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Speech to cover myths, cosmos, Aztec monuments

Dr. Emily Umberger, Arizona State University's associate professor of art history, will lecture on "Myth, Cosmos and Commemoration in Aztec Monuments."

The speech will be held at noon Monday in Moudy Building North, Room 132.

Leukemia Society of America sets meetings

Both novice and experienced walkers, runners and cyclists are asked to attend the Leukemia Society of America's free informational meetings about its Team in Training program.

Individuals will be informed on how to participate in a marathon or century that will be held next year in Nashville, San Diego and Anchorage.

The meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Nov. 16 in the Student Center, Room 205 and the Ballroom.

The Leukemia Society will provide tips on training techniques, nutrition and injury prevention, as well as other information.

The meeting is open to the public. For a listing of other meetings scheduled in the area or for more information about the Team in Training program, call the Leukemia Society of America at (972) 239-0959, extension 36.

Lecture to discuss Bible's teachings on grief, safety

David L. Degler, a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship, will speak on the subject, "Healing After a Violent Tragedy." The lecture will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday in the Moudy Building.

Degler will explore how the Bible's teachings help people deal with grief over loved ones who were killed and also how to always be safe. The speech is open to the public.

Local Christian Science churches are sponsoring the lecture and were prompted when Albert Meredith of Wedgwood Baptist Church requested a 40-day period of prayer and fasting.

Three apply for House secretary position

By Tealy Dippel
STAFF REPORTER

The position of Student Government Association secretary went without candidates for two days, but three students applied for the office after SGA officials extended the deadline.

Brian Becker, the House Elections and Regulations pro tem, received one application Wednesday and two others Thursday. Becker said he thinks publicity was the biggest help in encouraging candidates to apply for the office.

Becker said he is not sure why

Informal forum to be held Monday for candidates

there weren't more applications turned in for secretary by the original deadline on Saturday. He said he thinks some students just weren't interested before.

"They probably thought it was a good way to get their foot in the door in terms of SGA," Becker said.

The three candidates running for secretary are John Duncan, a sophomore premajor; Ben Rebstock, a sophomore radio-TV-film major; and Kyle Turner, a sophomore pre-

major. SGA President Ben Alexander said it is important these candidates applied because it shows there are people interested in the position.

"Students now have a choice about who they want as secretary rather than having one appointed by the winners of the election," Alexander said. He also said having potential secretarial candidates is important because the duty of SGA secretary has changed.

"The secretary will be an assistant to the president and will take care of things like newsletters and Web sites," Alexander said.

The SGA secretarial position was one of the positions altered after the student referendum passed which made changes to the SGA constitution.

Rebstock said he decided to apply after talking to people in House about the opportunity.

"I thought it would be a good way

to make a difference," Rebstock said. He served as a Brachman Hall representative last year and currently serves on the Programming Council Concert Committee.

Duncan, who has served on House as a Clark Hall representative, said he applied for the position because he wanted to represent House, but this time as secretary.

"Diversity on campus right now is not that great, so I want to get groups involved so they know what's going on around campus," Duncan said.

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Presidential candidates C.J. Striebinger, James Applebury, Walker Moody and Ben Jenkins participate in a debate Thursday in the Sadler Hall/Reed Hall Mall.

Students quiz candidates in open debate

SGA hopefuls address visitation, co-ed housing, communication issues

By Tealy Dippel
STAFF REPORTER

Students attending the Student Government Association debate wanted to know what changes candidates could bring to TCU.

"What impact can you make? How much can you really do?" asked Alex McGarr, a junior advertising/public relations major who was in the audience.

Candidates gathered in the Reed/Sadler Mall Thursday afternoon to answer those questions and questions from a panel of four TCU students.

McGarr told candidates students don't know what's already been accomplished by SGA and wanted their opinions on ways to make students aware and involved.

Vice presidential candidate Sara Donaldson's solution was an archive on the SGA Web site where students would find information on recommendations and decisions made by SGA.

Clay Stauffer, a vice presidential candidate, said he thinks it's all about student awareness.

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ALMOST FAMILY

Children, TCU students share unlikely friendship through Horned Frog Big Brother, Sister program

By Matt Stiver
STAFF REPORTER

They bowl, go to the Water Gardens and to the Botanic Gardens. Once a week, they have a telephone conversation.

These are not classmates: One is a TCU student, and the other is a child. Jenica Rose, a junior pre-med major, spends her time as a volunteer with the TCU Horned Frog Bigs.

"I am matched with a 9-year-old. Her name is Trina, and she is the cutest thing ever," Rose said. "We usually do something about every other week. One time, she came to stay over at the sorority house and

went to class with me. "I love it so much, I can't tell you enough positive things (about) it."

Horned Frog Bigs works through Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Tarrant County to match students from TCU with children from the Fort Worth area.

Cathy Neece, a university advancement officer, said about 20 students across campus were working with Big Brothers, Big Sisters in various capacities through student organizations before Horned Frog Bigs was formed last spring.

"It started out as each area doing their own volunteering," Neece said.

"They expressed an interest in having a TCU chapter. When we realized there were so many of them, we decided to pull together into an official TCU group."

Neece said the group will hold two activity meetings with the children and two mixer meetings to recruit new members a month. The first meeting this semester will be Monday in the Student Center.

Neece said students are matched with children to help mentor them. Before volunteer candidates are selected to participate, they are evaluated on an 18-point checklist which

includes qualities such as stability, honesty and sensitivity. Then volunteers fill out questionnaires about what type of child they want.

The agency matches volunteers and children, and then the volunteer, the child and the child's parent meet to see if the match will work.

"They are matched with children to be buddies with the children, to help them with study skills and to take them to TCU football games," Neece said. "They're there to be big brothers and sisters."

Rose said she found out about Big Brothers, Big Sisters from one of her sorority sisters.

"She mentioned it in one of our chapter meetings, and I thought it would be really fun to be a role model to a small girl and have her look up to me," Rose said. "So I went through the whole process and was matched last fall."

Neece said there is a need for TCU students to join Horned Frog Bigs.

"There are probably 600 children on the waiting list," Neece said. "That's not just for TCU, but for all Tarrant county. If you figure we have a huge undergraduate population (over 6,000), the impact we could have would be incredible."

Thetas dedicate run to alumna

Saturday's philanthropy to honor Tracy Clark



(Left to right) Avid runners Tracy, Kelly and Ed Clark take a break at the Cowtown Marathon last February.

By Kris Gutierrez
STAFF REPORTER

Kappa Alpha Theta members and alumnae are dedicating the third annual Fall Breakaway 5k Run/Walk to Tracy Clark, a 1996 TCU graduate and Theta alumna, who was killed last May in a car wreck. "Tracy got a lot of her friends into running, and this just goes to show how many lives she touched," said Kelly Clark, Tracy's sister and a senior social work major.

Tracy Clark died when her car veered into oncoming traffic on Interstate 35 in Georgetown. She was leaving Austin to return to Fort Worth when she lost control of her car. Two other people were injured in the wreck.

Clark earned a graduate degree in audiology from University of Texas just two days before the accident and was planning to be married last Saturday.

"The career path Tracy chose revolved around helping others," said Donna Clark, Tracy's mother. "Our family has made a correlation between her dreams and this event, because they both center around helping others."

Running is a family affair, Kelly Clark said. A number of friends will accompany her parents from Houston to participate in the event.

Theta President Stacey Paulin said dedicating the event in Clark's name was an option that the Thetas didn't think twice about.

"She had already graduated when the event started," Paulin said. "But when she was here she was one of the initiators that thought this was a good way to raise money."

The event will also benefit the Child Advocates of Tarrant County.

Last year 750 runners from Fort Worth helped support the program that provides legal assistance to children who have problems within the home. This year Thetas hope to raise \$9,500 from the run, said Kate

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John Owings, Herndon professor of music, will hold a recital at 7:30 p.m. Monday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the death of Polish-born French composer Frédéric Chopin.

Monday recital to be in the key of Chopin

Owings to pay tribute to composer's music

By Carey Hix
STAFF REPORTER

A faculty recital featuring piano soloist John Owings, Herndon professor of music, will commemorate the 150th anniversary of the death of Polish-born French composer Frédéric Chopin.

Owings will play eight pieces by Chopin that vary in length, style and mood during the recital, which will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium.

"It's music that everybody loves," Owings said. "Chopin is one of the best-loved composers; he gave the piano a voice of its own. He discovered the soul of the piano."

The beauty of the music was why Owings chose to perform these particular pieces, he said.

"It's so beautiful, it's so melodic, so poetic and full of fire," Owings said. "That's why I love it, and that's why I love playing it. And I chose some works that I particularly enjoy."

"The hardest thing to do was deciding what not to play because the program could go on and on. If I wanted to play all my favorite works by Chopin, I couldn't do it in one recital."

Owings said he also admires the feeling Chopin's music evokes in the listener.

"He just seems to have been born to play and to compose for the piano," he said. "All of the things the piano can express, all the emotions, all the colors, it's all in Chopin's music."

The program is full of con-

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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.

■ RTVF Thursday Film Series will present *West Side Story* (1961) at 7 p.m. Thursday in Moudy Building South, Room 164.

■ Flu vaccinations will be given from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays in the Health Center. The cost is \$10.

■ The department of art and art history will sponsor guest lecturer Emily Umberger, an assistant professor of art history at Arizona State University, to speak on "Myth, Cosmos and Commemoration in Aztec Monuments" at noon Monday in Moudy Building North, Room 132.

■ The criminal justice department will host its annual career panel at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center, Woodson Room. All students are welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

■ SHARE! High School Exchange Program needs families to host high school exchange students for the Spring semester of the 1999-2000 school year. Families are able to review student applications and select the student they feel will best match their own interests. For more information, call Sharon George at (915) 533-5808 or the Education Resource Development Trust Southwest Regional Office at 1-800-414-3738.

■ National Security Education Program (NSEP) scholarship for U.S. undergraduates to study abroad during Summer 2000 through Spring 2001 are available. The deadline is Feb. 7, 2000. For applications, call the NSEP office at 1-800-618-NSEP or e-mail (nsep@iie.org).

■ The department of Spanish and Latin American Studies will host a lecture, "Cultura indígena e impropia femenina en dos loas de Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz" at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Moudy Building North, Room 141. The lecture will be delivered by Dr. Carmela Zanelli, an assistant professor from the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. For more information, call Anabella Acevedo-Leal at 257-5402.

■ The University Christian Church will host its 11th annual Weekday School Holiday Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 11, 12 and 13 at UCC in the Fellowship Hall. Admission is free and all proceeds from sales go toward projects and supplies for the classrooms and children. There will be vendors and a silent auction. Also there will be a bake sale and a tearoom serving light lunches and refreshments.

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World

Yemen tribesman release kidnapped teacher, parents after intensive negotiations

SAN'A, Yemen — Tribesmen freed an American teacher and her parents early Thursday, an Interior Ministry official said.

The teacher and her parents are on their way to the capital San'a from the northern province of Marib where they were kidnapped Tuesday, officials said on condition of anonymity.

They said the Americans were freed following intensive negotiations with the kidnappers, who belong to the Bani Jabr tribe of the Habab Valley in Marib, east of San'a. They gave no further details.

Marta R. Colburn, who teaches at the American Institute for Yemeni Studies in San'a, was kidnapped along with her parents Don and Gladys Colburn.

Members of banned group speak out against police brutality at secret news conference

BEIJING — Nearly 30 members of the banned Falun Gong spiritual movement spoke out Thursday at an extraordinary news conference organized in secrecy, denouncing torture at the hands of Chinese police and promising continued defiance.

One member displayed wrists bruised by manacles; another told how police burned her face with an electric baton; an 11-year-old said he was expelled from school for his beliefs.

China's Communist Party, meanwhile, promised it would show no mercy to what it called "the devil cult." Police detained at least 20 Falun Gong members Thursday on the vast expanse of Beijing's Tianamen Square, pushing them into blue-and-white minibuses and driving away — the same routine they have followed every day this week.

Police in Beijing this week have detained 3,000 group members from every part of China except Tibet, a Communist Party source said on condition of anonymity. On Wednesday night, he said, security forces in all major cities were ordered to keep close watch on government buildings, airports and railroad and bus stations.

The fervor and flair for secret organization displayed at the news conference underscored the difficulties the government faces in eradicating the Falun Gong.

Seven foreign reporters contacted by e-mail about the news conference first met at a restaurant on one side of Beijing. Then under escort by members, the reporters changed taxis twice before arriving at a suburban hotel.

The portrait and the slow-motion exercises the 30 followers performed to close out the news conference were once common sights in city parks

but have been rarely seen in public since the ban.

Nation

Clinton: GOP budget writers making mistake for not considering educational goals

WASHINGTON — President Clinton criticized GOP budget writers Thursday for ignoring his education goals and accused lawmakers of engaging in "frivolous" battles for short-term political gain.

The president suggested that Congress was making a mistake by assuming that good economic times and the absence of an international threat presented an opportunity to ignore long-term domestic concerns.

"If we were being attacked by space aliens, we wouldn't be playing these kinds of games," he said.

Clinton spoke at the 1998-1999 Blue Ribbon School Awards ceremony, where schools were recognized for overcoming obstacles to improve opportunities for children.

"You have proved that we can give them a world-class education," he said.

He renewed his call for 100,000 new teachers nationwide and said he would veto a GOP proposal to mandate a cut of 1 percent to 1.4 percent in all federal programs. The president said it seriously would curtail education and law enforcement.

25 percent of Americans believe best chance of wealth is in lottery, survey says

WASHINGTON — One-quarter of Americans believe their best chance to build wealth for retirement is by playing the lottery, not by patiently saving and investing, a survey says. Those living paycheck to paycheck are even more likely to feel that way.

Misconceptions about how small amounts of money can grow keep millions of people from taking the steps that could greatly improve their lot, say sponsors of the survey released Thursday — the Consumer Federation of America and the financial services firm Primerica.

"If Americans understood that their chances of winning a big lottery jackpot were 10 to 20 million to one but that they could accumulate hundreds of thousands of dollars through regular saving, more families would put \$50 away rather than spending it on gambling or unneeded consumption," said Primerica Chairman Joseph Plumeri.

Invested for 40 years at a 9 percent annual yield, \$50 a week would add up to \$1,026,853.

Stephen Brobeck, the consumer group's executive director, said banks and brokerage firms must take some of the blame for the fact that many Americans don't realize there are ways to invest profitably even small amounts of money, such as in savings bonds or mutual funds.

The poll indicated 27 percent of Americans believe winning a lottery or sweepstakes is their "best chance to obtain a half a million dollars or more in your lifetime."

Among households with annual incomes of

\$35,000 or less, those holding that belief jumped to 40 percent.

Overall, fewer than half — 47 percent — of all those surveyed said saving and investing some of their income was the most reliable route to wealth.

State

Health department begins study of high incidence of MS in two communities

EL PASO, Texas — A possible high incidence of multiple sclerosis cases in two neighborhoods has spurred the Texas Department of Health to begin a study.

The health department has mailed about 1,000 survey forms to people who were children in the Kern Place and Mission Hills neighborhoods and attended Mesita Elementary School from 1947 to 1970, the *El Paso Times* reported Thursday.

The forms seek a variety of information, including whether the recipient has been diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, a chronic, often disabling disease of the central nervous system that affects twice as many women as men.

Fourteen cases have been identified within the 5,000 students who attended the school and lived in the Kern Place and Mission Hills areas during the study time frame, said Matthew Garabedian, a Department of Health epidemiologist.

Judy Weiser, who suffers from multiple sclerosis, noticed many of her Mesita schoolmates also had the disease.

Preliminary evidence suggests a higher incidence than normal, Garabedian said, but further study is needed.

Lawyer to ask that resistance charge be dropped against McConaughy, 29

AUSTIN — The lawyer for actor Matthew McConaughy wants to meet with the Travis County attorney to ask that a charge stemming from an early morning disturbance be dismissed.

Fred Weber, the actor's lawyer, said he will ask Travis County Attorney Ken Oden to drop a charge of resisting transportation against the 29-year-old actor.

"Once they get all their paperwork in, we'll see if there is some way to resolve it," Weber said. "Hopefully we can get (Oden) to dismiss it."

Weber said the search on McConaughy's home was illegal.

"They went into his house without any type of warrant, the police were in a place they shouldn't have been," he said. "When you look at the case as a whole it is just not a good picture."

Oden declined to comment on the case, saying Wednesday that he had not seen the evidence. He said he expects to meet with McConaughy and his lawyers within the next two weeks.

Responding to a noise call Monday morning, police saw McConaughy playing the bongos naked through a window. The actor allegedly scuffled with police as they handcuffed him and put him in a patrol car.

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STAFF editorial

STEPPING UP

Secretary candidates enhance elections

When the only candidate running for House of Student Representatives secretary withdrew Monday, members of the House Elections and Regulations Committee were forced to extend the deadline for applications until Thursday.

As a result, three students have since added their names to the ballot.

The new candidates are John Duncan, a sophomore pre-major, Ben Repstock, a sophomore radio-TV-film major, and Kyle Turner, a sophomore pre-major.

With the addition of the three candidates, students now have the ability to choose the one who they believe has the most qualifications.

Student Government Association President Ben Alexander said this is better for students.

"Students now have a choice about who they want as secretary rather than having one appointed by the winners of the election," he said.

And we agree. An election without some competition is a bland one. While a lone candidate may have some good ideas, it's a plethora of ideas that provide the life of an election. Competition pushes people to strive for their best, and when it comes to important elected positions such as those in SGA, students need to see the best.

Brian Becker, the House Elections and Regulations Committee chairman pro tem, said he thinks publicity was the biggest help in encouraging candidates to apply for the office of secretary.

Getting the word out is essential, and the committee did a good job after the first candidate withdrew. Publicity should have been a necessity from the very moment House began searching for candidates.

But now it's encouraging to see that the student body will have a new roster of candidates from which to choose along with a variety of ideas, viewpoints and experiences.

And to those candidates, thanks for stepping up.

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Overcome apathy and cast your ballots

Take chance to get involved by voting in SGA elections, joining campus groups

Every now and again, I like to get up on my soapbox and dispel deep, meaningful truths so that everyone just can't help but notice the beacon of ubiquitous wisdom, philosophical prowess and intellectual illumination that I really am.

Well actually, I'm not really a beacon of ubiquitous wisdom, philosophical prowess and intellectual illumination; I just like to pretend that I am. And I'm not even sure what a beacon is; I probably just read the word somewhere in a magazine.

But while I await my nirvana of knowledge, I can still get up on my soap box once in awhile and talk about issues a little more serious than Phish concerts or Jesse Ventura.

The month of November always promises three things: elections, homecoming and the inescapable fact that I will always have one professor who wants to give me a test on the day before Thanksgiving. But even in late October, the varied burst of fluorescent colors blinding students as they walk around campus signify that election time is upon us once again.

Students on campus running for public offices are busy campaigning, all eagerly vying for a chance to serve and improve TCU. But there's a problem here.

In a recent Skiff Purple Poll, a number of students who were asked if they had voted on constitution changes for SGA responded with an absent-minded "What's SGA?" After a dismal showing of about 300 people, the referendum passed.

Approximately one-twentieth of our school made a decision that affects the whole campus. Where was everybody else?

It looks like I'm going to have to get on my soapbox.

We are a university prone to sit and talk about how great it would be to join the parade as we idly watch it go by. Our pre-freshman idealism is quickly replaced by a second-semester cynicism that usually lasts for our college duration.

No doubt I have fallen prey to this thinking as well, but it's time for me and everyone else to step outside the boundaries and take active roles on campus.

The Student Government Association (for those of you still unsure of what SGA stands for) has implemented new programs and has become more interactive this year than it has been in a long time. Its leaders were competent, hard-working and driven toward making the university, to use the old cliché, "a better place to live."

But now new leaders are on the brink of taking over where their predecessors left off, and there should be more than 300 people interested in what they want to bring to this school.

Student government elections are approaching and homecoming elections are already here. All it takes to vote and make a difference are a few simple clicks of a mouse button on a computer.

The new SGA candidates are visible, viable and all eager to talk about what they can do. We need to hear their stances, examine the issues and make a choice. We need to vote, and we should make decisions based on what qualifies that person for the position, not how good they look or what fraternity or sorority they are in.

The Goo Goo Dolls and Tonic are playing in the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum during homecoming week in November.

Students complain that the Programming Council (a faction of SGA) never brings big name concerts to TCU, and they're half-right because one of the last good concerts ever held

here was when the Grateful Dead came in the '70s. Students counter with the fact that we need to "bring someone like Dave Matthews to campus."

Well OK, but what makes us think he's going to come here if the school can't even sell out a smaller concert? We need to go to activities and try out new things because we probably won't have the chances later on in life. We need to show others that TCU is serious about growing up, and then we will surely attract bigger acts.

The opportunities are here and there are a plethora of them. SGA holds forums, asks questions and sends out e-mails trying to get feedback from the campus about how it can serve better.

Their efforts are usually met with empty chairs and scorn from people too disinterested to attend meetings.

But there's so much more than SGA. There are hundreds of clubs, organizations and activities to get involved in. Turn off the Nintendo 64 and get outside.

On a campus where so much is readily available and so many opportunities are open to everyone, it's a shame that all we do is sit around complaining about chicken strips and parking spaces.

Instead of talking, let's start doing. Let's challenge ourselves to join an organization, vote or listen to speakers and attend activities we might have never experienced before.

Let's move forward with the promising emergence of change and new adventure instead of being left behind in the rut of mediocrity. Let's get out and vote for the leaders that are going to shape our campus.

Either way we choose, we will be a beacon for others to follow.

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Commentary



JASON CRANE

Service promotes higher learning

Community volunteer requirement would prepare students for life

In 400 hours, a worker earning minimum wage could make more than \$2,000. But \$2,000 doesn't compare to the value of 400 hours of community service. That's how many hours of service students at the Universidad de las Americas in Puebla, Mexico, must participate in before they graduate.

Now community service is being considered as a requirement at TCU as well.

By now university administrators should have received a copy of a resolution passed Tuesday by the House of Student Representatives. The resolution recommended that the concept of service learning be presented to the Commission on the Future of TCU's Undergraduate Experience Committee at its meeting in mid-November.

Service learning combines community service with structured reflection on the service experience. Students would first participate in a service project and then come together to evaluate and ideally learn something from the experience.

Similar programs are already in existence at universities around the country, including Rice, Princeton, Harvard and Georgetown, all of

which are ranked in the top-tier by *U.S. News and World Report*.

If the new mission statement is a step toward transforming TCU into a university of that caliber, then service learning would put us even closer to that goal. Nothing better prepares students to "act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community" than service learning.

For one, service learning puts us directly into the community. Service learning also teaches that community involvement provides a foundation for becoming a leader in our community, our nation and our world.

On a slightly different level, it also gives us a better understanding of the world around us. That way, we can become a part of that community and help it move in a positive direction.

It is unclear whether a service-learning program would be a curriculum requirement or a co-curricular activity. In any case, students would be given the opportunity to not only help their community, but also to reflect on and learn from their experience.

How does it make you feel when you see these people who are so much less fortunate than you are? What skills do you have that could help those people in the future? What can you teach them that could help them improve their own situation in life?

Questions such as these can be hard to ask, and even harder to answer. But a service-learning

program would make it a whole lot easier.

When I get home from a community service project, I always know that I feel good about myself. I think about how the smiles on the faces of those I helped became a smile on my own. And I feel good that I offered someone something they didn't already have.

My satisfaction doesn't go much further than that, but I know it should. I should wonder what I can do so the people I have helped don't need my help anymore. I should always ask myself what more I can do.

Service learning is an entirely different classroom experience than anyone at TCU has ever seen. We are told that what we learn in the classroom will prepare us for a job or graduate school, but we need to be told that what we learn outside of the classroom will help prepare us for real life.

Whatever our situation at TCU, we will (most likely) graduate and at some time in the future become members of some community, whether it is in Fort Worth or elsewhere. We will need to become socially responsible members of that community and hold its best interests at heart.

There is no better time to begin to learn that lesson than right now at TCU.

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QUOTE unquote

Quote/Unquote is a collection of quotes from news stories and opinion columns in the Skiff during the past two weeks.

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"I was warned she was very particular about arrangements and could be difficult to deal with. And we twisted ourselves into a pretzel trying to accommodate her."

—Kathryne McDorman, Honors Program director, on the lack of research performed before inviting Maya Angelou to speak on campus.

"When we first got up on this system in June of '98, we were ready to pull our hair out and jump out our windows."

—Sandra Fangman, TCU's accounts payable supervisor, on the transition to PeopleSoft.

"We just got unlucky."

—Christy Filice, junior defender, on the TCU women's soccer team's 1-0 loss to SMU.

"He hires people, and I'm just worried about my history homework."

—Dustin Griffith, a junior theater-TV major, on his friend, Kevin Prigel, 20, who launched a Web site that has brought \$2.3 million from Fort Worth investors.

"I can turn on my sprinkler and run it for 20 hours against the side of my house, and it doesn't come in my living room. Why is that a problem here?"

—Brian Youngblood, interim associate director of bands, on flooding in the Mary D. and F. Howard Walsh Center for Performing Arts.

"I'd like to see something happen to them. I don't know if they should be kicked out of school, but something should be done. Otherwise, it will be open season on outdoor sculpture."

—Thad Duhigg, a professor of sculpture, on the person(s) responsible for stealing a modern art sculpture from the area behind the Moudy Building.

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PIANO

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trast, Owings said. "It's not chronological," he said. "In putting the program together, I looked for works that would be of different lengths, not all short pieces, not all long pieces, and also what pieces would follow naturally: The key that the pieces are written in.

"I (also considered) the mood, (and included) some sad and melancholy pieces, as well as some lighter pieces." Staff accompanist Janet Pummill

said Owings is well-known outside of TCU for his talent as a pianist. "John Owings is a nationally known figure in the piano world because he's won many awards," she said. "He just completed some recitals at Carnegie Hall and received very high accolades."

Admission to the recital is free and open to the public.

Who: John Owings, Herndon professor of music
What: An all-Chopin faculty recital to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the composer's death
When: 7:30 p.m. Monday
Where: Ed Landreth Auditorium
Cost: Free

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THETA

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McArthur, chairwoman of the event. "As members of the sorority, we tend to get too wrapped up in the logistics of the run," said McArthur, a junior political science major. "But when we step back and look at the great thing we're doing, it's a wonderful feeling to know you're helping out."

Luke's, a sporting goods store on University Drive that specializes in running equipment, has stepped forward as a sponsor. KISS-FM's radio personality, Domino, will be on hand to do a live broadcast for 106.1, McArthur said.

The \$15 entrance fee benefits abused children in Tarrant County. Runners will receive a race packet that includes a T-shirt, coupons for restaur-

rants and sports stores, as well as the opportunity to win door prizes. The 5K route will be mapped out around the campus and local neighborhoods.

A ceremony in honor of Clark will kick off the event at 7:45 a.m. Saturday. Theta alumnae have raised money for a park bench that will be dedicated in Clark's name. The bench will sit on the porch in front of the Theta house. There will be an awards ceremony after the run followed by a reception to honor Clark in the Theta chapter room. At the ceremony, the event will be renamed in Clark's honor.

Who: Kappa Alpha Theta sorority
What: The third annual Fall Breakaway 5k Run/Walk event, which is being dedicated to Tracy Clark, a former Theta member
When: 9 a.m. Saturday
Where: The run begins and ends in front of Amon G. Carter Stadium
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DEBATE

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"We need to get awareness on campus and word of mouth is the best way to do that," Stauffer said.

Questions at the debate ranged from visitation and co-educational residential halls to communication and diversity on campus. Both vice presidential and presidential candidates talked about increasing communication on campus and the changes they think that would entail.

Each panelist asked the candidates one question, then the floor was open to audience questions. The panelists were Aubrey Monk, a sophomore advertising/public relations major; Alonso Sanchez, a junior math major; Kirsten Bell, a senior political science and speech communication major; and Laura Head, a junior news-editorial journalism major. The panelists were chosen as representatives of the campus by the House.

Walker Moody, a presidential candidate, said he is happy with the changes recently made to the SGA Constitution because they will help the president communicate with the administration, faculty and students.

"I see the president as a school crier talking to administration, students and faculty," Moody said. "The president should be the sole communicator and the most approachable; that's the bottom line."

C.J. Striebing, a presidential candidate, said he thinks there is not enough communication between students and House.

"I'd like to see a committee formed that just goes to organizations and tells them what's happening," Striebing said.

Mandy Mahan, a student in the audience and chairwoman of the House Campus Communications

Committee, asked why more people weren't doing anything about communication problem between students and faculty.

"If communication is such a big concern, why aren't people coming to my committee meeting?" Mahan asked.

Ben Jenkins, a presidential candidate, said the issue is a problem on campus and, therefore, a big issue with the candidates.

"We are trying to get elected so we can help with communication," Jenkins said.

James Applebury, a presidential candidate, said he and the other candidates are all different from one another.

"Vote on whoever you feel has better ideas on communication," Applebury said.

Ryan Shoemaker, a vice presidential candidate, said one of the things that

could make TCU better would be pushing the present system of recruitment back to the spring semester because it would help with freshman retention.

"It's a positive step," Shoemaker said. "Other schools I have talked to like Vanderbilt really like deferred recruitment."

Stauffer disagreed with Shoemaker and said there are other ways to work with freshmen than to make them feel like TCU students before anything else.

Applebury said some candidates are talking about the same issues but some candidates have focused on separate issues.

"We all feel people have good issues," Applebury said.

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SECRETARY

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Turner said being a good secretary involves commitment and flexibility.

"I decided to run because I really thought I could help out as it is an important time at TCU right now," Turner said. He said with all of the new changes on campus like the presence of a new Chancellor and student referendums, running for secretary is a good way to get involved.

Because of the extended secretarial deadline, no secretarial candidates participated in the forum or debate.

Alexander said SGA will hold an informal question-and-answer session at noon Monday in the Student Center Lounge. He said it will give students an opportunity to ask the secretarial candidates questions since they probably won't have time to campaign as much as candidates for other SGA positions.

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Clinton calls for aid to Nigeria

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Calling Nigeria's debt burden "neither morally right nor economically sound," President Clinton appealed to Congress and other countries Thursday to help the African nation back onto its feet through debt relief and improved trade.

After meeting with Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo, Clinton offered law enforcement assistance to help recover national assets stolen under the regime of the late Gen. Sani Abacha. He also said he would advocate "generous" debt rescheduling for Nigeria through the Paris Club, the group of major creditor nations that determines the type of relief granted to debtor nations.

"We must do more to realize the promise of this moment for Nigeria, and for Africa," Clinton said.

Currently, Nigeria has a debt of \$31 billion. According to the White House, Nigeria owed the United States about 4 percent of a \$28.7 billion debt at the end of 1997. Clinton said such large debt has made sustaining democracy difficult for Nigeria because its assets have been looted.

"It is neither morally right nor economically sound to say that young democracies like Nigeria, as they overcome the painful legacy of dictatorship or misrule, must choose between making interest payments on their debt and investing in the health and education of their children," Clinton said.

Obasanjo was cautiously appreciative of Clinton's help in pursuing debt rescheduling, because that will mean Nigeria "can have a breather, to be able to consolidate our democracy." But he said he would prefer a more forgiving form of debt assistance.

Police BLOTTER

Campus Police reported the following offenses between Oct. 21 and Wednesday.

Physical Misconduct

Oct. 24, 4:47 p.m. — An officer was dispatched to the intramural fields after a fight was reported. Two participants on opposing teams began to fight during a football game. After the fight was settled by the referee, four more broke out.

A witness attempted to break up the fights and was punched in the face. The three suspects and the witness have been suspended from intramural sporting events.

Oct. 26, 2:48 p.m. — An officer was dispatched to Moudy Building South after a possible fight was reported. A student seeking reimbursement for a trip became verbally abusive when a faculty member told the student he would not be reimbursed.

The faculty member told the student to leave her office and threatened to call the police if he did not. When she began to dial the phone, the

student picked it up and threw it across the room. The student left before police arrived.

Theft

Oct. 25, 4:30 p.m. — Two art sculptures were taken from behind the Moudy Building after a student had set several pieces out to dry.

Trespassing

Oct. 25, 7:46 a.m. — The manager of the TCU Bookstore reported a potted plant had been stolen sometime after 10 p.m., Oct. 21. Estimated loss: \$50.

Oct. 25, 3:15 p.m. — A solicitor was reported by the Colby Hall director. The dispatched officer found the suspect and issued him a criminal trespass warning. The suspect had received several checks from students. He was told if the students did not receive their merchandise, he would be charged with theft.

Vandalism

Oct. 23, 3 p.m. — A student's truck was keyed in the coliseum parking lot between 3 p.m., Oct. 21, and 4:30 p.m., Oct. 22. The scratch extended the entire length of the truck's right side.

Oct. 22, 12:51 a.m. — A student was reported

spray painting trash cans behind Martin-Moore Hall, which houses the Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Sigma and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternities. He had painted the letters of his fraternity on the trash can behind his fraternity's house and the letters of the neighboring fraternity on another trash can.

When informed by police that his actions were considered criminal mischief, the suspect argued and threatened to call his lawyer.

Harassment

Oct. 21, 4:38 p.m. — A resident in the Tom Brown/Pete Wright Residential Community reported receiving telephone calls daily from an ex-boyfriend. She said the calls were unwanted and so were his attempts to be reunited with her. She was advised by police to screen her calls and contact police if the suspect ever came to her residence hall.

Oct. 22, 6:08 p.m. — A Sherley Hall resident reported receiving a harassing call on her voice mail from her roommate's boyfriend. The call came after she and some friends confronted her roommate about her boyfriend, saying he was not beneficial for her. A tape of the message was given to the police.

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Ghost of Halloween Past

By Justin Roche
STAFF REVIEWER

Halloween is upon us again, bringing with it clever and cute costumes and a unified objective among all children nationwide — get candy.

This ploy to obtain tooth-decaying agents was an acceptable and expected aspect of most of our childhoods, often one of the fondest. However, what does one do now that the days of youth are behind and the unknown land of adulthood looms straight ahead? We can't very well stand on the doorstep of maturity, ring the bell and say, "Trick-or-Treat." Or can we?

Has the time passed for college-aged men and women to don a costume of sorts and gallivant around neighborhoods, all in an effort to procure some peanut butter cups or acquire an Almond Joy? Or is there more to this ritual of disguising oneself and retreating into the night, armed only with an empty bag and the anticipation of the unknown?

We all have a favorite costume that we're particularly proud of (for some unknown reason). We grin with pride as we announce, "I was Superman for my first Halloween!" knowing full well we would be overcome with embarrassment were anyone to actually see the proof contained within Mom's photo albums. And yet we relay this information without much persuasion and with much affection. Why is that?

Go ahead, ask someone about his or her most cherished Halloween costume. The majority of the time, you'll receive a wide smile just below a pair of eyes that glaze over at the sight of a flood of memories rushing before them.

What is it about this holiday that brings joy to our face by a mere mention of our past participation? Is it simply the candy or is there something deeper? And if so, why have we all but ceased from taking part and prolonging that joyful feeling? The answers, like all the good candy in your sack, have to be dug for in order to be found and enjoyed.

The beauty of Halloween lies in the fact that there are no boundaries in which you can be contained. The possibilities are endless. You can be whatever you want to be. This permission to explore our dreams and desires is what makes this holiday so endearing to us. We are allowed to leave ourselves at home and venture into the neighborhood as a legitimate cowboy, bona fide princess or genuine superhero with all the rights and responsibilities that accompany our attire.

College presents the same scenarios as Halloween, only instead of ghosts and fairies, we are costumed as graphic art students or finance majors. The unlimited potential for what we can be still exists, it's just that the stakes are higher and reality is more impacting in the collegiate



version. Dressing up as your favorite cartoon character is one thing, deciding on your future occupation is another.

Perhaps it is the innocence of this entire situation that captures our hearts. Don't we long for that freedom to stretch ourselves and try to become whatever we desire? Has college stifled that cry for self-exploration with the fear of harming our GPA or falling behind our scholastic track? We so badly want to be something special, unique, but the pressure to do so in reality has caused us to fondly remember the days when we could do that freely on the final day of October.

We are dreamers, hoping for amazing futures and points to our

existence. With our futures unknown, we truly can become anything that we aspire to. This Halloween, carry on that rich tradition of tension-free exploration. Try on a costume you've always wanted to be identified with. Become that person you've always wanted to be, if only for one night. Don't let the innocent and powerful dream of an unlimited future die simply because you have increased in age.

So retreat a little this weekend and indulge yourself in the festivities. See life again through those glazed-over eyes. Remember what hope is like and be whoever you want to be.

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Ghastly Graveyard — what's underneath your feet will shock you.

Hollywood Museum of Horrors — enjoy authentic memorabilia from popular Hollywood horror movies.

Spooky Hollow — this children's area features a mini-haunted house, face-painting, a pumpkin patch and Halloween storytelling.

Screams® is open from 7 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday, and 7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$15.99 per person, and parking is free. Tickets are available at Kroger stores and at the gate. Screams® is located near Waxahachie, off

I-35, exit 399 A. For more information, call (972) 938-3247 or check the Web site at (www.screamspark.com).

Museum Exhibition

"El Dia De Los Muertos"

One of Mexico's most important holidays, El Dia De Los Muertos (the Day of the Dead), comes to life at the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth in an afternoon of festivities from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday.

Death is not feared in Mexico but accepted as an integral part of the cycle of life. Families decorate the graves of loved ones and create ofrendas (altars) in their homes to honor the dead, whom they believe return in spirit every Nov. 1 and 2. To attract and satisfy the visiting souls, families set out food, drink, flowers, toys and incense.

The museum celebration will feature performances by Fort Worth's Ballet Folklorico Azteca and Northside High School's "Espuelas de Plata" mariachi band.

Students from local schools will show visitors how to make arts and crafts associated with the festival. Refreshments will include Mexican sodas and pan de muertos (bread of the Dead).

The museum is located at 1309 Montgomery Street at Camp Bowie Blvd. Admission is free.

Movie

Overnight in a Haunted House

For a million dollars, would you spend the night in a haunted building? To get the money, all you have to do is stay alive.

"House on Haunted Hill" opens today at theaters in the area, so if you don't like haunted houses, grab your friends and go see a movie on Halloween night.

"House on Haunted Hill," a modern remake of a 1958 classic horror movie, is set in the abandoned Vannacut Psychiatric Institute for the Criminally Insane. Before it was closed, the building was the site of horrific experiments in human torture. Decades later, there are no living witnesses and all of Dr. Vannacut's demonic secrets are gone. Nothing remains except the building in which the horrors occurred.

But that building remembers the horrors that took place within its walls.

"House on Haunted Hill" also stars Taye Diggs, Ali Larter, Bridgette Wilson, Peter Gallagher and Chris Kattan.

'Come On Social' is a cornucopia of electric sound and acoustics

By Almée Courice
STAFF REVIEWER

Known for their acoustic guitar-strumming and sing-out-loud-in-the-car-with-the-windows-rolled-down lyrics, the Indigo Girls have done it again. But this time, with a twist.

Those who would be quick to label Amy Ray and Emily Saliers as folk singers won't be able to overlook their more electric sound on this album. "Come On Social," the duo's seventh studio album, is more of a cornucopia of sounds than any of their previous sets.

The electric sound is evident from the album's first track, "Go," which encourages young people to stand up for their beliefs, and comes on even stronger in the track, "Trouble." Emily gets pretty aggressive here, but the tune still retains a melodic feel. She sings about society's hypocrisy, materialism and intolerance.

The album's tracks alternate between this powerful electric sound and the acoustic strumming that has defined this duo. On the second track, "Soon be to Nothing," the softer and introspective side comes back with lines such as, "I have passed these pines 'bout a million times effortlessly/ Now I grip the wheel fear is what I feel/ At the slow unraveling of me."

"Faye Tucker" is another track that highlights the duo's ability to provide compelling social commentary through its music. The song is based on Karla Faye Tucker, the first woman to be executed by the state of Texas since the Civil War. Its lyrics

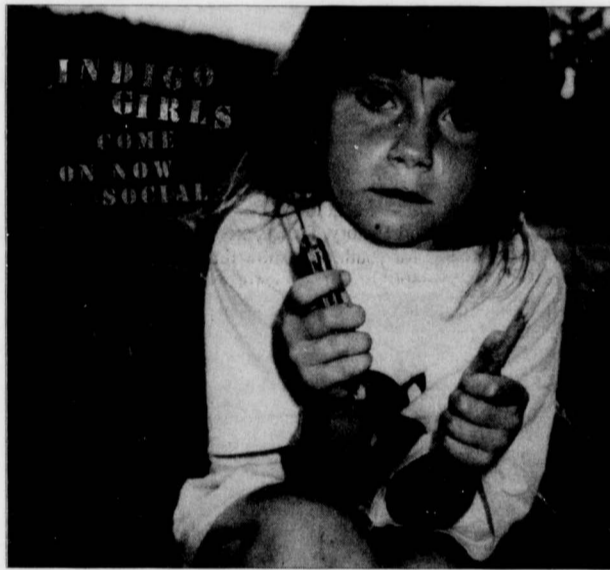
are slightly eerie and melancholy, with lines such as, "What did you learn Faye Tucker/ What will you take from this world/ Well mercy could prove us/ But nothing could move us/ To rise above being cruel." The mood of the song is also heightened by the exotic backup from Natacha Atlas, a premiere Arabic singer.

For Indigo fans that are longing for more of the same type of sound found in toe-tapping classics such as "Closer to Fine" and "Joking," "Gone Again" rings in familiar folk-song fashion. Amy is on vocals and the mandolin, while Emily backs her up on vocals and the banjo. Listen closely for Sheryl Crow also on backup vocals. On other tracks, there are guest appearances by Joan Osborne and MeShell Ndegéocello.

This album is distinct from previous albums, but it doesn't stray too far away from their familiar sound. "Gone Again," "Peace Tonight" and "We Are Together" bring that peaceful, easy feeling found in the duo's oldies. The skillful electric guitar work is surprising at first, but it works to show another facet of music.

The nice thing about a group with staying power like the Indigo Girls is that listeners can see how they have changed. Amy and Emily haven't left anything behind. Their sound is just as moving and soothing as it was before, but their electric additions have made it sound more emotionally powerful.

The Indigo Girls haven't got off track, they're just movin' "closer to fine."



Theater

"Do the Time Warp Again"

Casa Mañana presents its first live stage performance of "The Rocky Horror Show" Thursday through Sunday.

"The Rocky Horror Show" premiered in London as a six-week workshop project in 1973 but was so popular that it ran for a total of 2,960 performances before closing in 1980.

The film version, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," starring Tim Curry as a transvestite scientist Frank N. Furter, was released in 1975. The film became a cult classic, attracting a worldwide following of fans, clubs and audience participation.

For "virgins," people who have never seen the movie or the stage show, Web sites devoted to the movie provide handbooks to instruct audience members how to dress, what props to bring to the show, the lines they should prepare to talk back to the actors and the steps to "The Time Warp" dance. Complete guidelines may be found at (www.rocky-horror.com).

Performances run Halloween week at 8 p.m. Thursday through Sunday and also at midnight Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$22 and may be purchased through Ticketmaster, (972) 647-5700 or by visiting the Casa Mañana box office at 3101 West Lancaster.

Houses —

"What Lurks in the Dark?"

Do you dare descend into the dungeon? The Arlington Museum of Art presents "Dungeon of Doom," an artist-designed haunted house located in the basement of the museum.

Join host "Igor" in a frightening adventure into



Even with new technology, nature still the answer

By Guy Bickers
STAFF REVIEWER

Technology is rampaging across the land. Bits and bytes and chips and boards are dominating our lives, and we don't even realize it. New ideas and new devices arrive daily. My question: Is technology moving too fast?

My freshman year, high tech was having an Intel 486-100 or the illustrious Pentium 90. Cell phones were not terribly common. Nobody on campus had a PalmPilot. And the brand-spankin'-new TCU network was actually the fastest thing any of us had seen.

Now you need a Pentium 650 to get Windows to work right. PalmPilots are common. The network has slowed to a crawl. And it seems even God has a cell phone. But is this a good thing?

It seems that Americans are always looking for smaller, faster, cheaper and shinier objects to buy. (I know this because I am one of those people.) Remember records? Of course not, they were replaced by those little, shiny things called CDs. Remember when Apple made computers that were gray? Possibly. Adjust for inflation and everything's cheaper than it was just a few years ago.

But do we really need all these new devices?

Some argue that indeed we do. Technology is taking over our lives and we need to make it as friendly as possible. Imagine driving that new car your parents bought you ... without power steering. Heavens, it would actually take effort.

Try living a week without getting, and sending, those hundreds of jokes in your e-mail. Life would be less entertaining. TV entertains us without us even having to stand up. CDs let us listen to crystal-clear sound and take up almost no space. Duct tape lets us fix our exhaust pipes without fear from the Man. And MP3s make music free for all who can afford the thousands of dollars needed for the equipment.

On the other hand, has technology really helped that much? All that TV and those microwave dinners have made us the most overweight people in the world. Car stereos can talk to us, distracting us so that we veer into oncoming traffic. Cyber-porn has turned half a generation of males into slobbering Web addicts who can't imagine a day without a glimpse of Pamela Anderson's breasts (both old and new and old again).

We don't exercise any more. Why should we when "Armageddon" is on 30 channels right now? If Pikachū wanted to take over the world,

he would have zero opposition. We're all stuck watching Jerry!

Where do I stand? Somewhere in the middle. Those who know me know I love gizmos. I have a Nokia cell phone that plays games. I live for games, DVDs and the Internet. I have surround-sound for my PC. My car has a 12-disc changer. However, even I have my limits.

Every once in awhile I head out of town and take a hike. Literally. I get outdoors and breathe a bit of fresh air. The computer monitor's warm glow is replaced by the sun. I park my car, and I go walk somewhere, just for the heck of it. My cell phone is left at home so no one can reach me. It's really quite nice, I suggest you all try it sometime.

When all is said and done, I love technology. I like where our culture is headed. But I still like listening to vinyl every so often. I enjoy driving cars without power steering (as long as it's an automatic). My camera makes me do all the work. And I don't think I need a new Gateway computer every year.

Well, that's my little rant for the week. If you'll excuse me I'm off to ride my Schwinn mountain bike with dual air/oil shocks and rear suspension. Technology, who needs it?!

Vonnegut's 'Hocus Pocus' instructs readers to lighten up

By Jill Craig
STAFF REVIEWER

With a vast array of new fiction on the shelves today, we tend to overlook the treasures that lie in the main stacks of our very own library. Dusty covers and yellowed pages that give off that "old book smell" cause most young fiction readers to abandon these selections for sleek new novels with glossy cover art.

While you will find a few pictures in Kurt Vonnegut's "Hocus Pocus," these simple sketches are far from sleek or glossy.

"Hocus Pocus" was recommended to me by a friend, and I picked it up with a healthy dose of skepticism. After all, below the shelf of Kurt Vonnegut's novels in the library is another shelf with books that discuss the presence of schizophrenia in Vonnegut's novels.

The introduction to the book reveals that the entire novel was written on scraps of paper, and sure enough, that structure is preserved by lines marking the different "scraps."

But this book is not about schizophrenia or the scribbling of a madman. It follows the life of a typical man as he journeys through not-so-typical times. According to the protagonist, America in 2001 is "a thoroughly looted bankrupt nation whose assets had been sold off to foreigners, a nation swamped by unchecked plagues and superstition and illiteracy and hypnotic TV."

Vonnegut takes his protagonist, Eugene Debs Hartke, from West Point to Vietnam, from a job as a physics teacher at a college for dyslexics to a job at a prison run

for profit by the Japanese. Now, before you wonder if you slept through the history lecture that discussed corporate Japan running American prisons, understand that this novel is set in an enthralling combination of real history and a fictional future that will keep you on your toes.

"Hocus Pocus" is definitely supposed to make you think — there's even a math problem at the end. Don't jump to conclusions, it's a good math problem. In the course of a little soul-searching, Hartke calculates that he has killed exactly the same number of people as he has had sex with, and, of course, gives you the formula to calculate this magic number.

Although this fact makes him seem like a murderer and a pimp, Hartke is actually one of Vonnegut's more realistic characters. Casual readers and literature enthusiasts alike should be able to relate to Hartke who is dismissed from his job for being honest with his students and unable to please a demanding father. He seems to be an average guy.

However, through the madness that surrounds him, he is still able to view the future with a little bit of humor — Vonnegut's subtle hint to all that we should just lighten up.

With a few laughs along the way, "Hocus Pocus" promises to open your mind and pose a little challenge. Don't let your life become like Hartke's definition of an ocean liner: "Life was like an ocean liner to a lot of people And their TV sets were portholes through which they could look while doing nothing, to see all the world was doing with no help from them. Look at it go!"

eight days in October and November

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Pocket Sandwich Theatre shows "Drac' In The Saddle Again - The Vampire Western," 8 p.m.</p> <p>Bronco Bowl Theater: Live, Cibbo Matto, doors open 7 p.m.</p> <p>Circle Theatre will show "The Woman in Black," 8:30 p.m. and "Room Service," 8 p.m. For more information, call (817) 784-6671.</p> <p>Koko Taylor, blues singer comes to Blue Cat Blues Club. For more information, call (214) 744-2293.</p> <p>Last Days to Catch Our Town at Stage West, right across the street. For more info, call 784-9378.</p> <p>Autumn Dance Event featuring ballet and modern dance works choreographed by TCU dance department faculty and Choreographer-in-Residence Fernando Bujones, 8 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.</p>	<p>Bronco Bowl Theater: Robbie Williams, doors open 7 p.m.</p> <p>Circle Theatre will show "The Woman in Black," 8:30 p.m. and "Room Service," 8 p.m. For more information, call (817) 784-6671.</p> <p>Pocket Sandwich Theatre shows "Drac' In The Saddle Again - The Vampire Western," 8 p.m.</p> <p>Last Days to Catch Our Town at Stage West, right across the street. For more info, call 784-9378.</p> <p>Autumn Dance Event featuring ballet and modern dance works choreographed by TCU dance department faculty and Choreographer-in-Residence Fernando Bujones, 8 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.</p>	<p>Circle Theatre will show "Room Service," 3 p.m. For more information, call (817) 784-6671.</p> <p>Autumn Dance Event featuring ballet and modern dance works choreographed by TCU dance department faculty and Choreographer-in-Residence Fernando Bujones, 2 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.</p>	<p>Art Faculty Exhibition J. M. Moudy Visual Arts and Communications Bldg, Moudy Exhibition Hall. For more information call 257-7643.</p> <p>Faculty piano recital featuring John Owings, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Call 257-7602 for more information.</p> <p>Nancy Quarles Stuck Art History Lectureship presents Prof. Emily Umberger, Arizona State University, noon, J. M. Moudy Visual Arts and Communications Building, Room 132N. Her topic will be "Myth, Cosmos, and Commemoration in Aztec Monuments." Call 257-7477 for more information.</p>	<p>Cecil and Ida Green Youth Concert Series will kick off with "The Beat Goes On" at the Meyerson Symphony Center, 9:30 and 11 a.m. For more information, call (214) 871-4029.</p> <p>Classical guitarist Eliot Fisk comes to Meyerson Symphony Center, 8 p.m. Tickets are available at Dillard's.</p>	<p>Art Faculty Exhibition J. M. Moudy Visual Arts and Communications Bldg, Moudy Exhibition Hall. For more information call 257-7643.</p>	<p>Pocket Sandwich Theatre shows "Drac' In The Saddle Again - The Vampire Western," 8 p.m.</p> <p>Performance Preludes presents Carl Johnson, Dallas Symphony Director of Education, 7 p.m. For more information, call (214) 871-4006.</p> <p>Deep Ellum Live will present Me'shell Ndegeocello, 8 p.m.</p> <p>Dallas Morning News Classical Series presents Maestro Pinchas Zukerman at the Meyerson Symphony Center, 8 p.m.</p> <p>RTVF presents West Side Story (1961) starring Natalie Wood, Richard Beymer, Rita Moreno and George Chakiris, 7 p.m., J. M. Moudy Visual Arts and Communications Bldg, Room 264S. Call 257-7630 for more information.</p>	<p>Circle Theatre will show "The Woman in Black," 8:30 p.m. and "Room Service," 8 p.m. For more information, call (817) 784-6671.</p> <p>Performance Preludes presents Carl Johnson, Dallas Symphony Director of Education, 7 p.m. For more information, call (214) 871-4006.</p> <p>Dallas Morning News Classical Series presents Maestro Pinchas Zukerman at the Meyerson Symphony Center, 8 p.m.</p> <p>Splendor, Shades Apart and Pound come to Deep Ellum Live, door opens at 8 p.m.</p>
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events Around Town

Nature Exploration
The Fort Worth Museum of Science and History will present the giant screen film, "Epic Journeys: The Great Migration." A spectacular film on the migration of various animals such as zebras, red crabs, gray whales and butterflies.
The film will premiere Nov. 5 at the Omni Theater at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors (over 60) and \$4 for youth. For show times and more information, call (817) 255-9300 or visit (www.fortworthmuseum.org).

Haunted House
The Dungeon of Doom, the only basement haunted house in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, is open until Oct. 31. Ticket prices are \$9 or \$8 with a donation of canned food. The doors will open at 7 p.m. until the "last scream."

Focus On Photography
Amon Carter Museum will host its first public photography workshop, "Focus On Photography" from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 31, Nov. 7 and 14. Luther Smith, a local photographer and a professor of art, will be the instructor in this three-part workshop for adults.
Participants must provide their own cameras, film processing and printing materials. General admission is \$60, and for museum members it's \$45. For more information on membership or the workshop, call (817) 738-1933. The location will be announced.

Virtual Devotion
Pegasus Theatre presents Virtual Devotion by Eric Coble as part of the "Y2K Sci-Fi Season." It is a comedy about the end of the world, which is set in sometime in the future. The show will run through Nov. 20. For more information and tickets, call (214) 821-6005.

TCU movie channel

<p>Friday, October 29 2 p.m. Boyz n the Hood 5 p.m. The Mummy 8 p.m. October Sky 11 p.m. Psycho</p>	<p>Sunday, October 31 2 p.m. Can't Buy Me Love 5 p.m. October Sky 8 p.m. The Other Sister</p>
<p>Saturday, October 30 2 p.m. Three Amigos 5 p.m. Fallen 8 p.m. Silence of the Lambs 11 p.m. Pulp Fiction</p>	<p>Next week, look for new movie reviews and the listings for November.</p>

dinner and a movie ...

dinner: Oven-Fried Chicken

I know this sounds like it will turn out mushy, but it doesn't. It actually tastes like fried chicken!

- Ingredients:**
1 1/2 c. Hungry Jack mashed potato flakes
1 tsp. seasoned salt
1/2 tsp. paprika
1/4 tsp. garlic powder
1/4 tsp. pepper
1/4 c. margarine or butter, melted
1 egg
1 tblsp. water
4 chicken breasts, boneless, skinless

- Directions:**
1.) Heat oven to 400 degrees. Spray a cooking pan lightly with nonstick cooking spray.
2.) In a large bowl, combine potato flakes, seasoned salt, paprika, garlic powder and pepper. Add margarine, mix well. In a medium bowl, combine egg and water, beat well.
3.) Dip chicken pieces in egg mixture. Thoroughly coat all sides with potato flake mixture. Place chicken in sprayed pan.
4.) Bake for 55 to 60 minutes or until chicken is fork-tender, and juices run clear.

- Tips:**
1.) To make sure the chicken is cooked thoroughly, make a small cut in the center. If the chicken is white, it is cooked. If it is still pink, continue to bake.

- Serving Suggestions:**
1.) Since the recipe doesn't use the entire box of mashed potato flakes, cook the rest of them. Or buy some potato salad from the grocery store.
2.) A cold garden salad or cooked green beans also complement this easy chicken dish.
3.) For dessert, use your imagination. A simple scoop of vanilla ice cream works very well, though.

From: Pillsbury Classic Cookbooks, "Best-Ever Chicken," Sept. 1999.

going out: The Story Of Us

By Lindsay Williams
STAFF REVIEWER

Coming from a somewhat broken home, I never really saw divorce through the eyes of both parties. I either blamed the mom or the dad, not both. But in "The Story of Us," the audience catches a glimpse of the husband and wife and their relationship.

I loved this movie more than any other film I've seen all year. Ben and Katie Jordan basically narrate the story of their 15-year marriage through a montage of memories. We see a marriage full of diapers, camps, vacations and lots of fights.

The most difficult part of watching this movie was trying to decide who was right and who was wrong. One partner is neurotic and obsessive while the other is goofy and a kid at heart; you can probably guess who is who.

Michelle Pfeiffer and Bruce Willis co-star in this heart-wrenching and tear-jerking family film. Granted there is strong language and many sexual innuendos, it is suitable for young adults, but not young kids.

The plot: boy and girl meet at work, they grow on each other, boy and girl fall in love despite different tastes. They marry, have two children and then after 15 years they ask themselves why they got married in the first place. An easy question has an easy answer, right?

Wrong. After the kids escape to summer camp, the happy household falls apart and the couple tries to make things work. And the solution of the whole problem was, of course, right under their noses.

I don't remember the last time I saw Bruce Willis playing a family man and not a crazy guy in a tank top blowing up buildings or hitting people with cars or flying to an asteroid. Without a doubt, he fits the role perfectly. He shows a lovable and playful quality with his kids, romance and caring with his wife and charisma and humor all by himself. I think the only other role I liked him in was the '80s TV show "Moonlighting." Willis may have found his place as the family man.

Michelle Pfeiffer is, as always, beautiful and alluring as an obsessive wife. I loved her role in "One Fine Day" because of the chemistry with her son. She displays the same affection with her children in this movie. The way the kids and her husband look at her makes you want her as your own mom. But at the same time, her character drove me crazy. Pfeiffer seems to always stumble with her sentences, never

knowing the right thing to say, but still manages to pull it off.

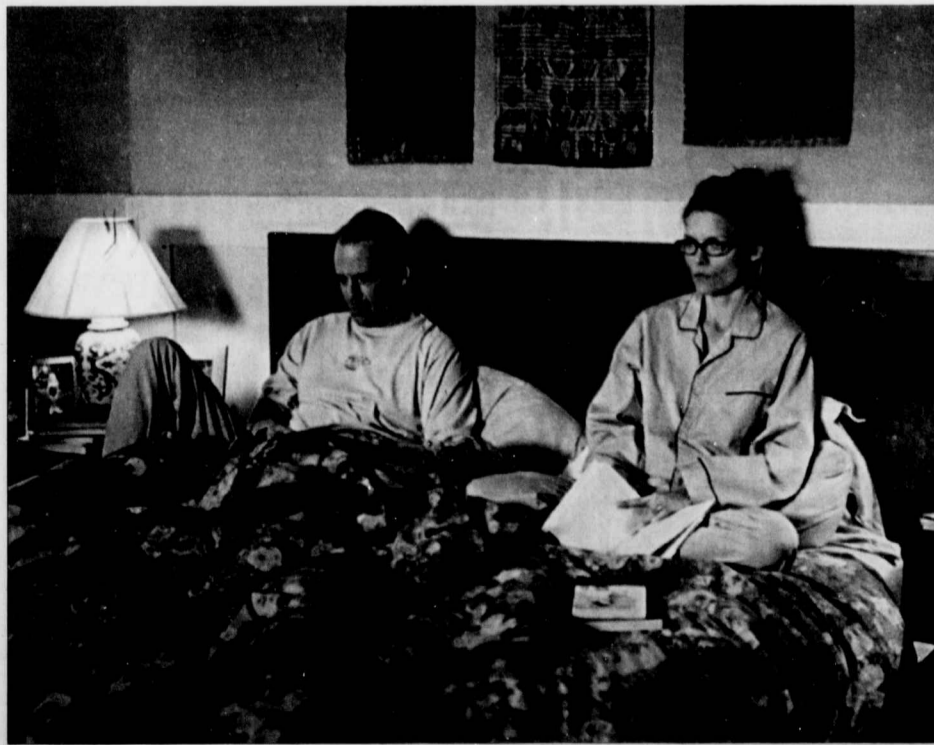
Director and star Rob Reiner has created a wonderful cast and a wonderful plot once again. Being a huge fan of "When Harry Met Sally" and "Sleepless in Seattle," I caught many similarities. There is a scene at a restaurant, a conversation about butts, and the usual gossip shared between the guys and the girls.

Reiner and Rita Wilson play a couple who have known the Jordans for years. And Paul Reiser stars as Ben's agent and somewhat of a friend. He spews out bits of advice that are crude instead of helpful. But it's hard to say who provides the comic relief

because I think the whole cast does.

But, when the laughing stops, the tears begin. This film will bring back memories (for some of you) of divorce during childhood and other unwanted memories. I never thought I would say that Bruce Willis has the ability to make me cry. The movie is so interesting and almost emotionally hard to watch. Pfeiffer and Willis remind us of what it's like to really have a good and strong family. And the chemistry is great, the jokes will make you laugh so hard that you'll probably miss some of the movie.

So, this movie is wonderful, and go see it right now. Take your boyfriend/girlfriend or parents or siblings. Your student ID and \$4.50 will be well spent.



Ben and Katie Jordan (Bruce Willis and Michelle Pfeiffer) contemplate the ups and downs of their 15-year marriage in "The Story of Us."

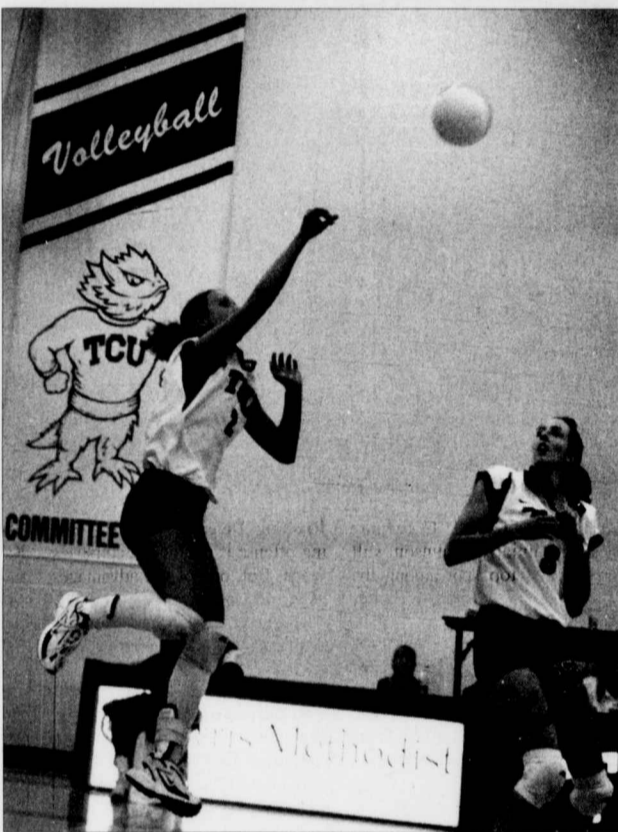


FROGS HANDLE HURRICANE

Photos by John Shaw/SKIFF STAFF

Above: Senior outside hitter Jill Pape makes a defensive dig against Southern Methodist Oct. 8 at the Rickel Building. Pape had three defensive digs against Tulsa Thursday in the Frogs' three set (15-11, 15-13, 15-12) win over the Golden Hurricane.

Right: Sophomore outside hitter Marci King attempts a kill against the Mustangs in a mid-season Western Athletic Conference contest. King had 10 kills in TCU's win over Tulsa. The victory was head coach Sandy Troudt's 255th career win.



Cross country prepares for championship

By Steven Baker
STAFF REPORTER

When the runners of the women's cross country team finished their practice Wednesday afternoon they were running as a team for the first time this year.

They knew at that point they were ready for the Western Athletic Conference Championships, said senior women's captain Alison Harvey.

"For a lot of us, (cross country) is large part of our world," she said. "But I think, to keep it in perspective, that on Saturday it is our world. But when we

leave Saturday, whatever happens, we need to except it and be proud of what we did."

The Rice women's team has beaten the TCU women three times in three races, while the Rice men have defeated the TCU men one time at the Texas A&M Invitational. However, the men's team did defeat SMU in two out of three meets, and the women finished before SMU in three times in three races.

Head cross country coach Dan Waters said both TCU teams must remain close to Rice's four and five runners.

"The key to the Rice men winning the meet is making sure all the guys are healthy," he said. "If they have any kind (of) sickness or injuries then they leave the door wide open. Our women are going against a deeper group of Rice women that are a little ahead of our four and five runners."

Head track and field coach Monte Stratton said the top five runners for both teams need to finish well, but the women could have a better chance because their team has many talented runners.

"We have a chance possibly for the individual champion on both the men and women," he said. "That could be David Lagat (senior) on the men's side and any three on the women's side with Gladys Keitany (sopho-

more) having a slight edge over the others."

Junior SMU runners Clyde Colenso defeated Lagat at the SMU Invitational. And junior Rice runners Lachlan McArthur and Tyson Hendricksen finished in second and third place right behind Lagat at the Texas A&M Invitational.

Both Stratton and Waters said they are looking to Lagat and senior Adrian Martinez to lead the team.

"The No. 1 runner on the men's side is David Lagat, and Adrian Martinez is pretty much an inspiration for the example that he sets," Stratton said.

"David is real set on trying to win his first WAC individual title," he said. "In order for us to do well on the men's side, Adrian is really going to have to get in front of Rice's No. 1 and No. 2 runners."

The women will be challenged by Rice senior Shaquandra Roberson, who finished in first place ahead of Keitany at the Texas A&M Invitational and in second place in front of third place sophomore Katie Singleton at the University of North Texas Invitational.

Waters said he will look to Harvey for leadership on the women's team, because he said he thinks she will be mentally and physically ready.

"I really look for her to put everything she has ever had and more into this cross country race," he said. "She really wants to see great things happen for the team."

Harvey said because of the ability on the team, the runners are ready for the WAC Championships.

"(WAC Championships) is like any test we take here at TCU," she said. "We have done the homework, the practice problems and are prepared for the test. We are ready. I can feel it."

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Five players advance in tournament

By Matt Stiver
STAFF REPORTER

The tennis ball bounced off the racket, sailed through the air and struck the ground. Just exactly where it struck would touch off a dispute that turned a match around.

TCU junior Martin Jirak saw the ball land inside the white line of chalk. Southern Methodist's Toby Hansson called it out.

"He (made me mad)," Jirak said. "He called a ball out that was in. After that, I played with 'juice' as (head coach Michael) Center calls it. I wanted to win."

Jirak's 7-6 (4), 6-2 upset victory over nationally-ranked (No. 68) Hansson highlighted the Frogs' day at the Region IV Tournament, which is being held at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis

Center. The tournament runs through Sunday.

Junior Esteban Carril, Jirak's doubles partner, said the match was important.

"I think it was a good win for Martin," Carril said. "He needed this win to help his confidence."

Junior Petr Koula said Jirak played well.

"He played with a lot of emotion," Koula said. "He was pumping his fist, and he usually doesn't do that."

The Frogs won eight of 12 matches and advanced five players into the round of 32. All four TCU players who were seeded advanced.

Junior Scott Eddins, seeded No. 15, won 6-2, 6-2 over Cody Jackson of Rice.

Eddins said receiving a bye was important.

"This is a really long tour-

namment," Eddins said before his match. "There are seven rounds to win it. Not having to play a first match is important if you're gonna to play a lot of matches."

"If I had to play that first match, then I would possibly have to play two singles and two doubles. That would be a very long day, and it would be exhausting to start the tournament. It's an advantage."

Koula, seeded No. 17, advanced by winning two matches. In his first match, Koula held on in a second-set tiebreaker for a 6-4, 7-6 (7) victory. Koula advanced to the round of 32 with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Ryan Davies of Texas Tech.

Koula said he was pleased with his performance.

"I think I played OK today," Koula said. "I hit the

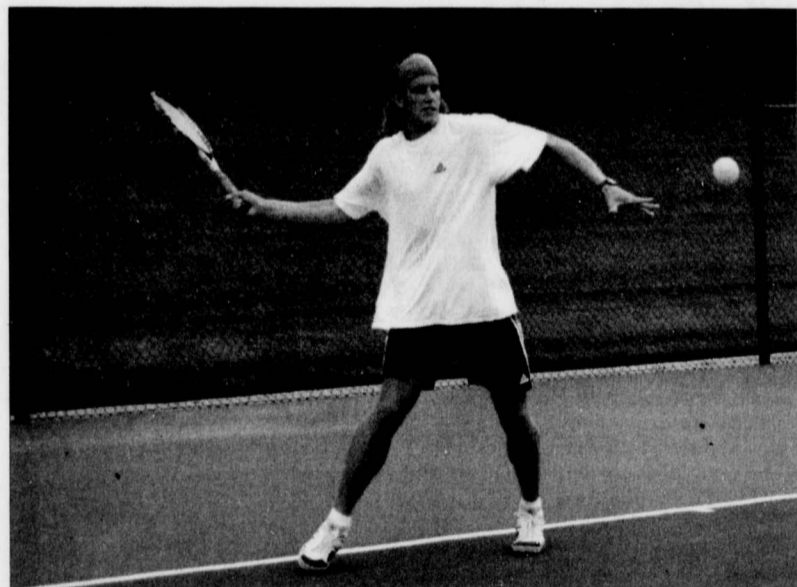
ball and moved well, I thought."

Carril, seeded No. 1 in the tournament and ranked No. 4 in the nation, defeated Cory Hubbard of Texas A&M in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3. Carril received a first-round bye and played only one match Thursday. Forced out of the All-American Tournament two weekends ago with an injured back, Carril said he feels better.

"I hope it will get better as the tournament goes on," Carril said.

Junior Trace Fielding, seeded No. 12 and ranked No. 96 nationally, defeated Ola Bartzen of Texas-Arlington in straight sets, 6-4, 6-1.

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Junior Sebastian Iannariello exchanges ground strokes with a teammate in practice last week. The men's tennis team won eight of 12 singles matches Thursday on the opening day of the Region VI Tournament at the Bayard H. Freedman Tennis Center.

Investigators search wreckage of Stewart's plane as board reviews Learjet crashes

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MINA, S.D. — Investigators picked through Payne Stewart's shattered Learjet on Thursday for valves and other small parts that might help answer whether the golfer's flight was doomed by a loss of oxygen in the cabin.

The National Transportation Safety Board also said it is looking closely at three similar Learjet crashes over the past two decades.

Still, investigators are concerned that the cause of Stewart's crash will never be known because the plane and the bodies were so severely damaged, according to a high-level government official who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

"I don't know if we'll ever be able to tell what happened from what we dug out of that hole," the official said.

Stewart and five other people died Monday aboard the plane, which crashed into a cow pasture near Mina four hours after it left Orlando, Fla., for Texas. The plane flew 1,400 miles across the country, apparently on autopilot, before it ran out of fuel.

Government officials and pilots have said one possible explanation is that the jet lost cabin pressure soon after taking off, causing everyone on board to die or lose consciousness.

Bob Benzon, who is in charge of the investigation for the NTSB, said crews were particularly inter-

ested in finding valves, parts of the doors and windows and other components that help seal the cabin. All of what remained of the wreckage had been recovered and gathered in a hangar by Thursday afternoon.

The NTSB also is reviewing three Learjet accidents that appear similar to Monday's crash. "They continued to fly on autopilot after the crew became incapacitated. We don't know why in a couple of them," Benzon said.

In 1990, a Learjet crashed in Ohio soon after taking off from

Michigan for Kentucky. The reasons remained unknown because the plane was "shredded," the government official said.

A Learjet took off in Europe in 1983 and flew 1,600 miles before crashing into the Atlantic Ocean, but there was no investigation because the plane was never found.

In 1988, two Americans died when their Learjet from Tennessee inexplicably bypassed its Texas destination and crashed into a mountain in Mexico. Pilots in an F-16 and another plane tried to

contact the Learjet's pilot after it climbed above 40,000 feet but got no response.

Just before sundown Wednesday, investigators found the cockpit voice recorder in the wreckage of Stewart's plane. It has a 30-minute tape loop that usually records over itself, and officials do not expect to hear anything from when the plane veered off course and radio contact was lost, because that happened hours before the crash.

However, the tape could have picked up cockpit sounds, such as the rush of air or the whine of the engines, that would help determine what was happening at the end of the flight.

"We're looking for unusual

noises that may indicate some kind of breach of the hull of the airplane," Benzon said.

Benzon said the recorder was being flown to NTSB offices in Washington on Thursday, and a preliminary analysis of the tape would be done overnight.

About two dozen workers in blue, yellow and white plastic coveralls, picked through the wreckage in the pasture Thursday in search of parts no more than a couple of inches across.

Next, investigators will sort through the plane debris in a hangar at the nearby Aberdeen airport. If any key pieces are missing, metal detectors might be used to search the crash site again, Benzon said.

"I don't know if we'll ever be able to tell what happened from what we dug out of that hole."
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Young's concussion problems could end career
SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Steve Young can't let go of the season or the game just yet. Soon, he might not have a choice.

Saying what Young couldn't, San Francisco 49ers coach Steve Mariucci on Wednesday said Young's concussion problems almost certainly would keep him sidelined for the rest of the season. And the health risks associated with getting another could prevent him from ever playing again.

"There's a small part of me that would love to see him running around, throwing touchdown passes again," Mariucci said. "I think the whole world would love to see that. But there's a larger part of me that has to be ready to have him unavailable."

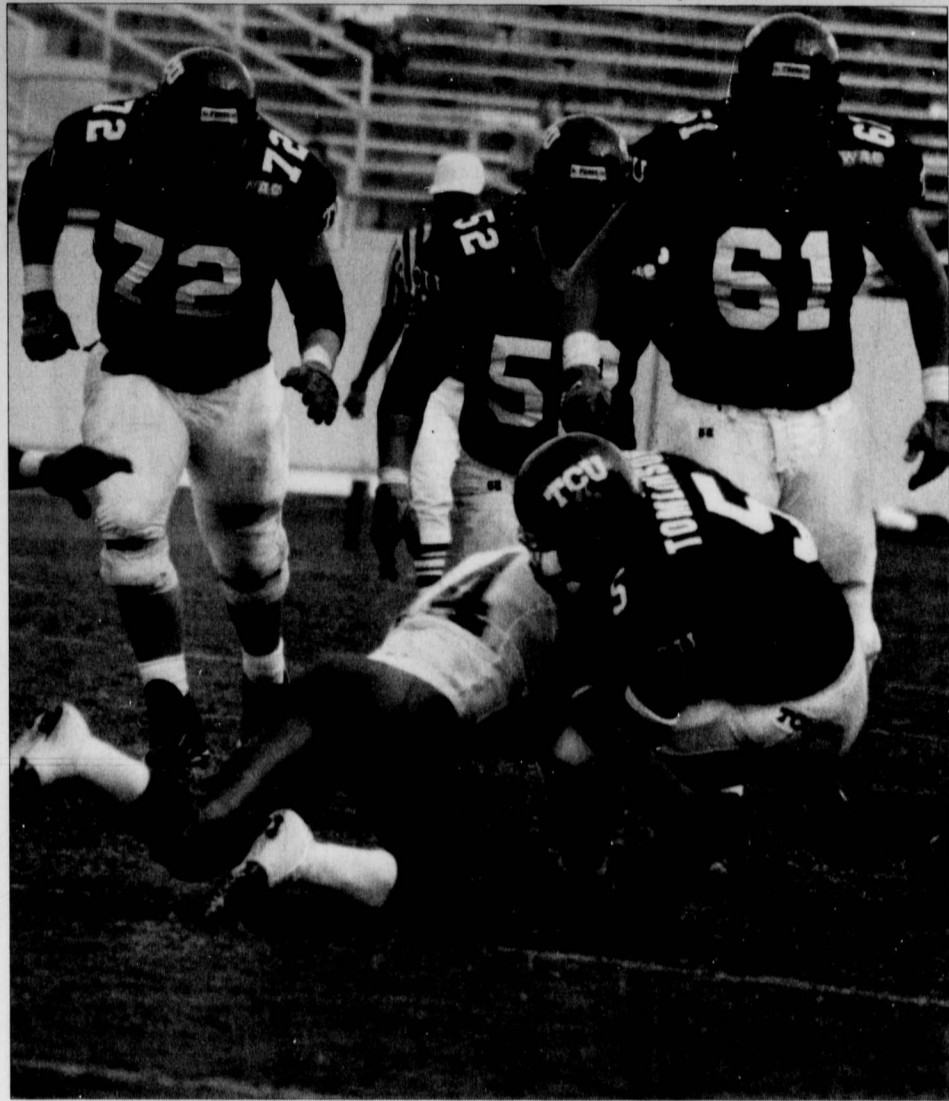
Young, in his first public comments in two weeks, said he continues to hold out hope of playing again, though he conceded he has no idea when or if he'll receive medical clearance.

"This has not been the easiest thing to deal with," Young said. "I will not play unless Dr. (Gary) Steinberg and the coaching staff and myself feel that it's the right thing to do."

Sidelined since suffering his fourth concussion in three years a month ago, the 38-year-old quarterback refused to rule out a comeback this season.

"I don't want to put a time frame on it. But I think in time I will be able to put enough time between the incident, that the unknowable might become knowable. If time runs out on the season, so be it."

Frogs set for tough game in Hawaii



Tacklers take down junior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson during TCU's 42-0 win against San Jose State Oct. 9. Tomlinson, the nation's leading rusher, and the rest of the Frogs will play the Hawaii Rainbows at 11:05 p.m. CST Saturday in Honolulu.

Players need to focus on game against WAC's best passing team, coach says

By Matt Welnick
STAFF REPORTER

Last weekend TCU faced the best rushing team in the Western Athletic Conference in the Rice Owls and lost 42-21. TCU will face the WAC's best passing team when they play Hawai'i Saturday.

And that scares head coach Dennis Franchione.

"I'm not a little bit scared, I'm (scared) a lot," Franchione said. "They're the best in total offense. They have a quarterback with a good arm. There's no doubt that we're concerned about it."

Hawai'i quarterback Dan Robinson averages 313 passing yards per game and has 14 touchdowns this season. In last week's 35-21 win against Tulsa, he threw for 283 yards and three touchdowns. The Rainbows also rushed for 151 yards last week.

TCU enters the game at 2-2 in the WAC, while Hawai'i is second in the WAC at 3-1.

"We just need to get a win. We're just coming off a tough loss, and we just need to bounce back," Franchione said. "Going to Hawai'i is going to be a challenge. We're catching a team that is playing on a roll at home."

Linebacker Shannon Brazzell said the Frogs have to forget that they are going to Hawai'i and concentrate on playing the game.

"We have to focus on Hawai'i, not going to Hawai'i," Brazzell said. "We have to focus on what they do best. They are leading the WAC in the pass, so that's what we have to concentrate on."

Tomorrow's game has bowl implications for the Rainbows. If Hawai'i wins, it would give them their sixth win and make the

Rainbows eligible for a bowl game, which is an improvement over a winless season last year.

TCU will face a team that averages 323 passing yards per game and 409 total yards per game. The TCU secondary gives up an average of 173 yards per game.

"That's the problem with playing Rice," Franchione said. "Very little of what we did last week applies to this week. It's a totally different offense that we will face."

In coach June Jones' first season at Hawai'i, he has turned around a program that had the nation's longest active losing streak and a 24-game WAC road losing streak. Now the Rainbows are a team that has bowl game aspirations.

"There are 18 of 22 starters from last year, so obviously coaching makes a difference," Franchione said. "(Jones) knows what he is doing. He has coached at all different levels. He has given them chemistry and a belief system."

The Rainbows are in the position that TCU was in last year. The Frogs came off a 1-10 season to eventually win the Sun Bowl against Southern California. Now, it is Hawai'i that is vying for bowl bid.

"Some people may think it is over for TCU, but it's not because we still can accomplish some things this season like having a winning season," Brazzell said.

The game will be on Fox Sports Regional starting at 11:05 p.m. CST.

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Edge Box

TCU **Passing Offense:** Freshman quarterback Casey Printers could experience some tough times in paradise this weekend. The Rainbows' secondary leads the Western Athletic Conference in interceptions, and ranks second in passing efficiency defense. One of the factors working against the Frogs: The Rainbows' defensive backfield faces a better, more complicated passing offense in practice. **Edge:** Hawai'i

Passing Defense: Under head coach June Jones' guidance, the Rainbows developed into one of the country's top-10 passing units. The Horned Frogs have struggled with lesser pass attacks, making it likely that Jones' run-and-shoot offense should befuddle TCU. The Horned Frogs' pass rush specialist, Aaron Schobel, could make things uneasy, but Hawai'i ranks second in the WAC in sacks allowed. **First?** TCU. **Edge:** Hawai'i

Rushing Offense: TCU running back LaDainian Tomlinson still occupies the top spot among the nation's leading rushers. After being "held" to 133 yards versus Rice, Tomlinson and Co. will be looking to eat up the clock against the Rainbows. Hawai'i will play right into TCU's hands; the Rainbows average only 25 minutes of offense a game. **Edge:** TCU

Rushing Defense: Hawai'i rushing offense is one of the country's worst. But, one of the advantages of the run-and-shoot is that defenses are forced to spread out to defend the pass. This leaves gaps in which Rainbow running backs can squirt through for long-gainers. As a result, safeties Curtis Fuller, Russell Gary and Reggie Hunt will have to pull double-duty as part-time linebackers. **Edge:** TCU

Special Teams: Place kicker Chris Kaylakie will be as integral to the Frogs' success as Tomlinson this week. Points will be in need and Kaylakie will have to deliver. The battle for field position will also play an important role in this week's game. The Frogs' return units are solid, and punter Royce Huffman is placing the ball inside the 20-yard line with regularity. Again, TCU's special teams are usually a strength. **Edge:** TCU

Intangibles: Hawai'i has won more games this season than in the previous three years. With a victory over the Frogs, Hawai'i could become bowl-eligible. So, the Rainbows have postseason hopes on the line, they have home-field advantage, and the Frogs are disappointed after a tough loss to Rice. Sounds like it all adds up to a decisive victory, but the Frogs still have more talent. **Edge:** TCU
Prediction: TCU by 3

Hawai'i **Passing Offense:** Under coach June Jones' run-and-shoot offense, Hawai'i leads the Western Athletic Conference in passing offense and total offense. Quarterback Dan Robinson is third in the WAC in passing, averaging 313 yards per game. He has thrown for 14 touchdowns, five of them to the WAC's leading receiver Dwight Carter. **Edge:** Hawai'i

Passing Defense: Although TCU quarterback Casey Printers has jump started the TCU passing game, the Rainbows' secondary has seen better passing in practice. They have given up only 117 yards per game, good for second in the WAC. The secondary leads the WAC in interceptions with 10. **Edge:** Hawai'i

Rushing Offense: Because of the type of offense Hawai'i runs, often with four or five receiver sets, rushing offense is not a priority. Running backs Avion Weaver and Afatia Thompson split time in the backfield, averaging a combined 79.3 yards per game. Hawai'i as a team are last in the WAC in rushing. However, if the passing game is going well, the Rainbows' rushing game should be the last thing on the TCU defense's mind. **Edge:** TCU

Rush Defense: The Rainbows' defense give up as many rushing yards per game as TCU tailback LaDainian Tomlinson averages, 173 yards per outing. The rush defense is fifth in the WAC, but they only give up 3.6 yards per game. However, 13 touchdowns have been scored against this crew on the ground. TCU's running game will be too much for this team. **Edge:** TCU

Special Teams: Punter Chad Shroul leads the WAC in punting yardage with 42.6 yards per punt. He has eight punts inside the 20-yard line. Returner Jamal Garland leads the team in both kick returns and punt returns, averaging 21.9 and 9.5 yards, respectively. Kicker Eric Hannum is 7 for 12 in field goals this season, with a long of 50 yards. **Edge:** TCU

Intangibles: Hawai'i has made a huge turnaround this season. After finishing winless last season, their 3-1 record is good for second place in the WAC. TCU will be facing a completely different team than Rice last weekend. Hawai'i likes to pass the ball and then pass some more. It will be headaches galore for the TCU secondary. Plus, playing in Hawai'i could prove to be a slight disadvantage for TCU. **Edge:** Hawai'i
Prediction: Hawai'i by 17

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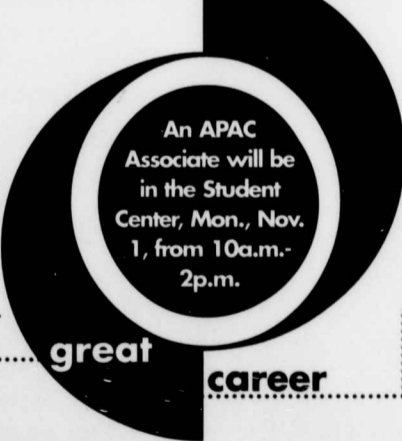
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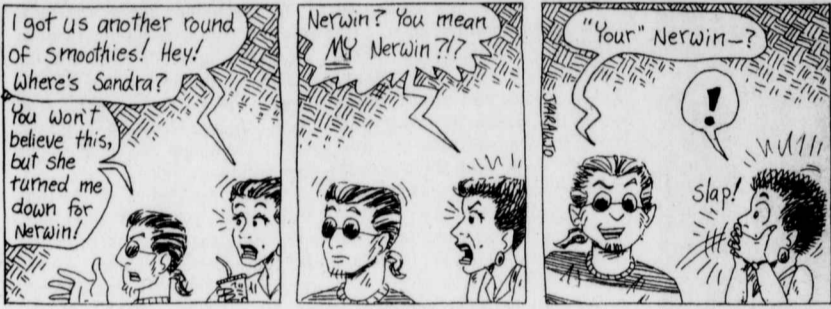
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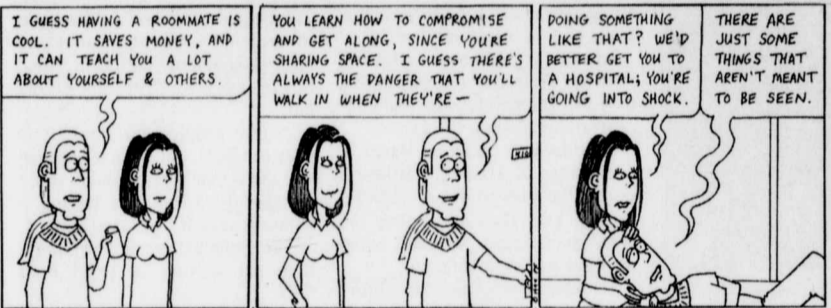
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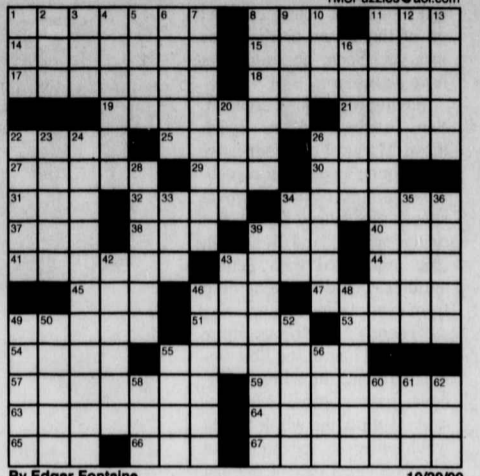
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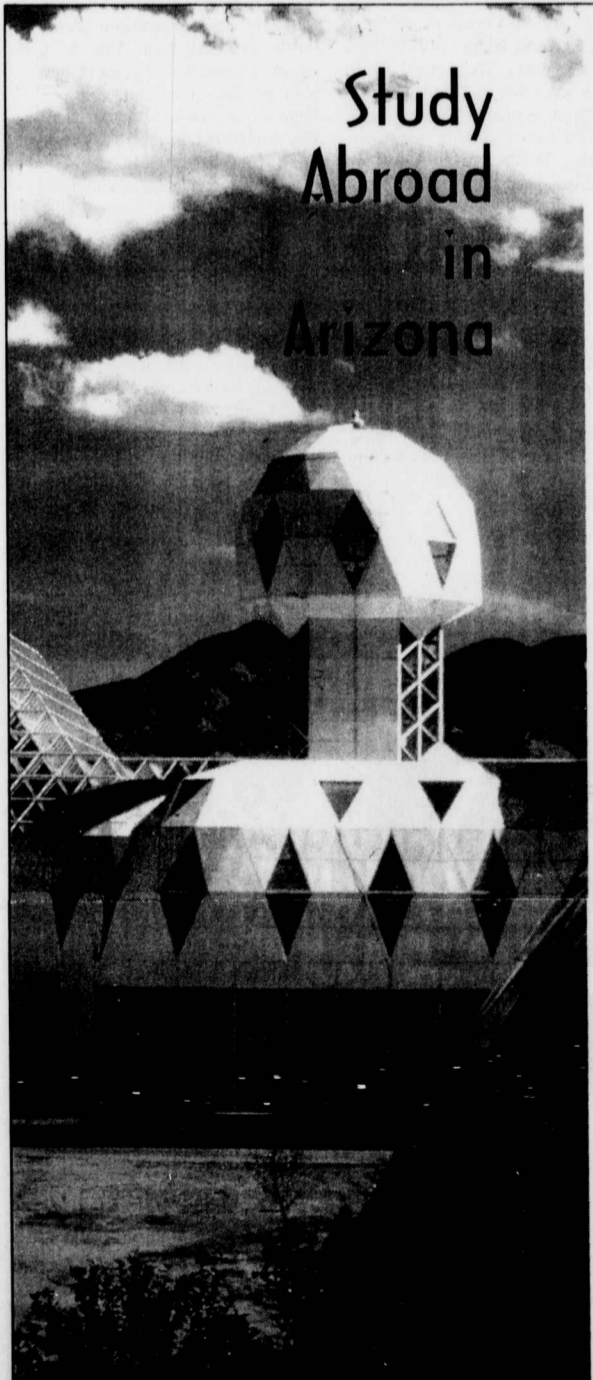
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