The math department is also being considered for the new center.

"Math is the underlying discipline for engineering and computer science," McCracken said. "It's a natural link."

The math department is also spread out and would benefit from the center. Engineering and computer science students need a strong math foundation and usually take several math classes. Putting these departments together would benefit the students by placing them in the same area.

Amy Ludington, a senior math major, said she was excited about the new center.

"I know it is a long way down the road, but it is totally awesome," she said.

Ludington said putting math with computer science and engineering will help all departments.

"Math sets the foundations for the other programs," she said. "You need strong math for strong engi-

neering and strong computer science."

She said a direct mailing was recently sent to all alumni asking for a contribution for the center.

The technology center is one of the largest dollar-value fund-raising project in recent years, Petruso said. Because of the nature of the center, more funding is required than was needed for the Walsh Center or the Dee J. Kelly Alumni & Visitors Center.

The Tom Brown-Pete Wright Residential Community was funded by university funds and outside donors were not solicited, Petruso said.

Petruso said she expects a more finalized fund-raising plan by February when design plans are back from the architectural firm.

Last semester when the project was approved by the Board of Trustees, it was decided the center would carry the name of former Chancellor William E. Tucker and his wife.

Koehler said naming a building is one way to honor past chancellors, indicating that several existing buildings were named in honor of chancellors.

"It's recognizing the many contributions he (Tucker) made during his tenure as chancellor," he said.

Despite the Tuckers' long history of giving to TCU, Heitz said it doesn't appear they made any contributions to the center that will bear their name.

Settlement not admission of guilt

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Clinton's decision to settle the sexual harassment lawsuit against him by Paula Jones does not mean he's guilty, say more than half of the Americans questioned for a poll released Monday.

According to the CBS News poll, 56 percent said the Jones settlement did not prove Clinton's guilt, but only showed that he wanted to end the four-year legal battle that spurred impeachment proceedings.

Clinton agreed Friday to pay Jones \$850,000 to drop her sexual harassment lawsuit with no apology or admission of guilt.

Sixty-three percent of the public felt Clinton made the right decision in settling the suit, the poll showed. But 44 percent said they still believe he is probably guilty. That's an increase of 5 percentage points from a CBS poll taken in August, before Clinton's televised admission of an affair with Monica Lewinsky.

Thirty-nine percent of Americans said they do not know if the president is guilty.

Sabbaticals give professors a short break

♦ Paid time off used to conduct research, gain practical experience.

By Maggie Young
SKIFF STAFF

As the years of teaching experience build, so does the tendency to find subjects and classes redundant. Some instructors find themselves in the midst of an unchanging routine.

"There's hardly anything more boring than a professor that doesn't do anything new," said Bob Doran, chairman of the math department.

In recent years, an increasing number of educators on this campus have taken advantage of both paid and unpaid leave. The former is known as a sabbatical. Professors are eligible to apply for a sabbatical every seventh year.

The submission of a sabbatical proposal doesn't guarantee that one will be granted. It is a very competitive field, as more people desire sabbaticals than are available. Also, the dependence of a department on an individual professor greatly affects the chances

of being granted leave. The process that proposals and grants must go through differs in each department.

"Whether or not you're granted a sabbatical has to do with the merit of the research you propose doing together with how that leaves the department when you're gone," said Daryl Schmidt, a professor of religion. "So that's why the religion department has set it up so that both a department and faculty committee look at the proposal and screen it in light of that."

Under the terms of a sabbatical, a professor can take a year off at half-salary or a semester off at full salary. This time, as well as unpaid leave, can be used for research or teaching at another university. Before any leave, a proposal outlining the intended use of the time must be submitted.

Two of the most common sabbatical destinations are foreign countries and other universities. Occasionally professors combine the two with a teaching position in a foreign university. In taking leave, not everyone actually departs the area. Some choose to

stay close to home, even within their offices.

Doran is currently on leave but can still be found working in his office. He said he is taking leave because he faced a number of projects with little time for completion. He has previously taken leave to go to Oxford and Princeton. His sabbatical this semester is the first time he has remained at TCU.

"I've been putting off this sabbatical for three years," Doran said. "I just realized that I'd never get things done if I didn't take it. Normally a sabbatical means being free of constant responsibilities. I love to work with the students, but in the meantime it takes a lot of time, too. The primary thing is being free of everyday responsibilities — to replace teaching with research and different projects.

Being in the office, things come up and get in the way. But I don't mind."

Last winter, Schmidt went to California to help edit academic journals. He also contributed to and edited the book "The Acts Of Jesus." He then went on to complete research at Duke University.

"I see it (sabbatical) as part of the package of TCU's seriousness as both a teaching and research institute," Schmidt said. "On sabbatical you get new things written. But for me it's the excitement of discovering new things that you inevitably bring into the classroom. Theoretically, otherwise you would just be repeating the same courses. You try to keep up to date and put a little new stuff into it by reading the latest articles and new books that come out. But there's really no substitute for making research your only focus for a period of time."

Many professors who take time off for research say they find it a challenge to readjust to going back into classes, Schmidt said. "Friends warned me of the reality of getting back to the classes and daily routine. I experienced some of that. There's not enough time to get as much writing done as I'd like. And there are things in the library that I'd like to spend some time looking at. So there's an adjustment to teaching again."

With their return to the classroom, many professors bring with them a greater knowledge base and refreshed attitude. In some cases, new courses have been created as the result of research and teaching leaves.

"There's a new level of energy and enthusiasm," Schmidt said. "You do some things differently, such as using different books or editions in your courses. So I don't know if the students are aware of it, but I feel like I've brought fresh ideas and energy to all of my courses."

Even though preparations for and adjustments from sabbaticals can be frustrating and time-consuming, those who have had the opportunity for this experience say they consider it worth the effort.

"A sabbatical gives you a moment to catch your breath — to analyze whether or not you're doing things the way you want," Schmidt said. "I think it makes you a better teacher in the long run. Like anything else where you take a break, it kind of gives you a view of things."

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TCU Postgame Notes

Sophomore tailback LaDainian Tomlinson was named Western Athletic Conference Mountain Division Offensive Player of the Week on Monday after grinding out a season-high 165 yards and one touchdown against the Golden Hurricane on Saturday.

Tomlinson also earned player-of-the-week honors against Air Force on Sept. 26 after rushing for 99 yards, compiling 206 all-purpose yards and scoring two touchdowns. In the two games Tomlinson has faced Tulsa, he has rushed for 345 yards. Last season against the Golden Hurricane, Tomlinson rushed for 180 yards and two touchdowns, and he was named WAC Mountain Division Offensive Player of the Week.

Sophomore safety LaVar Veale was the second member of the Horned Frogs to win a player-of-the-week mention after Saturday's 17-7 victory. Veale, the Mountain Division's defensive honoree, notched seven tackles, broke up one pass and returned an interception 78 yards to set up a Horned Frog field goal late in the fourth quarter.

The 450 yards of offense is the most given up by TCU's defense this season. Previously, TCU had been giving up an average of 357.2 yards a game, good for ninth in the WAC.

Junior punter Royce Huffman averaged 46 yards an attempt on his five punts Saturday.

This game was the first in which senior linebacker Joe Phipps didn't record double-digits in tackles. He had nine on the day.

Backup quarterback Michael Wall of Tulsa had a career day against the Horned Frogs, throwing for 322 yards and one touchdown.

Only 12,628 people attended Saturday's game at Tulsa's Skelly Stadium.

NCAA

Kansas State QB rated Big 12's best

Texas running back Ricky Williams might be a frontrunner to win the Heisman Trophy, but a majority of Big 12 coaches said Monday that Kansas State's all-purpose quarterback Michael Bishop is a better choice as the league's offensive player of the year.

Coaches were informally polled during the league's weekly conference call. Bishop had the edge for offensive MVP 6-2, with three coaches saying the two should share the honor. One coach abstained.

"Whoaaaa! Good question," said Baylor coach Dave Roberts. "I don't know. That's a great question. Maybe they can be co-(MVP). They've both been great for their teams. I hope there's a way they can share it."

The informal balloting suggests Williams, who needs 63 yards to break Tony Dorsett's 22-year-old NCAA Division I career rushing record, could win the Heisman without being named the best player in his own conference.

The results also suggest Bishop might rise in the Heisman race. He ran for two touchdowns and passed for two TDs as the No. 2 and 10-0 Wildcats beat Nebraska 40-30 last weekend.

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Frogs' win typically difficult

By Todd J. Shriver
STAFF REPORTER

Nothing ever seems to come easily for the TCU Horned Frogs this year. Even when winning, the Frogs like to make things a little tough on themselves, as they did in their 17-7 victory over the Tulsa Golden Hurricane on Saturday.

TCU coach Dennis Franchione said TCU's performance was typical of this year's team.

"There's no easy way for us," Franchione said. "It was just another week of Horned Frog football."

After TCU's first drive, the game looked as if it would be a walk in the park for the Frogs. TCU marched 75 yards in nine plays, capping the drive with a 1-yard touchdown run by sophomore running back LaDainian Tomlinson.

Tomlinson followed up last year's 180-yard performance against Tulsa with 165 yards this year. He said the offense deserves the credit for his dominating performance.

"We've got to give credit to the offensive line because they controlled the line of scrimmage," Tomlinson said. "I think they wanted it."

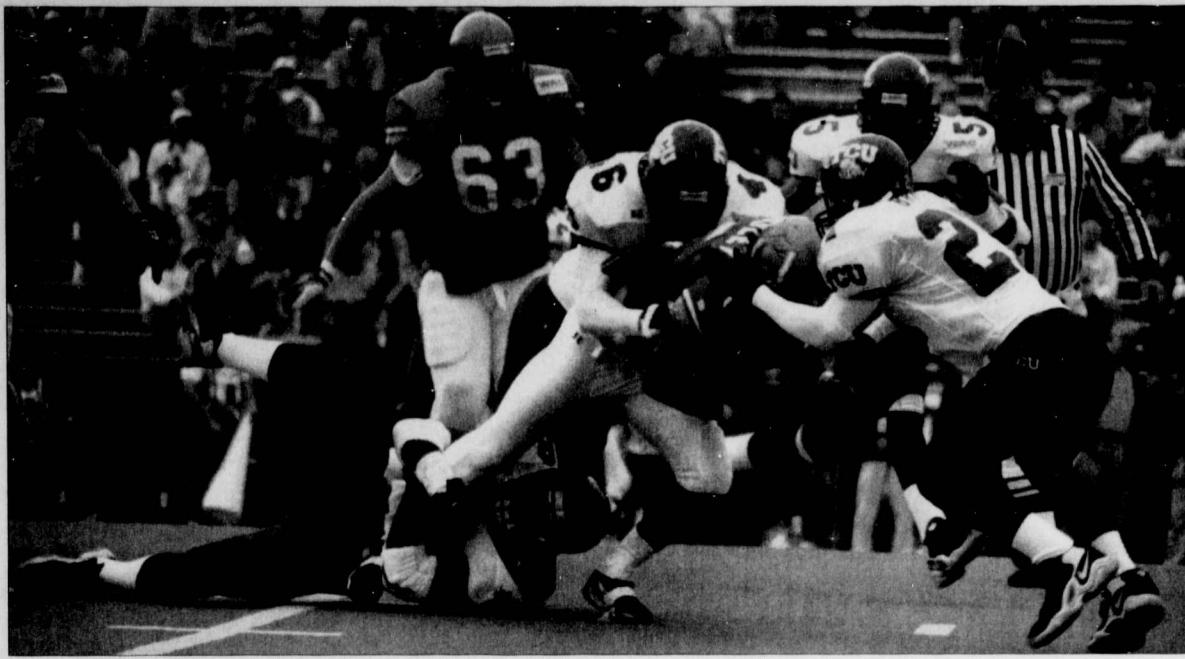
Tomlinson also abused Tulsa's defense by gaining most of his yards after initial contact was made.

"I wasn't going to let one hit bring me down," he said. "It was going to take a couple of guys to bring me down. I just had that mentality."

TCU's defense held Tulsa on its first drive, and it looked as if the team might give a repeat performance of the first drive after Tomlinson broke off a 24-yard run on the drive's first play. However, the drive died when junior quarterback Jeff Dover, who was making his first start of the season, threw a pass that was picked off by his former Grand Prairie High School teammate, Tulsa cornerback Lyndon Nixon.

Things continued downhill for TCU's offense as the Horned Frogs had problems mustering any substantial drives for the rest of the half.

Meanwhile, Tulsa's passing game was torch-



Seniors Kam Hunt (left), Cody Mortensen (center) and Andre Bruce wrestle Tulsa running back John Mosley to the ground during the Frogs' 17-7 victory at Tulsa, Okla.

ing TCU's secondary for big gains, but the Golden Hurricane weren't able to net any points once they got into the red zone.

Senior defensive end Kam Hunt attributed TCU's success at stopping Tulsa's offense in the red zone to the fact that the Horned Frogs' defense likes to play "with our backs to the wall."

"That's the demeanor of our defense," Hunt said. "Our defense is like Bill Bixby. Whenever he'd get mad, he'd turn into the Incredible Hulk."

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ing TCU's secondary for big gains, but the Golden Hurricane weren't able to net any points once they got into the red zone.

It's a good thing TCU's defense got mad at the right times, because Tulsa's offense racked up 450 total yards, including 322 yards through the air.

Tulsa's passing attack finally brought some results in the fourth quarter when Michael Wall hit Jerrold Smith for a 14-yard touchdown pass, making the score 10-7 TCU.

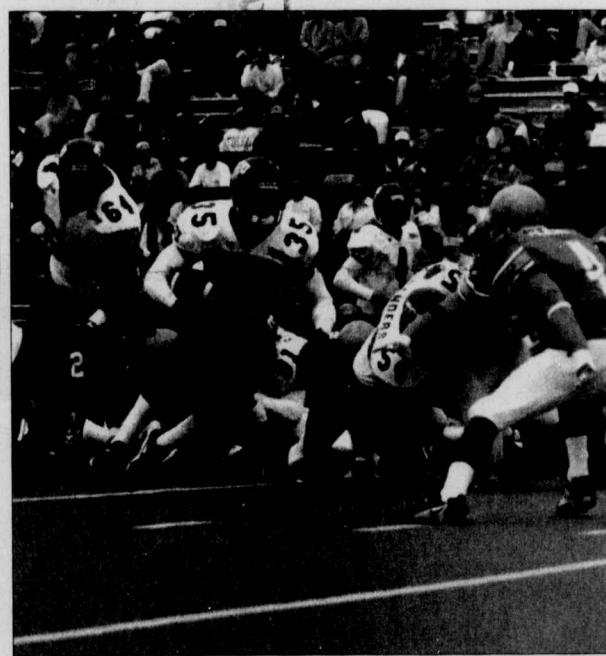
TCU got the ball back with a little more than

four minutes remaining but couldn't run the clock out, leaving Tulsa with one more chance to tie or win.

Luckily for TCU, sophomore safety LaVar Veale picked off a Wall pass at the TCU 20 and returned it to the Tulsa 2 to preserve the win.

Veale said after the game he was in the right place at the right time.

"I was keying both the receiver and the quarterback," Veale said. "I was concentrating on doing what I was supposed to be doing."



Senior fullback Lance Williams finds a crease in the Golden Hurricane defense.

Eagles provide close match

♦ Frogs survive scare with a shot by Gainous in the final seconds of home opener.

By David Quinlan
SKIFF STAFF

The TCU men's basketball team dodged another bullet Saturday night, squeaking by Oral Roberts 94-93 in its home opener at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

With three seconds remaining, junior transfer Marquise Gainous missed a jumper but then grabbed his own rebound and applied the game-winning shot.

"I was surprised," the 6-foot-9-inch forward said. "I just hurried it up, turned around and made the shot."

Gainous was without the help of Lee Nailon and Ryan Carroll late in the game, both of whom fouled out. Gainous would finish the night as TCU's leading scorer with 27 points and 16 boards.

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By Jan Ove Vadey
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The TCU Volleyfrogs played the University of Nevada-Las Vegas and the Air Force Academy this weekend and came out victorious in both matches.

The Frogs faced the UNLV Rebels on Friday; against the third-ranked team of the Western Athletic Conference's Mountain Division, the Volleyfrogs had one of their best performances of the year.

In game one, the Volleyfrogs fell behind several times, but led by freshman outside hitter Marci King — who was named WAC player of the

week — and sophomore outside hitter Amy Atamanczuk, but fought back every time.

The teams were shadowing each other until the score was 14-14 and junior outside hitter Jill Pape came up to serve. The TCU skipper left the Rebels one game down as she completed the game with two serving aces.

Game two resembled the first as the teams changed leads several times until they knotted the score at 13. That was when Atamanczuk stepped up, ending the Rebels' hope of claiming game two as she made two kills.

The two following games remind-

ed the Volleyfrogs that they still had to fight for the match, as the Rebels won them by scores of 15-5 and 15-7, respectively, sending the match into a decisive rally game.

The Volleyfrogs took immediate control of game five, jumping to an early lead. However, UNLV closed the gap and evened the score at 14. Pape's solid serve secured the game for the Volleyfrogs 16-14 and the match 3-2.

"Most of all this was a team victory, but I also think that Jill proved she is a great leader of the team," TCU head coach Sandy Trout said.

On Saturday, the Air Force

Academy Falcons were guests at the Rickel Building. The team arrived with the same 2-9 WAC record as TCU, hoping to pass the Volleyfrogs in the standings.

In game one, the Volleyfrogs fell behind 1-4 but came back to go on a 7-0 run to claim a 8-4 lead. From there, the Volleyfrogs controlled the game and won 15-11.

In the second game, the Volleyfrogs took an early lead, led by junior defensive specialist Stacy Olson's artistic jump serves. TCU never gave Air Force any hope of winning the game and defeated the Falcons 15-10.

In the third and final game of the match, the Volleyfrogs sealed their second win of the weekend. With a .556 hitting percentage and a score of 15-2, TCU outplayed its opponent in every part of the game.

"We are very excited about what we did this weekend, and on Thursday we're going after Rice," Trout said. "But we still have to concentrate on our final two games before we can talk about the WAC tournament."

The Volleyfrogs will finish off their regular season as they hit the road to face Rice University on Thursday and the University of Tulsa on Saturday.



Senior center Lee Nailon goes strong to the bucket against Oral Roberts in the Frogs' 94-93 win Saturday. Nailon finished with 27 points but fouled out in the fourth quarter.

Player skills help Volleyfrogs win weekend matches

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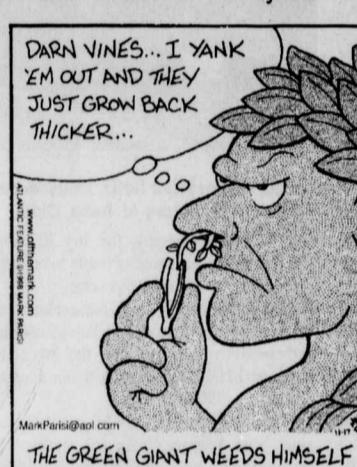
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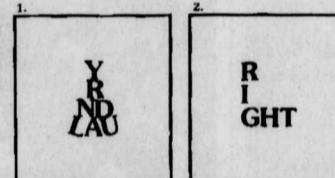
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