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Practice turns tragic when lineman dies of head injury
BOISE, Idaho (U-WIRE) — Freshman defensive lineman Paul Reyna was ready to do battle in the trenches of Division I football. He arrived at Boise State in early August for the 1999 football season and had yet to play a regular season game in the collegiate ranks.

But during the team's first organized scrimmage last week, Reyna suffered an internal head injury that claimed his life Monday afternoon.

"We've lost a member of the Bronco family," said visibly shaken head coach Dirk Koetter during a news conference Monday night.

The accident happened when Reyna tripped over a teammate, fell backwards and struck his head on the artificial turf. Moments after walking to the sideline, Reyna lost consciousness following complaints of a severe headache.

—The Arbitrator

Boise State University

N.C. State scientists invent biodegradable 'band-aid'

RALEIGH, N.C. (U-WIRE) — Soon we may not have to suffer the excruciating pain that comes with peeling off a bandage. N.C. State scientists have developed a new wound dressing that can improve the healing process with inner layers that actually biodegrade and become part of the healed skin.

The new three-layered dressing, developed by NCSU textile researchers, increases the healing rate and protects the wound from bacteria and other infections.

The innermost layers of the bandage are metabolized by the body. These layers are composed of chitosen, which is a natural fiber extracted from shellfish and refined.

The chitosen film protects the wound from bacteria but allows moisture to pass through.

In the new dressing, only the outermost layer need be removed and discarded, as the inner layers biodegrade and become part of the healed skin.

—The Technician

North Carolina State University

TCU remains in second tier

University in same spot on list of top 200 schools

By Joel Anderson
STAFF REPORTER

For the third consecutive year, TCU maintained its spot in the second tier of national universities in *U.S. News & World Report's* annual college ranking.

But while Baylor University and Southern Methodist University earned an academic reputation score of 3.3 and 3.2, respectively, TCU's was 2.7.

The academic reputation score weighs most heavily on the overall ranking, accounting for 25 percent

of the final score. This score is compiled from a survey of university administrators who were asked to rate peer schools and assign a score of 1 to 5, with 1 indicating a marginal school, and 5 indicating a distinguished school.

Despite receiving the second-lowest academic reputation score in the second tier, Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari focused on positive aspects of TCU's overall ranking.

"I was very pleased for us to be in the second tier," Ferrari said. "My initial reaction was that (the ranking) is a terrific place to be."

National universities and liberal arts colleges that are ranked by the news magazine are placed in the "Top 50" category, second tier, third tier or fourth tier, in increments of 50. A place in the second tier indicates that TCU ranked between the top 51 and 100 national universities.

The top five national universities in the overall rankings were the California Institute of Technology, Harvard (Mass.) University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Princeton (N.J.) University and Yale (Conn.) University.

Ferrari said the reputation component of the ranking is not an accurate indicator of a school's academic performance.

"All of us in academia know that is the most subjective part of the ranking," he said. "I place no level of confidence in that rating. There's no way anyone can get anything meaningful from that score."

A school with a well-known graduate program typically scores higher in the reputation portion, Ferrari said.

"A little more weight is placed on having a law school or a medical school. It's the halo effect," he said. "If you look at the academic profile

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The art of negotiation



Patrick Pannett/PHOTO EDITOR

TCU is continuing to negotiate the purchase of The Contemporary Art Center in downtown Fort Worth after contract talks broke down during the summer, TCU officials said. If acquired, the center would give the university a downtown presence and would be

used as an exhibition area for emerging artists and professionals in the community. Lecture series, graduate courses and fine arts performances would also be held in the center, located at Commerce and Fourth streets. See Tuesday's issue for a full report.

Mission statement finalized

Some faculty question lack of church reference

By Matt Stiver
STAFF REPORTER

A new mission statement aimed at leading TCU into the next century was adopted this summer by a committee composed of TCU faculty, students and staff.

Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari, who hoped to adopt a new mission statement since his arrival last July, said he was happy with the final statement.

"I'm really very proud because it's really very hard to do," he said. "The reason we exist is to educate students to think and act as ethical leaders and as responsible citizens in a global community. Everybody can relate to that whether you are a full professor, whether you are a member of a staff at a resi-

dence hall, or whether you work in a custodial area."

The mission statement includes a vision statement and a core values statement. The mission states that TCU will educate students to think and act in a global community as responsible citizens. The statement claims

that TCU values academic achievement and an inclusive, tolerant heritage.

Ferrari listed obscenity and length as two problems of the old mission statement.

"The document we had been using for many years was five or six pages in the front of the catalog," he said. "Nobody paid much attention to it. It didn't seem like it drove the university in terms of our aspirations, the way we allocate resources, the

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Mission

To educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community

ENGLISH ONLINE

New e-Program gives international students chance to learn language any time, any place

By Justin Roche
STAFF REPORTER

Students in the Intensive English Program can now learn English through multimedia software and interactive curriculum with the addition of e-Program, a new TCU Internet resource.



Kirk Gayle, director of the IEP, said TCU is forging new trails in teaching English to international students in the country.

"As far as we can tell, TCU is the only one, and therefore the first, to have the program online," Gayle said.

There are 451 IEP programs in the United States, bringing more than 54,000 international students to learn the language. However, many more are kept from coming due to the cost of living and the required visa to enter the United States.

These and other factors have resulted in more international students seeking an intensive English program in other countries, like Great Britain and New Zealand, Gayle said.

The e-Program bypasses these hindrances, allowing participation and learning worldwide, Gayle said.

"One of the biggest benefits of the e-Program is that it brings the world's most utilized language directly to anyone who wants to learn," Gayle said.

Created by Daniel Olson, IEP lab coordinator, the e-Program began last March and has already seen immediate results.

The use of the e-Program has resulted in improved scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language, an exam that all international students need to pass to enter into any U.S. university.

The program utilizes video clips from movies such as "Groundhog Day" to "The Fugitive" to show students common uses of the

English language. Other lessons are available for users to listen to and attempt to duplicate.

The reading and writing aspects of English are also emphasized through quizzes on the film clips, an online chat room, a discussion board where students can post messages and writing assignments on different topics.

These hi-tech capabilities of the e-Program make it exciting and easy to use, Olson said. It is also available to IEP students in the higher level English classes.

"Students have been eager to use it and students in the lower level classes are eager to get into it," Olson said.

Reiko Hashimoto, a freshman computer science major from Japan, participated in the e-Program and said most of the success behind it comes from the instructors' desire to help the students and the program grow.

"It's a really nice program and everyday it's improving because

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Council hopes goals will reflect duty to diversity

By Jessica Schambach
STAFF REPORTER

The proposed goals of a newly formed diversity council will be finalized at the board's Sept. 1 meeting, and council members

said they hope the goals will reflect TCU's commitment to establishing a more inclusive and diverse learning environment.

The Chancellor's Council on Diversity was developed shortly after Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari's Fall 1998 Convocation address, during which he listed increasing campus diversity as one of 10 goals for the university.

Cornell Thomas, former chairman of Educational Foundations and Administration in the School of Education, was named special assistant to the chancellor for

diversity and community, and about 15 faculty and staff members, students, alumni and community members were nominated and chosen to serve on the council.

During the last year, the council developed a comprehensive diversity report, which included topics ranging from student recruitment to curriculum.

Thomas stressed the importance of a diversity council at TCU and said issues of race and gender will be addressed, as will issues concerning differences in ways of thinking.

"We live in a global society," he said. "We've got to prepare our students for the real world, and that's what the task is all about. The answer is people getting to know one another and keeping an open mind."

After compiling information from surveys, the council concentrated on areas of concern. The development of an interactive Web site and task force are two of about 10 goals council members

consider to be especially important, Thomas said.

Currently, the board is forming a task force representative of different on- and off-campus organizations to assist in incorporating diversity issues into the academic curriculum. Ideally, one representative from the council would be a direct liaison to each group represented, Thomas said.

"Whatever organization is interested, we want them to be a part of this," he said. "We all have a voice — we all have things of value ... that need to be shared because it helps us to widen our perspectives when looking at different issues."

Thomas said many faculty members and students embraced the idea of a diversity council and have given positive reinforcement.

All faculty members were surveyed and more than 100 expressed an interest, saying the university should address diversity. Many provided suggestions on

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Thomas

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CAMPUS LINES

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moudy Building South, Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050 or e-mailed to 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.

■ The Office of Minority Affairs will host the Minority Welcoming Retreat from 4:30 to 10:30 p.m. Friday. The group will meet in front of the Student Center at 4:30 p.m. to go to Eagle Mountain Lake. Food will be provided. For more information, call Vicky Guess at 257-7855.

■ Baptist Student Ministries will sponsor a free fellowship lunch for new students at noon Friday in the Commons Building of the Tom Brown/Pete Wright Residential Community. For more information, call Tony Upton at 257-5093.

■ United Campus Ministries Bridging the Gap Retreat will be this weekend. The group will leave at 6 p.m. Friday and will return at 7 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 257-7830 or visit University Ministries in Student Center, Room 111.

■ Catholic Community Sunday Mass will be at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the Student Center Ballroom. For more information, call Charlie Calabrese at 257-7830.

■ The Organization of Latin American Students will hold its first meeting at 5 p.m. on Wednesday in Student Center, Room 209.

■ Mary Couts Burnett Library walk-in sessions for general orientation will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 7, and from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 8. Individual or group sessions can be made by appointment. For more information, call 257-7117.

■ The Student Development Services Tailgate Party will be at 5 p.m. Sept. 5 in the parking lot across the street from the Rickel Building. It will take place before the Arizona home football game. There will be free food and a live band. For more information, call Vicky Guest at 257-7855.

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News

ROUNDUP

World

Sanctions causing deaths of thousands of Iraqi children, U.N. official says

UNITED NATIONS — A senior U.N. official called for a halt Thursday to the use of Iraqi children for "propaganda purposes" — an appeal clearly aimed at Iraq and the United States.

Benon Sevan, head of the U.N. humanitarian program in Iraq, issued the call in a closed-door briefing to the U.N. Security Council after U.S. and Iraqi envoys clashed at an open council meeting Wednesday over who was responsible for the suffering of Iraqi children.

The U.S.-Iraqi exchange highlighted the differences that must be overcome as the U.N. Security Council debates a new policy toward Iraq and the possible suspension of sanctions.

Calling the United States "a bloodsucker of the people," Iraq's U.N. Ambassador Saeed Hasan complained that Iraqi children are dying at an alarming rate because of U.N. sanctions, which the United States supports. He demanded that sanctions be lifted immediately.

He cited both a report by Secretary-General Kofi Annan which concluded that the U.N. relief program could not put an end to the deteriorating humanitarian situation in Iraq, and the first survey of child mortality in Iraq since 1991, released this month by UNICEF.

But U.S. diplomat Mark Minton blamed Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for the suffering of thousands of Iraqi youngsters, saying Baghdad is has been promoting policies that deny needy children food and medicine.

Internet group approves stricter guidelines to more closely monitor 'cybersquatting'

SANTIAGO, Chile — An Internet governing body seeking to bring order to the World Wide Web wound down three days of meetings Thursday by tackling one of the technology's thorniest issues: cybersquatting.

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, known as INCANN, closed its conference by approving guidelines to resolve disputes over domain names — the addresses used by Internet users to access a particular Web site.

Businesses looking to establish a presence on the Web have increasingly complained about cybersquatting, the practice of buying Internet Web site names and then selling them for a profit.

INCANN pledged to develop a system within 45 days to more closely monitor the registration of names on the Internet and provide a way to resolve any disputes over trademarks, which to date have been solved mostly through lengthy court battles.

INCANN chief executive Michael Roberts said

the policy is still in a drafting stage, but that guidelines were fully agreed upon by the board and some 20 of the 60 companies licensed as registrars of domain names.

"This is a milestone toward overcoming controversies that have been a major problem" in the Web, said INCANN lawyer Louis Touton, who helped draw up the draft document.

Beginning sometime in October, registrars will flatly deny a request to register a domain when "bad faith is evident," Touton said. The new system will be designed to protect "famous names, such as Coca Cola."

Should a dispute arise, an arbitration group with the power to strip domain holders of their names will be convened. Among the factors to be taken into consideration, Touton said, will be "whether the holder is commonly known by the domain name, even if it has not acquired trademark or service marks rights."

INCANN was created with help from the U.S. Commerce Department to manage and develop guidelines for the Internet.

Nation

Captain to serve four months for lying about relationship with two women

OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb. — An Air Force captain will serve four months in a military jail after pleading guilty Thursday to having sex with two enlisted women, including one he later married.

Capt. Douglas M. Bass admitted to lying to an investigator and disobeying orders to end his relationship with Krystal Carr, who is now his wife.

Bass pleaded guilty to nine counts of violating military law. After serving his four-month sentence, he will be dismissed — an officer's equivalent to a dishonorable discharge, his attorney said.

Bass was the commanding officer over Carr and her first husband when their affair started in 1998, shortly after Carr's husband was deployed to Saudi Arabia.

Military officials learned about the affair in February 1999 and ordered Bass to end it, but he denied the relationship.

No disciplinary action has been taken against Carr.

Bass also had a relationship with an unidentified staff sergeant at Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana before he met Carr. The woman wasn't under his command.

Three wounded after stabbing on Amtrak train, suspect held on \$1-million bail

OLMSTED FALLS, Ohio — A man with an 8-inch knife stabbed two conductors and a passenger on an Amtrak train outside Cleveland on Thursday and was pulled from a crowd and arrested after a rider pointed him out, police said.

The passenger and one of the conductors were in critical condition Thursday night, one with a head wound and the other with stab wounds to his cheek and jaw.

Police said they had no motive. The suspect, before a court appearance, shouted to reporters that he acted in self-defense when a train porter pulled a gun on him.

Passengers on the Lake Shore Limited run from Chicago to New York were jolted awake about 3:20 a.m. as the suspect and the victims ran through the train, leaving a bloody trail through seven cars. The train carried 376 passengers and 12 crew members.

Aaron Hall, 41, of Ontario, Calif., was arrested when a passenger in a crowd leaving the stopped train told police, "That's him. That's him."

Hall, still dressed in bloody clothes in his court appearance, was charged with three counts of attempted murder and held on \$1 million bail.

State

Court allows South Texas law school to claim continued affiliation with Texas A&M

HOUSTON — The Texas Supreme Court on Thursday blocked the state's attempt to keep South Texas College of Law from affiliating with Texas A&M University.

"We get to continue saying we're affiliated with Texas A&M," South Texas spokeswoman Sheila Hansel said.

On Aug. 3, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board obtained a permanent injunction that blocked the private Houston law school from affiliating with the College Station state university.

South Texas College of Law appealed and on Thursday received an indefinite stay from the Texas Supreme Court, pending further direction from the court.

Higher Education Coordinating Board spokeswoman Terri Flack said Thursday night she was unable to comment on the stay because the agency had yet to receive a copy of the supreme court's decision.

Earlier this month, state District Judge Suzanne Covington of Austin decided the agreement between the two schools was void because it clashes with the authority given to the higher education board by law.

While the judge allowed the two schools to continue working together through library and faculty exchanges, Covington told South Texas to cease using the name of Texas A&M in all of the law school's logos and literature.

The school had been referring to itself as "South Texas College of Law affiliated with Texas A&M University."

South Texas and A&M struck a partnership in January 1998 that would give the downtown Houston law school the A&M name while remaining a \$14,000-a-year private school.

While such private-public partnerships do exist, Texas A&M's failure to get permission from the governing board has tripped up the 41,000-student school's attempt to add a law school.

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STAFF editorial

Pulling Rank

Score should spur student support

In a recent issue of *U.S. News and World Report*, TCU was named in the second tier of national universities for the third consecutive year. While we held our ground, we tied for the second-lowest academic reputation in that tier.

The score is compiled from a survey of university administrators who were asked to rate peer schools and assign a score of 1 to 5, with 1 indicating a marginal school and 5 indicating a distinguished school.

With Baylor and Southern Methodist University boasting academic scores of 3.3 and 3.2, respectively, it leads us to wonder why our academic score has remained unchanged. We are comparable to these universities in terms of tuition prices and student demographics, but according to university administrators, they outrank us in the academic playing field.

Perhaps with Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari's plans for the Commission on the Future, academic restructuring, the university's mission statement and the Diversity Council, we'll see an improvement in our rankings. And as TCU identifies new goals and works to reach them, maybe our continued progress will be our recognized strength when it comes to "peer evaluations" such the *U.S. News* rankings.

After all, wouldn't these new plans and measures be pointless if, in the long run, they did not improve our national recognition?

According to TCU administrators, these rankings renew their vigor to help position TCU in the national spotlight, even when the university has somewhat been shy of it in the past.

"Our name recognition is not as strong as other schools on a national basis, but that's due to the fact that there has been a tendency for TCU not to be boastful about our academic programs," Ferrari said.

And how can students get involved to carry our name across the nation? By continuing to support the university and its quest for greater national prominence through academic, athletic and community ventures.

We've already got a good start.

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Identify your personal agenda

Taking time to accomplish short-term goals will satisfy self

In the September 1999 issue of *Worth Magazine*, the editors asked 24 prominent Americans to identify personal goals and agendas. Each person was asked, "What have you done in your life that you found particularly meaningful or fulfilling?"

Commentary



DAVID BECKER

So, I got to thinking of some short-term goals I would like to achieve while studying on campus this year. Perhaps setting goals is personal and self-centered; however, I can only hit a target I can visualize in my mind, so I set specific goals for the semester.

Go to a sporting event other than football or basketball. There are so many great athletes on campus, and each need support in their great challenges. I had a friend who was an All-American sharpshooter with a rifle, and I regret never attending one of her match-

es. Our championship football team is playing games out of town from Sept. 6 to Oct. 8. During those six long weeks, support a different athletic team.

Take a librarian to lunch. There is no greater joy I have than visiting the library every day. The TCU librarians accommodate every reasonable request I make. I want to thank them.

Give away at least one of my cherished possessions. At every age, all of us accumulate "stuff." Most of what I own could be used by someone else. If you are like me, you have the disease of being over-blessed and under-giving.

Write a thank-you note to a TCU employee each week. I think I will start with Will Stallworth, director of the physical plant. He motivated his crews to get the campus building ready for the fall and the landscaping looks fabulous. Next, I will write to Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, because he runs it so smoothly.

Walk from the coliseum lot at least twice a week. It appears that a few of us get enough exercise time. There is a mad rush from our campus quarters to class with

hardly a moment to spare. This year I am going to relax, be on time and take the walk completely across campus. Watching other people on campus is entertaining.

Be kind to people I cannot stand. It is difficult to live in the TCU community of some 7,000 people and not find a few folks who rub me the wrong way. I will seek to make the big shots feel important and the little shots to feel big. Hey, we ARE in the South, and manners count big time.

Participate in the Commission on the Future of TCU. Chancellor Ferrari is asking for a blueprint for the future of our university. I chose TCU when I was a high school senior and returned three decades later to work on an advanced degree. The student body of my alma mater is smaller than it was 30 years ago and much wealthier.

Let some people give me a piece of their mind and their intelligence. Certainly one of the best things about being on campus is a first-class lecture series. In the next two months, authors Maya Angelou and Harold Kushner will

be on our campus. The wisdom of these two individuals fills volumes.

Arrive on time. My worst habit is being late. I am late to class. I am late to meetings. I have such a personal challenge with being punctual that I will be 30 minutes late to the Judgment Day. So I am going to break my worst habit and arrive on time. My earliest class this semester is 1 p.m., so if I cannot do it now, I may be beyond hope.

Volunteer some time to others. I want to find time to stop studying this year and give away some of my time. I do not know what worries others, but I have constant worries about school. The ONLY way I can quit worrying is to think about other people.

So, I have my work cut out for me. I can only meet these goals if I put them up on the wall and remind myself of them daily. It is better to go through life with a definite purpose than existing as a wandering generality!

David Becker is a Brite Divinity School graduate student from Pueblo, Colo.

OSAs deserve pat on back

Students dedicate entire summer to helping students

Every institution has its champions — those that must work hard and sacrifice in order for the traditions of that institution to endure. Ancient Greece had its philosophers, Medieval Europe had its knights, Japan had the Samurai, and TCU has its orientation staff.

It is befitting that the efforts of these groups have been immortalized by countless legends of their endeavors. The citizens of their societies have sung their praises for generations, and through these legends their legacies live on.

However, there are those among us who take for granted the efforts of the orientation staff who worked through their summer vacations in order to help out newcomers.

The activities of TCU's traditional and now legendary orientation process have been labeled pointless, time-consuming and even boring. Some believe that the whole idea of new student orientation is something that is just part of the college experience. Well, take it from someone who has come to TCU from other less "user-friendly" colleges: It's not.

TCU is unique because the campus is so welcoming to incoming students — transfers and freshmen

alike. Many people have worked very hard to make it this way. The orientation staff, and, in fact, the whole process of new student orientation, is a reflection of this hard work.

The orientation staff here at TCU is composed of a group of dedicated students, as well as a hard working group of faculty and staff who are seasoned veterans in the process of orientation. It is because of these people that all new students at TCU have the instrument through which to become better acquainted with their surroundings, the traditions and the campus life here at TCU.

Activities such as Frog Camp, orientation and Howdy Week are vital to the friendly nature of the campus, and should not be underestimated in their importance to the TCU community.

At most universities, the first year is a scary experience. At my previous schools, I could not find help with my schedule or financial aid, and it was next to impossible to meet anybody unless you already had friends at that school.

I didn't only transfer to a new school when I came to TCU, but a new city and state. Yet I had no problem making the adjustment to my new atmosphere, and this was largely due to orientation and the help of the OSAs. Every time that I had a question or a problem, there was someone close by to help. It is as if I had a one-on-one coach to help me through my enrollment.

It seems far-fetched that these 17 OSAs, who had already assisted well

over 1,000 new students before me, could actually find the time and energy to greet me with a smile and ask, "Do you need help with anything?"

But they did.

This is the magnificence that I have found in this group of people: They actually care. They want to make our experience here at TCU as pleasant as possible. In doing so they sacrificed a large chunk of their summer vacation, spending countless hours in the orientation office, and in Colby Hall practicing their skits and presentations. Sleep, at times, was rare for the OSAs.

To go through all of that and maintain an enthusiastic smile and energetic persona takes a special type of person, and each of the OSAs has proven to be that type of person.

You only get one first impression, or so the saying goes, and the orientation staff at TCU has made sure that the vast majority of new students have a positive first impression of TCU.

So until the powers that be find it in their hearts to create an "Orientation Staff Appreciation Day," complete with barbecues and a parade down University Drive, it needs to be said that the students and parents of TCU appreciate all that you have done for us.

You have our thanks for making us feel comfortable in the first few awkward days here at our new home.

Zachary Norris is a senior biology major from Long Beach, Calif.

Take steps to achieve your goal

Drive combined with idle hands makes for mischievous pranks

Let's talk about goals. Goals, goals, goals. Walk into the bookstore, and you'll see titles of books about the seven habits of highly successful people, how to make friends and money and other inspirational stories.

People make goals all the time. TCU is big on goals as well. Open up the purple handbook and planner given out at the beginning of the year, and spaces for appointments, assignments and the big to-do are evenly spaced out. They even have quotes for inspiration.

When I look on Thursday, October 28, Anonymous tells me: "If you continually give, you will continually have." Now that makes me I want to go to class.

However, sometimes these spaces and goals do help. I need this help, because I have a goal.

There are steps to a goal, and I will follow them. The basic model is energy, drive and the means to accomplish your intention.

Around New Year's Day and the start of the semester, goals become much more important. With college students, there is always the usual pledge to spend more time in the library, make lifelong friends, get a

parking space on North Drive and vacuum the room every other week. I will do those things, really I will. But there is more out there.

My ultimate goal this semester is to launch water balloons off the roof of Sadler Hall.

This goal of mine was chosen with utmost care. After all, this is four months of time and energy devoted to one thing.

Besides, I've already roller-bladed through the buildings on campus.

I have the energy. Sitting through 18 hours of class a week will atrophy muscles if they are not properly exercised.

I have the drive. It would be a great story to tell, especially when people shriek, stop and block the entrance to Eden's Greens while asking, "What did you do this summer?"

I have the means. Wal-Mart sells bags of 50 balloons, and I already own a three-person water balloon launcher.

I also have targets picked out. Addison and Randolph Clark, 50 points.

So can I do it? In any goal, there are obstacles. Concepts that undermine attempts at the end result. Things that can often be uncontrollable. Things that can be detrimental.

University Drive motorists won't be thrilled with my plan. I look at this as revenge on behalf of the student body for all the drivers who run the red light at the crosswalk,

taking out innocent students who are late to their 8 a.m. class in Winton-Scott Hall.

I think I can do it. But I need some accomplices. I mean, assistants. These can't be any ordinary water balloon-throwing TCU students. They must be similar, goal-oriented, civic-minded students such as myself.

Even have a little application for this position. Qualifications: strength, balance, dark clothing and advanced climbing skills. After all, the scaffolding used by the roofing company won't be up all semester. Some possible questions from the application include:

Essay: You are running your usual three laps around the main campus. Froggie-Five-O is ahead of you on the sidewalk. Discuss the options of either party stopping, running on the grass or getting run over. Remember to consider the possibility of the water sprinklers.

Practical Application: It is 11:57 a.m. You have to meet a professor at noon in Reed Hall. You are hungry. You are in the Main. Act out the appropriate twists, turns and diving motions made to get a cyberwrap and pay for it, while arriving on time for your appointment. Extra credit: french fries on the side. Automatic acceptance: ketchup.

E-mail your applications to me. We can accomplish this together!

Mel Korte is a junior broadcast journalism major from St. Louis, Mo.

Commentary



ZACHARY NORRIS

Commentary



MEL KORTE

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the teachers are always trying to make it better," Hashimoto said. The program is also set up so the instructors can monitor the students' progress, review their work and even offer suggestions, both in print and on recorded audio clips, Gayle said. This contact gives the e-Program a more personal touch. "It's highly interactive," Gayle said. "Your classroom is a one-teacher-to-three-student (ratio).

And TCU students can get involved by being an e-mail pal with the IEP students to help with surveys and assignments." Along with these options, the IEP has seminars that all of its students can attend if they want face-to-face interaction. In June, the Mary Couets Burnett Library opened the Union Pacific Learning Laboratory, a computer lab created specifically for the IEP

students and the e-Program that was made possible by a \$180,000 grant from Union Pacific. With this new and exciting resource for the IEP, Gayle said he hopes to give students the opportunity to learn English, both at TCU and around the globe. "We want the e-Program to help students get English quick, regardless of time or space," Gayle said.

Blazes in 6 states burn out of control as California declares fire emergencies

By Steve Geissinger
ASSOCIATED PRESS

California Gov. Gray Davis declared fire emergencies Thursday in four Northern California counties and ordered National Guard troops and helicopters to assist firefighters battling major blazes in the Sierra Nevada.

The California fires were among 27 major blazes that had consumed 121,000 acres of grass, brush and timber across the West. Firefighters in air and ground crews fought many of the fires in triple-digit temperatures and rugged terrain. Meteorologists said lightning strikes threatened to spark new fires.

About 11,000 firefighters using at least 750 fire engines battled blazes in California, where nearly half the major fires were burning, and in Nevada, Oregon, Montana, Washington and

Idaho. They were supported by at least 104 helicopters and two dozen air tankers.

"The situation is escalating, and it's getting to the point where we're concerned about being able to respond to all the fires adequately," said Janelle Smith of the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho.

Thick smoke blanketed Reno, Nev., and cities in California's Central Valley, including Sacramento, where authorities warned residents to avoid unnecessary outdoor activity.

"All state fire-fighting resources have been deployed to combat these wildfires," Davis said, declaring emergencies in Tehama, Butte, Tuolumne and Shasta counties.

The U.S. Forest Service summoned forces from throughout the nation. Davis ordered California National

Guard personnel to assist firefighters — some of whom had been on the lines for more than 30 hours. The governor's order included the deployment of C-130 transports and Blackhawk helicopters to carry supplies and firefighters.

The National Weather Service forecast lightning with little rain overnight Thursday in south-central Oregon, northern Nevada and Northern California, spurring fears of more fires.

One death in California has been blamed on the fires that have roared out of control since lightning sieges started last weekend. Few structures have burned, and there were no mandatory evacuations in effect.

"We've been really lucky," said U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Barbara Rebskic.

Guest of 'Jenny Jones' convicted of murder

Man who killed gay acquaintance sought lesser charge of manslaughter 4 years after being humiliated on show

By Justin Hyde
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PONTIAC, Mich. — A man who killed a gay acquaintance who had revealed a crush on him during a "Jenny Jones Show" taping was convicted of murder Thursday for the second time in a case that threw a spotlight on daytime TV's titillating fare.

The jury rejected the crime-of-passion defense of Jonathan Schmitz, who three days after the taping in 1995 shot Scott Amedure at his trailer home and then called police and confessed.

Schmitz, 29, could get life in prison at sentencing Sept. 14.

As the verdict was announced, Schmitz hung his head, stared down and clasped his hands under his chin.

The jury deliberated less than three hours over two days, asking at one point to see a suggestive note, with a blinking construction light attached, left by Amedure on Schmitz's door the night before the shooting.

Amedure, 32, revealed his crush on Schmitz on a "Jenny Jones" segment titled "Same-Sex Secret Crushes." As the audience

whooped with delight, Ms. Jones elicited Amedure's whipped cream-and-strawberries fantasy involving Schmitz. Amedure put an arm around Schmitz, who turned away.

Schmitz, who has said he is heterosexual, later claimed he was humiliated. He said he had been led to believe that the secret admirer he was going to meet on the show would be a woman.

The verdict Thursday marked the third time a jury has considered who was responsible for the slaying, which led to debate over ambush tactics sometimes used by talk shows like Jones'.

Schmitz was convicted of murder in 1996 and sentenced to 25 to 50 years in prison, but the verdict was overturned on appeal because of errors in jury selection. Then, last April, a jury in a lawsuit brought by Amedure's family ordered the producers of "The Jenny Jones Show" to pay \$25 million.

This time, Schmitz's defense was not allowed to bring up his history of depression and attempted suicide as a factor in the killing. Schmitz's attorney,

Jerome Sabbota, also did not blame the show, nor did he call Ms. Jones to testify as she did in the other trials.

Sabbota sought a lesser verdict of manslaughter, arguing that Amedure continued to pursue Schmitz ardently after the taping of the show to the point that Schmitz "lost all reason." The show never aired.

Amedure "never let up and he never backed off. He created a situation when any reasonable person would have snapped," Sabbota said.

Prosecutor Donna Pendergast told the jury that Schmitz overreacted to mere embarrassment.

Juror Kimberley Manney agreed. "If he was gay and a woman had approached him that way, would it have been right for him to kill her because she put a note and a flashing light in his door?" she said after the verdict.

Other jurors said the delay between the taping and the killing ruled out a crime of passion. "There was just way too much time involved for a reasonable person to make some choices," said juror Bruce Sole.

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MISSION

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way we center ourselves and what we think is the most important reason to be here."

TCU librarian Bob Seal, a member of the committee gathered to decide on a statement, voiced similar concerns.

"I remember when I came (to TCU) and did the library's mission statement," Seal said. "I wanted to see what the university's was. I had a heck of a time even finding it."

Work on the new statement began when Ferrari asked the Faculty Senate to nominate possible members for a committee. In addition to the chancellor, the 11-member panel consisted of deans, faculty, students and university staff members.

Larry Lauer, associate vice chancellor for communications and public affairs, said it was important that the mission statement contain voices from across campus.

The committee met throughout the fall and spring semesters. Both Ferrari and Seal said that multiple drafts were presented and drafted during the meetings.

But the final draft developed during a retreat.

"This summer, at a meeting of about 30 people who were brought together from across the university, I shared with them where I thought we were and whether they thought this was a step forward," Ferrari said. "And (the new mission statement) is what came out of that."

Seal said he was pleased with the outcome.

"I'm really happy with it," he said. "I really think it says what TCU is all about."

Not all campus members agreed with the mission statement.

Daryl D. Schmidt, chairman of the religion department, said the new statement lacked a clear commitment to teaching.

"(The mission statement) is geared to more concrete outcomes," he said. "A university is also about learning for learning's sake. The old-fashioned heart of the liberal arts core of university is we do what we do because it's important to know these things. I miss

a more explicit commitment to teaching."

Nadia Lahutsky, an associate professor of religion, said the statement lacked a reference to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

"It's a beautiful statement that incredibly concisely, and somewhat eloquently, captures a lot of important things," she said. "What's missing is any church connectedness. A heritage of 'inclusiveness, tolerance and service' could, I think, nicely describe the Christian Church. It could describe a lot of other people, too."

Schmidt agreed.

"The final statement talks about how TCU values 'a heritage of inclusiveness, tolerance and service,'" he said. "It doesn't say where that heritage comes from. Reading between the lines, I guess it's in there. But we in the religion department would like to make note of the fact that TCU is the kind of place it is, and it has a heritage of these things because of its church relatedness (with the Disciples of Christ)."

Police BLOTTER

Campus Police reported the following offenses between Aug. 6 and Sunday.

Harassment

Aug. 17, 1:22 a.m. — A resident of Brachman Hall reported harassing phone calls coming from off campus. She said the offender had called several times since 1 a.m. An officer was dispatched to Brachman Hall lobby.

Alcohol and Drug Violation

Aug. 20, 2:28 a.m. — An officer was dispatched to the main campus parking lot where a witness reported a student who smelled of alcohol and was staggering. The student was unable to stand on his own or touch his nose with his finger. He claimed to have had two drinks, and later said three. The student was issued an alcohol violation.

Aug. 21, 12:28 a.m. — Two residents of Milton Daniel Hall were found in possession of marijuana. An officer was sent to the hall and found the hall director knocking on the suspects' door.

After no reply and repeated attempts, the hall director unlocked the door with a master key. The officer questioned the two residents and found two bags of empty beer cans, an open window with a fan

blowing air outward and a pile of linens at the foot of the door.

The suspects denied any drug use until they admitted to smoking marijuana after further questioning. They then turned a bag of marijuana over to the police and agreed to take a drug rehabilitation class.

Burglary

Aug. 11, 10:39 p.m. — A car break-in was reported in the Tom Brown/Pete Wright Residential Community parking lot. The victim's car was broken into between 4:30 and 9:30 p.m. The driver's side window was smashed and the victim's cassette and CD changer was stolen.

Trespassing

Aug. 22, 6:28 a.m. — Police arrived at Tomlinson Hall after a man was reported laying near the running track. The witness claimed to have awakened the suspect after he had been sleeping on the ground. Police identified the man and escorted him to Tarrant County Jail.

Theft

Aug. 17, 12:17 p.m. — Two stainless steel training tables were missing from the intramural fields after being left by the TCU soccer team. The tables were left at noon Aug. 16 and were discovered missing at 3 p.m. the same day.

Compiled by Justin Roche

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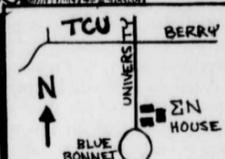
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REPORT

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of Baylor and SMU, there's no way their reputation should be better than ours."

U.S. News uses seven categories to determine its overall rankings: reputation, freshman retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, alumni donations and graduation rates.

Using numbers from fall 1998, TCU showed several changes from the previous year:

- freshman retention rate remained at 80 percent
- the percentage of classes with less than 20 students decreased from 46 percent to 43 percent
- the 25th through 75th percentile SAT scores of incoming freshmen

increased from 1010-1230 to 1030-1250

• the percentage of freshmen who ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school classes increased from 29 percent to 34 percent

• the acceptance rate dropped from 79 percent to 77 percent.

"These rankings show that at a minimum, we need to be much more vigorous to our colleagues nationwide about our reputation," Ferrari said. "Our name recognition is not as strong as other schools on a national basis, but that's due to the fact that there has been a tendency for TCU not to be boastful about our academic programs. We need to let people know how good we really are."

Ranking criteria

U.S. News and World Report uses seven categories to determine its college rankings. They are as follows:

- reputation
- freshman retention rates
- faculty resources
- student selectivity
- financial resources
- alumni donations
- graduation rates

New studies challenge 'Mozart Effect' on IQ

By Matthew Fordahl
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lisa Aikin doesn't buy the theory that listening to the music of Mozart makes people smarter, but her two young children often request her "Mozart Effect" CD when the family is in the car.

The kids call it "mommy's happy music."

Aikin's skepticism may be well placed: Two studies published today in the journal *Nature* challenge earlier research and the popular belief about the effect of music on intelligence.

The results call into question 1993 research that showed college students temporarily gained up to nine IQ points after listening to a Mozart piano sonata. The widely reported findings spawned an industry of supposedly mind-enhancing recordings.

South Dakota, Georgia and Tennessee, as well as the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences, give away classical CDs to new mothers. Several "Mozart Effect" CDs have been on the Billboard classical charts since

January 1998.

However, researchers found that any IQ improvements from listening to Mozart were not statistically significant.

"Listening to classical music is probably good for kids — good for reasons other than it's going to make them smarter," said Harvard Medical School researcher Christopher Chabris, who analyzed 16 previous studies and published his findings in today's issue of the journal *Nature*.

In an accompanying study, other researchers reported that they tried to reproduce the 1993 results and failed.

The authors of the previous research said it's too early to play a requiem for the Mozart effect. The latest studies tried to find evidence of improvement in overall intelligence, while the original results were more limited, they said.

"In every talk that I give, I make it very clear that there is no scientific evidence that listening to music will make you smarter," said Fran Rauscher, lead researcher of the 1993 study and a psychology professor at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

She said her test subjects showed the greatest improvement in spatial thinking skills, which are useful in doing math or playing chess. The participants were asked to visualize the shape of paper after being told how it would be folded or cut.

But Chabris' analysis, involving 714 people, found no significant improvement in either broader abstract reasoning or spatial thinking.

The participants were tested before and after listening to Mozart. On average, Mozart listeners' scores were enhanced by 1.4 IQ points. In the paper-folding test, scores increased by 2.1 points.

Both numbers fall below the 4.5-point difference that would be expected of anyone taking the test twice on the same day, Chabris said.

"The bottom-line message is that there is either no Mozart effect or a very small Mozart effect," he said.

One study he analyzed showed no difference between students who listened to Mozart and those who heard a passage from a Stephen King horror story. That suggests that people are better at the tests when they're mentally engaged, he said.

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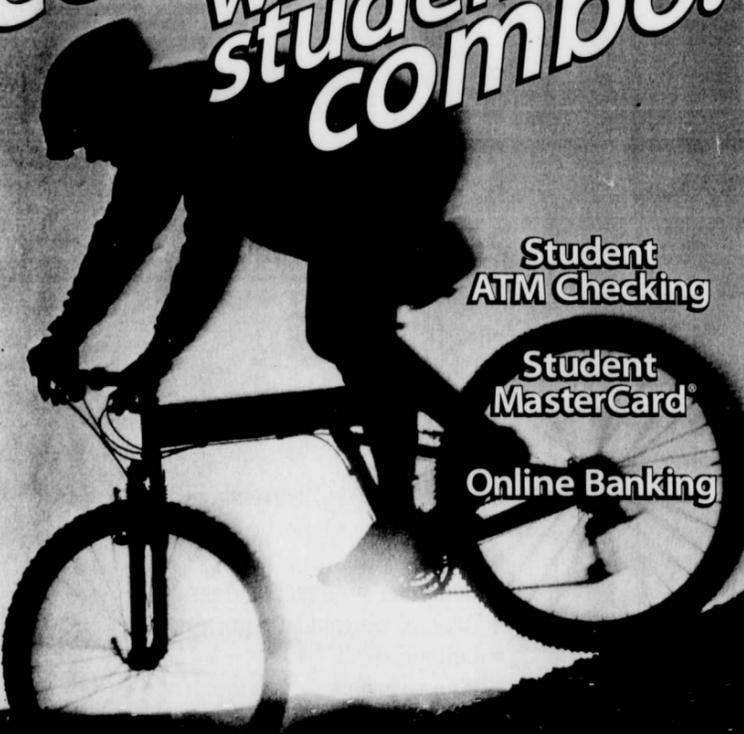


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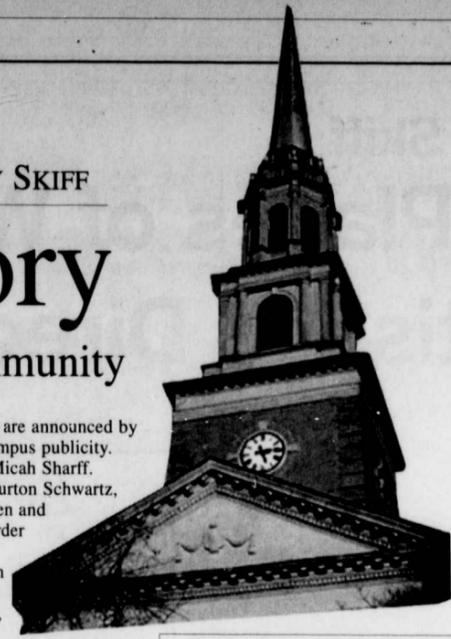
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Church Directory

University Ministries manages diverse religious community



By Kristina Iodice
SKIFF STAFF

Despite changing locations in the Student Center this spring, University Ministries' goals and commitment to the needs of students remain the same.

"We design programs to ask, 'What are my beliefs, and how do they apply to everyday realities?' University Minister John Butler said.

UM leaders promote faith and fellowship among students, sponsor community service projects and worship services and provide pastoral care and counseling.

Uniting Campus Ministries, an ecumenical organization, is student-led and similar to a council, with each denomination having at least one representative. Members are divided into four working task forces: faith education, social justice, worship and witness.

Special activities aim to unite the different denominations and groups. Carols by Candlelight, an Easter sunrise service, community service projects and activities such as broom ball and canoe trips add to the various programs. About 55 students have registered for UCM's annual fall retreat to be held this weekend, Butler said.

"We try to encourage students to be involved in the life of the campus," he said. "Folks in the various ministries are also involved in the other ways of expressing community on campus."

Students are given the opportunity to make connections to the larger congregation and to have a close group of friends, Butler

said. "There definitely are benefits to being involved with some part of University Ministries," he said. "It's a place to express faith, a place to integrate faith with life on campus."

The UM office is located in Student Center, Room 111.

Denominational ministries available

■ **Assemblies of God, 257-7830**
Chi Alpha, a student-led ministry, meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Student Center. Adviser: Andrea Heitz

■ **Bible Churches, 921-5200**
This ministry is sponsored by resources and programs of McKinney Memorial Bible Church, 3901 S. Hulen St. Coordinator: Gordon Blocker

■ **Christian Science, 257-7830**
The Christian Science Organization meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Student Center. Adviser: Sydney Howell

■ **Disciples of Christ, 257-7830 and 926-6631**
Disciple Student Fellowship meets at University Christian Church throughout the week. Its main meetings are held at 5:15 p.m. Thursdays at UCC.

■ **Episcopal Church, 257-7830 and 732-1439**
Known as Canterbury, the ministry meets at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Student Center. Pastoral support and direction: Jonathon Ogujiofor

■ **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, 257-7830 and 732-**

1439
The Lutheran Student Ministry meets at 5:30 p.m. Sundays at the Wesley Foundation. Adviser: Celene Welch

■ **Presbyterian Church (USA), 257-7830**
The Presbyterian Student Fellowship meets Sundays in the Student Center, with student leadership and ties to the Student Strategy Team. Advisers: Jean Wolbridge and Jon Eidson

■ **Roman Catholic Church, 257-7830**
The TCU Catholic Community meets for Mass at 12:10 p.m. Fridays and 7:30 p.m. Sundays in the Student Center. Mass is also held at 5 p.m. Thursdays in the Faculty Center. Pastoral leadership: Charles Calabrese

■ **Southern Baptist Convention, 257-7830**
The Baptist Student Ministry holds "JUMPSTART" weekly at 7 p.m. Mondays in the Student Center. They also meet at 12:30 p.m. Thursdays in Harris Hall of University Baptist Church. BSM coordinates teams for drama, praise and mission.

■ **United Methodist Church, 257-7830 and 924-4386**

Joy Singers, a dance group, and many other ministry opportunities are available at regular meetings, held Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation. Director and Campus Minister: Brian Young

■ **University Jewish Association Yad B'Yad, 257-7830**

Programs are announced by mail and campus publicity. President: Micah Sharff. Advisers: Burton Schwartz, Richard Allen and Roberta Corder

■ **Muslim Student Association, 257-7830**

Promoting unity among Muslims and friendly relations with others, educational and support programs for Muslim students are developed throughout the year. Adviser: Yushau Sodiq

Independent Christian Organizations

■ **Campus Crusade for Christ, 294-4386**
CRU meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in Sid Richardson, Lecture Hall 1 for "Prime Time." Parties, conferences and small groups mark this program. Director: Scott Nannen

■ **Young Life, 926-5441**
Young Life works closely with local high school students. The organization meets at 8 p.m. Sundays in the Student Center for leadership training. Director: Richard Petty

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Young Life meets for leadership training each Sunday at 8:00 m in the Student Center for its on-going program with high School students. Mr. Richard Petty directs the staff and student sin this well-known program. 926-5441

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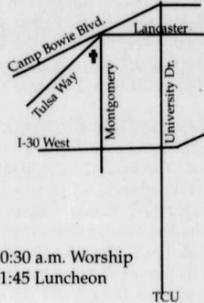
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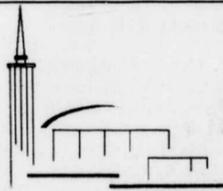
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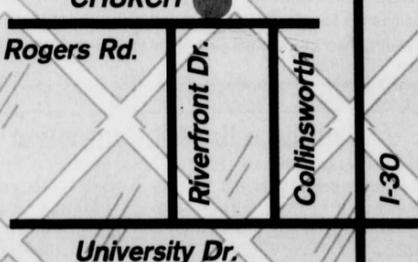
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DIVERSITY

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how to infuse diversity issues into the curriculum, Thomas said. In addition, a workshop on diversity will be held for all department chairpersons to attend, he said.

Darron Turner, director of minority affairs and council member, said starting the program is vital to the university.

"If a student goes to this university without having to deal with the issue of diversity, then we haven't given them the education that they need to have to be successful," he said.

Freshman Bobby Garcia agreed.

"I'm for anything that will educate people as a whole — to advance the campus," he said. "I don't think it's a bad idea at all. It sounds really interesting."

Thomas said the diversity council must still undergo a few changes before being fully introduced to the TCU community. For example, a change in the representation of membership might occur, providing a more balanced group, he said.

A copy of the council's report and finalized goals will be available in the Mary Coats Burnett Library following the board's Sept. 1 meeting.

Mass. politics amid turmoil after allegations, sex scandals

By Leslie Miller
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — By most accounts, Gov. Paul Cellucci's administration had been sailing along smoothly.

Then came Aug. 17, when a stunt actress named Gidget bared her breasts to a newspaper photographer while aboard a taxpayer-funded booze cruise. Even Cellucci conceded, "that was a bad thing to do."

Since then, it seems Cellucci has had to defend himself almost daily against allegations ranging from cronyism to abuse of power to uncontrolled spending within his administration.

Reports surfaced Wednesday that a recent Cellucci appointee had approved a state contract for his recently disbarred divorce lawyer, and another appointee had been found to have sexually harassed an underling.

Cellucci said he is undisturbed by all the turmoil.

"We've got over 60,000 people working for us," he said. "So will there be problems occasionally? Sure. It's our job to deal with those problems. That's what we're doing."

The Pandora's box of trouble apparently was opened during the boozy Boston Harbor cruise chartered by Massachusetts Port Authority director Peter Blute, a former congressman. He was accompanied by "a controversial

GOP fund-raiser and a number of young women, including Gidget Churchill, who lifted her top after spotting a *Boston Herald* photographer waiting on shore.

Blute resigned hours after the photos hit newsstands, but that was just the beginning.

On Friday, David Shagoury, chief of staff for state Economic Development Director Carolyn Boviard, resigned amid allega-

tions that he and Ms. Boviard were having an affair. The 33-year-old Shagoury — immediately nicknamed "Shagadelic" by a local columnist — had reportedly threatened to punish employees who gossiped about the alleged affair, which Ms. Boviard, 44, denies.

Cellucci said an investigation found no evidence that Ms. Boviard had misused public funds or her office, and he expected her to stay on the job.

Wait, there's more. The same Friday that the affair allegations arose, Nancy Evans quit her job as planning director for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority. The Republican appointee said she could no longer

tolerate cost overruns that ran into hundreds of millions of dollars.

On Tuesday, Cellucci appointed his chief of staff, 33-year-old Virginia Buckingham, to the top Massport post, immediately drawing criticism that she is far from qualified for the position.

He was also criticized for his choice of replacement for Ms. Buckingham as chief of staff — Stephen O'Neill, a Cellucci aide

who had been his driver as recently as 1991.

"They've always got a shortage of qualified Republicans, but they're reaching down really low," said Dan Payne, a Democratic consultant.

"Cellucci has not distinguished himself with strong people around him. There are no adults he can turn to and say, 'Get this class in order.'"

Corruption is nothing new in Massachusetts and certainly not limited to Republicans, said John Sears, a Republican political consultant.

"Massachusetts' congressional delegation has a couple of very black eyes from its own past that might be deemed more serious than booze cruises or love affairs in the office," said Sears, referring

to the Chappaquiddick tragedy that doomed Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's shot at the presidency and Rep. Barney Frank's admission he improperly used his congressional office to aid a male prostitute.

Nevertheless, gleeful Democrats say they've seen the scandals coming for a long time — ever since Republican Gov. William Weld strayed from his campaign promise in 1990 not to hire any political hacks, or "walruses," as he called them.

Six years later, it was revealed Weld's patronage appointees called themselves the "walrus club," and the administration kept a priority list of job candidates who had supported Weld or the GOP.

Cellucci had been Weld's lieutenant governor until July 1997, when he became acting governor after Weld resigned for an unsuccessful pursuit of the ambassadorship to Mexico.

"There is no one in the business of politics in Massachusetts, Republican, Democrat, Independent, reporter, official or independent observer, who was surprised by this," said Michael Goldman, a Democratic political consultant.

"Fairly or unfairly, they've had such a good run, and now it's turned. That's the way it works in this business."

Proposed diversity goals

The Chancellor's Council on Diversity has proposed 10 goals, which are expected to be finalized at the board's Sept. 1 meeting. Following are the proposed goals for the 1999-2000 academic year:

- organize and begin to facilitate internal and external networks of supporters, contributors and sharers of information and activities regarding issues of diversity
- develop and begin to utilize council public relations materials
- create a Web site to share information on diversity and related issues
- share diversity issues in TCU media outlets
- start at least one relationship dialogue group
- work with the undergraduate council as it reviews University Curriculum Requirements
- enhance efforts to recruit and retain a more diverse TCU community
- build a stronger partnership with the Center for Teaching Excellence
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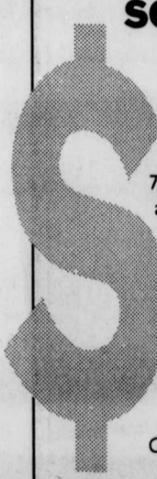
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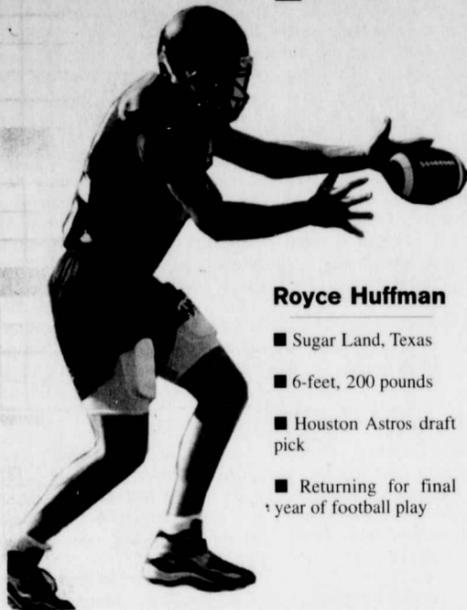
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Two-sport athlete returns for last year

Huffman wants one more shot at conference championship



Royce Huffman

- Sugar Land, Texas
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- Returning for final year of football play

By Todd J. Shriber
STAFF REPORTER

Some guys have all the luck. It's not everyday you get to experience a year like Royce Huffman has had.

Following a football season that saw Huffman play a major role in TCU's run to a Norwest Sun Bowl victory over Southern California, Huffman traded in his football cleats for a pair of baseball spikes and headed out to the diamond.

Huffman, a senior business major from Sugar Land, Texas, garnered All-American honors and was named Western Athletic Conference Player of the Year as the Horned Frogs' third baseman in 1999. He batted .422 with 15 home runs and 64 runs batted in his final season of eligibility for head coach Lance Brown's TCU baseball squad.

Huffman had been an Honorable Mention All-American in '98 and completed his diamond career as one of the greatest hitters in school history. He finished his career owning seven different

school hitting records.

The Houston Astros noticed and selected Huffman in the 12th round of this spring's major league baseball draft.

Huffman said he felt great pride in being selected by his hometown team.

"I was ecstatic when I found out. It was something I had worked my whole life for and it was really rewarding, even though I knew I was starting at the bottom," he said.

Huffman headed to Martinsville, Va., to play baseball for a living, and for a while, he put a scare into the TCU football coaching staff. Huffman hit .296, scored 39 runs, drove in 36 runners and stole 18 bases in 53 games for the Astros' single-A affiliate. His good play made coaches think as though he might not return to school.

Special teams coach Mark Tommerdahl said he wasn't surprised that TCU's version of Deion Sanders was chosen to play baseball, but he did express relief over the fact that Huffman has cho-

sen to play football for one more season.

With the lures of a professional baseball career, Huffman had to make a seemingly difficult decision to return to college. He says the decision, however, wasn't too hard to return to be with his friends and teammates on the team many are calling the "torchbearers" for the new WAC.

"It was kind of exciting playing baseball everyday, but I was in a small town and it's just good to be back with my friends in a city where you can actually go watch a movie," he said.

TCU fans have come to know Huffman for his versatility on the football field. In 1999 he lived up to his nickname of "Slash" because of his versatility with positions. Huffman saw time as the Horned Frogs' barefooted punter, punter returner and receiver. He even completed two of three passes.

Tommerdahl said there are other reasons why it's good to have "Slash" back.

"Royce's value to this team is deeper than what you see on the field," he said.

"He brings great leadership to the locker room. Royce is a first-class young man."

Huffman could have come back just for personal glory, but as a team leader and someone who has been at TCU through the ups and downs of the football program, Huffman said that is not the case.

"I'm not here for the personal accolades," Huffman said. "I'm here to help the team win the WAC championship and a bowl game this season. The individual stuff doesn't mean anything to me."

"No matter what happens this season, I came back because I didn't want to have any regrets. I didn't want to have any regrets about not coming back when I was older."

For now football is the most important item on Huffman's menu even though baseball is waiting in the wings.

"It's not difficult for me to focus; I'm giving 100 percent attention to football right now," he said. "When the time runs off the clock in my final football game for TCU, that will be the time to focus on baseball for me."



The women's soccer team prepares for its season opener against the Houston Cougars today at 6 p.m.

Net nemeses match up in first game

Rival goalies prepare for head-to-head competition

By Rusty Simmons
SPORTS EDITOR

They do not have much in common, but tonight they will be vying for the different goals on the same field.

Houston Cougars' goalie Michelle Denommé and TCU's goalkeeper Keith-Ann Wagner will try to keep their opponents from scoring while ensuring their squad an opening-game victory.



Wagner

Denommé is the only senior in the Cougars' lineup, and Wagner was one of a handful of freshman Frogs to get key playing time last year. Denommé is from London, Ontario, and is a transfer from Nebraska, while Wagner is from Arlington and has worn a TCU jersey all of her collegiate career.

But the biggest difference in the two players is the way last season played out for their respective clubs.

Last year, the teams matched up in Houston's inaugural soccer season, and the Frogs handed them a 1-0 loss. Several things have changed since then.

"As a first-year program, we weren't expected to win early in the season," Houston head coach Chris Huston said. "But we got tired of just being OK."

The Cougars were more than "just OK" for the majority of the conference portion of the schedule. They reeled off nine-straight victories, including five shut outs during the streak.

"(Denommé) was huge and saved a lot of those games for us,"

Huston said. "She does some amazing things in the net."

While Denommé excelled, Wagner was struggling just to stay on the field. She suffered a stress fracture in her foot, and during the Cougars' streak, TCU won just five of nine games.

Upon Wagner's return from the disabled list, she and her replacement, sophomore Adrienne Labovitz began to platoon at the goalie position.

Labovitz allowed just 13 goals in 10 matches en route to a 5-4 record in her starts. Wagner, on the other hand, allowed 27 goals in 11 matches while leading the Frogs to a 4-7 clip in her starts.

Despite what the statistics may suggest, TCU assistant coach Blake Amos said Wagner has solidified the No. 1 position at this point in the season.

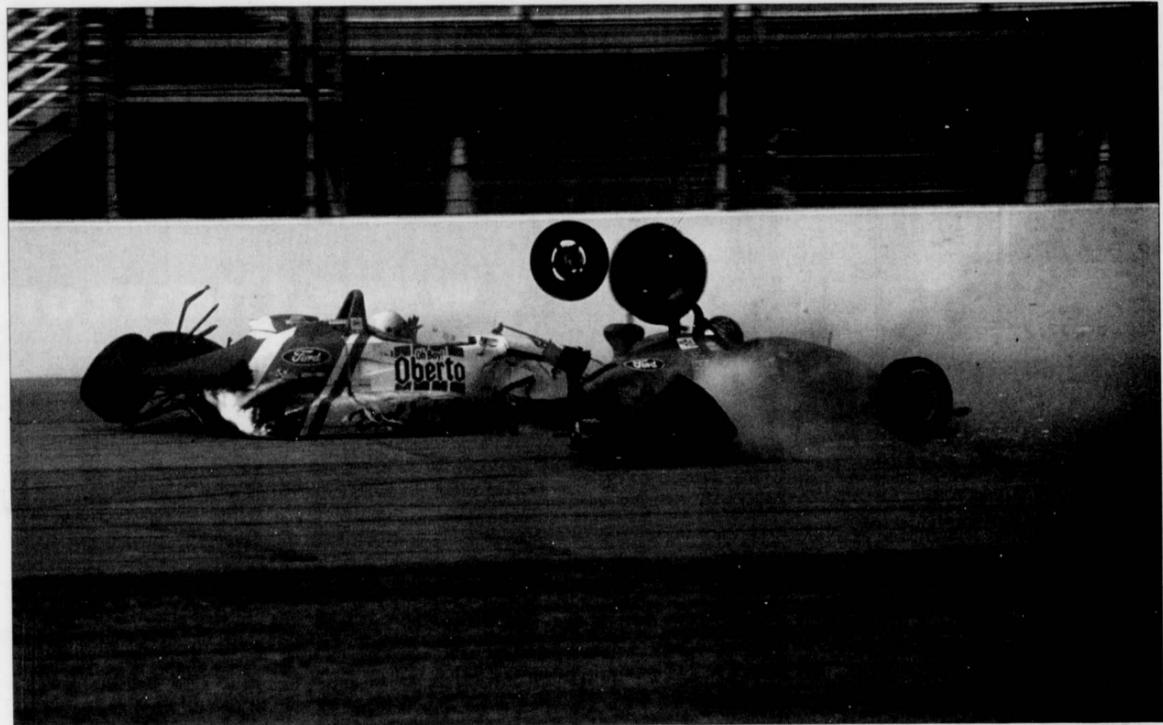
"She gives us more consistency at the keeper position," he said. "She is very solid in all areas."

TCU keeps coach Jay Fitzgerald said Wagner's fitness level and familiarity with the team has helped her earn the start against Houston, but there will be a battle for the goalie position all year.

"I think the competitiveness at a position helps bring up the level of play," he said. "But I hope Wagner can keep the No. 1 spot throughout the year."

The first match of the season will be a good test for Wagner as Denommé, a second team All-Conference USA selection, lines up across the field from her. Fitzgerald said the keeper match up has a big effect on the outcome of the game.

"A good save can pick up the intensity of the whole team," he said. "The team with the better goalkeeper wins the game."



Larry Foyt was involved in a five car pile up while participating in a race in Atlanta. He walked away from the wreckage with only minor burns.

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Senior balances earning college degree with driving Formula 2000 race cars

By Carrie Woodall
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Larry Foyt's life has him going down the fast track at 220 miles per hour.

As a student and a professional race car driver, Foyt, a senior speech communications major, is on the brink of reaching his goal — to race in the Indianapolis 500.

"It has been his lifelong aspiration to become an Indy Car driver," public relations spokesman Lance Beach said.

Two weeks ago in Colorado, Foyt got the opportunity to test drive an Indy Racing League car with the fastest drivers in the league. Foyt's test time turned out to be the second fastest in the field, beating out Scott Goodyear, who is leading the Indy Racing League in points.

"The fact that the first time he sat in an Indy car, he was matching and beating Indy Car veterans is phenomenal," Beach said.

Foyt has been racing for six years and has several wins to his name.

In July, Foyt's race in Atlanta was cut short when his F2000 series car was involved in a collision with five other cars. Two drivers were airlifted from the scene, but Foyt walked away with minor burns.

"You just have to look beyond it and keep going," Foyt said.

Despite the accident, Foyt brought home three victories in the Formula 2000 races in Sports Car Club of America events in 1999 and continues to be a full-time student.

Foyt said his father, professional race car driver A.J. Foyt, initially did not want Larry to make racing his career.

A.J. Foyt was the first inductee into the Motor Speedway Hall of Fame and earned more than \$6 million in his driving career. But he encouraged his son to get a degree while testing and racing cars.

Foyt said the atmosphere at TCU is conducive to eventually achieving all of his goals.

"I chose TCU because it is a private school, and there is a better chance of professors understanding my situation here," Foyt said.

Foyt is also actively involved in intramural sports and the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

"Larry is one of the most down-to-earth people I know," senior marketing major Zach Watts said. "He has really kept his feet on the ground in all that he has done."

Foyt races about twice a month throughout the United States.

Terre Haute First National Bank from Indiana and Z Waterworks from Austin are Foyt's sponsors, and Kenneth Cole from New York recently became an associate sponsor.

Beach said he believes that Foyt has the ability to achieve his dream after graduation next May.

"Larry is destined for extraordinary accomplishments," he said.



Foyt was driving an Formula 2000 race car during the accident.



The wreck in Atlanta caused two drivers to be airlifted to a local hospital.

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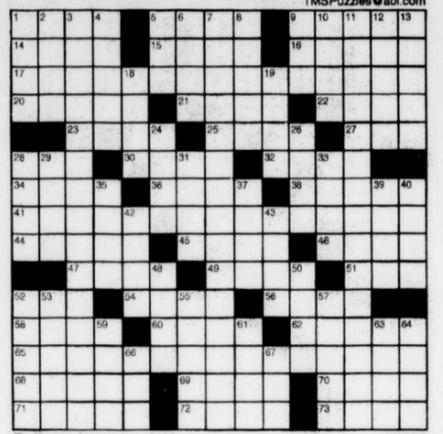
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- 1 Pal
 - 5 Household implements
 - 9 Yelder
 - 14 Actress Anderson
 - 15 Second-largest Hawaiian island
 - 16 Isolated
 - 17 Theme of this puzzle
 - 20 Tractor maker
 - 21 Duds
 - 22 East of the Urals
 - 23 Hamble
 - 25 Small isthmus
 - 27 Chart
 - 28 Scrap of food
 - 30 Port beginning?
 - 32 Indiana city
 - 34 London district
 - 36 Muddle
 - 38 Former Indian leader
 - 41 Carried away, in a way
 - 44 Academy Award
 - 45 Whistle blast
 - 46 Kemo
 - 47 Corrida cheers
 - 49 Due
 - 51 Utter sharply
 - 52 Air-conditioner meas.
 - 54 —Hartley labor act
 - 56 Majority
 - 58 Sea eagles
 - 60 Rolls of bills
 - 62 Sweetener
 - 65 Thoroughly corrupt
 - 68 Fencing blades
 - 69 Did the crawl
 - 70 Seethe
 - 71 Provisions
 - 72 Suspicious
 - 73 Whirlpool
- DOWN**
- 1 Lump of dirt
 - 2 Pit
 - 3 Covertly
 - 4 Chip starter?
 - 5 Fr. woman's title
 - 6 Drying kiln
 - 7 Took a firm stand
 - 8 Char slightly
 - 9 Garfield, e.g.
 - 10 "Born Free" lioness
 - 11 Makes me feel better
 - 12 Philosophical essences
 - 13 Story so far, briefly
 - 18 Warmth
 - 19 Shore patrol grp.
 - 24 Short note
 - 26 Topeka's st.
 - 28 — bucco
 - 29 Horizontal series
 - 31 Departed
 - 33 Umps' cousins
 - 35 Translucent gem
 - 37 Demonstrate
 - 39 "I Know How He Feels" singer
 - 40 Sch. on the Rio Grande
 - 42 Allowance for weight loss
 - 43 Listed thing
 - 48 Cut, as logs
 - 50 Spoonful, perhaps
 - 52 French topper
 - 53 Figurative use of a word
 - 55 DeLuise movie
 - 57 Bolivian capital
 - 59 Pipe part
 - 61 ERA or FBI
 - 63 Parched
 - 64 Depend
 - 66 Snaky turn
 - 67 Medical care plan: abbr.



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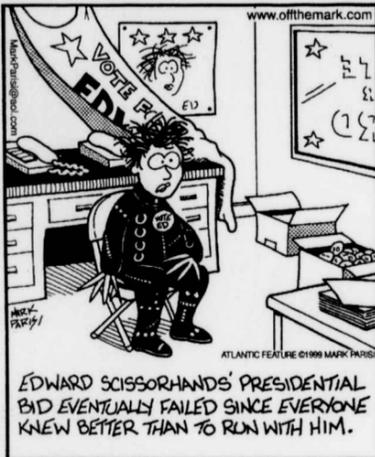
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