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Minority students focus of admissions' goals

Minority, transfer enrollment up in TCU's largest freshman class

By Erin Munger
STAFF REPORTER

Minority freshman and transfer enrollment increased by 26.4 percent this fall, increasing their representation from 15.5 percent of new students in 1999 to 18.3 percent in 2000, according to Institutional Research.

Don Mills, vice chancellor of student affairs, said one way TCU is increasing minority numbers is by targeting ethnically diverse high schools in the Fort Worth area.

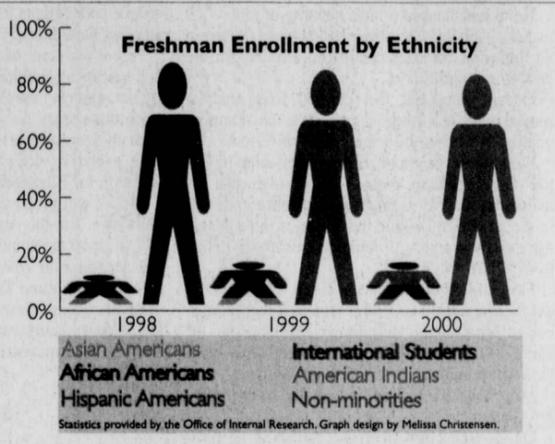
"It is our feeling that as we acquire minority students, TCU will pass to others by word of mouth," Mills said. Documents from Institutional Research also show that 246 students or 16.48 percent of entering freshmen are minority students for the fall 2000 semester, compared to 196 students or 13.74 percent last fall and 157 students or 11.24 percent in the fall of 1998.

This year's freshman class of 1,493 students, the largest in TCU history, grew by 67 students since last fall and 76 students since fall 1998, according to documents from Institutional Research.

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Different recruitment strategies considered to increase diversity

By Emily Ward
STAFF REPORTER

Going above and beyond current recruitment strategies is the key to increasing future minority enrollment and diversity on the TCU campus, said Raymond Brown, dean of admissions at TCU.

TCU reached another high this fall in its minority numbers for the freshman class, but each new year the percentage of minority students is not guaranteed to stay constant or grow, he said. Minority enrollment has to keep increasing as it has for the past few years, he said.

There is no silver bullet — no one

thing — that will help attract more minorities to this university, so TCU will focus on several little improvements in recruiting these students, Brown said.

A labor-intensive mentor program is one device Brown said he hopes to implement in order to encourage more minority students to consider TCU.

In this program, a volunteer minority student enrolled at TCU is paired with a prospective TCU student who is also a minority. After prospective students are contacted by

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Court keeps ruling allowing race as admissions factor

LOS ANGELES (U-WIRE) — The U.S. Supreme Court let stand a lower court's ruling Monday that Corinne A. Seeds University Elementary School, located on the UCLA campus, can continue using race as a factor in admission.

The lower court ruled in *Hunter v. Regents of University of California* that because the school has a justifiable reason for considering race, it does not violate the rights of students not admitted.

UCLA's Graduate School of Education & Information Science uses the elementary school to study racial groups' learning skills and recommend new teaching methods.

As a "laboratory school," school officials consider applicants' ethnicity, sex, family income and dominant language to create an environment that can be studied for its diversity.

The lawsuit was filed by James Hunter after his 4-year-old daughter Keely Tatsuoy was not admitted to the school in 1995.

— Daily Bruin
University of California at Los Angeles

Virginia Tech cracks down on use of trademarks

BLACKSBURG, Va. (U-WIRE) — In an effort to protect Virginia Tech's integrity, university officials have decided to crack down on Internet users who register university trademarks in their domain names.

The university has sent letters to registrants whose domain names include "Virginia Tech" or "Hokies," said Larry Hincker, associate vice president for university relations.

The letter, dated Sept. 18, asked domain name owners to change their name by Nov. 15, Hincker said.

"Anything that is not a variation of 'Hokies' or 'Virginia Tech' would be OK (to use)," Hincker said.

If users do not find a new name, Hincker said university officials have not yet decided what action they will take.

"The most drastic action we would take would be to sue someone," he said. "We don't want to sue, but we haven't decided what we are going to do."

Federal law also prohibits the use of trademarks by anyone unlicensed, Hincker said.

In 1999, Congress passed the Anti-Cyber Squatting Act, H.R. Rep. No. 106-412, giving trademark owners dominion of their trademarks on the Internet.

— The Collegiate Times
Virginia Tech

AT PLAY WITH CLAY



David Dunai/CO-PHOTO EDITOR

Mindy Edwards, the hall director for Wiggins Hall, works on the pottery wheel in Moudy Building North Monday night.

Bill to restructure SGA executive portion tabled

Proposal to change secretary, vice president positions

By Kristina Iodice
STAFF REPORTER

After 45 minutes of debate over a bill to change the structure of the executive portion of the Student Government Association Tuesday, House of Student Representatives voted to table it for further discussion next week.

The bill was introduced to House Sept. 26 by Cye Fischer, a senior history major and Tom Brown-Pete Wright Residential Community representative. Following procedure, the bill was tabled to the Elections and Regu-

lation Committee to read carefully and make sure everything was in order, said Brian Becker, chairman of Elections and Regulations. Committee members then approved the bill and presented it back to House.

Melissa Nabors, director of programming and development for Programming Council, spoke in favor of the bill. PC serves students just as much and is more visible than House, she said.

"I've seen SGA at its best and at its worst," Nabors said. "The new proposal gives (PC) autonomy and equality in SGA."

According to the proposed organizational chart, the secretary

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House promotes, educates students on voting process

Booth in Student Center provides registration information for students

By Kristina Iodice
STAFF REPORTER

Two hundred thirty-seven students have registered to vote or asked for more information as the House of Student Representatives' voter registration campaign enters its last day. The House is sponsoring a table with voter registration cards and absentee ballot information from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the Student Center.

Scott Hinze, a junior radio-TV-film major, said students lack interest in voting.

"They don't think any election will affect them directly," Hinze said.

He said it would be too late to register for the elections if he didn't register this week. It is important to vote but not voting also sends a message to elected officials, Hinze said.

Encouraging voter registration educates students to be responsible citizens, said Brian Casebolt, the Academic Affairs Committee chairman for the House of Student Representatives. Over 100 students registered to vote and inquired about the absentee ballot option Monday, the first day the House sponsored the table in the Student Center.

The Academic Affairs Commit-

tee wants as many people as possible to register and get information, Casebolt said.

Casebolt said he is excited about the turnout so far. Students are actively seeking more information from House members, he said.

"Voting is not only our Constitutional duty, it's a right that should be used as an instrument to

represent us whether they are or are not doing the job we initially elected them to office to do," he said.

Casebolt said the college generation is politically apathetic, but students could accomplish a lot collectively, he said.

The 26th Amendment

lowered the voting age to 18 in 1971. The argument was if students were old enough to fight and die in the Vietnam War, they were old enough to vote, said James Riddlesperger, chairman of the political science department. Ever since the voting age was lowered, the lowest voter turnout has consistently been the 18 to 21 age bracket.

"College students don't feel they have as big a stake in government as older citizens," Riddle-

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Cooper speaks on depression

Says support, help is needed

By Michael Davis
STAFF REPORTER

Andrea Cooper encouraged an audience of about 900 in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium Tuesday night to offer shelter, patience and encouragement to those suffering from depression.

Cooper is the mother of Kristin Cooper, the Baker University student who committed suicide New Year's Eve 1995 as a result of her rape-induced depression. The speech was titled "Kristin's Story: A mother's account of acquaintance rape and depression."

"If only Kristen had reached out for help I know she would be alive today," Andrea Cooper said.

Andrea Cooper, a Delta Delta Delta alumna, is sponsored by the Tri-Delt and Alpha Chi Omega sororities, who will fund 20 of her speaking engagements. She began speaking to individual chapters in her home state

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Erin Munger/STAFF REPORTER

Andrea Cooper delivers "Kristin's Story: A mother's account of acquaintance rape and depression" last night in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium.

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December 2000 degree candidates should file their Intent to Graduate forms in the office of their academic dean. Each dean's office has a deadline for filing and requires time to process the intent. All names of degree candidates must be submitted to the Registrar by Friday.

Family Weekend Activities: A jazz concert will be from noon to 1 p.m. Friday in the Student Center Memorial Lounge; "TCU Think Fast" Game Show will be from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Friday at Frog Fountain; Ballet and Modern Dance Recital will be from 6 to 7 p.m. Friday in the Ballet Building; Variety Show will be from 8 to 10 p.m. Friday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium; a post-game celebration will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday at Frog Fountain; and a good-bye brunch will be from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday in the Student Center Ballroom.

Radio-TV-film Film Series will show "Gunga Din" (1939) at 7 p.m. Thursday in Moudy Building South, Room 164. Admission to the film is free. Joan McGettigan will give an introduction. For more information call (817) 257-6690.

The 2000-2001 Frog Calls will be available in front of The Main today. After today, all Frog Calls will be collected and stored until next semester.

The American Cancer Society is looking for volunteers. Volunteers are matched with specific jobs, depending upon their skills, interests and time availability. The greatest need in Tarrant County is for cancer survivors and bilingual volunteers. For more information call (817) 737-9990.

The Health Center wants to inform students about the meningococcal vaccine (Menomune) available Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Health Center.

Correction: A photo published in the Oct. 3 issue of The Skiff inadvertently referred to Leibrock Village, the future residential housing for Brite Divinity School students, as Brite Divinity School.

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WORLD

Belize receives most damage from Hurricane Keith; United States sends disaster relief team

BELIZE CITY — Snapped power lines dangled treacherously over Belize City's water-laden streets. Aluminum roofs, peeled back like sardine-can lids by Hurricane Keith's high winds, flapped uselessly over flooded wooden homes.

As Keith weakened to a tropical depression with 33 mph winds and moved over Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula on Tuesday, emergency aid teams mobilized to assess the damage it had done in Belize.

The U.S. government sent a 12-person relief and rescue team from Miami to Belize with emergency aid including blankets, plastic tarps and water jugs. The International Committee of the Red Cross was also mobilizing aid efforts.

Keith had dumped a huge quantity of rain — 22 inches — on this Caribbean nation since the storm hit Saturday, but skies cleared on Tuesday for the first time in three days.

Ocean water that had drained from shallow coastal bays and inlets appeared to be returning gradually, without the feared destructive rush.

Floodwaters that had risen to knee-deep in Belize City began to drain. Coastal highways remained blocked by raging rivers that cut chunks out of the roadbeds. Despite the extent of the damage, there were no reports of injuries or deaths in Belize from Keith.

Flooding associated with Keith caused three deaths elsewhere in Central America and at least one in Mexico. But this former British colony of about 200,000 people tucked between Mexico and Guatemala suffered by far the most damage.

More than 200 Belize citizens fled to neighboring Guatemala.

On the island of Ambergris Cay, about 12 miles off Belize's coast, two hotels had their roofs torn off, said William Skeen, director of the Red Cross in Belize City.

On Caye Caulker, a slip of land 10 miles south of Ambergris, 40 wooden homes had blown over, local radio stations reported. And radio station FM-LOVE broadcast a steady stream of reports on building damage in Belize City.

The U.S. government issued a travel warning to Americans in Belize because of extensive flooding. U.S. government employees in non-emergency jobs were moved out.

NATION

Department of Agriculture expands regulation of research animals after animal rights lawsuit

WASHINGTON — Responding to a lawsuit by animal rights activists, the Agriculture Department has agreed to expand its regulation of research animals to include rats, mice and birds.

Research groups say the additional paperwork

that USDA would require will cost biomedical laboratories \$80 million to \$90 million, money now going into scientific studies. The department reached the agreement in an out-of-court settlement that has yet to be approved by a federal judge.

USDA's regulations are now limited to larger animals, such as chimpanzees, cats and guinea pigs.

"This is a significant victory for animals," said Tina Nelson, executive director of the American Anti-Vivisection Society, an animal rights group. "The more than 90 percent of animals used in laboratories who currently have no legal protection could now be covered by federal law."

USDA officials had no immediate comment Tuesday.

Scientists who oppose the move by the department say that mice, rats and birds already are sufficiently protected because of much of the research is done under grants from government health agencies that have animal-care standards.

"From our point of view we don't see the value of duplicate regulations that are very expensive, that are not going to improve animal welfare, especially when this agency doesn't have the resources to do what they are properly doing now," said Barbara Rich, executive vice president for the National Association for Biomedical Research.

USDA will propose regulations for rodents and birds later. But the department is likely to require labs to report the number of animals they are using and categorize the type of pain and distress that they are under, Rich said Tuesday.

Rich's group estimates that there are 23 million rodents being used for research in medical schools, pharmaceutical companies and other laboratories.

STATE

UT System regents express concerns about how standardized tests are administered

AUSTIN — University of Texas System regents, examining whether standardized tests would improve monitoring of learning, have raised concerns about how they would be administered.

The proposal, which surfaced last month in the nine-campus UT System, is for university students to be given standardized tests similar to the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills taken by public school students.

Under the plan, standardized tests would be issued on some subjects beginning with the 2002-03 school year, followed by tests in all core subjects by 2004-05.

Charles Miller, chairman of an academic affairs subcommittee for the board of regents, said he is seeking input from leaders at each campus.

"When you talk about education, you talk about input, but the tendency is to look at results," Miller said. "It's not to penalize anybody; it's just to see how they are doing."

Miller's proposals also include measuring how well campuses retain freshmen, how long it takes for students to graduate, graduation rates, the amount of research funding per faculty member, how frequently faculty members' works are published and whether they are contributing expertise in their fields or communities.

But the idea to test students in their core subjects to see what they have learned sparked a response "quicker and louder than I expected," Miller said.

Some regents expressed concerns about the concept but agreed that the UT System should review all accountability instruments.

"I can see how academia can have real concerns over testing," said Regent Patrick Oxford. "We would need to look into what's wrong with standardized testing."

Some faculty members in the system who objected to the plan said the tests eventually would drive curriculum in state universities and stifle creativity in the classroom.

Benefactors will no longer accept compensation for their work at the Kimbell Art Museum

FORT WORTH — Two art patrons criticized for being paid millions for their work at the Kimbell Art Museum will no longer accept compensation, moving to defuse a debate that has gained national attention.

Kay and Ben J. Fortson Jr. received \$2.5 million the past several years for their work at the nonprofit Kimbell Art Foundation, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Tuesday.

"This is a philosophical debate about whether private foundations or museums should or should not compensate officers for their services, and we do not wish to endanger the well-deserved reputation of the Kimbell Art Museum by continuing this debate," Kay Fortson said in a prepared statement. She declined further comment.

In 1964, she inherited the fortune of her uncle, wholesale grocer Kay Kimbell, and his charge that she build Fort Worth "a museum of the first class." The museum opened in 1972 and is the primary beneficiary of the foundation.

Fortson is president and chief executive officer and her husband is chief investment officer of the foundation, which has about \$800 million in assets. In 1998, the couple began accepting annual salaries of \$250,000 each plus bonuses for work since 1996.

Their salaries became a point of public debate after Kimbell foundation tax returns were posted in March on a Web site established by watchdog group Philanthropic Research in Williamsburg, Va. Discussion surfaced in newspapers across the country and on art industry Web sites.

Pablo Eisenberg, a founder of the National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy, said publicity probably prompted the Fortsons to stop accepting the money.

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NOT FOR DEBATE

Public has right to choose interests

The chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, William Kennard, scolded executives at FOX and NBC on Tuesday for not showing all four of the presidential and vice presidential debates.

FOX showed the premiere of its drama, "Dark Angel," in place of Tuesday night's debate between Vice President Al Gore and Gov. George W. Bush. NBC gave its local stations the option of showing the debate or the first playoff game between the New York Yankees and Oakland Athletics.

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"In the future, the networks should remember that the public interest is far more important than their financial interest," he wrote in an op-ed piece in *The New York Times*.

Kennard argues that FOX executive Rupert Murdoch has forgotten about the public interest and is solely concerned with the \$130,000 his station will receive for each 30-second advertisement during the airing of "Dark Angel." However, it may be Kennard who has forgotten about the public interest.

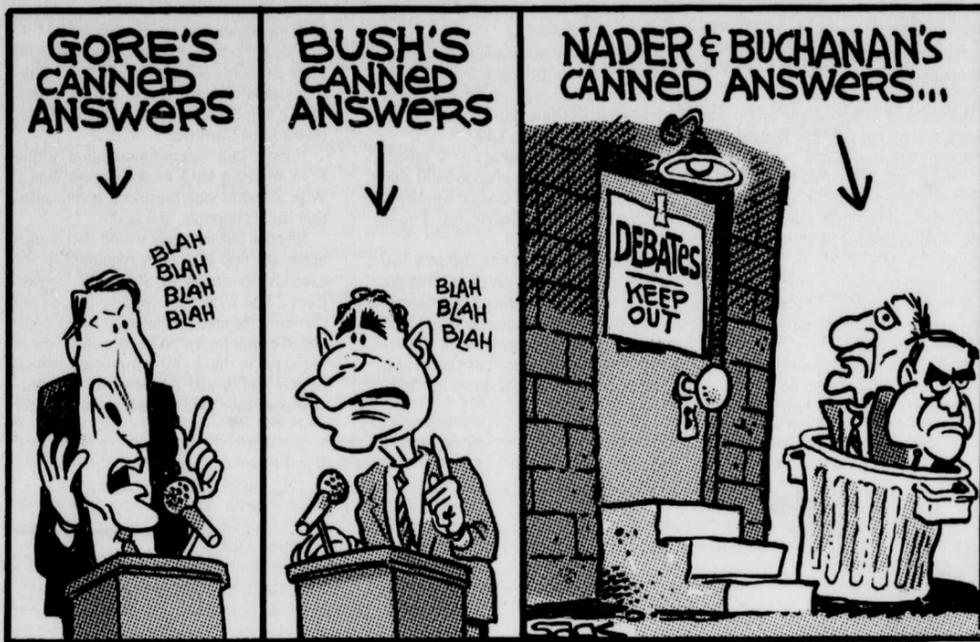
Although the public should be most interested in the presidential debate, it is certainly not out the question that some people are interested in the baseball playoffs or even "Dark Angel."

Neither the FCC nor the major broadcast executives have the right to mandate a single topic of interest for the public. Instead, each individual has the right to choose his or her own interests.

The debate was shown on ABC, CBS, PBS, CNN FOX News Channel and MSNBC. Even if FOX and all of NBC's stations had shown the debate, it probably wouldn't have turned people away from magazines, movies or other forms of entertainment.

In the end, the only topic which is in every member of the public's interest is the right to choose their own interest.

DEBATES 2000



White pride not a bad thing

Equality doesn't mean pushing the majority under the minority

Let's get something out in the open right away: I am proud of being a white, Catholic, upper-middle class female.

Chances are, you wonder why I am telling you this, and I can answer that openly as well. Admitting pride can be a difficult thing, especially when race and social status come into play.

Once, I was watching a TV program called the Circus of Soul; it was a black circus. I don't just mean that there were no other races in attendance — I mean that it openly proclaimed itself as an all-black troupe in celebration of ethnic pride.

Upon seeing this, I began to consider what would happen if the tables were turned; what would happen if there were an all-white circus and everyone there proclaimed white pride?

Honestly, I think those people would be accused of racism. Most likely they would be identified with the Ku Klux Klan and labeled as white supremacists, simply because they are proud of their race.

This realization upset me. When did majoritarian pride suddenly equate with sovereignty?

Just because I was born to a majority does not mean I should be stripped of my ability to express pride, and just because people of my race committed racial crimes in the past does not mean I should be punished on account of my "whiteness."

In a country where there is a Black History Month and a Hispanic Heritage Month, why does no White Pride Day exist? Why must it be negatively construed?

One might argue against me, saying that days set aside for Irish or German pride should qualify as recognition for the majority. I disagree, because I am not Irish or German or any other foreign nationality. My family may have come from those places, but I am nothing other than American and should be able to celebrate that without being accused of racism. I should not be forced to merely praise what my ancestors were.

In truth, reverse discrimination is, to some degree, at hand.

Another fact I must point out: I believe that the time for affirmative action has passed. When it was begun, the program had its place in combating old ways in order to help achieve equality.

Now, however, it limits so many things for people outside its boundaries.

The purpose of equality is to hold equal ground, not to push the majority under the minority.

I remember hunting for scholarships during my junior year in high school and finding no scholarship that fit my description. No scholarship existed for someone of my race and social standing. There is no Scholarship for the Education of Whites.

There is no White Entertainment Television. There is no White Pride Day. It is as if having an expression of pride or support is too taboo. It is just unheard of.

Where is the equality in that?

I am a white, Catholic, upper-middle class female. I am an American. I am proud of who I am, where I come from and where I am going. I am not a white supremacist, and my ancestors did not enslave anyone's people. I have my hardships and triumphs just as people of every other race and socio-economic standing do.

I believe in equality and the restoration of my right to proclaim that.

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New found flying fear

Fatal airplane outburst makes student paranoid

I don't think I will ever be able to muster enough courage to get on a plane again.

No, I have never had a fear of flying before, and I really don't have any anxiety about crashing. I'm not afraid of terrorists and I don't have any other kind of phobia related to heights, planes or even stereotyped foreigners for that matter.

However, I am absolutely terrified of the average passenger on an airplane, even the nice old lady that sits next to you and tells you why you would be a perfect match for one of her grandchildren.

After hearing about an incident on a Southwest Airlines flight, in which Jonathan Burton, 19, was killed by other passengers on the plane, I have developed a newfound paranoia about flying.

It all started when Burton got up from his seat during the flight and began pacing back and forth in a state of hysteria and commanding everyone else to sit down. He calmed down and returned to his seat, but he again returned to the aisle as the plane began to descend. Burton then dashed for the cockpit and grabbed at the pilots before he was forced back into the cabin. Several passengers held Burton down before he again lost it, broke

free and struck an off-duty police officer in the face. This caused blood to splatter in the cabin and a general frenzy among the passengers ensued.

At this point, the flight took a turn into the bizarre and tragic. It took eight men to wrestle the 6-foot, 190-pound Burton to the floor. Passenger Dean Harvey said a burly man jumped repeatedly on Burton's chest, apparently to ensure he was fully subdued. Harvey says he told the man, who he said jumped twice more before finally stopping, "You've got the guy subdued, what more do you want?"

When the plane landed, Burton was unconscious. He died later at the hospital.

"He was essentially beaten from the top of his head down to his ankles," says Kent Spence, his mother's attorney. "He died of positional and compressional asphyxia."

The reason for Burton's outburst was inconclusive, but he had a fear of flying and both marijuana and cocaine were detected in his system at the time of the incident.

Now, there are two aspects of this occurrence that truly horrify me. First of all, if I ever step foot on a plane again, I will be scared that some deranged and drugged mental case will go nuts and knock out the pilots. Yes, even the nice old lady with the grandchildren

could be hyped up on enough amphetamines to single-handedly take a plane down. You just never know what people could be on these days. Or maybe some kid could take a few extra puffs off his asthmatic inhaler and go nuts and force a crash landing.

Even more frightening is the thought of someone being crushed to death for losing control. With my new fear of flying I could potentially have a breakdown on a flight, and instead of being calmed down, someone comes up with the ingenious idea of repeatedly jumping on my chest. Even that deceitful nice old lady could be the one to pummel me to death while I'm being restrained.

Just knowing any one of those other travelers scurrying about could be waiting for just the right opportunity to kill someone for the slightest hint of odd behavior would be too much for me to handle.

Although I'm sure by now you are too terrified to ever fly again, if you do feel some strange compulsion to ignore my advice and get on a plane, at least be sure to keep an eye on that weird old lady sitting next to you.

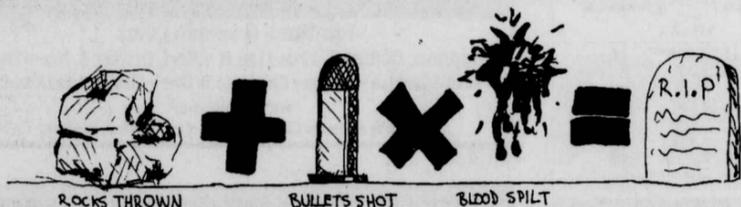
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letters to the editor

TCU provides atmosphere where religious expression is welcomed

Last week I saw something very special happen here at TCU. This was the week I recognized that it was possible to be a Jew at Texas Christian University, show pride in your identity and still be welcomed with open arms. This wasn't just a result of Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel speaking to a crowd of thousands at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. There were many things that day that represented the efforts made at this institution to be open and inclusive toward other ethnicities.

As director of the Regional Hillel of North Texas, an international organization for Jewish students, I am devoted to getting Jewish stu-

dents at several area universities involved on campus. It is here at TCU that I have found the community support to be among the strongest.

Diane Cooper at the Brite Divinity School was gracious enough to provide tickets for Jewish students at the other universities to hear Wiesel. This made it possible for almost 50 Hillel participants from Dallas, Arlington and Denton to benefit from hearing Wiesel. I can't emphasize enough the significance of bringing these students to campus for the annual Gates of Chai lecture.

Equally deserving of our gratitude, and another reason Hillel feels so at home on campus, is Brian Young and the Wesley Foundation of TCU. They opened their doors (and kitchen) to us, providing the

facilities to prepare and serve dinner for all those students.

Perhaps the most telling example of religious inclusiveness happened that morning. I had the opportunity to visit Robert Carr Chapel and participate in a traditional Mincha service led by Rabbi Zeilicovich. This was one of the most phenomenal moments that I have been a part of in my time with Hillel. It was at this service that I truly recognized TCU as a place where people of varied religions and cultures can feel comfortable expressing their ethnicity.

Thank you all for making Hillel feel so included here on campus.

— Joel Schwitzer,
director of Regional Hillel of North Texas

Group monitors indecent acts

Organization sets up Web site to exploit law violators

By Mike Crissey
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DALLAS — A neighborhood watch group that patrols the streets along one of Dallas' popular nightlife areas has started to blur the lines between activism and voyeurism.

Residents along lower Greenville Avenue in central Dallas have armed themselves with cameras, hoping to catch bar patrons using bushes, front lawns and parking lots for last-minute latrines.

To add to the insult of being caught, members of the neighborhood group, the Barking Dogs Crime Watch Group, are posting the pictures on the group's Web site (BarkingDogs.org) the next day. After being photographed in the act, violators are handed a card with the Web address to let them know they will appear on the site.

"I don't enjoy being out there at three in the morning, so if I am, I'm going to have some fun," said Avi Adelman, spokesman for the group and the site's webmaster.

The neighborhood watch has been snapping photos of people urinating in public for about two years, but recently decided to post a few

of the offenders, Adelman said.

Aside from dissuading people from potentially urinating in public with the threat of finding themselves on a Web page, the site is also to educate — and outrage — others around Lower Greenville.

The site Tuesday had 10 pictures of people, five men and five women.

Adelman said some women have threatened to call the police, but he has reminded them they're on the wrong side of the law. Most men, meanwhile were too drunk to care, Adelman said. "They think it's a joke."

Relieving oneself in public is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500, said Deputy Police Chief Danny Garcia, whose patrol area covers Central Dallas and Lower Greenville.

Garcia said he recalled one incident two months ago where a patron caught on film got into a scuffle with a neighborhood watch member that ended after the photographer used Mace.

Last month, police officers arrested 59 people on misdemeanor charges, but Garcia said he could not break the arrests down into individual crimes.

SGA

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position would be eliminated and the vice president positions in House and Programming Council would be changed to Executive Directors. A new executive office, the SGA Vice President, would be the eyes and ears of the president for PC and House. The president would then have more freedom to focus on external issues like communicating with the administration, Fischer said.

This bill creates the best opportunity for more autonomy and power, and better communication between House and PC makes SGA a little better organized, said SGA Secretary Jason Cordova.

Nabors said miscommunication within SGA makes it hard to accomplish things. With a central vice president, communication should improve, she said.

Election requirements would also change under the new bill. GPA requirements for executive positions in SGA will increase from 2.5 to 2.75. All executive officers are currently required to have 30 hours completed except for the SGA president, who is required to have 60 completed hours, Becker said. Under the new bill, the president must have junior standing and all other

executive officers must have sophomore standing, as defined by the university at the time of elections, he said.

Sara Donaldson, vice president of House, said she didn't like the fact that the bill was presented to House in such a short time frame.

"This is too big an issue to address lightly," Donaldson said. "I question why it is such an issue to get it passed before the election."

House reorganized and refined its responsibilities last year. Larry Markley, director of the Student Center and House advisor, said a bill proposing additional structural changes needs more time.

"This has not given the reorganization the opportunity to work or not to work," he said.

Fischer said he believes the changes are straight forward and for the better. The changes reorganize SGA and not House, he said.

"If we have a better idea of the big picture (then) the student body benefits," Fischer said. "I hope everyone does take the time to read through it and ask questions."

Grant Hewitt, a freshman political science major and Moncrief Hall representative, said the bill was a good piece of legislation but spoke against the bill during the meeting.

"We need to make sure the present system works and make sure we're doing the right thing," he said.

Sarah Burleson, a senior political science major, was the vice president of House last year. She said there is a huge demand on the president's time and everyone has the best intentions for the students at heart.

"I think it remains the president's job to be the liaison between the branches, and one vice president could distance the president from the rest of SGA," Burleson said.

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Don Mills said the way House and SGA are organized is up to the students.

"Students really need to look at the structure of House and make their own decisions known to the (university) administration," he said.

If House approves the bill by a two-thirds majority vote the bill will be presented to the student body for a vote, Cordova said. The student body also needs to approve the bill by a two-thirds majority. If the bill passes it will take effect for the upcoming SGA elections, Cordova said.

"I don't want to see another year passed without improvements," Cordova said.

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Staff Assembly addresses concerns

By Angie Chang
STAFF REPORTER

After compiling reports from small group sessions from September's Staff Assembly meeting, salary issues were unanimously named as the No. 1 problem members would like to address.

Jean Andrus, chairwoman of the Staff Assembly, made a motion on behalf of the Executive Committee for the Staff Assembly to focus on salaries, benefits and parking at Tuesday's meeting and the motion passed.

Sharon Hudson, Staff Assembly historian, said the reports represent what the Staff Assembly thinks is most important. Salary compression and how it relates to retention were concerns, Hudson said.

"Salary compression and retention go hand in hand," Hudson said. "Usu-

Salary issues, retention top list

ally staff stay long enough to get their kids through college. Tuition benefits were the only things that were helping to retain people."

Andrus said salary compression occurs when wages increase faster for jobs filled by employees from outside an organization as opposed to wages for jobs that are filled from within the organization or through promotion.

Hudson said retention is important because the staff members that leave sometimes have more marketable skills and are more experienced than the people that replace them. But retention is difficult if salaries are not competitive enough, she said.

Hudson, who has been with TCU for 18 years, said she once thought

about leaving, but was transferred to another department where she learned new skills. She said she could have gone to another place to work but she invested in the retirement plan and decided to stay.

"There is an individual concern among staff in regards to either leaving TCU and making more in salary or staying and investing in the retirement plan," Hudson said.

Andrus said the committees will now meet and make recommendations to the Staff Assembly that will be passed on to the administration.

In other business:

■ A presentation was made by the United Way, an organization that funds over 150 local charities, and

forms were passed out encouraging staff members to donate. Roby Key, associate vice chancellor of university advancement, said TCU's donations have usually been around \$90,000 but Chancellor Michael Ferrari wants to raise \$100,000 this year. The campus campaign will end Oct. 27.

■ Ferrari said health insurance options are still being explored. TCU's one-year contract with Harris Methodist, which was bought out by PacifiCare in January, is expiring this December. The Retirement, Insurance and Benefits Committee is looking at bids from different carriers and are considering benefit enhancements and cost issues, Ferrari said. The committee will meet Thursday.

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VOTING

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desperger said. "They are not yet in the habit of voting."

He said the only other age bracket with lower voter turnout rates is 85 years or older.

"The health of the government is no stronger than the interest people show in it," Riddlesperger said.

Politicians have adjusted to the fact students don't have a high voter turnout, he said. Since students don't vote, they are not tar-

geted in campaigns.

"It is not my job to be a cheerleader for voting," Riddlesperger said. "People should see voting as an expression of support for self governance."

It is an essential part of democracy that the public participate, he said.

In November, election polls will be set up across the street from TCU in the University Christian Church, Casebolt said.

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RECRUITMENT

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letter and phone, they can visit campus, stay overnight with their mentors and even attend classes to get a feel for what college life is like.

By this spring, TCU minority students will be contacted about volunteering for the program, he said.

Programs like this, however, are not the only thing TCU needs to attract more minorities, Brown said. It's vital for prospective minority students to see that TCU is more diverse than meets the eye, he said.

"I am a firm believer that diversity has to do not only with the color of a person's skin," Brown said. "But I am also a big believer that those with different colors of skin provide a lot of the diversity at TCU."

Although TCU may not always appear to be a diverse community, different beliefs, thoughts and perspectives are what help contributes to the university's wide variety of

people, said Cornell Thomas, special assistant to the chancellor for diversity and community at TCU.

"I think diversity is where everybody can be themselves and benefit TCU by sharing their different perspectives," Thomas said.

Diversity is not one-dimensional, Thomas said. To some people, differences can come from religion, race, disabilities or regional backgrounds, he said, but it is really about differences in perspectives.

Various intercultural organizations and programs offered at TCU help make it a more diverse community, said Darron Turner, director of intercultural education and services at TCU.

From the Organization of Latin American Students to the Word of Truth Gospel Choir, international and minority students have many opportunities to get involved and share their perspectives, he said.

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COOPER

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of Colorado in 1998.

Cooper has dedicated much of her time to speaking at colleges around the country in an attempt to raise awareness of rape and encourage victims of depression to seek help. She said she hopes to speak at 56 colleges this year.

"There are two choices you can make if something bad happens," she said Monday. "You can crawl into a hole or try to make a difference. Suicide is a permanent solution to a temporary problem."

During the speech, she said men must be prepared to deal with and help support women who have been raped because one in four college women are victims of rape or attempted rape.

"Unfortunately, you may be the only contact to help your friend," she

said. "Men, you can help the women in your life so much. You can't force people into counseling, but you can go in and ask a professional how to help them."

Andrea Cooper said people should also fight the stigma of counseling. "People object to taking an (anti-depression) pill," she said. "There is nothing wrong with it."

Andrea Cooper said she was relieved to see Kristin's car in the driveway as she and her husband arrived home from a New Year's eve party at around 2 a.m.

"I was surprised," Andrea Cooper said. "When we walked in the house all the lights were on, and the music was just blasting."

She found Kristin slumped over in front of the stereo, Andrea Cooper said.

"As I got close it looked like she was not breathing," Andrea Cooper said. "I felt a horrible panic. I walked over to her, and I saw a gun between her legs."

Andrea Cooper believed Kristin had committed suicide because her boyfriend had broken up with her. They later discovered she had been raped after police analyzed Kristin's journal.

"She never named the man, date or place in her journal," Andrea Cooper said.

She never confided in her parents because she feared their reaction, Kristin wrote in her journal.

"My mom would get hysterical and my dad would kill the guy," Kristin wrote.

Without Kristin's testimony, the police were unable to file charges against the man. But Andrea Cooper did write the man a letter after discovering his identity through Kristin's friends.

"I hope it made a difference in his life," she said.

Andrea Cooper said her daughter exhibited classic signs of depression. Kristin was irritable, unable to sleep, her grades dropped and she suffered

from chronic aches and pains.

"If she was living at home, I would have realized it," Andrea Cooper said. "But Kristin was able to mask her depression for the short periods she was home."

Neilson Arbour, a junior finance major, said he wished everyone could have heard the speech.

"Of all the speakers I have seen (at TCU) she is one of the top three," he said. "Nobody wants to talk about it (depression)."

Laura Umstad, a junior biology major, said the presentation was frightening because it could happen to anyone.

Andrea Cooper described her college presentations as emotionally draining.

"It is difficult to relive the event over and over, but it is also healing," she said.

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ENROLLMENT

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tions this fall, said Cornell Thomas, special assistant to the chancellor for diversity and community at TCU.

Transfer enrollment for the fall 2000 semester is 440, up 64 students since last fall and 121 students since fall 1998, according to Institutional Research.

The documents from Institutional

Research also show that 108 students or 24.55 percent of the transfers are minority students, compared to 84 students or 22.34 percent last fall and 52 students or 16.3 percent in the fall of 1998.

The final count of retained students, including minority statistics, will be ready in November according to Susan Campbell, director of Institutional Research.

Campbell said the November date is necessary because the department is short staffed. Recently, her co-

worker of several years left her with an assistant who has only been there for three weeks, she said.

Campbell did give an estimate of 7,780 students for the overall headcount.

Jim Atwood, assistant to the dean of admissions, said the admissions goal for freshmen was 1,450. Admissions had a waiting list of about 150 potential students, and only a few of those were admitted, Atwood said.

"Unfortunately, we can't admit

every good student," Atwood said.

He said that the goal for next year will also be about 1,450.

"The quality of transfer students is going up with the number of transfer students," Atwood said. "They are coming in with an average of 3.5 GPAs."

Staff reporters Michael Davis and Emily Ward contributed to this story.

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Former Playmate fights for cash

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HOUSTON — Lawyers for the sole heir of late oilman J. Howard Marshall II told jurors Tuesday they would prove former Playboy Playmate of the Year Anna Nicole Smith only married the elderly tycoon for his fortune.

"Our evidence will be whether Vickie Marshall, no matter how many tears shed yesterday, loved him and how she treated him," attorney Rusty Hardin said during the defense's opening statements, referring to Smith by her married name.

Smith, 32, and her disinher-

ited stepson, J. Howard Marshall III, 63, sued sole heir E. Pierce Marshall for a piece of the estate, which is valued at as much as \$1.6 billion and as little as \$48 million. Pierce is the younger brother of Howard Marshall III.

Though Hardin promised jurors he would not call Smith a gold-digger, he closed his argument pointing out that Smith had an insatiable appetite for money, jewelry and property.

"This is not a woman who loved him, I would suggest the evidence is going to show, but a woman who took tremendous advantage of him," Hardin said.



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Franchione questions Navy's defensive tactics

Despite Saturday's lackluster performance, head coach Dennis Franchione said Tuesday he wasn't dissatisfied with how the game went.

"We were always in control of the game," he said. "One of our pregame goals was to not let their offense control the ball and the clock."

The Navy defense focused its entire gameplan around stopping senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson. He was held to a season-low 121 yards, but Franchione said everyone needs to be realistic about Tomlinson's abilities.

"We can't expect to see him get 200-plus yards every game," Franchione said. "If you think about it, he was just one big play away from getting 180 or 190 yards. All he missed was that one good run."

Of course, all the while the Midshipmen were shadowing Tomlinson, TCU was scoring points via the passing game.

"You begin to wonder if Navy played to win a football game, or to just stop (Tomlinson)," Franchione said.

ComingNext

The string of winless opponents continues for the Horned Frog football team. The Frogs will host 0-3 Hawaii at Amon Carter Stadium Saturday. The Warriors started the season with a 25-point loss to Portland State and followed with consecutive Western Athletic Conference losses to Texas-El Paso and Tulsa. Freshman quarterback Timmy Chang took over the offense last weekend in a 24-14 loss against Tulsa.

The Hawaii offense relies heavily on the pass. The Warriors' leading rusher has carried the ball 26 times for 105 yards and one touchdown. Hawaii ranks 69th in the nation in total defense while TCU ranks second.

TCU moves up in rankings

With the Saturday's shutout win, TCU moved up four spots in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll and two spots in *The Associated Press* poll. The Horned Frogs got more help in polls when Northwestern knocked off its second top-15 team this season. The Wildcats have beaten Wisconsin and Michigan State in successive weeks and are now ranked No. 22 in *The Associated Press* poll.

The ranking is the Frogs' highest since Nov. 14, 1984 when they were ranked No. 12 by *The Associated Press*.

Franchione said the play of Northwestern is somewhat surprising and can do nothing but help TCU down the road. The Frogs defeated the Wildcats 41-14 on Sept. 16.

Schedule change for TV

The game between TCU and Hawaii, which was originally scheduled for 6:05 p.m. Saturday, has been moved to 11 a.m. Saturday. FOX SportsNet picked up the game, and will televise it regionally.

Defense improves with Bayer

Junior linebacker Chad Bayer leads the TCU defense with 39 tackles through four games this season.

Franchione said he's seen a difference in Bayer's play from last season.

"(Bayer) has shown marked improvements in terms of his confidence," he said. "He just seems more comfortable with each play which has shown in his ability to react and make reads."

Soccer weekly



BY KELLY MORRIS

Women go 1-1 in WAC



Erin Munger/STAFF REPORTER

Sophomore forward Sherry Dick battles two Texas-El Paso players for the ball in the Horned Frogs' 3-0 victory on Sunday. Dick scored her fifth goal of the season to finish the TCU scoring. The Frogs play next at Southern Methodist on Sunday.

Frogs' soccer team loses to Tulsa, defeats UTEP

Although women's head soccer coach David Rubinson is pleased with his team's 1-1 start in conference play this past weekend, he still thinks there is something missing.

"The second game was our best performance all year long," Rubinson said. "We were certainly very competitive, but we are still searching for our identity. When there is five minutes left in a game, and we are looking for a goal, we need to find out who is going to step up and take the responsibility. We needed a good performance, and Sunday's victory really jump-started us."

On Friday, the team lost 2-0 to Tulsa, but freshman goalkeeper Shannon Wagner said the team was not going to let Friday's game affect Sunday's effort.

"We were a little nervous going into the game Friday," Wagner said. "We had a meeting before Sunday's match up and wrote down our team goals and decided if we were going to play, we were going to play for each other."

"We knew we had the talent, we just had to make it happen."

The team rebounded from Friday's performance by beating Texas-El Paso 3-0 Sunday. They managed 27 shots against UTEP compared to 11 shots against Tulsa. The win evened the Frogs' overall record at 6-6-1.

"In the first half of the second game, our players started from the back line and passed around the other team like they weren't even there and got a shot on goal," Wagner said. "The victory gave us great momentum, and we really clicked as a team."

In the UTEP victory, Wagner recorded eight saves and notched her fourth shutout of the year. Wagner also lowered her goals against average to 1.66.

Sophomore forward Sherry Dick scored her fifth goal against UTEP in the 44th minute of play. With her one assist, Dick is also leading the team with 11 points and 60 shots.

"Although we were not totally dominated by Tulsa, we made some big mistakes," Dick said. "Sunday's win was a big one for us. We had been struggling previously to this game, but we got a huge confidence booster with the victory."

The Frogs' next game will be on the road against No. 18 Southern Methodist Sunday. To play well against SMU, Rubinson said the team must finish their shots.

"Out of the 11 shots we took against Tulsa, only one of them was on target," Rubinson said.

"Sunday's game was better because we got 13 of our 27 shots on target, but finishing our shots is the main skill we need to fix."

"In practice, we are not only trying to maintain Sunday's level of play, we are simulating the pressure we will be under against SMU."

The Frogs have six games left in their 2000 season. Five are conference games and two will be played at home.

"We are further along then we were on Friday," Rubinson said. "We are our own worst enemies right now because we realize that we can play with a lot of teams and there isn't a game on our schedule that we can't win. But if we don't step up, we know we will lose."

"Our success just depends on which of our teams shows up to play."

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WAC roundup

Football

	WAC games			All games			Hm.	Rd.	Neutral	Strk.
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.				
UTEP	2	0	1.000	3	2	.600	3-0	0-2	0-0	W2
Tulsa	2	0	1.000	3	2	.600	1-1	2-1	0-0	W3
TCU	1	0	1.000	4	0	1.000	2-0	2-0	0-0	W9
San Jose St.	1	0	1.000	3	2	.600	2-0	1-2	0-0	W1
Fresno St.	0	0	—	1	2	.333	1-0	0-2	0-0	W1
Nevada	0	1	.000	1	3	.250	0-2	1-1	0-0	L1
SMU	0	1	.000	1	4	.200	1-1	0-3	0-0	L4
Rice	0	2	.000	1	4	.200	1-1	0-3	0-0	L4
Hawaii	0	2	.000	0	3	.000	0-2	0-1	0-0	L3

Saturday's results

TCU	24
Navy	0
Rice	16
San Jose State	29

Saturday's games

Hawaii at TCU, 11 a.m.
Fresno State at Rice, 6 p.m.
UTEP at Tulsa, 6 p.m.
San Jose State at SMU, 6 p.m.
Nevada at UNLV, 9 p.m.

Players of the week

Special teams — Tulsa junior punt returner Donald Shoals returned a punt for a touchdown for the second time this season in the Golden Hurricane's 24-14 win over Hawaii Saturday. Shoals had three punt returns for 72 yards.

Offensive — Texas-El Paso junior wide receiver Lee Mays had seven catches for 150 yards and two touchdowns in the Miners' 41-31 victory over New Mexico State Saturday.

Defensive — San Jose State senior linebacker Marshall Blount had seven tackles and three sacks. Four of his tackles went for losses, totaling 14 yards.

TOP 25

The Top 25 teams in *The Associated Press* college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through last Saturday, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and ranking in the previous poll:

	Record	Pts.	Pvs
1. Florida St. (42)	5-0	1,745	2
2. Nebraska (28)	4-0	1,731	1
3. Virginia Tech	4-0	1,576	4
4. Kansas St. (1)	5-0	1,574	5
5. Clemson	5-0	1,451	7
6. Michigan	4-1	1,353	9
7. Miami	3-1	1,274	10
8. Ohio St.	4-0	1,218	12
9. Oregon	4-1	1,031	20
10. Oklahoma	4-0	1,017	14
11. Texas	3-1	999	13
12. Florida	4-1	940	3
13. Washington	3-1	920	6
14. TCU	4-0	875	16
15. Auburn	5-0	869	19
16. UCLA	4-1	831	15
17. Southern Miss.	3-1	808	21
18. Southern Cal	3-1	514	8
19. Georgia	3-1	455	25
20. Mississippi St.	3-1	406	—
21. Tennessee	2-2	364	11
22. Northwestern	4-1	312	—
23. Oregon St.	4-0	279	—
24. Wisconsin	3-2	210	17
25. Notre Dame	2-2	118	—

Others receiving votes: Michigan St. 84, South Carolina 79, N.C. State 69, Texas A&M 39, Mississippi 35, Pittsburgh 24, Purdue 16, LSU 15, East Carolina 12, Colorado St. 10, Arizona St. 5.

UT regents take Sun Bowl

El Paso County loses stadium by 'bullying' official says

ASSOCIATED PRESS

EL PASO, Texas — In an action that one El Paso county commissioner described as "bullying," the University of Texas System board of regents has voted to take the Sun Bowl stadium from the county using its power of eminent domain.

"I guess they're bigger than we are," County Commissioner Charles Hooten said Monday after the Regents meeting in Austin. "They're going to take it all."

UTEP officials want to begin work on \$9 million in stadium improvements that include a video-screen scoreboard and a sports center. Larry Durham, a former UTEP football player, has offered \$5 million to build the sports center, which would include a new sports medicine department, training facility and stadium locker room.

UTEP wants to finish the project before the 2001 Sun Bowl game, in about 15 months.

"This is not the way we wanted it to play out, but we feel like we've been backed in a corner because we have a generous donor who would like to see us move forward," University of Texas-El Paso President Diana Natalicio said after the regents' vote.

The university has needed El Paso County's approval to make the changes because it leases the

stadium from the county. Eminent domain gives a governmental agency the power to take someone else's property.

The county has been trying to negotiate with UTEP to allow it to use the stadium for a handful of events each year, but the 99-year lease is in place until 2062. The regents made the decision Monday at their regular meeting.

"The Sun Bowl is an integral part of the campus and best managed and owned by the University of Texas (System)," said UT System Regent Woody Hunt, an El Paso businessman who offered the motion to use eminent domain.

The regents also withdrew a previous offer of a \$250,000 scholarship endowment to help needy students in the area.

The regents' unwillingness to negotiate with the county "doesn't sit well with the court," said El Paso County Judge Dolores Briones. "It's clear that the relationship has gone awry, and it seems like UTEP is engaging in more of that."

She said the regents are "sort of

like bullying us." Briones said she wasn't sure of the county's next move but added that one option would be to mount a legal battle against the action.

Before the decision, Hooten made a last-minute pitch to the regents. Hooten asked that they allow the county to use the Sun Bowl for any five days of the year when UTEP is not using the stadium.

Hooten said county officials wanted to use the stadium for benefit concerts and events to raise money for juvenile-crime prevention, senior-citizen nutrition programs and mental-health services. "The Commissioners Court simply wants to fill empty seats in the Sun Bowl, only on dates that UTEP cannot use it," Hooten told the regents.

As Hooten returned to his seat, the regents voted unanimously to use their power of eminent domain. "Taxpayers of El Paso County went into debt to build the Sun Bowl," Hooten said. "I don't know why we couldn't work together as partners."

Notes and quotes

White ribbon honors teammate

To honor injured junior goalkeeper Keith-Ann Wagner, fellow teammates are wearing white ribbons with the letters K.A. on them in every game.

"We have dedicated our season to her," sophomore forward Sherry Dick said.

This summer, Wagner was in a car accident and is now paralyzed from the waist down.

DeRose's consistency draws praise

Head women's soccer coach David Rubinson said sophomore de-

fender Brenda DeRose has been one of the team's most consistent players this season.

"She has maintained her composure and has consistently performed at an extremely high level all year," Rubinson said.

DeRose has started in all 33 games she has played at TCU and was named second team all-Western Athletic Conference last season.

Depth puts lineup in question

Because of the team's depth, Rubinson is finding it very difficult to determine the starting 11-

player lineup.

"All the girls have something they can put forth to this team," Dick said. "Since everyone is equal, there has been a lot of switching around on our roster. We never know who will be playing."

Rubinson said he's used six or seven different combinations of starting lineups through 13 games this season.

Team leaders

Points		Shots on Goal	
Sherry Dick	11	Sherry Dick	23
Jennifer Maunder	7	Jennifer Maunder	12
Jenny Swanson	5	Jenny Swanson	8
Jenn Coulson	5		

Goals

Sherry Dick	5
Jennifer Maunder	3
Jenny Swanson	2
Jenn Coulson	2
Rebecca Repaskey	2

Assists

Tiffany Goetz	3
Crystal Pratz	2
Lori Robbins	2

Team statistics

	TCU	Opp.
Goals-shot att.	16-169	25-210
Shot percentage	.095	.119
Goals per game	1.2	1.9
Shots per game	13.0	16.2
Assists	15	17
Corner kicks	45	69
Offsides	37	31
Fouls	138	180



Rebecca Repaskey
freshman midfielder

Palestinian gunmen and Israeli soldiers still battling

By Greg Myre
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Palestinian gunmen battled Israeli soldiers Tuesday at isolated army posts in the West Bank and Gaza Strip that have degenerated into virtual free-fire zones, as both sides defied a cease-fire call on the eve of a U.S. attempt to salvage peacemaking.

Tuesday's death toll of four was the lowest since the fighting began last week. In addition, 206 people were injured, according to the Palestinians. Overall, 55 people have died and at least 1,300 have been wounded, the vast majority Palestinian.

"The results have been very painful," Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak said, adding that he had called on Israel's security forces "to make a supreme effort to prevent further casualties."

Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat head to Paris on Wednesday in hopes that Secretary of State Madeleine Albright can help end the fighting and revive peace talks.

More lives lost as both sides refuse to acknowledge cease-fire pact

Barak also was battling for political survival at home, trying to appease Arab legislators who are threatening to topple his government over the harsh crackdown on rioters in Israel's Arab towns. The internal rebellion, the worst since Israel's founding 52 years ago, has blocked highways and closed schools, paralyzing large parts of northern Israel.

With the Israelis blasting away with heavy weapons, such as rockets launched from helicopters, and with the Palestinians routinely firing automatic rifles, the intensity of the fighting sometimes resembles a war and has surpassed levels seen during the 1987-93 Palestinian uprising and three days of firefights in 1996.

"I have been dealing with such riots since 1987 and ... there have never anything on this level — not when it comes to clashes and certainly not when it comes to the use of weapons," said Yisrael Yitzhak,

commander of Israel's paramilitary border police in the West Bank.

Gunmen wore civilian clothes and did not appear to be members of the Palestinian security forces.

The heaviest clashes Tuesday were again in the chaotic West Bank and Gaza Strip, where a hastily arranged cease-fire quickly unraveled at a pair of chronic trouble spots.

Israeli troops, backed by a helicopter gun ship, traded gunfire with Palestinians at an army outpost near the remote Jewish settlement of Netzarim in the Gaza Strip, part of an on-and-off battle that's been running for days.

Palestinian rock throwers dropped face-down in the streets, seeking cover amid sustained blasts of automatic rifle fire. Shortly afterward, wailing ambulances arrived to take away the casualties.

One man's head was mutilated by an Israeli rocket, and his fellow

Palestinians picked up parts of his brain and waved their blood-stained hands in the air.

In the West Bank town of Nablus, besieged Israeli forces also called in helicopter fire to drive back Palestinians shooting on the tiny Israeli enclave of Joseph's Tomb.

After an emotional funeral for a 15-year-old Palestinian boy, Palestinians headed directly to the Israeli outpost. Several gunmen dashed to the edge of the compound and raised their rifles to shoot over the stone wall surrounding the tomb.

Youths relied on black smoke from burning tires to provide cover as they darted toward the wall and hurled firebombs toward the tomb, believed by some to hold the remains of the biblical patriarch.

Elsewhere, stone-throwing youths confronted Israeli soldiers in cities and towns throughout the Palestinian areas. The main streets in Bethlehem

and Hebron were carpeted with thousands of rocks. The Israelis responded with rubber-coated steel bullets and stun grenades in most instances.

Palestinian television broadcast an appeal in Hebrew to Israeli soldiers not to open fire, and a senior Palestinian official said an international inquiry into Israel's actions would be a condition of reviving the peace talks.

"We think that the Israeli crimes committed against our people attacked the heart of the peace process," said Nabil Abourdeneh, a top aide to Arafat. But Barak's office said he "totally rejected the call for an international investigation."

Meanwhile, the Israeli army said a 12-year-old boy killed at Netzarim on Saturday was apparently hit by Israeli gunfire. The death, caught on camera, shocked viewers around the world. Israel's Deputy Chief of Staff Maj. Gen. Moshe Yaalon expressed "deep sor-

row" and said a sniper had apparently mistaken the child for a gunman.

The violence began Thursday after Ariel Sharon, leader of the hard-line opposition Likud party, visited a Jerusalem site holy to Muslims and Jews. Sharon insisted he bore no responsibility, laying the blame on Arafat.

Israeli and Palestinian commanders reached an understanding before dawn Tuesday that the Palestinians would try to contain violence and Israeli troops would pull back from points of friction.

But on the street, angry Palestinian protesters said they hadn't heard, or didn't care, about the agreement.

"The cease-fire does not mean anything to us," said Anwar Takakh, joining stone-throwers in Bethlehem. "It is between Arafat and Barak."

Barak turned his attention to the violence among Israeli Arabs, who account for 1 million of Israel's 6 million people. The prime minister met with Arab mayors and set up a committee to address Arab needs.

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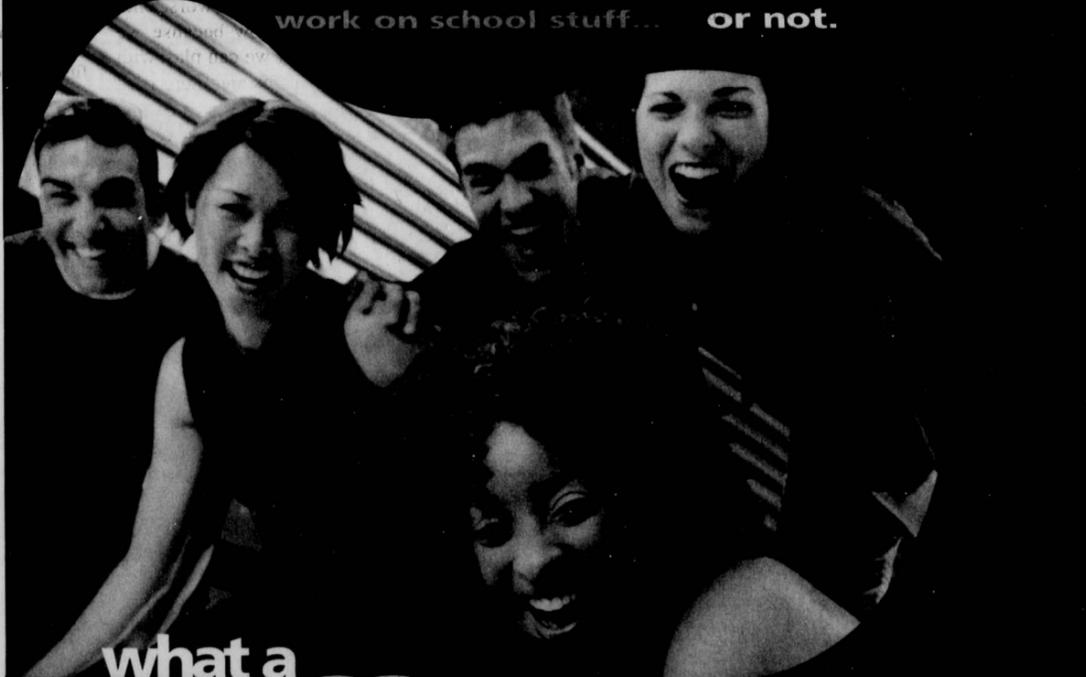
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Trudeau's funeral seen by thousands

By Edith M. Lederer
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MONTREAL — Pierre Trudeau was like a towering tree providing sustenance and shade for all Canadians, one of his sons told an international crowd at a state funeral Tuesday for the former prime minister.

The tree has been cut down, "but leave the stump and roots in the ground, bound with hoops of iron and bronze," a composed Sacha Trudeau said as he read from the Bible in Notre-Dame Basilica.

The funeral was held after a single-engine plane trailing a giant Canadian flag flew overhead in tribute as Trudeau's coffin was carried into the 2,700-seat Roman Catholic church.

Foreign dignitaries attending the service included Cuban President Fidel Castro, former president Jimmy Carter, Britain's Prince Andrew, and the Aga Khan.

Thousands of Canadians who couldn't get in applauded as the bells of the 19th century basilica pealed for the man the current prime minister, Jean Chretien, called the greatest

Castro, Khan, Carter attend

Canadian of the 20th century. They then watched the funeral service on a giant screen set up outside the church.

The funeral, broadcast live across Canada, capped five days of emotional outpouring by Canadians and world leaders for Trudeau, who left a living legacy of a modern, bilingual, multicultural nation.

It was a difficult day for Trudeau's former wife, Margaret, who made no effort to mask her tears. She embraced one of her sons before they followed Trudeau's body into the basilica.

Among the more recognizable figures at the funeral was Castro, who on Monday hailed Trudeau — the first NATO leader to visit Cuba — as a "world-class statesman."

When Castro entered the basilica, crowds shouted "Viva Fidel!"

Carter, who often sparred with Trudeau while both were in power, arrived at the church before Castro. "He was the first person I invited to the White House after I was elected," Carter has said of Trudeau.

"He gave me some good advice," Paula Van Den Bosch, 27, who grew up in the 1970s and 80s when Trudeau led the country, said simply, "he's an icon for me."

Trudeau, who suffered from Parkinson's disease and died of prostate cancer last Thursday at age 80, was to be buried privately after the state funeral presided over by Montreal's Cardinal Jean-Claude Turcotte.

Sacha and Trudeau's other son, Justin, both wore red roses, in silent tribute to their father's trademark. Trudeau's daughter, Sarah, who he fathered at the age of 71, made a rare appearance with her mother, constitutional lawyer Deborah Coyne.

Monday would have been the 25th birthday of Trudeau's youngest son, Michel, who died in 1998 in a skiing accident.

After a reporter in Ottawa reminded Margaret Trudeau that it was Michel's birthday, her face crumpled and she was led away by family members. "It's Michel's birthday today,"

she said to them. "I didn't remember."

After walking a few feet, she fell to her knees on the grass on Parliament Hill, near the Centennial Flame which has become a shrine to Trudeau, surrounded by his trademark roses, hundreds of letters and candles. The reporter later apologized.

Trudeau swept to power in 1968, the height of the so-called Swinging Sixties, on a wave of support nicknamed "Trudeaumania." His charisma was reminiscent of another young politician who had captivated the United States when he became president eight years earlier in 1960 — John F. Kennedy.

What made Trudeau such a sensation was that he completely shattered the Canadian image at the time, which was stodgy and understated. The new prime minister liked sports cars and action sports — last winter was the first since his childhood that he didn't go skiing. He dated actresses like Barbra Streisand and Margot Kidder. And at age 51, he married Margaret Sinclair, a "flower child" who was just 21.

Congress gets tough on drunken driving

0.08 blood alcohol content level made legal

By Jim Abrams
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Congressional negotiators have agreed to a tough national standard for drunken driving with penalties for states that don't abide. President Clinton called it a "commonsense nationwide limit" that will save an estimated 500 lives a year and prevent thousands of injuries.

Under the measure, states would be required to adopt a 0.08 blood alcohol content standard as the legal level for drunken driving by 2004. Those that don't comply would stand to lose millions of dollars in federal highway funds.

"Congress has realized that what happened to me and what has happened to others is wrong," said Millie Webb, national president of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Webb lost a nephew and a daughter, and she, her husband and her then-unborn baby were severely injured, in a crash with a driver with a 0.08 blood alcohol content.

Currently, 18 states and the District of Columbia have 0.08 laws, and in Massachusetts a level of 0.08 is considered evidence but not proof of drunkenness. Thirty-one states define drunken driving as 0.10 BAC.

The nationwide drunken driving standard was included in a transportation spending bill approved Tuesday by a House-Senate conference committee. It is expected to reach Clinton's desk in a matter of days, and the president, a strong supporter of the measure, is sure to sign it into law. Transportation Department Secretary Rodney Slater said that as late as Monday night the president was calling lawmakers to nail down their support.

"With this measure we can save more than 500 families annually the experience of having to deal with the loss of a loved one," Slater said.

In 1998, 15,935 traffic deaths were attributed to drunken driving, or 38.4 percent of the 41,471 deaths overall. Both numbers were down slightly from the year before.

Under the final compromise, states that don't implement 0.08

BAC by 2004 would lose 2 percent of their highway money, with the penalty increasing to 8 percent by 2007. States that adopt the standard by 2007 would be reimbursed for any lost money.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., a chief proponent of the legislation, said even a 2 percent loss would be considerable.

MADD contends that a driver with 0.08 BAC is 11 times more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than a sober driver. It quotes National Highway Traffic Safety Administration studies that show a 170-pound man could consume four drinks on an empty stomach in an hour, or a 137-pound woman three drinks, before reaching 0.08.

Lautenberg and House sponsors introduced the legislation three years ago. It ran into solid resistance from lawmakers who said it infringed on states' rights and a strong lobbying effort from beverage and restaurant associations.

John Doyle of the American Beverage Institute said the national standard would "have no impact whatsoever" because the average BAC for drunks involved in fatal crashes is 0.17. Doyle also cites NHTSA figures in saying that a 120-pound woman would reach the new legal inebriation level by drinking only two six-ounce glasses of wine over two hours. "It demonstrates we are not talking about the product abuser," he said.

Several lawmakers made last-ditch efforts to sidetrack the 0.08 measure but were defeated by the House-Senate conference. Rep. Martin Sabo, D-Minn., unsuccessfully proposed that the federal government should double grants to states for anti-drunken driving programs rather than penalize them.

Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., also contended it was wrong to take money away from states that, while they might not have a 0.08 standard, impose other strong anti-drinking measures such as bans on driving with open alcohol containers or mandatory BAC testing after accidents.

Colorado couple create test-tube baby

Genetically screened baby to save life of sister

By Margaret Taus
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MINNEAPOLIS — In the first known case of its kind, a Colorado couple created a test-tube baby who was genetically screened and selected in the hope he could save the life of his 6-year-old sister.

The sister, Molly Nash, has a rare genetic disease, Fanconi anemia, that prevents her body from making bone marrow. But last week, doctors gave her an infusion of umbilical-cord blood from her newborn little brother, Adam, to try to correct the disease.

Doctors should know in a couple of weeks whether the infusion is helping Molly develop healthy marrow cells.

Screening laboratory-created embryos for genetic diseases before im-

planting them in a woman is not new. But this is the first known instance in which parents screened and selected an embryo in order to find a suitable tissue donor for an ailing sibling.

"People have babies for lots of reasons: to save a failing marriage, to work the family farm," said Dr. Charles Strom, director of medical genetics at the Reproductive Genetics Institute in Chicago, where Adam was conceived. "I have absolutely no ethical problems with this whatsoever."

Molly was just beginning to show signs of leukemia, which is frequently associated with the disease, when she had the transplant, said Dr. John Wagner, her physician at the University of Minnesota. The infusion procedure between siblings has a 90 percent success rate.

"Molly's doing very well," Wagner said Tuesday, although she had a slight cold.

As part of her disease, Molly was born without thumbs, but surgeons

built some from a finger on each hand. She also had no hip sockets but can now walk with the use of braces.

Her parents, Jack and Lisa Nash of Englewood, Colo., wanted more children but were afraid to conceive because both carry a faulty version of the Fanconi gene, meaning each child would have a 25 percent chance of developing the disease.

The Nashes used a process called pre-implantation genetic diagnosis, or PGD: embryos were created from Lisa Nash's eggs and her husband's sperm. Then fertilized eggs were analyzed, and when one was found to be disease-free and a tissue match, it was implanted. The couple had to try the procedure several times before she became pregnant.

Lisa Nash, said she could not knowingly bring another child into the world with the disease.

"We wanted a healthy child," she told the *Star Tribune* newspaper last month. "And it doesn't

hurt him to save her life."

Adam was born Aug. 29. On Sept. 26, umbilical cord blood cells from Adam were given to Molly at the University of Minnesota.

If the transplant doesn't take, the next step could be to repeat the process with Adam's bone marrow.

Among the first couples to acknowledge publicly that they conceived a child as a transplant donor were Abe and Mary Ayala of Walnut, Calif. But they couldn't select an embryo a decade ago and had only a 1-in-4 chance that their daughter would be a suitable donor of bone marrow to fight her teen-age sister's leukemia. The baby, born in 1990, turned out to be a suitable donor, and her big sister recovered from the disease.

Arthur Caplan, director of the Center for Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania, said he doesn't see anything wrong in the case, but it raises interesting questions.

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China issues rules for Internet use

By Joe McDonald
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SHANGHAI, China — China has issued a new list of rules for Internet use, ordering access providers to guard against online political activity and reinforcing limits on foreign investment.

The rules, part of broad regulations on the telecommunications industry, add little to how China already regulates the Web. But the announcement could cause a chill in a field dependent on foreign financing.

Companies had hoped for a more liberal climate after China's planned entry into the World Trade Organization.

Limits placed on foreign investments

The announcement Sunday by state media also affirms Beijing's resolve to keep the Web from being used to spread opposition to communist rule.

In one of the few explicit new requirements, Internet Service Providers are required to keep records on users and the material they post online.

If they discover prohibited content, providers are required to remove it and turn over their records to the authorities.

The regulations say content providers must have approval from

the Ministry of Information Industry to receive investment or collaboration from abroad.

Chinese companies already operate under such a requirement.

Announcing the prohibition could be a warning of impending enforcement by the ministry against dozens of companies with unauthorized foreign owners, investors or partners.

The ministry tried last year to ban all foreign Web investment. China later agreed to let foreigners own 49 percent of Web companies once it

joins the World Trade Organization, and 50 percent after two years.

Beijing also appears to be trying to jar service providers into helping to police security-related content restrictions.

Regulators in August shut down a Web site run by pro-democracy activists on a Beijing service provider. The company said it hadn't looked at the site's content until alerted by police.

Spratt, of Lehman Brothers, said he expected the subversion rule to be "watered down" but noted that Web companies already are playing an enforcement role.

Lennon's killer denied parole bid Chapman to stay in New York prison

By Carolyn Thompson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATTICA, N.Y. — The man who gunned down John Lennon 20 years ago lost his bid for parole Tuesday after the ex-Beatle's widow wrote that setting him free would "bring back the nightmare, the chaos and confusion once again."

Mark David Chapman was interviewed for 50 minutes by three parole board members during a closed hearing at Attica prison. Four hours later, he was given a one-page determination that began: "Parole is denied."

"Your most vicious and violent act was apparently fueled by your need to be acknowledged," the board said. "During your parole hearing, this panel noted your continued interest in maintaining your notoriety."

Chapman, 45, is serving 20 years to life at the maximum-security prison in upstate New York. He pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in 1981 for fatally shooting Lennon as the rock star and his wife, Yoko Ono, were entering their Manhattan apartment building following a recording session on Dec. 8, 1980.

After Tuesday's decision, Ono spokesman Eliot Mintz released a letter the widow wrote to the parole board in which she described the pain of losing Lennon and how Chapman's release would unravel her life.

"I am afraid it will bring back the nightmare, the chaos and confusion once again. Myself and John's two sons, would not feel safe for the rest of our lives," Ono wrote.

She also said Chapman might

face retribution from angry fans.

"They would feel that it is unfair that the 'subject' is rewarded with a normal life while John lost his," she wrote. "Violence begets violence. If it is at all possible, I would like us to not create a situation which may bring further madness and tragedy to the world."

A transcript of Tuesday's interview with Chapman by the board is expected to be made available later this week.

But in its statement, the board called the killing "calculated and unprovoked." In addition to being one of the world's most famous musicians, the board said, Lennon was a "husband and a father of two young children."

Chapman recently said he believed that Lennon would have approved of his release. But the board concluded that releasing Chapman now would "deprecate the seriousness of the crime and serve to undermine respect for the law."

The parole board noted that Chapman has an "exemplary disciplinary record" in prison. But it said he has been unable to seek "anti-violence and/or anti-aggression programming" because he is in special custody.

Parole board hearings with inmates are closed to the public. The Associated Press and 85 other media organizations filed Freedom of Information Law requests to get the board's determination.

Robert Gangi of the state Correctional Association, a prisoner advocacy group, speculated that parole for Chapman is unlikely even years from now.

Supreme Court hears roadblocks case

Random searches of vehicles for drugs in question

By Anne Gearan
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Supreme Court justices questioned whether roadblocks to catch drug dealers are one step on the path toward the sort of random questioning by police that the Constitution is supposed to forbid.

The court took a new look Tuesday at privacy rights versus the interests of law enforcement with the case of drug-search roadblocks that stop more innocent people than criminals.

The court must decide whether the roadblocks set up by Indianapolis in 1998 are consistent with the accepted practices of border roadblocks to find illegal immigrants or random traffic stops to get drunks off the road.

The city admits that its primary aim was to catch drug criminals. Civil liberties advocates called the practice heavy-handed and risky, and asked the Supreme Court to ban it.

Justice Antonin Scalia pounced on a lawyer for the city, who argued that the practice is no more intrusive than the traffic stops that previously passed court muster.

"So you think the government could stop a car anywhere in the United States and look for illegal immigrants?" Scalia asked in mock surprise. "Simply stop the car and say, 'Can I see your papers, please?'" As the crowd stirred, Scalia added: "Sorta scary."

The city's lawyer, A. Scott Chinn, replied that authorities would have to show a reason to suspect illegal immigrants were using a particular road, but he did not back off his argument that the drug checkpoints are a simple and effective way to find large amounts of drugs.

Several other cities have used similar checkpoints and the practice could become fairly common if the Supreme Court gives its blessing.

"The risk here is if we break down this barrier ... we will be faced with ever-increasing incursions that will be balanced away," by the argument that the benefit to the public good outweighs individual privacy concerns, replied Kenneth Falk, a lawyer for the Indiana chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

The ACLU, which represents two detained motorists, argues that police do not have the right to use roadblocks to investigate criminal drug activity without good reason to suspect one motorist or another.

The Fourth Amendment that forbids unreasonable searches or seizures generally protects Americans from random sidewalk questioning by police, or indiscriminate traffic stops.

The court is reviewing a federal appeals court ruling that said the Indi-

anapolis checkpoints probably amounted to unreasonable seizures. A Supreme Court decision, expected by June, will provide the court's latest word on the amendment's scope.

Several justices seemed troubled by the notion that motorists could be stopped simply because they are motorists — in other words, that by driving into the checkpoint a person opens himself or herself to a criminal investigation that presumably would not happen if he or she were on foot.

"I can't find anything special about being in a car ... and I haven't heard you present one," Justice Stephen Breyer said.

Cars were pulled over at random in high-crime neighborhoods in Indianapolis, motorists questioned, and a drug-sniffing dog led around the car's exterior. Most motorists were detained for about three minutes.

The city conducted six roadblocks over four months in 1998 before it was challenged in federal court.

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Background checks improved

By Kelley Shannon
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Background checks for Texans applying for concealed handgun licenses have been greatly improved since hundreds of people with criminal convictions gained permits under a law signed by Gov. George W. Bush, aides said Tuesday.

The state failed to perform full background checks on 407 people who had convictions but were granted licenses. And 71 of those had convictions that should have excluded them from permits, the Texas Department of Public Safety acknowledged Tuesday.

But the federal government was a big part of the problem, said Karen Hughes, spokeswoman for Bush's presidential campaign.

"The federal law enforcement authorities, which are of course under

71 concealed gun licenses revoked

the jurisdiction of Vice President Gore's administration, were delayed and slow in responding to Texas officials' request for a background check," she said.

Texas officials "felt they were required by law to go ahead and issue the permits," she said in Boston where Bush was debating Al Gore. And the process for examining an applicant's background has been improved since the law went into effect in 1996, when most of the convicted applicants were approved, officials said.

All of the 71 concealed gun licenses in question have been revoked, and none of the recipients committed a violent crime while possessing them, Hughes said.

The campaign's defense of the

Texas law came after a *Los Angeles Times* report Tuesday that more than 400 people convicted of crimes, including rape and armed robbery, were issued concealed gun permits in Texas.

Of the approximately 215,000 Texans licensed to carry concealed weapons, more than 3,000 have been arrested for crimes that include double murder and drunken driving, the newspaper also reported.

Bush signed the concealed gun law in 1995, his first year in office, saying it would make the state safer. Supporters point to a state study that said licensed concealed handgun holders in Texas in 1997 and 1998 were six times less likely to be arrested than the general population

over age 21.

Tom Vinger, spokesman for the state Department of Public Safety, said that when the program started it took longer to check criminal backgrounds with the FBI. He said state officials decided to issue licenses after checking names with the FBI, but without waiting for fingerprint checks to be completed.

People who have ever been convicted of felonies or domestic violence, and, within the past five years, of certain misdemeanors, are not eligible for concealed gun permits. Other disqualifiers are failure to pay taxes or child support, and a history of mental problems.

Bush has said decisions about whether to allow concealed guns should be left to individual states. Gore opposes allowing the carrying of concealed weapons.

Bill passed to aid in high-tech industry

Thousands of skilled foreigners will be employed

By Bart Jansen
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — High-tech companies could bring in nearly 600,000 new skilled foreign workers over the next three years and hire thousands more foreign students from U.S. graduate schools under a Senate bill passed Tuesday.

The 96-1 vote reflected broad election-year support for the technology industry that is increasingly flexing its political muscle through lobbying and campaign donations to both parties.

With U.S. unemployment rates holding steady near a 30-year low, companies in Silicon Valley and

along other burgeoning high-tech corridors say they need the additional workers with six-year H-1B visas to fuel their rapid growth.

"The short-term problem is how to fill the key positions immediately so that we don't lose opportunities to foreign competitors or so that we don't force American businesses to move offshore to where skilled workers might live," said Sen. Spencer Abraham, R-Mich.

Despite the overwhelming Senate vote, obstacles remain in the House, where Republican leaders have differed over measures aimed at assuring that the skilled immigrants don't displace Americans.

A bill from Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, that was approved by the Judiciary Committee would require companies using visas to increase the median pay of their U.S. workers in addition to establishing job projections for them. The industry

opposes Smith's bill.

The House Rules Committee chairman, Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif., who cosponsored another visa bill, called the Senate version "dynamite" and said House leaders would find a way to get it passed.

Industry advocates — including Microsoft and Sun Microsystems and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce — praised the Senate and called for the House to follow suit.

"If we want the United States to maintain its technological advantage, employers must be allowed to hire the professionals they need," said Paula Collins, director of government relations for Texas Instruments.

Technology businesses have more than doubled their political contributions during the past two years, according to the independent Center for Responsive Politics. The companies have given candidates \$22.1

million since the start of last year, with Democrats getting a little more than half of that.

Computer software and other high-tech companies contend that 300,000 jobs are going unfilled for a lack of qualified workers. Labor unions, however, argue that the companies want more immigrants to keep down wages of Americans holding the same jobs.

While lifting the ceiling entirely on the H-1B visas, Smith's bill requires employers to pay the immigrants at least \$40,000 a year and not use them to replace Americans on their payrolls. Companies would also have to document that they have at least \$250,000 in capital to participate in the program.

The Senate bill would allow the Immigration and Naturalization Service to issue up to 195,000 new H-1B visas annually for the next three years to skilled foreign workers.

New federal rules restrain railroad mergers

Transactions must be in the 'public interest'

By Randolph E. Schmid
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators want to make it harder for railroads to merge and announced a set of new rules Tuesday to govern such combinations.

The Transportation Department's Surface Transportation Board, which regulates railroads, imposed a 15-month moratorium on mergers in March. The hiatus was to allow time for board experts to study problems that resulted from combinations in the 1990s, notably the 1996 marriage of Union Pacific and Southern Pacific.

The moratorium blocked a pending merger between Canadian National and Burlington Northern, which have since filed suit seeking to overturn it.

Railroads with revenues of more than \$250 million annually are cov-

ered by the rules announced Tuesday. The rules now will be open to public comment and could take effect by next summer, the board said. The moratorium expires next June.

"The new rules would significantly increase the burden on applicants to demonstrate that a proposed merger transaction is in the public interest," the board said.

Board Chairman Linda Morgan said the new rules will require merger applicants to show that the transaction would increase competition and will require much more accountability with respect to claimed benefits and service.

The board said it does not intend to prevent mergers that would be "genuinely" in the public interest.

The board said the new rules rep-

resent a major shift from the pro-merger approach that has guided agency decisions for the last 20 years.

New consolidations "are likely to result in some competitive harms, such as the loss of geographic competition, that are difficult to remedy directly," the board said in a statement.

The board said the rules will require applicants to propose specific ways to keep open major existing gateways.

They will also require that shippers in a so-called bottleneck situation be able to receive contract rates for separate portions of a route.

Two railroads might be available to carry coal from a mine to a transfer point but only one of them goes on to the utility that wants the coal. The rules would require that railroad to

quote rates separately between the mine and transfer point and from the transfer point to the utility so the shipper can compare the cost of using that line for the whole trip or shipping part of the way on another carrier.

The agency said it will look for other competition-enhancing proposals and will impose conditions as necessary to prevent harm to shippers.

"Because claimed benefits in recent mergers have often been delayed or frustrated by transitional service problems," the board said it will closely study future claims of merger benefits.

Noting the international scope of some mergers, the board said it will also require applicants to show their proposed merger would be consistent with the North American Free Trade Agreement and would not undermine the nation's defense needs,

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“People do it because they get bored with what they have. It’s a glamorous thing to do.”



Dustin Van Orne, a sophomore art history and radio-TV-film major; Josiah Miller, a sophomore radio-TV-film major; Justin Kiehl, a freshman premajor; and Allison Hester, a junior studio art major, show off their colorful hair. Van Orne bleached his hair blonde and added black circles to create a leopard-print appearance.

Story and photo illustrations by Yvette Herrera

A Splash of Color

Students dye hair in outrageous colors, patterns

Hair coloring has gone from bleaching brunette hair to artistically creating an image of something onto hair.

Dustin Van Orne, a sophomore art history and radio-TV-film major, uses his hair as a self expression. He and his friends bleached his hair blonde, and then painted black circles on it with a toner brush to create a leopard look.

“It was experimental,” Van Orne said. “It’s not that I want to be a non-conformist. I see it as a form of art.”

Justin Kiehl, a freshman premajor, said he saw people walking around campus with blue, purple and pink hair, and since green hadn’t been done yet, he decided would be one of the first. It also didn’t hurt that green is his favorite color.

“My friend’s sister bleached my (brown) hair, and then dyed it green,” Kiehl said.

Kiehl worked at a Blockbuster Video store this summer, and he intends on going back in December. He said his manager doesn’t mind the green hair, but Kiehl knows eventually he’ll have to dye his hair back to its natural color.

“College is a time that you can get away with this,” Kiehl said. “But I guess at some point I’ll have to give into society and do what they want me to do.”

Janace Clarke, an assistant professor in design and merchandising, said hair dying started in the 1930’s when many brunette actresses were bleaching their hair blonde.

“People do it because they get bored with what they have,” Clarke said. “It’s a glamorous thing to do.”

Josiah Miller and Allison Hester were bored Labor Day weekend when they decided to color Miller’s hair blue and Hester’s hair pinkish red.

Miller, a sophomore radio-TV-film major, said his reason for doing it was simply because he likes the color blue.

Hester, a junior studio art major, said she has been dyeing her hair different colors since high school. She said her parents were never happy about it. In fact, the last time that she colored her hair, she said they put their foot down and said, “Not again.”

So, what about all the attention these four students are receiving from others on campus and bewildered people in malls?

“Some people love it,” Miller said. “They stop me and ask me how I did it.”

Van Orne’s leopard print attracts the attention of many people, he said.

“People stop and stare all the time,” Van Orne said. “Some women stopped me in the grocery store and asked me how I did it.”

Van Orne said they told him it was their favorite print.

As soon as Kiehl walked into his world religion class with green hair his professor, Ronald Flowers, said he was reminded of an event when he temporarily dyed his hair green to compliment his date who was dressing as a rabbit for a costume party. Flowers originally planned on dressing as a carrot but had to settle for an asparagus after he couldn’t find any orange to wear.

“(Kiehl’s green hair) was dramatically noticeable,” Flowers said. “But as far as I’m concerned, it isn’t a distraction to the class.”

Olga Longoria, a professional chemical technician and stylist from Le Duke, said hair coloring is especially popular among women between the ages of 18 and 28. She said color trends are always changing.

Longoria said people that color their hair don’t have to worry about damage if they regularly condition their hair and properly apply the color. Incorrect application can cause breakage and damage to the tips of the hair, she said.

“Color removes pigment and moisture of the hair, so they have to manually apply moisture with conditioner at least twice a week,” Longoria said.

None of the four students interviewed went to a professional hair stylist to color their hair, but they weren’t concerned about any damage.

Kiehl said he could always shave his head if there was any real damage.

Hester said she didn’t mind any damage because hair grows back.

Van Orne said he plans on frequently changing his hair color and style. His next project might even be to create the image of a checker board on his head.

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FALL FORECAST CALLS FOR LEATHER WEATHER

Fashion designers look to leather to liven up classic, seasonless styles

By Valli Herman-Cohen
LOS ANGELES TIMES

LOS ANGELES — Even in the most refined hands, leather possesses a slightly sinister side. But its animalistic and dangerous past life as the apparel of choice for bikers, punk rockers and strutting antiheroes is helping designers solve one of the most difficult design challenges of recent seasons: making classic, almost stale, silhouettes hip.

Cut a prim A-line skirt in leather and, suddenly, it’s gone from schoolgirl to bad girl, with the attitude of both. That skirt is poised to become the key element in Los Angeles’ new fall style. Whether it’s a skirt, sleek pants, an exotic designer handbag or the ultimate finishing accessory — a pair of tall and spindly boots, leather and suede fashions are defining the latest spin of the luxury fashion cycle.

“It’s a status, luxury time right now,” said Los Angeles designer Melissa McElrath, of the new Melissa M contemporary clothing collection. “Anything that has a luxury feel we have a better chance of selling now.”

Even in the heat of late summer, the city’s fashion cognoscenti have been

quick to party hop in their freshly minted suede hip-huggers and leather skirts, all worn with sheer or bare tops, sandals and statement handbags. Leather is the first big fall trend to emerge for temperate Southern California. Like cashmere, leather is becoming widely available, though at varying quality and prices for men and women.

When the new fall clothes debuted on runways last year, ladylike looks, such as chiffon blouses, neat suits and tweeds, were heralded as the must-haves for the season. They’re still important, but Los Angeles has embraced racier leather.

“L.A. has always been such a big leather city,” said Julie Gilhart, vice president of fashion merchandising for Barneys New York. “It has the appeal of being sexy. It’s seasonless. And people now know how to wear it.”

Retailers from Macy’s to Gap to Neiman Marcus stocked up in August on key leather looks, buoyed by the success of spring’s snakeskin phenomenon. They stuffed their racks with multiple personalities of leather — from adventurous snug pants, to timid leather-trimmed denim and tweed skirts, to classic zip or button jackets for the invest-

ment dresser. Some sensitive manufacturers are offering animal-friendly alternatives in synthetic pleather, vinyl and Ultrasuede.

For guys, leather chinos and zip jackets have emerged as the fall front-runners, even for the workplace. Macy’s features \$170 leather Levi’s jeans for guys, as well as Kenneth Cole’s \$360 car coat and other jackets from \$300.

With the new mood, designers are replacing leather stereotypes and are embarking on a more experimental path.

“We just treat leather like it’s another fabric in our collection,” said McElrath. “We’ve been doing leather year-round for the last year, and that’s unusual.” She offers 16 colors of suede, including hot pink, burnt orange, yellow and lavender.

“Black leather really is classic,” she said. “It’s great in a five-pocket jean. But there is a

whole lot more you can do with leather.”

Los Angeles designer William Beranek of William B. decorates his leather skirts with geometric appliques. McElrath suggests a casual luxe look for her A-line leather skirts.

“The cooler way to wear leather is one piece of luxury with a bunch of stuff that’s not — flip-flops, jeans, T-shirt and a Louis Vuitton bag,” she said.



Sela Ward wore leather dress to the 52nd Annual Emmy Awards at the Shrine Auditorium on Sunday, Sept. 10.