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Shakespeare's popular tragedy, "Macbeth," about ambition and murder gone awry is brought to life in violent and supernatural tones by the Allied Theatre Group at Stage West.

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Low pay linked to turnovers

Some say insurance, benefits don't make up for inadequate salaries

By Priya Abraham

Before summer comes, Julie Graver has to choose between keeping a job she enjoys and paying for day care for

Over half of my paycheck goes to day care," said Graver, a residential housekeeper. "If pay is not going to change and they keep giving smallamount raises each year, then there's just no reason to stay.

TCU's salaries for hourly employees who are not eligible for overtime are not competitive, often falling be-

low the federal poverty line of \$16,700 for a family of four, said Mary Lane, chairwoman of the Staff Assembly Housekeeping and the Physical Plant, where salaries are often lowest, have the biggest problems retaining staff.

Susan Oakley, employment manager at the Human Resource Center, said retaining staff in the lowest-paid jobs is usually a problem for any employer.

"Probably in any company, housekeeping has the highest turnover," she said. "I don't think TCU's turnover

rates are higher than anywhere else.' In 1997 the average turnover rate

was 12 percent at TCU, while in 1998 it was 15 percent. TCU has not compared the turnover rates between TCU and other similar universities or em-

Richard Bryan, associate director of the Physical Plant, said some workers left their jobs during the summer of 1999, leaving seven or eight vacancies that still have not been filled.

"In the trades, we have a hard time competing with wages at the local contractors," he said.

Blake Evans, plumbing supervisor at the Physical Plant, said his depart-

ment has had considerable turnover in the last three or four years. He said after his predecessor retired, three or four plumbers left for better paying

"We're still one or two (positions) understaffed," he said. "We're managing better now than we were a couple years ago."

Isabel Gomez, a residence hall housekeeping supervisor, said once housekeepers leave it's difficult to find replacements.

Committee looking

By Rusty Simmons

down at her watch.

her stride

instants apart.

into possible security

solutions, officials say

7:56 a.m. - Still bleary-eyed

from a lack of sleep, Alyshia Neil, a

senior deaf education major, peers

was supposed to meet her study

group in the library in one minute,

Neil begins her sprint from Sadler

Hall to the Mary Couts Burnett Li-

8:01 a.m. - Neil runs through four lanes of traffic on University

Drive as cars whiz by within feet of

8:04 a.m. - Sitting around a table

in the library discussing an upcom-

ing education project, Neil is hit by

a sense of fear and then relief merely

necessarily look both ways (when crossing a road)," Neil said. "It usu-

"When you're in a hurry, you don't

7:59 a.m. - Remembering she

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Dance artist to perform Monday in Ballet Building

Dance artist Risa Steinberg will perform and lecture from noon to 1 p.m. Monday in the Ballet Building Studio B. Steinberg will perform an array of routines from various dancers. Admission is free and open to the public, and dress is informal. For more informa-

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KEY SHOTS



Lady Frogs something Thursday night against Texas-El They can win without playing

best game, women's basketball head coach Jeff Mittie.

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INEQUALITIES

The salaries of business school professors and liberal arts professors are unequal at TCU. Why?

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MOVIE REVIEW

For every movie, you have to be in a certain mood. Girl, Interrupted is for one of those moods where anything goes.

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Some question safety on University Drive



TCU students wait until traffic clears before they cross University Drive. The city of Fort Worth recently painted crosswalk markings on University Drive near the Mary Couts Burnett Library.

ally hits you once you have arrived You realize you could have just lost

Neil will cross University Drive two or three times each day, and each

time, her safety is in question, she said.

There are a few cars who don't yield to pedestrians," she said. "Some cars, especially (those driven by) college students, speed down University Drive, and that makes it unsafe.

Chancellor Michael Ferrari said TCU is currently working on ideas to increase the safety of crossing University Drive

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Dining Services to launch new Web Page to offer nutritional news, menus and announcements

What's for lunch in The Main today? What about dinner in Worth Hills tomorrow? These answers will be only a point and click away when TCU Dining Services launches its new Web site early next week.

The new Web site (http://www.diningservices.tcu.edu) will include weekly menus and hours of operation for all of the dining locations on campus. The site will also offer nutritional information, an explanation of meal plans, a promotions calendar and cur-

David Ripple, general manager of Sodexho Marriott, said the new Web

site is designed to inform students about what Dining Services is doing.

"Hopefully, the Web site will help with communication to students, Ripple said.Information about catering, employment opportunities and a place for comments and suggestions will also be available. Ripple said comments and suggestions go directly to his e-mail. A Dining Services survey is also on the Web site.

Ripple said the Web site should be

a better way to publicize menus and special events for each dining location. Fliers and other signs have been used in the past to inform students of special events, he said.

Patrick Mullins, a sophomore business major, said the Web site will be a convenience.

'The Web site is a good idea, especially for people who live in Worth Hills," he said. "It will keep me from wasting a trip to the (Worth Hills cafeteria). If there is nothing I am interested in (eating),

I'll know not to go there."

Mullins said he likes the idea of comments and suggestions being available on the Web site.

"It's perfect because comments will go directly to Dining Services," Mullins said.

Ripple said the Web site idea originated with the House of Student Representatives' Dining Services Committee last spring. Tulane University, Southern Methodist University. Baylor University and other schools similar to TCU have Web

sites to inform students about dining issues, he said. Officials from other schools told Ripple the Web pages are used frequently.

The Dining Services Web site will be a link off of the TCU Web page, Ripple said. Josh Hawkins, House Dining Ser-

vices chairman, said the Web site will be good for students interested in coming to TCU.

"Perspective students can check out what's on campus," he said.

> Jeff Anderson jwanderson@delta.is.tcu.edu

ROTC extends scholarship offers

Change to allow students in 15 other majors chance to benefit from program

By Jill McNeal

In high school, Scott Falconer said he dreamed of inventing something amazing that would make him a multimillionaire. Now, the freshman physics major

is thinking of joining the Air Force ROTC program. 'It would help me get some connections in the science field," Falconer said. "I think it would be cool to be around all the new technology - weapons development and stuff."

Due to low numbers in its sophomore cadet class, Air Force ROTC is now able to offer full tuition scholarships to students in 15 majors who would be

willing to start with the program immediately, Admissions Officer Capt. Jose Aleman said.

ROTC graduates must serve four years as commissioned officers in the U.S. Air Force.

To be eligible for the Express scholarship, Aleman said students must have a 2.65 minimum cumulative GPA (a 2.35 GPA for the semester before they enroll), be under 27 years of age at the time of commissioning after graduation, take the written 4.5 Air Force Officer Qualifying Test and pass a physical fit-

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Monica Dziubinski, a iunior business management major. and Mark Pasierb, a senior math major, are members of Air Force ROTC. Due to low numbers in its sophomore cadet class, AFROTC is now able to offer full tuition scholar ships to students in 15 majors who would be willing to start with the program immediately.

PULSE

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

- Volunteers (students, faculty and staff) are needed to join the Meals on Wheels delivery team. Meals are delivered to homebound elderly between 10 and 11:30 a.m. each Thursday morning. For more information, call Bea Nealy at 257-7830.
- TCU College Republicans will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Student Center, Room 205. The meeting will feature Tom Davis, former chairman of the Tarrant County Republican party and tax assessor/collector candidate. For more information, call Christa Baker at 257-8526.
- Richard Kranze, a specialist at Northrop Grumman, will speak on infrared countermeasures surface-to-air and air-to-air missile defense at 2 p.m. today in Sid W. Richardson, Room 357. Refreshments will be served at 3 p.m. today in Sid W. Richardson, Room 313.
- Fall 2000 juniors: Air Force ROTC is now beginning its STAR (Students To Attend ROTC) search for the Fall 2000 semester. Under the STAR program, you can join the Air Force ROTC program and be commissioned as an Air Force officer in just two short years. For more information, call Capt. Aleman at 257-7461.
- For fans of music and fun: Tap Dogs tickets are on sale for their Feb. 29 performance at Bass Hall. The group is a renowned Australian male dance troop, and tickets are available at the discounted price of \$20 each in the Programming Council office. Contact Amanda Knecht in the PC office for more information.
- EMERGE art exhibit featuring the work of six studio art majors, Meredith Davis, Suzuno Ota, Jenny Gassiraro, Courtney Miles, Sheryl Yeomen and Nick Kirk, is in the vestibule of Moudy Building North.
- Mortar Board Honor Society invites third-year students to apply for membership. Applications can be picked up in the Student Development Services Office in the Student Center, Room 220. Due date is
- The TCU switchboard operator would like to remind students that Frog Calls are available at the Student Center Information Desk.



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WORLD

Tuvalu wins support of Security Council in its

bid to become member of the United Nations
UNITED NATIONS — The South Pacific nation of Tuvalu, population 9,000, won support from the Security Council on Thursday for its bid to become the 189th member of the United Nations.

By a vote of 14-0, the council recommended to the General Assembly that the nation of nine coral atolls 620 miles north of Fiji be admitted as a member. China abstained because of Tuvalu's diplomatic ties to Taiwan.

The General Assembly has not set a date to vote on Tuvalu's application.

Tuvalu's Prime Minister Ionatana Ionatana applied for U.N. membership in January, and the Security Council's committee on admissions backed the application earlier this month.

China's Deputy U.N. Ambassador Shen Guofang said his government could not support Tuvalu's admission because it has not implemented the General Assembly resolution which recognizes Beijing as China's representative in the

"At the same time, proceeding from the longterm interests of the peoples of China and Tuvalu, and also taking into consideration the requests from different parties including the South Pacific countries, we are not going to block this recommendation," Shen said.

Taiwan, under the name Republic of China, held the Chinese U.N. seat until 1971. It walked out of the United Nations just before other members voted to give its seat to the People's Repub-

China claims Taiwan as a breakaway province with no right to international recognition.

NATION

Florida proposes plan to end affirmative

action dealing with public college admissions ORLANDO, Fla. — The State University System's Board of Regents on Thursday approved rules eliminating race and gender as considerations for college admissions at Florida's 10 public universities.

The 14-member panel voted 12-0 in favor of Gov. Jeb Bush's One Florida plan, which ends racial and gender preferences in admissions to state universities and in granting state contracts. Two members were not present for the vote.

Bush contends the plan will enhance diversity by increasing outreach efforts and by admitting the top 20 percent of each high school senior class into state universities.

Hundreds of college students, elected officials and others came from around the state to the Regents' meeting at the University of Cen-

tral Florida. Most said the One Florida plan would result in fewer minorities attending

"This plan looks very good on paper," said Telisha Terry, 21, a UCF student. "But if you really think about it, the top 20 percent of students go to college anyway.'

U.S. Rep. Corrine Brown said the governor and state officials could not be trusted to oversee a system admitting enough minority students.

"We do not live in a colorblind society. Race is still a factor," said Brown, a Democrat from Jacksonville. "I'm very disappointed with what's going on in Florida, and it's an example of the ugly side of politics."

In addition, the regents approved a system to admit students who do not meet minimum admission criteria by using a "student profile assessment", which considers factors like socioeconomic status, whether a student's parents went to college, and whether a high school is low performing.

The board also approved a change to the rules eliminating the use of race, national origin and gender as consideration as admissions decisions.

The rule changes must still go before the governor and independently elected Cabinet, which is to consider the matter Tuesday.

Thursday's session grew heated with the comments of Frank Williams, a Tampa minister.

"You say Bush, I say 'Heil Hitler'," Williams shouted. "He is nothing but a dictator, and I guarantee we as a people in America will not stand for a dictator in Florida.

That raised the ire of Regent Steven Uhlfelder. "For you to compare this governor to Hitler is totally irresponsible, and I'm not going to sit here and listen to that," Uhlfelder replied.

A few people spoke in favor of the rule changes.

"We should not cling to policies that are not based on merit," said Dennis Freytes, a trustee of Orlando's Valencia Community College. "I hope you don't let demagoguery and group politics affect your vote."

Lew Oliver, chairman of the Orange County Republican Party, said there were more practical considerations for approving the changes — a proposed ballot measure by California businessman Ward Connerly to do away with all preference programs in Florida, going much further than Bush's plan.

Florida is not the first state to take on affirmative action programs. The University of California system did away with affirmative action beginning with the undergraduate class that entered in 1998. After a federal court ruling, Texas ended racial preferences at state schools beginning with students applying to enter in the fall of 1997. Washington state voters banned race and gender criteria in admissions starting in 1999.

Microsoft denies allegation that chairman Gates offered competitors Windows blueprints

WASHINGTON - Microsoft forcefully denied a published report late Thursday that bil-

lionaire chairman Bill Gates offered a key concession to settle his company's historic an-

The Bloomberg financial news service said Gates answered "yes" moments after a televised interview when asked whether he would disclose the secret blueprints for the Windows operating system to competitors. It said Gates did not elaborate.

A Microsoft spokesman, Jim Cullinan, vigorously denied the report. Gates has previously rejected any suggestion that Microsoft share the so-called source code to its flagship product, which has earned the company billions of dollars.

"We've talked to Bill, and Bill said he never said that," Cullinan said. "That issue is not even related to this case. All he said was, we would try to do our best to settle this case."

The dispute comes just days before the landmark trial resumes. The next round of courtroom arguments was set for Tuesday, when lawyers will argue about which specific antitrust laws the company violated, if any.

STATE

Friends, teammates, neighbors remember Landry in hometown memorial service

MISSION — Tom Landry's childhood friends. high school teammates and neighbors gathered Thursday to remember the kid from Mission who became a legendary football coach.

"Everybody loved Tommy," said Marvel Deen Rhodes, a lifelong friend. "I honestly didn't think he'd be famous. When you're from a small town like Mission, you don't think you're going to know anyone that famous."

About 70 people attended a memorial service for Landry at First United Methodist Church in Mission, Pictures of Landry lined the church's entryway, and a wreath surrounding a football was

on the church altar. The ceremony coincided with a service sponored by the city of Dallas and former Dallas Cowboys players that drew thousands of fans at

symphony center in downtown Dallas. Early in his life, Tommy Landry became a hero in Mission, a Rio Grande Valley community just north of the U.S.-Mexico border, where his father was the chief of the volunteer fire department.

The Mission Eagles high school football team that Landry played on went 12-0 in 1941 and won the regional championship, the highest honor available then.

Landry went on to play for the University of Texas and then for the New York Giants. As coach of the Dallas Cowboys for their first 29 years, he won five Super Bowls.

"He was raised in Mission," said Thom Elliott, pastor of First United Methodist. "He was educated in Mission. He played football in Mission, and he was part of an extended family that was so much larger than the Landry family.'

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Currently Sexually Active	43.8%	36.0%	
Of Those Currently Sexually Active,			
Percent of Time Protection Is Used			
<25%	12.3%	5.6%	
25-50%	1.8%	3.7%	
50-75%	26.3%	16.7%	
>75%	59.6%	74.1%	

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STAFF editorial

WHOSE BUSINESS?

Other professors deserve same pay

The salaries of business school professors and liberal arts professors are unequal at TCU.

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Salaries are a reflection of societal values. In the "real" world, business professionals are more highly valued than social workers and teachers, as evidenced by higher

Some say TCU salary differences exist precisely because of real world salary differences. Businesspeople earn more than business professors. In order to attract them to TCU, their salaries need to be competitive with the marketplace. English professors probably make more as English professors than as writers, so there is not a need to pay them more than they would otherwise be earning.

There is some substance to that argument, but there is more to it than that.

While TCU is certainly not alone in perpetuating these inequalities, that doesn't change the fact that it is. If TCU aims to replicate the market-driven mentality of current American society, it is succeeding admirably.

If TCU's goal, however, is to actually improve society, it fails. Just because America currently values businesspeople more than social workers and teachers, doesn't mean we have to.

TCU must be bold. While it may be difficult and controversial, TCU needs to equalize salaries and money spent on the different schools.

Liberal arts professors and students are just as valuable as business school professors and students, but that is not the message TCU is sending. Let's change that message by equalizing salaries and money spent on all the schools.

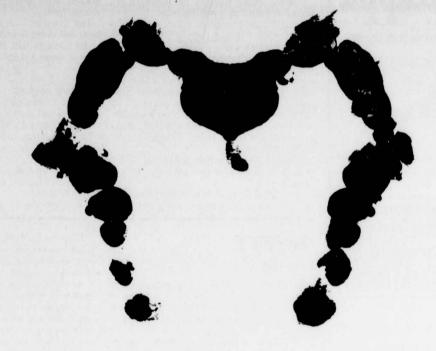
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New York case revisits race issue

ean Carroll, 36, sat on an Albany, N.Y., witness stand Tuesday while he sobbed into a tissue and apologized for what he and three of his co-workers call a mistake that ended the

life of a human being. At one point during his testimony, Carroll said walked up to the fallen victim, held the dying man's pleaded with him not to



die. This all sounds quite touching on the surface. A man sits in full view of a courtroom and a nation via Court TV with all of his emotions and vulnerabilities exposed, attempting to convince a jury that he is drowning in a sea of contrition.

But upon closer inspection of the facts of Carroll and his coworkers' case, one has to wonder if they are apologetic for making a fatal error or for being exposed for the vicious murderers they really are.

Last February, New York City police officers Carroll, Edward McMellon, Kenneth Boss and Richard Murphy shot and killed

The victim, Amadou Diallo, was standing in the vestibule of his apartment when the four plain clothes police officers sprang from their cars and, depending on whom you believe, either warned Diallo to put his hands up or simply began firing.

The police officers contend they offered Diallo the standard policeman's identification and warning to freeze and only began firing when Diallo appeared to remove a black object from his back pocket that they thought was a gun. Witnesses on the scene insist they heard no warning, just someone - perhaps Diallo, perhaps the police officers - yell, "gun," and then they heard the shots.

Either way, when the shots stopped, Diallo was dead.

The case has made national attention not just because he was unarmed, but because of the sheer brutality of his death. Standing in the entryway of his own apartment, holding only his black wallet, Diallo was shot 41 times. He was so riddled with bullets, one police detective told Time magazine that some of the bullets actually fell out of him as he was being taken away from the scene. At least one shot crisscrossed Diallo's body, indicating that the officers continued to shoot even after he had fallen.

It is also making national attention because Diallo was an African immigrant to New York, and all four of the police officers are white, something Judge Joseph Teresi doesn't want to focus on his courtroom. It is a fact, however, that the Rev. Al Sharpton and other black Americans insist on pointing out that factor as the driving force behind the murder.

Of course, this isn't the first time situations like this have arisen. Anyone remember Rodney King? But this case is different than King's because all Diallo was guilty of was being black.

The officers have admitted that they were patrolling the area looking for a black man accused of raping 50 women. Diallo, in a circumstance that has become all too common, became a suspect just by being black and male.

This raises questions about our society that people like Teresi don't want to answer. Why are black men still looked at as threats and suspects? Even here, when the TCU rapist was doing his thing almost a year ago, the suspect was described as a black man, with a physical description so vague and all-inclusive it included anyone who ever had an ancestor from Africa, had a penis and walked near TCU. Campus police officers were stopping anyone who barely

fit the description, prompting several black male students to hold a meeting to figure out how to fight the situation.

It would be somewhat comforting to think that was just the campus police's way of protecting us and that the paranoia was only temporary and that it was only here that black men were suspects and threats. But situations like Diallo's remind us that this is not the case. All over the nation, thanks to prejudice and the media, which insist on perpetuating negative stereotypes and images of black people, blacks are still feared sim-

ply for being black.
It used to be that black men would jokingly complain about not being able to walk down the street without being harassed by police. Now, thanks to this case, it seems they can't even stand in their own homes.

So when Carroll sits on a witness stand crying before the courtroom where Diallo's mother sits and is sheltered from Sharpton and his protesters outside, one has to wonder if he's sorry because he shot an innocent, unarmed man, or if he's just plain sorry.

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QUOTE unquote

Quote/Unquote is a collection of quotes found in Skiff news articles and opinion columns during the past week.

"It's Madonna and her cover of the Don McLean song, "American Pie." I'm not really sure what the Material Girl was doing. Maybe she just ran out of material."

- Kevin Dunleavy, Skiff columnist, on Madonna's remake of Don McLean's 1971 song.

"If you are already a leader, you have to back the horses that are pulling the wagon. - Nowell Donovan, the Charles B. Moncrief

chair of geology, on the university's support of faculty in its efforts to globalize TCU

"We're talking about how we become a truly international university - not just a university in Texas doing international programs."

> - Larry Adams, associate provost for academic affairs, on TCU's global positioning priorities

"This generation is going to inherit a great range of opportunities from women who have pushed aside bar-

- Jean Giles-Sims, professor of sociology, on the current status of women in the work force

"Once you get into the role and situation, you don't think of it as a job. It's the way you live your life because you're never really not working." - Kristin Price, a sophomore speech communi-

cation major and Sherley Hall resident assistant, on the responsibilities of being an RA "We work very hard to see that our renovations meet the law. When we do that, we usually find that our dis-

abled students like them." - Larry Garrison, university architect, on the university's efforts to make public areas accessible to disabled people in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

"There's no question about it. It's not harder to be a

professor of business than it is to be a professor of any-

 Gregg Franzwa, professor of philosophy, on salary inequities between business and liberal arts professors

"The social work department's been in trailers for

- Samuel Rose. sophomore social work major, on salary inequities

between business and liberal arts professors

"I can think of no better permanent improvement to this campus than to save a life."

 Jennifer Jost, chairwoman of the House of **Student Representatives Permanent** Improvements Committee,

on the House's campus-wide effort to raise at least \$150,000 for an organ transplant for Robbyn Kindle, a senior nutrition

and dietetics major

LETTER to the editor

Staff member urges people to

donate their organs to save lives

Thank you for your informative article on Feb. 11 about organ transplants and the severe shortage of donors

My sister was a 21-year-old TCU student when she received a liver transplant in 1987. She would not be alive today if it were not for an organ donor a 37-year-old man who was killed in an automobile accident somewhere in Texas. I encourage everyone to seriously consider organ

donation. Tell your family if you decide to donate your organs, and indicate your preference on your driver's license. You no longer need your organs after you die, so

give them to others and help them live. The bumper sticker on my sister's car reads, "Don't send your organs to Heaven. Heaven knows we need them here."

Please donate your organs. The organs from one person can help as many as 25 people live.

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STUDENTS speak out How are you going to observe Black History Month?

'What I want to do is spend some time with my African-American brothers and sisters here on campus and probably try to join some African-American festivals."



senior speech communication major

"I wouldn't do anything different that I wouldn't normally do in my everyday life because I feel every month is Black History



-Kim Walter, freshman premajor

"Like every other day, I'll be giving God glory for my freedom and for all of the black leaders who contributed to black history.'



-Nicole Williams junior Spanish major

programming with Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority for a step show, and we're bringing in comedians. The step show is going to constitute a big

"Programming Council is co-



advertising/public relations major

-Meredith Killgore

What I'm going to do for Black History Month is I'm going to go to a couple of churches that will have programs and see a couple of black history plays."



-Bingo Merriex freshman premajor

show to see the comedians.'

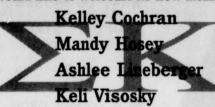
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POLICE

Campus Police reported the following offenses between Feb. 1 and Thursday.

Feb. 1, 11:48 a.m. — Citibank called a female student to inform her that a number of withdrawals had been taken using her debit card. The student then checked her wallet and realized that her debit card, two other credit cards and three checks had been stolen.

She remembered that on Jan. 25, she returned to her car, and her door was unlocked. Since everything was still in place, she figured nothing had happened.

The cards have since been used in Texas and Oklahoma, and one of the stolen checks has

Feb. 4, 11:04 a.m. — While sitting in a storage room for a lunch break, a physical plant

worker's power hedger and gas can were stolen from his Daihatsu.

The suspect closed the door hasp of the storage room and secured it with a pad lock. The physical plant worker had to call one of his coworkers on the hand-held radio to get out of the storage room.

Feb. 7, 4 p.m. — A male student's cello and bow were stolen from a locker in the basement of Ed Landreth Hall, The William Harris Lee cello is worth \$13,750, and the bow is worth

Disorderly conduct

Feb. 3, 12:49 a.m. — A Jarvis Hall resident received a call from a suspect, who identified himself as "Wild Bill Hickock." The suspect instructed the student to look out her window and in two minutes, there would be a knock at her

When the student asked who the caller was, the suspect replied, "Have you heard of Ted Bundy or Jeffrey?"

Feb. 8, 8:49 p.m. — An obscene message was

left on the voice mail at the Student Government Association office at around 4:30 p.m. The female student, who first heard the message, saved the message and reported the phone num-

ber of the suspect to TCU Police.
Feb. 12, 11:25 p.m. — A female student received a phone call between 2 and 3 a.m. from a suspect who identified himself as "Jemal." The suspect said he wanted to meet and have sex with the student, and he had gotten her name and phone number from a bathroom stall in Moncrief Hall.

The suspect called again at about 4 a.m. and left a message repeating his desire to meet her.

Feb. 2, 9:35 p.m. — A black Chevy pickup was burglarized in the science parking lot. The right passenger window was broken, and several items were stolen from the interior of the

The suspect tried to break the steering column.

Compiled by Rusty Simmons

SAFETY

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"I don't know about a stoplight, given the close proximity of the Berry Street light, but we have been discussing raised speed bumps at Bowie and perhaps other areas to slow traffic,"

TCU Chief of Police Steve McGee said the committee designed to deal with the parking situation at TCU will now also deal with the pedestrian safety on campus.
"It will be interesting to

hear the suggestions of the committee," he said. "I would like to see speed bumps on Stadium Drive because I know I've almost gotten hit a couple of times leaving the Rickel Building after working out.

"University is a more difficult situation though. University is a three-lane thoroughfare, so speed bumps probably can't be added. Maybe another stoplight or flashers could be added."

Talks of adding a stoplight at the intersection of Bowie Street and University Drive began among TCU students and members of the surrounding community after a hit-and-run incident occurred there Nov. 8.

Gordon Alderson, a Fort Worth traffic engineer, said suggestions for safety always come up when someone is injured, but five accidents a year must occur at an intersection for it to be deemed an accident situation.

TCU Police Sgt. Chris Drake said twice in the past two years an incident of a pedestrian being hit by an automobile has occurred on University

In November 1999, Tokio Sasaki, a freshman psychology major, was hit by a car at about 6 p.m. while on the crosswalk at the intersection of University Drive and Bowie Street.

At 6 p.m. Oct. 1, 1998, Nancy Grieser, coordinator of housing assignments, was hit by a pickup truck turning left off of Princeton Street onto University Drive.

Even with the incidents of injured pedestrians, Alderson said there probably is not enough traffic on Bowie Street to warrant a signal.

"I don't think a stoplight will be added, but we're really going to beef up the markings on University Drive," he said.

But just adding markings is not enough in dealing with the important issue of safety, Ferrari said.

"Better markings could help, but it is my hope that we can have additional improvements from the city," he

Masato Hashimoto, a senior economics and political science major, said he fears

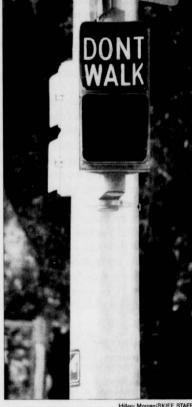
TCU could see more incidents if something is not done "Both drivers and walkers need to be more

careful," he said. "We don't try to cross Hulen Street, but we have become comfortable crossing University Drive, a major roadway."

Hashimoto said the responsibility of being safe on University Drive falls on the pedestrians. "Students cross University from anywhere,"

he said. "The markings on the street don't enhance safety if nobody uses the crosswalks. We must encourage students to take advantage of the safety precautions that have been taken.'

> **Rusty Simmons** jrsimmons@delta.is.tcu.edu



Traffic safety along University Drive became an issue after a student was hit Nov. 8 at the intersection of University Drive

ROTC

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The physical test differs for males and females. Male candidates are required to do 44 sit-ups in two minutes, 30 push-ups in two minutes and a two-mile run in under 18 minutes. Females have to do 44 sit-ups in two minutes, nine push-ups in two minutes and a two-mile run in under 21 minutes.

"Students are normally able to pass this part of the test," Aleman said. "It's a little demanding, but doable."

Tristan Tayag, assistant professor of engineering, has worked for the military as a civilian and also taught for a year at the U.S. Military Academy.

"From what I've seen of students in the ROTC program, they are usually very disciplined," Tayag said. "The structured training and practice schedules force them to budget their time."

Tayag said he also sees a difference in the classroom behavior

ing and participate more in class," he said. "I think that comes from the self-confidence they get in the

"The markings on the street don't

enhance safety if nobody uses the

crosswalks. We must encourage

students to take advantage of the

safety precautions that have been

-Masato Hashimoto

political science major

Possibly due to the booming economy and low unemployment rates, Aleman said there is a national shortage of cadets who will be ready for commissioning in the spring or summer of 2002.

"We need to boost our numbers. " Aleman said. "What's the best way to recruit cadets? Of-

fer them money." Tuition and spending money, Robyn

McBratney, junior nursing

for perspective cadets.
"Money talks," McBratney said. "I'm not the military type, but I wanted to get my college paid for and not burden my par-

ents financially." In addition to a free education,

Falconer said he likes the idea of

having job security right after

"While you're on active duty, you get free food and housing," Falconer said. "It would be nice to get to keep 100 percent of my paycheck."

Falconer said he can see only one drawback right now.

"I don't know how I'd like being told what to do for (four

years)," he said. "From what I've seen of stu-Perseverance. dents in the ROTC program, dedication and ambition are imthey are usually very disciplined. The structured training portant qualities and practice schedules force potential cadets to have,

don't

McBratney said. —Tristan Tayag "We want just any-body," she said.

assistant professor of engineering We want peo-

them to budget their time.'

major and recruiting squadron as- ple who are never willing to give sistant, are two of the biggest draws up, who will get the job done, whatever it takes. Interested students can check

out TCU's Air Force ROTC Web site at (http://www.afrotc.tcu.edu) or contact Aleman at 257-7461.

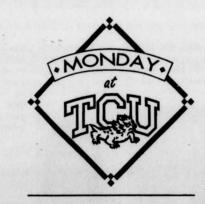
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Scholarship extension

Previously, only meteorology and electrical engineering majors were eligible for the Express scholarship in Air Force ROTC - \$15,000 a year for tuition and fees, \$240 a semester for books and a \$200 tax-free monthly stipend. Admissions Officer Capt. Jose Aleman said national headquarters has received funding from Congress to extend the scholarship to sophomore students majoring in:

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- computer information science
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MOVIE reviews

Girl, Interrupted

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For every movie, you have to be in a certain mood. Girl, Interrupted is for one of those moods where anything goes. But I

tical about this movie. I thought it would be too depressing, too violent and have just too many girls. And honestly, Angelina Jolie scares me. But I was extremely impressed and found myself anticipating every scene Winona Ry-



der plays Susanna, a girl who just graduated high school in the mid-60s on a somewhat bad note. Her parents have no idea how to handle her behavior, so the only solution is to send her to a mental institution, Claymoore. Her greeting is less than welcoming. She faces personality disorders, bisexuals and downright crazy people. The hard part is that she begins to feel like she belongs there, but she doesn't know whether that's good or bad.

As always, Winona Ryder takes my breath away. She is just amazing to watch. It's possible to say that this is her best performance ever. In such a horrible setting, this group of girls learns the importance of friendship and love.

RANKING: ***

- Lindsay Williams

Cider House Rules

The Cider House Rules is a heart-

wrenching but ultimately uplifting film. Tobey Maguire (Ride With the Devil, The Ice Storm) is perfect as Homer Wells. Homer is a young man who has found his home in the orphanage where he was born and a father figure in its patriarchal Dr. Larch (Michael Cain). In his need to understand where he belongs in the world, Homer sets out with Candy Kendall (Charlize Theron) and Wally Worthington (Paul Rudd), a young couple. Although Larch has trained Homer to be a doctor, he takes a job at Wally's apple orchard and lives in the cider house with migrant workers.

The film derives its title from a set of rules on the walls in the cider house. None of the workers wrote the rules, and since they cannot read, Homer is the first to read them. The idea that people who have never lived in the cider house can come up with rules for life there is ridiculous to the characters, and the same idea of arbitrary rules made by people who are not affected by them applies itself in the film to abortion rights and the life you choose for yourself.

RANKING: ***

Courtney Kirkpatrick



The Talented Mr. Ripley

I knew that the combination of Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow and the beautiful beaches of Italy would be a perfect match, and the talented Jude Law led the cast to what I hope will be an award-winning

Basically, Damon plays Tom Ripley, a college-age boy that moves from job to job and still doesn't know exactly who he is. But he finds comfort in a small town on the coast of Italy. Dickie Greenleaf (Law) and his girlfriend Marge (Paltrow) are liv ing in a small Italian town and find interest in their new friend, Tom. Ripley is an annoyingly friendly guy who attaches himself to anyone he meets.

Like every film he has been in, Damon shows the intensity that makes him such a great actor. Apparently, he dropped about 25 pounds for this role, and if you don't mind my saying, he looked just great. You won't know whether to laugh at him, cry for him or despise him.

In my opinion, Gwyneth Paltrow will be forever typecast.

Now to my personal favorite, Jude Law. I have never seen a young actor with so much energy. No matter what Dickie may seem like, and no matter what mistakes he makes, it's hard to hate such a fun-loving

RANKING: ***

- Lindsay Williams

LOCAL theater



TRAGEDY AT STAGE WEST

Shakespeare enthusiasts likely to enjoy latest spin on 'Macbeth,' but may not be for casual viewer

hakespeare's popular tragedy about ambition and murder gone awry is brought to life in violent and supernatural tones by the Allied Theatre Group at Stage West

WANT TO GO?

WHO: Allied Theatre

WHAT: Shakespeare's

Group

'Macbeth'

784-9378

WHEN: Feb. 11

Cost: \$5 to \$20

through March 11

WHERE: Stage West,

In this latest production of "Macbeth," the heroic leader by the same name succumbs to the guilt and rage that result from his ambitious murder of King Duncan.

Both Macbeth and his wife, Lady Macbeth, envision Duncan's ousting as a way to seize power. Yet this act creates a domino effect of more murders and more guilt, causing Lady Macbeth to go crazy and Macbeth to experience a sort

of nervous breakdown. The complex characters of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth (played by John Wayne Shafer and Evette Perry-Buchanan) provide much food for the audience's thought because they are not portrayed as the "bad guys." Instead, we can see the vulnerability of Macbeth (and to a lesser degree Lady Macbeth), forcing us to try to understand and even sympathize with their brutal deeds and the consequences of their ac-

"Macbeth" was probably written shortly after the Gunpowder Plot in 1605, according to the Stage West playbill. During this event, 36 barrels of gunpowder were placed under the Houses of Parliament in order to kill the king and English

government officials. The assassination of kings and the following chaos, therefore, was an important issue to Shakespeare's audience.

Jim Covault, artistic director of this performance of "Macbeth," captures this danger by setting the play in the years between the two World Wars. The effect is a plot that is safely distant from present time but close enough so that the audience can re-

> Shakespeare's audience So should you check out this modern take on "Macbeth"?

late to the same issue that plagued

Shakespeare enthusiasts will most likely enjoy this production. Those students and faculty not accustomed to the language in "Macbeth," however, will probably have

a difficult time following the suspenseful current of the play.

Scenes heavy with dialogue often lack movement and energy. Lessening the effect of some scenes even more is the rapidly spoken dialogue which is, at best, challenging for the audience to articulate. We know that something urgent is happening because of the voices, but we are lost to this important meaning in the

But "Macbeth" does have many engrossing scenes that break up the confusing ones

The seducing, ruthless character Lady Macbeth, for instance, energizes Act I because of Perry-Buchanan's strong presence on stage and her clear delivery of Shakespeare's vivid lines. In her scenes, we are able to appreciate the poetry of Shakespeare's writing.

Shafer also powerfully plays the morally-torn and enraged Macbeth. At first, his heavy body and fair features may not seem the look of a hero, but Shafer's range of emotions - from uncertain to controlling to uncertain again and then to guilt and rage — make him not only believable but also fascinating to watch.

The cultist, orgiastic witches are a bit disappointing, though. Wearing black, blood splattered trench coats, they mutter spells like zombies. During the first part of "Macbeth," the supernatural presence of the witches does not seem in sync with the corruption of power in the tragedy. In fact, even though the witches prophesy Macbeth's future, they seem like more of an interruption to the reality of the play.

In the second part of the tragedy, however, the witches are clearly entertaining and pur-poseful with the help of the demonic Hecate. Red lighting and witchcraft props also absorb the audience and support the supernatural feel in "Macbeth."

Toward the end of the production, audience members looked tired and not drawn into the play's story line. A thrilling sword fight between Macbeth and Macduff, however, invigorated the play, bringing the audience back to the

Danielle Daniel

THEATER REVIEW BY DANIELLE DANIEL

It's the end of the world as we know it, so write a book

"Left Behind," a novel written by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins, is a fictional account of the Biblically forecasted rapture and the tale of those who were not welcomed into God's Kingdom. Just in time for the millennium, this popular book provides an interesting and realistic view of the world after a cataclysmic moment but falls short of strong characterization and a universal religious message.

"Left Behind" opens with a seemingly average scene: Forty-something airline pilot Rayford Steele is en route to London, a flight he has made many times, and he is contemplating cheating on his Bible-beating wife with a pretty young flight attendant. His passengers are sleeping, reading, patiently awaiting the arrival of the drink cart, when suddenly people all over the world disappear. They leave their clothes behind and simply vaporize into thin air.

While this seemed a little too "sci-fi" for me at first, I soon came to realize that LaHaye and Jenkins had very little detail of the actual rapture to work with from the Bible and did the best they could.

On board the fateful flight to London is another passenger, a young journalist named Buck Williams, who later become

a central character in the novel. Williams is headstrong, adventurous, and the chapters that focus on him provide a needed contrast to Rayford's early story line, which consists of him sitting around drinking to mourn the loss of his wife. Buck's adventures in the fast-paced world of journalism offer a creative presentation of the political aftermath of the rapture. While the millions all over the world who truly knew God moved on to live in eternal peace, ironically, all of the politicians remained on Earth.

Buck follows the rising of a young Romanian leader named Nicolae Carpathia and Carpathia's attempts to form one-world government and establish a world religion. His dynamic twists and turns will not only keep the pages turning but also cause you to step back and shudder at the possibility of such chaos occurring on this planet Much like a country defeated by war, the world portrayed in "Left Behind" is hopeless and distracted, ready to embrace any leader who brings a promise of a better life.

Action, adventure and religious dilemma are all painted into the plot of this novel.

This novel is full of religious undertones and messages. Clearly written for a

All that is missing is romance.

Christian-American audience, "Left Behind" borders on Christian propaganda. Hundreds flock to New Hope Village Church with Rayford after the disappearances, seeking answers and comfort. Many of them convert during the course of the book. LaHave and Jenkins seem to be saying, "Jesus is the only way," as Rayford pushes that message on his remaining famiand friends.

Now, this is America, and authors are certainly entitled to their opinions, but for those who are still a little unsure of your beliefs and faith, this strong, constant message may make you a little uncomfortable.

"Left Behind" is the first in a six-part series about the Earth's last days. Although strewn with a few little annoying events, "Left Behind" definitely held my attention and left me wondering what would happen next. If you are comfortable with your faith and looking for a fast read on a hot topic. give this novel a try. However, if you don't want Christianity pushed on you, try something a little less forward.

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Left Behind is a novel written by Tim La-Haye and Jerry B. Jenkins. This popula book provides an interesting and realistic view of the world after a cataclysmic moment

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RETENTION

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"It's very difficult for us to get applications in," she said. "As soon as they see the pay, they feel there's no need to apply.

New housekeepers have to be trained, which slows down their experienced co-workers, she said. Gomez said absenteeism is also a problem in her section with one or two housekeepers off sick almost every week.

"A lot of housekeepers do get sick because of the heavy work or the weather," she said.

Graver said the absenteeism makes work harder for other housekeepers.

"There's a lot of days when you're doing double the work," she said. "(But) for that pay, why should they come out here and get worse?"

Graver said temporary employees who come in often don't stay long because the pay is too low for the strenuous work required.

Temporaries don't do what we

do," she said. "We're very detailed in our work.'

Graver doesn't think TCU's insurance and retirement benefits, which she will begin receiving this summer, will make up for her low salary. She said only the tuition benefit, where employees and their de-pendents can take courses at a reduced fee, is different from what other employers offer. But she said she generally doesn't see house-

keepers use it Although Graver started taking courses herself, she couldn't afford to continue.

"When I'm paying for day care I can't pay for that small tuition they're asking for," she said. "It's not

free, and books are not free.' Graver said she didn't leave TCU because she hoped she would get a

higher salary if she worked longer. "You move up, just slowly," she said. "Some say I've just got TCU blood in me, and that's why I'm

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Grades refer to pay grades ranging from 31 to 36, although 36 doesn't appear on the sheet. The lowest pay falls in 31, where pay is \$5.73 an hour. Positions have several levels. These are all non-exempt positions. Custodial Services refers to residential housekeeping as well as employees who clean academic and other buildings on campus.

Turnover Analysis 1997-1999

Job Family	Grade	#. of Positions	Turnover 1997	Turnover 1998	Turnover 1999 (thru October)	
Custodial Services	31	103	29%	30%	19%	
Security Services	34	14	21%	14%	14%	
Custodial Services	35	10	0%	20%	10%	
Clerical &						
Office Services	33	94	12%	14%	10%	
Clerical &						
Office Services	34	43	2%	9%	9%	
Library Services	33	22	18%	18%	9%	
Clerical &						
Office Services	32	13	0%	15%	8%	
Custodial Services	32	16	6%	13%	6%	
Clerical &						
Office Services	34	18	11%	17%	6%	
Craft Services	. 33	22	14%	23%	5%	
Craft Services	34	29	7%	10%	0%	
Clerical &						
Office Services	35	19	5%	16%	0%	
Grounds Maintenance	33	. 14	0%	0%	0%	

Russian detention camps under fire

Chechen refugees report stories of violence, rape, other brutality

By Andrew Kramer ASSOCIATED PRESS

MALGOBEK. Russia Chechens trying to leave their warravaged republic are being tortured in Russian detention camps and subjected to severe beatings, rapes and other brutality, refugees and human rights groups say.

The allegations come on the heels of other complaints of human rights abuses in the Russian offensive in Chechnya, including reports of summary executions of civilians in Grozny, the Chechen capital.

Russian officials deny the allegations, but Chechens who have fled into neighboring republics tell similar, grisly accounts of their detention in camps that Russia says it set up to filter out rebels who are trying to escape disguised as civilians.

A 21-year-old Chechen, lying in pain in a bed in Malgobek in neighboring North Ossetia, said his ordeal began Jan. 22 when police dragged him off a bus of refugees and took him to a camp in the Chechen village of Chernokozovo.

The man, who asked that he be identified only by his first name, Ruslan, said he was forced to run a gantlet of masked policemen swinging truncheons, had his clothes torn off and was forced to stand naked in a cold storage room.

"I asked what they were detaining me for, but they didn't answer," he said. He was released only after his mother paid a bribe to the camp directors, he said.

At least three such camps are operating, according to Peter Bouckaert, a researcher for the Human Rights Watch group in the region.

Russia appears to have declared any Chechen male to be a suspected rebel, subject to arbitrary arrest and brutal treatment," he said.

The allegations were echoed by the World Organization Against Torture, which issued a statement in Geneva on Thursday saying, "We cannot ignore that the filtration camps are indeed concentration camps where Russian soldiers are committing the worst atrocities, in all impunity, against their prisoners.

In Washington, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said Thursday that "Russia has a clear obligation to investigate the numerous credible reports of civilian killings and alleged misconduct by its soldiers promptly.'

Sergei Yastrzhembsky, who is acting President Vladimir Putin's

aide for Chechnya information, on Thursday reiterated denials of torture at Chernokozovo.

The allegations are "the No. 1 topic in the information war the Western mass media have unleashed," he said on Russia's ORT television. "Routine work like in any other detention center is going

on there.' He said that European Union observers would be allowed into the camp to see the situation for themselves, but gave no date of a possible visit. The Council of Europe's human rights commissioner, Alvaro Gil-Robles, is due to arrive in Moscow on Feb. 24, but his office

could give no details of the trip. Ruslan, the refugee, told of a routine of torment, in which detainees were often beaten in a hallway in the early morning, their cries awakening others in their cells.

Ruslan said guards told him 'don't look me in the eyes, you black face," and then one hit him in the spine with a hammer. He says he has not been able to stand erect since then.

An investigator accused him of fighting on the side of the Islamic rebel groups that have battled Russian soldiers during the six-month war and demanded names and addresses of rebels, Ruslan said.

"Those who signed confessions, or said they could identify other men who were fighters, did not come back to the cells," according to another refugee who said he had also been at Chernokozovo.

The refugee, Eli, said a masked policeman once opened a peep-hole to the cell and said, "Who wants a smoke?'

When a prisoner approached the hole, the guard sprayed tear gas into the cell and those inside reeled and were racked by coughs for minutes, Eli said.

Eli said a man from their cell was called out and he heard guards rape him. Then a guard said he should answer to a woman's name, Fatima. Other detainees described similar acts.

After this event, when guards rapped on the cell door with a truncheon, the detainees were to call out the number of people in the cell as "fifteen men and one woman," said Eli.

Yastrzhembsky said Thursday there are 16 women among the 235 people currently held in Chernokozovo. But he rejected a report by the French newspaper Le Monde that said there were chil-

Candidates step up campaign

Bush, McCain vie for votes in GOP primaries

By Ron Fournier

SPARTANBURG, S.C. - John McCain likened himself Thursday to Ronald Reagan and Bill Clinton, two-term presidents who reached across party lines. "If we win here, I don't see how we can be stopped," McCain said, hoping for a surge of Democrats and independents in Saturday's primary

Two days before the South Carolina contest, national front-runner George W. Bush kept up his case against McCain by suggesting the Arizona senator was a hypocrite riding his "high horse" down a "low road."

With polls predicting a tight race,

Bush's supporters fear that a defeat in South Carolina would lead to followup losses in Michigan next Tuesday and in Virginia seven days later, setting off a cataclysmic chain reaction. Even his allies say backers in Congress and elsewhere would begin to peel away.

New polls out Thursday showed McCain faring as well as or better than Bush in a match-up against Democratic front-runner Al Gore. This is bad news for Bush, who courted victory-starved Republicans for months based on polls that showed him besting his GOP rivals in match-ups against the vice president.

There's a rising belief that Mc-Cain could win as well," said Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., a Bush supporter. Steve Duprey, chairman of the Re-

publican Party in New Hampshire and neutral in the race, said, "If Bush loses South Carolina, it could be a mortal blow to his campaign."

McCain, whose financial and po-

after his victory in New Hampshire, believes he can win Michigan and his home state of Arizona, even if South Carolina goes to Bush. 'We can lose here and go on," Mc-

litical standing improved dramatically

Cain told 300 veterans. "But I'll tell you what, my friends: If we win here, I don't see how we can be stopped."

Bush said South Carolina is not do-or-die. "I'm continuing one way or another," he told reporters, acknowledging a scenario that would have been unthinkable just a few weeks ago.

The key will be turnout, and both campaigns are contacting thousands of supporters in the contest's closing days. Bush is especially aggressive, deploying the GOP establishment and conservative special interest groups.

Trailing far behind Bush among self-identified GOP voters, McCain stepped up his appeal to independents and Democrats by promising a new political coalition and a dedication to senior citizens, children and veterans.

"These things are part of an inclusive party, the party of Abraham Lincoln and Teddy Roosevelt and Ronald Reagan," he said, "That's what this is really about. I view this campaign as sort of a seminal event for our party and this country.'

Aboard his campaign bus, McCain also said Clinton has done a "marvelous job" broadening the Democratic Party, and said he can do the same for the GOP. "You can't help but admire the job President Clinton did in assembling a coalition - moving to attract the great center in political life," he said.

Campaigning amid the resorts of Hilton Head, Bush said McCain's high-minded rhetoric belied a belowthe-radar campaign to discredit him. He waved a McCain flier that criticized Bush's tax-cutting plan, saying it was filled with false information and calling it evidence of negative campaigning.

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SPORTS

TCU prepares for three-game series against Baylor



Junior outfielder Marshall Wilson slides back to first base after a pickoff attempt. The Frogs meet the Baylor Bears at 2:05 p.m. today at the TCU Baseball Diamond in the first game of a three-game series this weekend.

Baseball team uses win over Tech to prepare for matchup

By Chris Harrison

For the first time in three years, the TCU Horned Frog (4-6) baseball team will play the Baylor Bears (5-2) in a three-game series this weekend, playing the first game today at home and the next two games in Waco Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

TCU is in a seven-game stretch over the next 12 days against teams in the Big 12 Conference. Overall, the Horned Frogs will play 12 games against Big 12 teams. Currently, the Horned Frogs are

Junior catcher Jason Price said Baylor is going to be a tough team to play.

"They are going to (be) better than Texas Tech," Price said. "I have played with some of the guys on their team, and I know that (they) are good. I know that we can't afford to take them easy."

Price said he thinks the pitchers will continue to throw the ball this weekend the way they have the past couple of

"The pitching is going to be fine," he said. "The pitching was great last game, actually, the last couple of games. We just need to go out there and help out this weekend by putting a couple of runs

on the board for them."

Price said the Horned Frogs are coming off an important victory over Texas Tech last Tuesday.

"The victory over Tech brought up everybody's spirits I think," he said. 'Everybody realized how much talent we really have on this team. Everything came together, and we really hit the ball well. We need to carry it into this week-

"This series coming up is an important one. I think we need to take at least two out of these next three games to put us in a really good position going into

Coach Lance Brown also said the Tech victory was an important one.

"We weren't really down going into the Tech game," Brown said. "It was just frustrating because we couldn't put all three aspects of the game together. We played some great games were we would get great pitching and bad defense or couldn't hit and then we would hit and couldn't pitch. When we played Tech, everything came together: good pitching, good defense and great hit-

Since the Tech game, Brown said the team is trying to get into a set routine

were it can start to improve whenever it takes the field.

"The signs were there that maybe we could put it all together, so I hope it continues into the Baylor Series," Brown said. "What we are basically doing now is trying to get comfortable with a set lineup and getting better every time we go onto the field to play.'

TCU will play the last two games of the series in Waco, where they are anything but strangers.

"It has been a while, but we have won the 11 out of the last 12 games we have played in Waco," Brown said. "It has always been a good series. It's seems like we always break even or wind up coming out ahead every year. Regardless, we have had some really great ball games over the past few years."

The Horned Frogs will play the first game at home with the first pitch set for 2:05 p.m. The next two games will be a doubleheader starting at 3 p.m. in Waco. Chris Frazier is scheduled to pitch the first game, followed by Chris Bradshaw on Saturday and Mark Hamilton on

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PULSE

SIDELINES

Selig says it is unlikely that Rose will be reinstated NEW YORK (AP) — Pete

Rose's lawyer was jolted when commissioner Bud Selig made clear this week he is unlikely to reinstate baseball's career hits leader.

"We were very surprised and disappointed," S. Gary Spicer said Thursday, a day after Selig made his remarks on Rose to a group in Madison, Wis.

"We do not have any idea why Bud Selig would issue this quote when we are adhering to the time-frame that was agreed upon at our meeting with Bob DuPuy."

Rose, who agreed to a lifetime ban in August 1989 following an investigation of his gambling, applied for reinstatement in September 1997, but Selig hasn't officially ruled on it.

DuPuy, Selig's top lawyer, met Jan. 27 with Spicer and Roger Makley, another Rose lawver, and gave them 30 days to submit additional information.

"We have not been advised by anyone that we should not submit the materials," said Spicer, who intends to mail it next week. "We would expect a fairly quick response. I mean, the matter has been going on for 10 years."

Baseball officials, speaking on the condition they not be identified, have said in recent weeks that because of pressure from Rose, Selig is likely to finally rule on the application and reject it. Selig has said many times he agreed with the decision by commissioner A. Barlett Giamatti to press for the lifetime ban.

Golf tournaments get

highest ratings in years NEW YORK (AP) — Tiger Woods' failed attempt to win his seventh straight PGA Tour event got higher ratings than any U.S. Open or British Open in the past 15 years.

Final-round coverage of the Buick Invitational on Sunday got an 8.0 rating and 18 share, Nielsen Media Research said Thursday, topping the NBA All-Star game (6.9/12) on NBC later Sunday night.

It was the highest rating for golf other than the PGA Championship and the Masters since the final round of the Bob Hope Classic got an 8.3 in 1985.

Saturday's rating of 4.0/10 was up 38 percent from last year's third round, which got

CBS is averaging a 4.0/9 for six weekends of golf, up 18 percent from last year's 3.4/8. The figure does not include coverage of the final round of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, which was pushed back to Feb. 7 because of rain.

Frogs come from behind to beat UTEP

By Danny Horne

The Lady Frogs proved something Thursday night against Texas-El Paso. They can win without playing their best game, said women's basketball head coach Jeff Mittie.

We were not very good tonight overall, but we had some players step up and play very well for us in clutch situations," Mittie said. "We need to be able to win games like this."

The Lady Frogs (14-12, 5-6 Western Athletic Conference) defeated UTEP at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum 79-71 despite playing from behind most of the night and being out-rebounded 45-27.

We have not been out-played on the glass like that all season," Mittie said. "I have to give UTEP a lot of credit. They came in focused and played very well."

The Lady Frogs turned the ball over just seven times for the game while they forced the Miners (5-17, 2-8 WAC) into 18 turnovers.

"The only reason we won tonight was because we took care of the ball," Mittie said. "Our guards were that kept us in the game. (Junior guard Jill) Sutton did an outstanding job with handling the team."

The Lady Frogs trailed by as many as 10 points in the first half, but a 15-4 run gave TCU its first lead of the game with 20 seconds left in the first half. The Lady Frogs took a 38-37 lead into the break.

Behind the play of freshmen center Heidi Walker (23 points, 14 rebounds) and freshmen forward Amy Pack (15 points), the Miners were able to take the lead back and stretch it to eight points with 7:30 remaining in the game.

The Horned Frogs caught a break when Pack, the WAC's second-leading scorer, fouled out with 11 min-

utes left in the game.

"Pack fouling out was huge for sophomore guard Tricia Payne said. "We were trying to get their big players in foul trouble, so when she went out, we felt like we could make a run.

The Lady Frogs outscored UTEP 24-8 over the final seven minutes of the game. Payne scored nine of her team-high 18 points in the final stretch.

"Someone had to step up for us at the end. I knew I could get it done," Payne said. "I just had the ball in my hands at the right time."

Junior guards Diamond Jackson and Sutton both hit for 16 points and combined to go 12 for 28 from the field.

Payne said the Lady Frogs still have a good chance at winning the conference tournament, and their second straight win can only help.

"We really needed this win tonight because it is good for us to get on some sort of a streak going into the tournament," Payne said. "We want to continue this again through the rest

three minutes remaining, but a final 11-3 run by TCU finally put the game away.

"I am happy with how we finished the game," Mittie said. "I felt like we took a lot of bad shots early, but we kept our poise. Once we made a few runs at them, we got the momentum and were able to force turnovers."

TCU plays the second of a threegame homestand at 7 p.m. Saturday night against Fresno State (10-12, 3-5 WAC). With a win against the Bulldogs, Mittie will set a record for the most wins by a first-year women's basketball coach at TCU with 15.

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Junior guard Jill Sutton makes an acrobatic move to get a shot off in the Lady Frogs' 79-71 win against UT-El Paso Thursday. Sutton scored 16 points in the contest.

Spring training begins in Florida, Arizona

ahead of every-

one else — open-ing on March 29

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Tokyo Dome.

All across Arizona and Florida, teams started breaking out bats and balls Thursday. Fifteen weeks and one day after the final out of the World Series, spring training began.

We should be optimistic," Seattle Mariners manager Lou Piniella said in Peoria, Ariz., echoing the thoughts of his 29 colleagues.

Opening day is six weeks away, and all teams are 0-0 - even the New York Yankees, coming off their third World Series title in

four years. "This is as good as I've felt, to

be honest with you," manager Joe Torre, who had prostate cancer during surgery camp last year, said in Tampa, Fla. "I never felt bad going into spring training last year but I feel better

this year.' The New York Mets and Chicago open their camps five days early be-

cause they start the season five days

'Now that we have Junior, I think expectations are going skyrocket. I think as long as we keep the same level head everybody had last year and do our jobs, I don't see any reason why we can't do the same thing again."

—Steve Parris, Cincinnati Reds pitcher

to be optimistic Thursday: Kerry Cubs were given permission to Wood, more relaxed than his first time out this spring, threw 32

pitches during a six-minute work-

back from reconstructive elbow

Wood, the 1998 NL Rookie of the Year, won't throw breaking pitches until next month. On Thurs day, he estimated the velocity of his best fastballs in the low 90s.

"The biggest thing was that I was pain-free and I let a few go, and I had more velocity on it than I had Monday," Wood said in Mesa, Ariz. "I felt great. I haven't had a radar reading since the 1998 season, so it's been too long for me to be able

to tell how hard I'm throwing.' Last year, the eight postseason teams all were among baseball's eight biggest spenders, but Cincinnati and Oakland showed the little guys have a chance by staying in races until late September.

The Reds are in the spotlight this spring following their acquisition of Ken Griffey Jr. from Seattle last week.

"Now that we have Junior, I think expectations are going to sky-rocket," pitcher Steve Parris said in Sarasota, Fla. "I think as long as we keep the same level head everybody had last year and do our jobs, I don't see any reason why we can't do the same thing again."

TELL me about it

Humorless date is less than funny; Mom's in trouble but doesn't want help

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If I make a silly blunder on a first, second, third date - a sauceon-my-tie kind of thing - and I joke it off, but my date keeps coming back to it in a non-joking way in later dates, is that a sign to bail

-Somewhere, USA

If you got sauce on your tie on your first, second and third dates, I'd be talking about it, too. But not joking about it is an affront to good comedy. Her failure to spot a good punch line is a definite sign you should bail.

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and I live in a different state from my mother. She has a lot of medical problems, runs the entire household and has a deadend job to pay bills. My dad lives with her but is unconcerned with her problems. I am financially not in a position to help, but when I give her advice about taking it easy and taking her medications correctly, she feels as if I am asking her to curb her freedom. She feels she should be able to do whatever she wants.

She is my mother, and I want to help her. Now she wants me to move back home, but I am afraid I will be in the same situation if

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-Miserable in Mass.

by Carolyn Hax

could use some youthful hands, and if youthful hands are all that you'd be expected to provide, and if you'd be happy providing them, that's something else entirely — not to mention a great opportunity to give something back. But unless your mom demonstrates that she's willing to meet you halfway, to do her part to minimize her problems, I think you'll find that everything - the housework, your indifferent father, all of it - will land on your head. No parent should ask that of her child.

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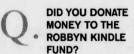
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