



Before he stepped on the field Saturday, senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson said he knew his number would be called often.

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## University to switch health insurance carriers Jan. 1

### Committee recommends school change to UnitedHealthcare plan

By Wendy Meyer  
STAFF REPORTER

TCU will change health insurance carriers Jan. 1 to UnitedHealthcare because faculty and staff experienced delays in getting health care from current carrier PacifiCare, said Ken Morgan, co-chairman for the Retirement, Insurance and Benefits committee.

The RIB committee made a recommendation Thursday to administration about which health carrier plan looked most appealing. They had three viable bids to choose from, Morgan said. Besides PacifiCare and UnitedHealthcare, the third bidder was SIGMA.

United Healthcare, a national company with about 40 million members, was chosen to be the new carrier for the medical plans offered to faculty and staff.

Premiums for the new Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) will increase by 14.4 percent and the smaller Preferred Provider Plan will decrease by 0.7 percent, according to a memo to faculty members sent by John Weis, assistant vice chancellor of human resources.

The change will mean an approximate \$20.53 monthly increase for a faculty and spouse HMO plan, according to numbers compiled by Carol

Campbell, vice chancellor for finance and business. Compared to last year's prices, the university will pay \$34.97 more per faculty member under this plan. For total monthly coverage, the HMO for a faculty and a spouse will cost \$440.91.

"I think no one welcomes premium increases, but so far everyone has seemed very pleased," Campbell said.

The cost to cover the health insurance premiums for the entire university is \$4.7 million but the university pays 63 percent of the premium and the employees pay 37 percent, Morgan said.

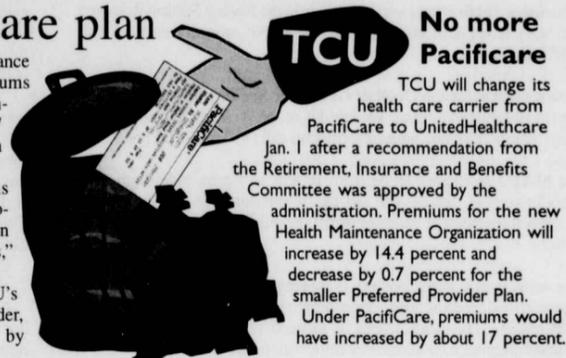
If the university had kept PacifiCare

as its health insurance provider, premiums would have increased by about 17 percent, Morgan said.

"My feeling is that this plan is substantially better in cost and options," Morgan said.

Prudential, TCU's dental plan provider, was purchased by

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No more PacifiCare

TCU will change its health care carrier from PacifiCare to UnitedHealthcare Jan. 1 after a recommendation from the Retirement, Insurance and Benefits Committee was approved by the administration. Premiums for the new Health Maintenance Organization will increase by 14.4 percent and decrease by 0.7 percent for the smaller Preferred Provider Plan. Under PacifiCare, premiums would have increased by about 17 percent.

## VEIN OF INFLUENCE



Yvette Herrera/STAFF REPORTER

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Don Mills donates blood in the Student Center Lounge Monday. Carter BloodCare will be taking blood on campus through Wednesday.

### Blood drive working to increase donor numbers with added publicity, support

By Elise Rambaud  
STAFF REPORTER

Alpha Phi Omega, TCU Panhellenic Council and Carter BloodCare officials said they hope a change in location, increased publicity and support from administration will make this year's blood drive a success.

#### Blood Donor Requirements

The TCU Blood Drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and Wednesday in the Student Center basement.

To donate blood you must:

- ▶ be at least 17-years-old
- ▶ weigh at least 110 pounds
- ▶ consume food and drink within four to six hours prior to donating blood

The need for greater donor participation was prompted by a significant decline in last year's TCU blood drive donor numbers.

This year, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills showed his support by donating blood. Mills said he has been donating blood for over 20 years.

"Giving blood is easy, relatively fast and painless," Mills said. "It's just part of the gift we can give to the community."

APO member Justin Galbraith, a junior e-business major, said he asked Mills to participate in the blood drive because students look to him as a campus leader.

"Many people are hesitant to donate blood so (APO) hoped support from the administration would encourage more

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### Panhellenic co-sponsors APO blood drive

By Michael Davis  
STAFF REPORTER

For the first time, TCU's Panhellenic Council is co-sponsoring Alpha Phi Omega's biannual blood drive in response to a request from the University of Texas at Austin's Panhellenic Council.

Keri Giesler, the president of UT's PHC, was diagnosed in August with acute lymphocytic leukemia and is currently asking for donations of A-positive blood and platelets. The PHC at UT sent out a mass e-mail to panhellenic councils around

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## Key topics to be discussed at luncheon

### Commission recommendations include curriculum changes

By Erin Munger  
STAFF REPORTER

Today's luncheon for the Commission on the Future of TCU will focus on six key topics ranging from revamping the Core Curriculum to improving internships, Chancellor Michael Ferrari said.

"The undergraduate experience, the Core Curriculum, internships, the honors program, career placement services and graduate education programs are the categories that need shaping to move TCU to the next level of excellence," Ferrari said.

All commission members and Trustees will attend. Bob Schieffer, chairman of the Commission on the Future of TCU, will speak along with John Roach, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Ferrari.

Ferrari said the luncheon is a closure to the planning effort of the commission, and it will allow him to give the members of the Board of Trustees and commission members feedback and present the next steps they need to take.

The commission, which began in the summer of 1999, consisted of 17 task forces that examined the university and made recommendations for actions that will take TCU to the next level of excellence. A final compilation of all the task forces' recommendations will be presented to begin prioritizing the recommendations.

William Koehler, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, said improving the undergraduate experience will include facility upgrades, equipment upgrades, scholarships and more faculty members.

David Whillock, interim dean of the College of Communication, said the college needs upgrades in instructional equipment, labs and studios for the speech communications and radio-TV-film programs. He said radio-TV-film needs to switch from analog to digital technology.

"We need an equipment upgrade to link with the upgrades of the work place," Whillock said.

#### Final results

**What:** Closing luncheon for the Commission on the Future of TCU, unveiling the final compilation of the recommendations of its 17 task forces

**When:** Noon today

**Where:** Student Center Ballroom

**Main Speakers:** Bob Schieffer, CBS news anchor and commission chairman, and Chancellor Michael Ferrari

He said some of the current equipment is over 20 years old and outdated.

Robert Lusch, dean of the M.J. Neeley School of Business, said the school is off to a good start with the recent \$10.5 million donation from Stephen R. and Sarah Smith for a new building dedicated to entrepreneurial studies, and that the entrepreneur program will be a key part of the MBA program.

Lusch said he wants to strengthen the quality of the MBA program by recruiting more students and faculty on a national and international basis.

He also said he wants to attract students from different areas to the entrepreneur program.

"If you look at the history of entrepreneurs, they come from all walks," Lusch said.

Sam Deitz, dean of the School of Education, said one important need for the school is a new education complex.

"We would like to have a facility that included Starpoint School, Rise School, our students and possibly a daycare for faculty," Deitz said.

He said he sees this as a likely possibility, although it will not happen immediately.

One program in the school is in progress, however. Deitz said the School of Education is teaming up with the business school to combine an MBA and a Ph.D. in educator

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## inside today

Amid lingering resentment among Asian-Americans over the Wen Ho Lee case, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson announced safeguards Monday to guard against racial profiling within the department or among its private contractors.

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## MAGNET MANIA

David Dunai/CO-PHOTO EDITOR

Rachel Williams, a senior music education major, adds style to her personalized magnet at a social function for Tau Beta Sigma. The band service sorority hosted an evening of food and crafts to promote sisterhood in the band.



## New hot water boilers installed

### Beasley, Sid W. Richardson Building, library left without heat

By Michael Davis  
STAFF REPORTER

The installation of hot water boilers in four buildings across campus has left many students, staff and faculty in the cold — literally. But others have felt no noticeable difference in temperatures since the installations began.

There is still some limited heating being provided by the domestic boiler in Winton-Scott Hall. Beasley Hall, Sid W. Richardson Building and the Mary Coats Burnett Library

are completely without heat.

Some students have not noticed any drop in temperature. Juan Martinez, a sophomore premajor, said the library has been warm.

"To me it's been too hot," he said.

Rex Bell, mechanical manager at the Physical Plant, said the construction should be finished by Oct. 18.

Construction began on the piping for the new boilers in July after the plan had been finalized by Chancellor Michael Ferrari, Bell said. Heating has been out since the retrofitting

began, but workers were trying to beat the oncoming cold weather.

"The program's schedule has been pretty aggressive, and the guys have been working a lot of overtime," he said. "But we were hoping the weather would stay warm."

Bell said the installation is actually two days ahead of schedule.

The boilers needed to be replaced because they were old, Bell said. Upgrading the heating system had

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pulse

campus lines

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- **Golden Key National Honor Society** will have information tables for prospective members set up from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today and Wednesday in the Student Center.
- **The Department of Mathematics** will host professor Fernando Rodriguez-Villegas from the University of Texas at Austin. He will speak as part of the Frank Stones Research Lectureship series. The speech, "Lattice polygons and the number 12," will be at 4 p.m. today in Winton-Scott Hall, Room 145. Refreshments will be served at 3:30 p.m. in Room 171.
- **E-business applications** are due Friday in the Neeley Student Resource Center. No late applications will be accepted. For more information, call (817) 257-6772.
- **Review session for the October Grammar-Spelling-Punctuation test** will be from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Writing Center in Rickel Building, Room 100. For more information call (817) 257-7221.
- **The MAC3 Job Fair** will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the Arlington Convention Center. The job fair is sponsored by the Dallas/Fort Worth career centers. For more information call Career Services at (817) 257-7860.
- **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 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. The vaccine costs about \$75.
- **4th International Film Festival** runs today through Oct. 18 at local libraries. For more information call (817) 871-7791.

**Correction:** The photo entitled "Get a grip" in the Oct. 6 issue of the Skiff should have been credited to staff photographer Krystal Powell.

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WORLD

**Old rivals Greece and Turkey participate in unified, large-scale NATO military maneuvers**  
 IZMIR, Turkey — A massive NATO exercise involving 21,000 troops, 70 ships and 170 aircraft began Monday with submarine maneuvers off the Turkish coast in the Aegean Sea.

Seven nations are taking part in Destined Glory 2000, which will extend through Oct. 25.

The exercise, bringing Greek and Turkish forces side by side for a third time in a NATO exercise this year, marks a considerable improvement in improving relations between the traditional rivals and strengthening the alliance's southern flank.

"We are two countries in the same alliance," said Col. Kemal Potur of the Turkish navy.

Maj. Dotas Dimitris, an artillery officer from the Greek military, said the cooperation was a boost for a more powerful NATO.

"Military men are specialized in what exactly war is," Dimitris said. "We don't want war."

Tensions between Turkey and Greece, over long-running territorial conflicts, have been easing since the neighbors helped each other after both suffered from killer earthquakes last year. The countries have come to the brink of war three times in the past 26 years.

On Saturday, six Greek warplanes landed at a Turkish air base to join the exercise.

Greek troops will arrive in Turkey on Wednesday to take part in landing maneuvers. The Turkish military had earlier said they would embark today.

Turkish soldiers and aircraft participated in NATO's Dynamic Mix exercises earlier this year in Greece.

Soldiers and sailors from five other countries — the United States, Britain, Germany, Spain and Italy — are also taking part in the exercises.

NATION

**Washington Post report connects fatal Ford Explorer accidents to SUV instead of tires**

WASHINGTON — The Ford Explorer has a higher rate of tire-related accidents than other sport utility vehicles even when fitted with tires made by Goodyear, according to an analysis by *The Washington Post*.

Ford has said the accidents that killed 101 people were the result of tread-separation problems with Firestone tires.

In a report published Monday, auto analysts told the *Post* there appeared to be something about the Explorer that may be contributing to the accidents.

The *Post* analysis gives "an indication that there may be a factor with the Ford Explorer beyond the tire issue," said James Fell, who retired last year as the head of research for the National Highway and Traffic Safety Administration. "It's a first in-

dicator that they may have a stability problem."

Officials at the Ford Motor Co. and Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. said the *Post* analysis was faulty because the number of accidents examined was too small to be meaningful. They also said accident databases don't always accurately identify vehicles and that Explorers shouldn't be compared to the full range of SUVs.

Ford said Monday that Explorers in Florida had a lower fatality rate per miles driven for all accidents and for those involving rollovers.

"In Florida, and nationally, Explorer has a better safety record than other compact SUVs," the company said.

The *Post* looked at crashes nationally from 1997 to 1999 and also used a larger database from Florida of fatal and nonfatal crashes for the same period.

The newspaper analyzed a national database of 2,000 fatal accidents involving SUVs and concluded that Explorers had a higher rate of tire-related accidents than did other SUVs.

STATE

**Border Patrol makes preliminary plans to heighten security on the Texas-Mexico border**

SAN ANTONIO — Despite talk of a more lenient immigration policy, the U.S. Border Patrol is moving ahead with preliminary plans for the military to build as many as 1,300 miles of road and install fences, spy cameras and thousands of stadium-style lights along the Rio Grande and Texas-Mexico boundary.

Additions, which include up to 90 miles of fence in Texas, are necessary to cut down on covert entries into the United States, the Border Patrol says.

"We are prepared to take properly measured steps to safeguard the border," Todd Birdsong, assistant chief for the Border Patrol in Washington, told the *San Antonio Express-News* in Monday's editions. "No contracts have been cut, no plans have been finalized. It is extremely preliminary."

However, the plans come as Mexican President-elect Vicente Fox is urging a more open border. Some say Mexico and its citizens are again being targeted.

"We feel they treat us like criminals," said Andres Cuellar, official historian for the border city of Matamoros, Mexico.

But some frustrated border residents said just about anything would help.

"If that is what it takes, that is what it takes," Tommy Vick, a retired railroad foreman who lives seven miles upriver from Del Rio, said.

He said he faces thieves crossing the border to Texas, breaking into his home, then fleeing to the safety of Mexico.

"Just about every week you hear about somebody getting something stolen," Vick said.

The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Ser-

vice completed preliminary steps this summer to ensure compliance with federal environmental laws, should it want to implement any or all of the plans, according to the report by the Army Corps of Engineers. It would oversee activity in partnership with the INS.

"We have to change the entrenched mindset that the border can be exploited," said Birdsong.

A five-year plan calls for unarmed military construction units to take up temporary duty within 50 miles of the border. The military could get needed training constructing base camps and roads and for the patrol to stretch its budget and cover a border that is often left wide open for drug traffickers and undocumented immigrants.

**Jacob's Well to be further explored despite 8 deaths attributed to the underwater cave**

SAN MARCOS — Jacob's Well, the flooded Central Texas cave that has claimed at least eight lives in the past three decades, is once again beckoning divers into its depths.

Divers of the San Marcos Area Recovery Team are trying to dispel the long-standing reputation of the spring as a death trap.

"There's this voice calling, saying come on down," cave diver Don Dibble told the *San Marcos Daily Record* in Monday's editions. "It's a Moby Dick syndrome. People want to get romantic about nature being a malevolent creature waiting for a human being to make a mistake."

"That's absurd, of course," he said. "The well is not evil, but nature can be a problem when humans make mistakes."

Most of the deaths in Jacob's Well have occurred at or near a tunnel to a mysterious fourth chamber. The "magic tunnel," as Dibble calls it, was formerly so narrow that it required divers to remove their air tanks before trying to slide through.

But Dibble, who recovered from injuries he sustained in the cave 21 years ago, said, "For some reason, the tunnel has opened up to the point it can be transversed" without divers removing their tanks.

Dibble said he will be part of the team providing surface support for the dive, designed to install a permanent line from the surface to near the now wider tunnel.

"We have chosen the members of SMART that have been on the most operations and have the most experience with the team," said team member Dan Misiaszek. "Although Jacob's Well has a bad reputation, this can and safe exploration."

He and diver Jim Price plan to make actual entry into the fourth chamber, where skeletal remains of the two young divers are believed to be entombed. If remains are located, they will be videotaped and left in place.

Misiaszek said none of the divers who died in Jacob's Well were trained in cave diving, and at least two of them lacked even basic scuba certification.

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## THANKS & SPANKS

### Semester's highlights, lowlights

Now that we are halfway into the semester, we decided to comment on a few of the highlights and the lowlights we have seen on campus so far.

**Thanks:** To Dennis Franchione and his wife, Kim, for commissioning the painting "TCU Horned Frog Football 1896-2000" and making 300 commemorative prints available to the public at \$200 each. The money could go to the football team but instead will be given to the Mary Coats Burnett Library and the TCU Band.

**staff editorial**

**Spanks:** One word — parking.

**Thanks:** To the people who donated blood to the Carter BloodCare blood drive sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega and TCU Panhellenic Council. The fluorescent bandages may be fun, but the needles sure don't feel good.

**Spanks:** To 11 a.m. TCU football games guaranteed to be on television while most of the fans are still asleep.

**Thanks:** To the Jewish scholar search committee for seeking an internationally recognized rabbi and scholar to head the new Jewish studies program that will add Jewish courses to both Brite Divinity School and TCU.

**Spanks:** To the Jewish scholar search committee for now lowering their search to "mid-level" applicants after a year of searching, unsuccessfully, to find an internationally recognized rabbi and scholar willing to move to TCU.

**Thanks:** To Programming Council for another successful — and busy — Family Weekend.

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## Beaty's courage a gift

As with all of the TCU community, I was shocked and greatly saddened by the recent death of TCU student Amanda Beaty. I never really got to know her, but I did see her around campus, and I occasionally held doors open for her as I saw her coming. She always gave a polite "thank you" as she went through the doorway.

### Commentary



**JOHN P. ARAUJO**

According to the Skiff, Amanda had only been here two semesters, but it seemed longer than that, because she was already a familiar sight on campus for me. It saddens me that I will not be seeing her with her dog Nick in tow. They were quite a team.

Death, as they say, is as inevitable as taxes, but it still manages to catch us by surprise. For instance, my grandmother's death was a surprise to the family, even though she had been suffering the effects of breast cancer for over a decade before she passed away. Why does death always seem to sneak up on us?

I knew in the back of my mind

that she would eventually pass away, especially with the cancer slowly sapping her strength and health, but I still wanted her to live forever. A selfish part of me wanted her to stay. I never prepared for her eventual passing, so when it happened, I was not ready.

In January, I had signs of what may be the beginnings of arthritis. My joints were hurting something fierce, and the discomfort I had felt at various times had been enough for me to stay home from work.

I was really starting to feel sorry for myself for a while. However, I couldn't allow myself to stay down. Why? Because of the examples I have witnessed, both at home and at school. The discomfort I felt was only that: discomfort. There are others who feel genuine pain and still go about their daily routines.

My grandmother persevered despite the pain to help her family. Her family was her life, and she wasn't going to let even cancer stop her from enjoying her grandchildren as long as she could (and she did, right to the end).

And then there is Amanda Beaty. I do not know what McCune-Albright syndrome does to the body, but it could not have been easy to live with. In addition, it could not have been easy to put up with the ignorance of those few who were not comfortable with her presence

and wished she would leave.

And yet, Amanda went to school and on to college. Nothing was going to stop her from pursuing her dreams. Do you know what you call going out in public to pursue your dreams despite the physical discomfort and the occasional ignorant person that one may endure?

It is called courage.

At its worst, the discomfort I felt with my pre-arthritis attack was not near the pain that both Amanda Beaty and my grandmother endured. And yet, they didn't let that stop them. Having witnessed such courage from these two women, how can I do any less?

It is a tragedy that Amanda died so young, but the greater tragedy would have been if she never tried at all to pursue her dreams. Had she succumbed to the pain in her body or the fear of the ignorance of others, she would have never given the rest of us the chance to witness the courage that she showed every time she went out in public.

Oddly enough, because she dared to pursue her dreams, we are the ones who are the better for it. What a wonderful gift.

Thank you, Amanda, and peace be with you.

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### in your words

letters to the editor

**Pride — regardless of one's race — should not be a negative thing**

Recently, the word "pride" has been linked with discrimination and racism. Pride has developed a negative connotation — especially when applied to white people. It should not have to be that way.

Personally, I am proud of my white heritage. My ancestors are from a plethora of European nations including England, Sweden, Ireland, Germany and various Slavic countries. I am proud to call myself American. I am proud to call myself Roman Catholic. I am also proud to call myself white. I am not, however, racist, nor am I prejudiced against people based on religion, sex, race, etc.

People generally approve of things like Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month. If, however, white people would have the same pride-showing celebration of their ancestry, people would be outraged, claiming that whites were racist.

I do support the idea of Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month. They give people the chance to learn things about their own race or a race other than their own. Additionally, they give people a new perspective on a different culture and help fight the stereotypes associated with that culture.

Therefore, I see nothing wrong with a White History Month. It might help white people learn about their various European cultures beyond the confines of what the classroom chooses to teach. It may also shed a new perspective on white histories for members of another culture.

I believe that everyone should take pride in their heritage, and it shouldn't be viewed as a bad thing — regardless of their race, religion, beliefs, etc.

I'm proud to be white. I'm proud to be Roman Catholic. I'm proud to be female. I'm proud to go to TCU. I'm proud to be an American. I urge all of you to be proud of your heritage, to be proud of who and what you are. I know I am.

— Sarah Bates,  
sophomore astrophysics,  
philosophy and math major

**Ethnicity should not be determined based on skin color**

In response to Miranda Nesler's column "White pride not a bad thing," there are many shades of white. First we need to know what is meant by white.

I am an Asian American; however, I am "whiter" than my blond haired, blue-eyed "white" roommate. Is ethnicity determined by the color of one's skin? Outside the bubble of TCU, there are a plethora of people with white skin color but a variety of multiracial dimensions. What is an albino African American considered? Black or white?

And how exactly are white people being "punished" on account of their "whiteness"? Because there is no "white" television station? Because there is no celebration of their Americanism? Because they couldn't get a scholarship?

Well, wake up and smell the coffee. Every channel on television is a "white" station; we celebrate the fourth of July because we are proud to be Americans; and as far as not being eligible for a scholarship — that probably has more to do with being an "upper middle-class female" than because of your "whiteness."

— Ruthy Googins,  
senior nutrition major

## Government can't be relied on for safety

### It's citizens job to increase morality and safety of children in public school system

As a college freshman raised entirely in the public school system, I arrived at college with absolutely no educational background in any subject that dealt with morality, philosophy, religion, or any other course that might anger parents who think their children's minds are being tainted and their rights trespassed upon.

So, even though I am a little behind, I am ecstatic to finally be in a system where I can say what I want about anything and not be sued for stepping on somebody's toes.

What follows is a rite of passage that most state-educated students

will probably understand. Basically, after more than 12 years of being told what I can and cannot talk about, I'm just glad that I can finally voice my opinions in a free forum.

I am a journalism student, and on principle, I believe in the freedom of speech and the press. While I am a Christian, I do respect the right of people who practice other religions. I do not, however, respect the fact that the politically correct way of ensuring the rights of others is to take mine away.

I'm tired of someone crying foul when a student wants to lead willing members of the student body in a moment of silence or an invocation at a sporting event. I

hate that the only way God can be mentioned in a public school is through Christian clubs that meet once a week.

Most of all, I am disgusted by people who look at the aftermath of school violence and yell at the government for more protection and gun control when what children really need is to be taught not to commit such heinous crimes in the first place. The answer is not to make sure that kids can't get guns.

The answer is to make sure kids do not even want to get guns or go on murder sprees in the first place. And how can we expect the youth of our country to be morally secure if we rip away all traces of educating them on morality?

Whether we want to admit it or not, the morality of this country is

plummeting, and we are the only people who can be held accountable. I won't always look to the government to help us, because many of the politicians I have been exposed to are just as immoral as the people I believe we need to help.

Look at the presidential debates. In this country, every minute someone is killed, raped, tortured, beaten, robbed, molested or harmed in some way that makes my nightmares become very vivid. But when I watched the debates, I saw that the candidates main issue is tax cuts.

Will tax cuts make schools safer? Will tax cuts, in any way, shape or form make me worry less when my nephew goes to his first day of school?

Yes, I am out of high school. I

will never again be in a public education system. But my nephew will. All the other children in my family are or will be in the future. And if it comes to pass that I have children, they might even end up in public school too. How many people on this campus have little brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews in public school? Do you really believe they are safe?

Just because we are no longer in the system does not mean we cannot strive to change it. It still affects us. Because as long as we are in the human race, what affects the children of our country will always affect us.

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## students speak out

"I'm going to stay home and study a lot of biology."

— Zaid Chaudhry  
junior biology major



"I have rehabilitation and practice, and I'm going home to Dallas."

— Teshai Bogar  
freshman premajor



"I plan on going to track practice on Friday afternoon and sleeping the rest of the weekend."

— Esther Thomas  
freshman biology major



"I'm going back to Albuquerque. I'm going to go to the mass ascension at the balloon fiesta."

— Tyler Summers  
freshman engineering major



"I'm finally going back home to Houston. I can't wait to see what's going on in H-town."

— D.A. Obahor  
freshman premajor



## What are your plans for Fall Break?

## COMMISSION

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leadership. He said this would require some funding for faculty, but not a lot.

Rhonda Keen-Payne, dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences, said various aspects of the college need improvement because it focuses on uniting four professional schools: nursing, kinesiology, social work and speech pathology.

She said the college does not necessarily need to grow in numbers, but it needs to maintain or increase its quality.

To do this, Keen-Payne said the college needs research programs for faculty, scholarships (especially for

graduate students), more high-quality faculty and equipment.

The nursing department needs a \$450,000 human simulator, a computerized mannequin that would allow students to treat the "patient" and see the results, she said.

The communication sciences and disorders department needs a \$30,000 video recording TV system, Keen-Payne said. She said it would allow the professors to record one-on-one sessions between patients and graduate students so they can better assess the students' abilities.

The Miller Speech and Hearing facility hosts this program, and it allows students to have hands-on experience with patients who are children, she said.

The facility is also closed during the summer because there is no fac-

ulty for that time, Keen-Payne said.

"The waiting list is up to one year," she said. "The facility needs to be open all year."

Keen-Payne said the kinesiology department needs new equipment because some is 20 years old.

Mark Toulouse, dean of the Brite Divinity School, said the school needs an upgrade in facilities, which is in progress, and to focus on globalization.

Currently the school is searching for a person of Jewish heritage to serve as a chairperson for the school, Toulouse said.

The Core Curriculum, or required classes, is another aspect of TCU that will be highlighted at the luncheon.

Koehler said the administration is forming a committee comprised of faculty members to review the

curriculum.

He said the committee members will be asked to consider two aspects: the qualities, characteristics and skills an undergraduate should receive while in college and what they have once they receive a bachelor's degree from TCU.

The committee chairman will be Robert Seal, the university librarian.

"We decided to begin with the end in mind," Koehler said. "If we can build a consensus on that, then we can decide the best way to achieve these goals." He said a report is due Nov. 17.

Another area of concern is internships.

"I have seen some internships that were not even close to what they needed to be," Koehler said.

Internships require staff members

that create internship opportunities, he said.

As for the Honors Program, Koehler termed it the "intellectual heart" of the university.

"We have more opportunity to experiment with learning in the Honors Program than we take advantage of," Koehler said.

Career development is yet another subject that is of immediate importance. Koehler said this is broken down into two categories: development and placement.

Development consists of helping the student understand where his or her talents are and pointing them in the right direction, Koehler said. Placement functions then take place within the individual TCU colleges.

Ferrari said graduate programs is

one of the main concerns for TCU.

Koehler said they will first examine current Ph.D. and masters programs for areas that need improvement, then they will look at possible new programs.

Both Ferrari and Koehler targeted law and pharmacy as possible new graduate programs.

"If you look at universities with significant reputations, 90 percent have significant law, business, pharmaceutical and divinity programs," Koehler said.

Adding law and pharmacy to TCU would help place the university into the next level the commission is striving to achieve, he said.

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## BLOOD DRIVE

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students and faculty to donate blood," Galbraith said.

The blood drive has traditionally been held in the Student Center Lounge to attract the attention of potential donors, but last year, the blood drive was held in the basement.

Student Center director Larry Markley said he and Mills implemented a new university policy prohibiting campus organizations from reserving the entire lounge for all-day events last year. The lounge is meant to be a place for students to relax, eat and study, so it is kept open for student use, he said.

Kelly Cowdery, APO service vice president, said the organization has had some difficulties in reserving the lounge for the blood drive because of

scheduling conflicts, new policies or other complaints.

"It has all been a headache," she said. "All (APO) really wants is to get as many donors and save as many lives as we can."

Aimee Lavoie, APO member and student assistant blood drive coordinator, said she noticed the decrease in donor participation last year.

"Last November when the drive was held in the lounge, Carter BloodCare collected 302 blood units," Lavoie said. "February's blood drive was held in the basement and 177 units were donated."

As a compromise, half of the lounge was reserved for Monday, and the blood drive will be held in the basement today and Wednesday, said Markley.

During the Fall 1998 blood drive, there was a problem with some blood spilling on Student Center carpet, said Markley. Since then, extra pre-

cautions have been taken to avoid the risk of contamination, he said.

The blood spill was caused by a minor malfunction in one of the machines used to separate red blood cells from the plasma and platelets, said Cowdery. Carter BloodCare sent a cleaning crew and no parties involved were harmed or contaminated. Since then, every inch of exposed carpet is covered by plastic, she said.

This year, members have put forth more effort to promote the blood drive, said Cowdery. APO and Panhellenic Council members sent out a campus-wide e-mail, distributed car flyers, mailbox stuffers and posters. Letters were also sent out to campus organizations encouraging friendly competition. The organization that produces the most donors will receive a plaque, she said.

Gayle Knutson, Carter BloodCare recruiter and consultant, said it takes

800 blood donors a day to satisfy the transfusion needs of area hospitals. This year the goal is to get about 100 donors each day of the blood drive, she said.

Because of the increasing number of new transplants, transfusions and treatments, there is always a great need for blood donors, Knutson said. In the past two years, the need for blood has increased 10 percent, but donation has decreased by five percent, Knutson said.

Lavoie said the TCU Blood Drive is a unique opportunity to serve others because students can directly impact someone else's life.

"Other community service projects may be rewarding, but nothing can be as beneficial as knowing something you do is really for a worthy cause like saving a life," she said.

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## Palestinians turn their anger against the United States

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RAMALLAH, West Bank — Pressing a handkerchief to her nose, eyes streaming from tear gas, 21-year-old Palestinian student Houddeh Hamid gestured toward the rock-throwing clash in progress just down the road. "This is all America's fault," she said angrily.

Amid the 12-day outbreak of violence that has swept the West Bank and Gaza Strip, many Palestinians are expressing growing

bitterness toward the United States — sentiments that could complicate the long-running American bid to broker a Mideast peace.

Israel, of course, is the primary target of Palestinian fury over the clashes that have left dozens dead, nearly all of them Palestinians. But the United States, as Israel's closest ally and chief protector, is seen by many Palestinians as bearing a heavy share of responsibility for the methods Israel has used to quell the violence.

## HEATING

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been in the long-range plans for the university, he said.

The new boilers should be more efficient in terms of energy cost and production. The boilers were built specifically for TCU and were ordered at the end of July, Bell said.

The biggest difficulty was re-using some machinery of the old system and keeping the new system running for as long as possible, Bell said. They didn't want to have the heating out for too long, he said.

Bell said they were taking measures to conserve heat in those buildings.

"We have been turning off the air-handlers (units that exchange

air within the building) at night," he said. "The students warm up the room during the day and they are keeping the lights on at night."

Leo Newland, director of environmental science in the Sid W. Richardson Building, said he didn't know the heating was out.

Newland said they may have problems if the temperature remains cold, but at the moment there are no complaints. Workers will not be required to work overtime this weekend in order to finish the project by Oct. 18, but the boilers and pipes still have to be flushed out with chemicals to avoid scaling caused by the hard water present in North Texas.

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## PANHELLENIC

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the state asking for help in raising awareness and blood for Giesler.

Megan Korns, PHC director of service at TCU, said she approached TCU's Alpha Phi Omega President Cori Troxel about helping when the PHC found out about Giesler.

"I talked to Cori, and she said APO needed volunteers, so we got involved," Korns said.

Korns, who works at Cook Children's Medical Center, said although PHC got involved primarily because of Giesler, there is always an in-

creased need for blood during the winter because of an increase in the number of accidents.

Kelly Cowdery, APO's service vice president at TCU, said she was glad to have PHC show an interest in the blood drive.

"(PHC) expressed an interest and contacted Alpha Phi Omega several weeks ago," Cowdery said. "We will be really glad if we can get more people to donate blood. Hopefully, this will bring in more people and help publicize our efforts."

APO is a coed service fraternity that requires 20 hours of community service a semester for each member. APO members volunteer at places

like the AIDS Outreach Center, Tarrant Area Foodbank and the Fort Worth Zoo, Cowdery said.

Because the PHC got involved at a relatively late stage in the drive, members are mainly handling publicity for the drive.

Korns said the blood drive was announced in all of the PHC meetings. The Interfraternity Council has also been asked to make similar announcements in its meetings. Korns said she hopes to have an announcement made in each of the fraternity and sorority chapter meetings. The PHC has also helped put up fliers around campus to stimulate interest.

"We are encouraging the Greek

community to participate to get more blood in the system," Korns said. "Even if your blood type is not A-positive, you can still donate blood, and Keri will get credits," Korns said.

Blood drives to benefit Giesler have been held at the University of Houston, Southwest Texas State University, University of Texas at Austin and Stratford High School, a Houston-area high school and Giesler's alma mater.

Anyone interested in donating blood for Giesler can donate under her identification number, 428399.

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## Tailback returns to form

Tomlinson adds to his eight records

By Chad Carey  
STAFF REPORTER

Going into Saturday's game against winless Hawaii, it seemed that TCU senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson was due for a big game.

Just one week before in Annapolis, Md., Tomlinson had rushed for 121 yards on 33 carries against Navy — not exactly the Heisman Trophy-type numbers that Frog fans had been familiar with.

But in the cold and drizzle of Saturday, that all changed as Tomlinson had his best statistical game of the season and the Horned Frogs rolled to a 41-21 victory.

Tomlinson carried the ball a school-record 49 times for 294 yards and four touchdowns. His 294 yards are the most by a Division I-A college running back this year.

"I think our (offensive) line came out with a physical presence today," Tomlinson said. "They really got after those guys."

Despite the fact that Hawaii scored two first-quarter touchdowns, the Horned Frogs never really lost control of the game. By halftime, Tomlinson had already rushed for 196 yards and three touchdowns and TCU led 24-14.

Head coach Dennis Franchione said he wasn't worried about overworking his star tailback.

"He had 31 carries in the first half, and I said 'boy, I'm running my horse,'" Franchione said. "I didn't want to get him to tired, but he can handle it. He's used to doing those kind of things."

"I think he gets better the more he touches it. He wants the ball, and I like seeing him run with it."

Tomlinson said he didn't feel how many times he was carrying the ball until the game was finished.

"When the game was over, I thought I had to be close to 50 carries," Tomlinson said. "I asked how many (rushes I had), and they said 49. I thought, 'man, I'm going to be sore in the morning.'"

With his 294-yard performance, Tomlinson has now rushed for 974 yards this season and passed Andre Davis, becoming TCU's career all-purpose yardage leader with 5,136 yards.

TCU began the second half where they left off in the first. The Frogs went on an 11-play, 88-yard drive, that lasted five minutes. It was capped off by a three-yard touchdown run by junior fullback George Layne. The drive was the Horned Frogs' longest of the season.

After giving up 14 points in the first quarter, the TCU defense stiffened, allowing the Warriors to reach the end zone just once more.

Hawaii freshman quarterback Timmy Chang completed 18 of 44 passes for 266 yards and three touchdowns. Although the Chang struggled to complete passes, Hawaii finished with 384 total yards and 21 points, the most TCU's defense has surrendered all

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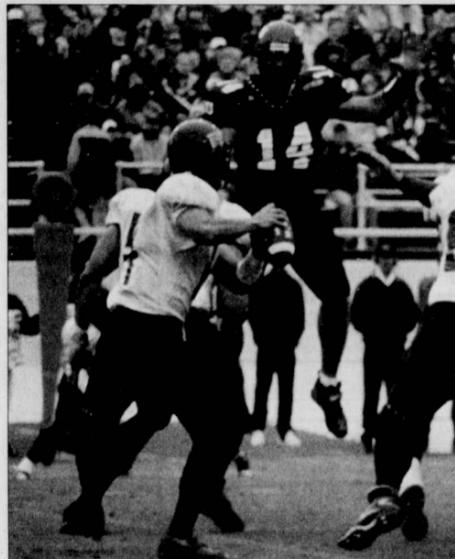
## FROGS GROUND WARRIORS

"It hasn't all set in yet. I'll probably appreciate (the records) and realize how special they all are once I have time to sit down and think about what it all means."

— Senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson

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Horned Frogs' senior defensive end Aaron Schobel (right) leaps in an attempt to disrupt Hawaii freshman quarterback Timmy Chang. TCU senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson (below) finds running room through the Hawaii defense Saturday en route to a season-high 294 yards. TCU remains undefeated with its 41-21 victory over the Warriors.



## TCU stays undefeated with victory

By Matt Stiver  
SKIFF STAFF

Before he stepped on the field Saturday, senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson said he knew his number would be called often.

"(Head Coach Dennis Franchione) told us, 'Offense, we got the bye week next week, but this week it's gotta be you,'" Tomlinson said. "So we took it upon ourselves. It was a blue-collar day."

The Frogs moved to No. 11 in The ESPN/USA Today coaches' polls and they are the No. 12 team in The Associated Press poll. TCU rushed 71 times for 393 yards and five touchdowns in a 41-21 drubbing that kept Hawaii winless. Tomlinson, who set a new TCU single-game record for carries with 49, rushed for 294 yards, the most in the nation this season in Division I-A, and four touchdowns.

Early in the first quarter, it appeared Hawaii's run-and-shoot offense would be too much for the Frogs. The Warriors fooled TCU on the first play from scrimmage.

With TCU blitzing, Hawaii called a flea-flicker that appeared to catch the Frogs off-guard. After sophomore Jason Goss chased Hawaii's Channon Harris down 58 yards later, Hawaii had a first down on the TCU 22-yard line. If true freshman quarterback Timmy Chang had not underthrown Harris, who had to stop at midfield to make the catch, Harris would have raced untouched into the end zone.

On Hawaii's next play, Chang again found Harris for a quick 22-yard touchdown.

TCU responded with a 59-yard drive to tie the score. With Franchione's words ringing in his ears, Tomlinson carried the ball eight times for all 59 yards and a one-yard touchdown.

The Frogs took the lead for good on a field goal by senior place kicker Chris Kaylakie with 12:12 to play in the second quarter.

The TCU defense took the first half to find its footing, having to switch focus from an option-rushing team (Navy) the week before to a run-and-shoot passing attack in Hawaii.

The Warriors passed for 187 yards in the first half, but only managed 79 in the second. Franchione said Hawaii added new offensive wrinkles into its game plan, which initially surprised the Frogs.

"Once we saw them, (defensive coordinator Gary) Patterson made some adjustments," Franchione said. "We got settled in and played our style of football."

While the TCU passing game recovered in the second half, the rushing defense did not fare as well.

The Warriors rushed for 118

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## frogsREPORTcard

The Skiff reviews the Horned Frogs' 41-21 victory over Hawaii.

**C+** **Passing offense**  
Sophomore quarterback Casey Printers reverted back to early-season form, completing 7 of 17 passes for just 91 yards and one interception. Granted, TCU never put much emphasis on the passing game all day as they crammed the ball down the Warriors' throat. But, Printers would say he expects more from himself. Junior fullback George Layne was the leading receiver with two catches for 55 yards.

**A+** **Rushing offense**  
TCU had 71 carries

for 393 yards. Senior LaDainian Tomlinson ran for 294 of those yards and four touchdowns. Layne pitched in with 23 yards and a touchdown. More importantly for TCU was its dominance of the time of possession. The Horned Frogs had the ball for 40:43 while Hawaii had the ball for just 19:17.

**B+** **Passing defense**  
Despite allowing a season-high 266 yards to freshman quarterback Timmy Chang, the Frogs still played tough defense. Chang completed just 18 of 44 passes. His inability to consistently complete passes kept the Hawaii offense off the field.

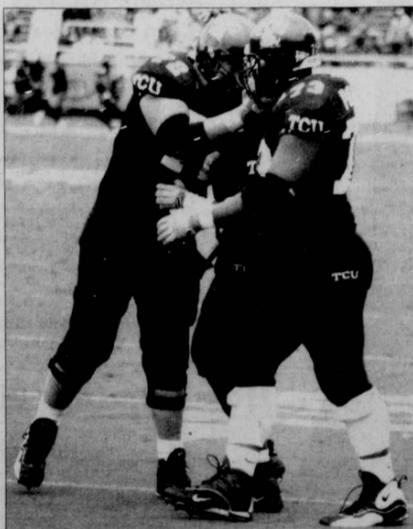
**B** **Rushing defense**  
TCU allowed 118 yards rushing, but Hawaii attempted only 16 running plays. That equates to a 7.4-yard average for Hawaii, by far the highest average given up this year by TCU. Before Saturday, Hawaii was without a formidable running game. Senior running back James Fenderson had 12 carries for 107 yards.

**A** **Special Teams**  
Senior Chris Kaylakie kicked two field goals from 33 and 42 yards and hit all five extra points. For the season, Kaylakie has hit 6 of 7 field goals and all 25 extra points this season. Junior punter Joey Biasatti averaged 34.8 yards on four punts.

### Inside the numbers

- 1 — TCU player to rush for 4,000 yards in a career.
- 4 — Yards passing for Hawaii in the third quarter.
- 5 — Career 200-yard games by senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson
- 10 — The TCU winning streak after its victory over Hawaii, second to only Nebraska for the longest winning streak in the nation.
- 41 — Or more points TCU has scored in four of its five games this season.
- 264 — Points scored by Tomlinson, placing him ahead of Michael Reeder (259) for first in TCU history.
- 4,079 — Yards rushing by Tomlinson.
- 5,136 — New career all-purpose yardage mark set by Tomlinson.

— Matt Stiver



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Senior guard Jeff Millican and sophomore guard Jamal Powell celebrate a touchdown by senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson. He ran for four touchdowns for the day and has 12 for the season.

## heismanTROPHYwatch

Virginia Tech sophomore quarterback Michael Vick led the Hokies to a 35-13 win over Temple, but Vick was anything but impressive. He turned the ball over five times. Vick threw for 162 yards and a touchdown and ran for 55 yards and another score.

Clemson junior quarterback Woodrow Dantzler keeps getting more and more impressive. Against a strong North Carolina State team, Dantzler completed 18 of 30 passes for 220 yards, a touchdown and two interceptions. He added 103 yards on 25 carries and two more touchdowns.

Florida State senior quarterback Chris Weinke had a much better day than the Seminoles' kicking game would lead you to believe. Weinke completed 29 of 58 passes for 496 yards and three touchdowns.

He also threw two interceptions. Weinke led the Seminoles back from a 20-10 deficit in the fourth quarter, but the kicking game couldn't come through with the game-winning field goal as Florida State lost 27-24.

TCU senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson had a season-best performance in the Horned Frogs' 41-21 win over Hawaii. He carried the ball a school-record 49 times for 294 yards and four touchdowns. By the half, he had piled up 196 yards.

Nebraska senior quarterback Eric Crouch had an average day in the Cornhuskers' 49-27 win at Iowa State. Crouch was 7 of 17 for 164 yards and an interception. He also ran 19 times for 138 yards and a touchdown.

— Danny Horne

## Top frogs

A look at the game's top performers.

TCU senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson had a career-high 49 carries for 294 yards and four touchdowns. His 294 yards represent the highest total of any running back in Division I-A this season, but was only his third highest total of his career. Last season, Tomlinson ran for 300 yards against San Jose State and a NCAA Division I-A record 406 yards against Texas-El Paso.

After a less-than-stellar game against Navy last week, Tomlinson answered back strong. The passing game struggled behind sophomore Casey Printers, but Hawaii never stopped the run, so TCU never needed to throw. The Frogs ran 71 times for a total of 393 yards. If his Heisman Trophy chances were hurt after last week's game, his season-high performance against the Warriors should bring him a few steps back into the race.

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Aetna. Aetna's dental plan will remain the same as the former plan but premiums for dental coverage will increase by about 8 or 9 percent, Morgan said.

Morgan said faculty was elated by the committee's decision and its recommendation was well-received.

"The bottom line cost is not as important as the quality of care," Morgan said. "What we are looking for is the best cost we can get for the highest quality of care."

Faculty members and health care users have lost patience with PacifiCare, not because of rising prices, but due to the lack of attention from primary care physicians and an inability for the company to make referrals, said Morgan.

Though thousands of Tarrant

County residents will have to pay more for coverage this year and employers are facing renewals or quotes with increases of more than 20 percent, many health care users at TCU say cost is not the main problem with PacifiCare.

Campbell said TCU also tried to avoid the 20 percent increase.

"We got a good quota and we negotiated hard," she said.

Marilyn Yates, administrative assistant for physics and astronomy, said her husband developed leukemia while waiting for the necessary bone marrow transplant. He was diagnosed with refractory anemia several months before he died, but the necessary operation was delayed, Yates said.

Yates spent months switching hospitals because the first two were not covered under the plan. Her husband waited an additional month after a hospital informed her on the night before the sched-

uled transplant that the operation was not approved by her health insurance.

"The longer this went on, the worse my husband was getting," she said.

Afterward, she began to receive delinquent notices because the insurer had not paid the bills, she said.

California-based PacifiCare took over TCU's former health carrier, Harris Methodist Health Plan, in February when the company was having extreme financial difficulties.

"What we clearly have experienced in the switchover is a delay in response time from PacifiCare," Morgan said.

The RIB committee evaluates the university's health care plan every year and makes a recommendation to administration at the end of September.

Now, like several large corpora-

tions insured by PacifiCare in Tarrant County, TCU is switching to a new insurance carrier, Morgan said.

Harris Methodist Health Plan was Tarrant County's main insurer for the last decade and provided coverage to almost 300,000 people in 1999, including TCU faculty and staff.

Expanding quickly by discounting prices and offering opulent benefits, the Harris Methodist Health Plan satisfied many employers and members, but caused the company to lose \$162.3 million, according to figures from the Texas Department of Insurance.

PacifiCare, one of the nation's largest health maintenance organizations, promised their stockholders during the acquisition that they would cut administrative costs and doctor's pay to make Harris Methodist more profitable.

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**NASA calls off launch of Discovery**

**Gusty winds halt plans for already delayed mission**

By Marcia Dunn

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Gusty wind forced NASA to call off Monday night's planned launch of space shuttle Discovery on a space station construction mission.

The flight was already four days late because of mechanical problems, which were resolved over the weekend. Launch managers said they would try again today, even though windy weather could still be a problem.

High wind prevented technicians from moving a vent hood into position over the external fuel tank Monday morning, part of the

preparation before the fuel tank can be filled. The wind limit is 48 mph, and gusts reached more than 51 mph, said NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham.

"With those winds blowing at that speed, we wouldn't be able to align the vent hood over the fuel tank," Buckingham said.

The hood, which NASA refers to as the beanie cap, is used during and after fueling to remove gaseous oxygen exhausting from the tip of the fuel tank. It is swung back two minutes before liftoff.

The astronauts were still hours away from boarding the shuttle when the countdown was halted.

Discovery was supposed to depart for the international space station last Thursday but was grounded by concerns over bolts on the external fuel tank. A sluggish valve in the shuttle's engine compartment also had to be replaced.

Shuttle managers wrapped up the bolt issue Sunday and declared Discovery safe to fly.

While reviewing film from Atlantis' launch last month, engineers noticed Wednesday that one of the bolts on the external fuel tank did not retract fully when the tank separated from the shuttle eight minutes into the flight as planned.

NASA immediately put together three teams to investigate the bolt malfunction and determine whether the problem might affect Discovery.

As of Sunday, after reviewing piles of film, engineers had identified about a half-dozen shuttle launches with similar bolt problems, said test director Steve Altemus. The malfunctioning bolts did not cause any of the fuel tanks to tilt or tumble when jettisoned, he said.

"That's good news," Altemus said.

The main concern last week was that a protruding bolt could put a spin on the 153-foot, rust-colored tank and cause the tank to slam into the space shuttle. Such a collision could be catastrophic.

NASA wants to launch Discovery as soon as possible in order for the space station to be inhabited early next month. The space station's first permanent crew cannot lift off until Discovery has visited the 240-mile-high outpost.

Discovery's seven astronauts will attach two new segments to the space station: a girderlike truss that holds motion-control gyroscopes and antennas, and a shuttle docking port. Four spacewalks are planned on four consecutive days.

It is NASA's first space station construction mission in two years.

**Safeguards initiated to stop racial profiling**

By H. Josef Hebert

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WASHINGTON — Amid lingering resentment among Asian-Americans over the Wen Ho Lee case, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson announced safeguards Monday to guard against racial profiling within the department or among its private contractors.

Richardson said he would "not tolerate even hints" of racial profiling and ordered his inspector general to investigate whether any such activity has occurred.

"We have made progress addressing concerns of racial profiling, but more needs to be done," Richardson said.

Richardson said he remains convinced that Lee, Taiwan-born former Los Alamos nuclear weapons laboratory scientist, was not singled out in an espionage investigation

because of his Asian background.

Still, said Richardson, there are "enough instances throughout the complex" to raise suspicion that such discrimination may have occurred in other circumstances.

"I want to eliminate once and for all any future suspicions," he said, although not elaborating on specific cases. "I will not tolerate even hints of racial profiling."

Richardson ordered revision of outside contracts to include guarantees against racial profiling; and he ruled that a contractor can be forced to pay for failing to deal with profiling.

Richardson acted against a backdrop of resentment among Asian-Americans about handling of the Lee case, an issue that could have political overtones just weeks

before the presidential election.

"This case, perhaps more than any other cause we've seen, has really galvanized the (Asian-American) community, more than campaign finance reform, more than welfare reform," said Victor Hwang, an attorney for the San Francisco-based Asian Law Caucus.

Hwang, whose group has joined a lawsuit Lee filed against the government charging privacy infringement, said he views the additional actions by Richardson "as a way to deflect an external investigation."

Asian-Americans have joined into a growing political force especially in such key states as California. Many Asian-American activists have been outspoken critics of the Clinton administration's treatment of Lee, from singling him out early

on as virtually the only target in a lengthy espionage investigation to confining him for nine months without opportunity for bail.

Last month Lee, 60, who was fired from his job at the Los Alamos nuclear weapons lab in March 1999, was freed from jail after the government dropped all but one of 59 security violation charges. He was never charged with espionage, and no evidence surfaced that he provided secrets to anyone.

For three years prior to Lee's firing at Los Alamos, he was the primary focus of an FBI investigation into the alleged loss in the 1980s of plans for one of the country's most sophisticated nuclear warheads.

Intelligence experts since have said if China obtained the information, it could have come from many sources.

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## pulse sidelines

### Men's cross country team takes first at Invitational

The TCU men's cross country team captured the five-team North Texas Cross Country Invitational held Friday at the Eagle Point Golf Course in Denton. TCU had 31 points, finishing ahead of Northwood University (45), North Texas (59), Texas A&M at Commerce (89) and Wylie College (119). TCU juniors Eliud Njubi and Herbert Mwangi finished first and second in the meet. They ran the five-mile course in 24:32 and 24:33 respectively, nearly a minute and half faster than their nearest competitor. Justin Speer (7th), Stephen Goff (10th), Bryan Katchinska (11th) and Justin Pillsbury (12th) rounded out the top six Horned Frog runners.

Mwangi, a transfer from Dodge City Community College, was selected as the men's Western Athletic Conference Runner of the Week for the week of Oct. 2-8.

Both men's and women's cross country squads return to action next Saturday. Head coach Dan Waters will take Njubi and Mwangi to Ames, Iowa for the Pre-National Meet, while the remainder of the men's squad will go to College Station for the Texas A&M Invitational. The women will travel to Fayetteville, Ark. for the Arkansas Chili Pepper meet.

### Men's tennis players play in ITA pre-qualifying round

Freshman Daniel Wajnberg, sophomore Jimmy Haney and senior Petr Koula traveled to The Lincoln Tennis Center in Stone Mountain, Ga. on Friday, to compete in the pre-qualifying round of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-American Championships. Senior Esteban Carril, currently ranked No. 6 in the nation, will join the Frogs this week for the main draw. The championships are the second leg of the 2000-2001 ITA Grand Slam and also the nation's largest collegiate tennis tournament with more than 300 participants. The first leg of the grand slam was the T. Rowe Price National Clay Court Championships, which were held Sept. 21-24 in Baltimore, Md. No TCU players competed at the clay courts.

### Gordon awarded WAC Men's Tennis Player of Month

Sophomore Antonio Gordon was named the Western Athletic Conference Men's Tennis Player of the Month for his performance during the month of September. Gordon is currently ranked No. 56 in the Wingspan Bank.com polls. He competed in the River Oaks Clay Court Championships in Houston, and finished as the runner-up. Gordon beat No. 34 Jon Wallmark of Southern Methodist in straight sets (6-4, 7-5) to make it to the finals. He lost in the finals to Oskar Johansson of Arkansas, who is currently ranked No. 9 in the country. Gordon finished the month of September with a record of 3-1.

### Stars' Hull scores 611th goal to pass father on all-time list

TORONTO (AP)—Although Brett Hull plays nothing like his father did, he's now ahead of him on the all-time goals list.

Hull scored his 611th goal, breaking a tie with his father, Bobby, as Dallas Stars defeated the Toronto Maple Leafs 3-1 Monday night.

"It's kind of eerie to be able to put up the same numbers, and yet be so opposite," Hull said. "I think it makes it more special."

"The first thing you should notice is, 'Holy cow, this kid can't skate a lick, and his father was one of the most graceful guys to ever play the game with power and speed,' and I'm the dead opposite. I play the game more from the brain as opposed to the body."

Hulls is now three goals short of passing Mario Lemieux for eighth place all-time.

"No matter how many goals I've scored I'm certainly not flashy, and when you're not flashy you almost look like a plumber out there and they forget about you," Hull said. "Plus I'm not a big celebrator or very physical, so you don't have people thinking about you and that's how to stay invisible."

Toronto coach Pat Quinn, who once played against Bobby, said the only similarity between the two is that they're both blond.

"Bobby was the dominate one," Quinn said. "He was, 'Give me the puck and I'll bull through everybody.' Brett has always gotten himself into a position where a good playmaker could find him. Brett has that incredible talent."

# Volley Frogs' four-game win streak ended

By Colleen Casey  
SKIFF STAFF

Head volleyball coach Sandy Troutd said the Volley Frogs are currently where she thought they would be in their season. She said she felt a sense of accomplishment because the TCU volleyball team could walk away from its losses and be proud of gaining experience.

After their first Western Athletic Conference loss to Nevada last Thursday, the Frogs also lost their four-game winning streak against WAC opponents.

Troutd said she believed Nevada was the best WAC team the Frogs had faced this season, despite the Wolf Pack's 6-9 overall record.

Any efforts the Volley Frogs made during the Nevada games were

## Troutd still optimistic after two road losses

matched by the Wolf Pack, as the Frogs couldn't recover until the third game. The Frogs took game three 16-14, after a 15-8 loss in game one and a 15-13 loss in game two.

A tight 17-15 victory in the fourth game sealed the deal for a 3-1 Nevada victory.

With the win, Nevada jumped ahead of TCU in the WAC standings and is currently ranked fourth. TCU is fifth after another loss, a 3-0 sweep to second-ranked Hawaii.

The loss to Hawaii evened the Frogs' conference record to 2-2 and the Rainbow Wahine still maintained their undefeated record, moving to 14-0, including four wins in the WAC.

The Frogs were slow in the first game, and never led again after a 3-1 beginning. The Wahine won the first game, 15-5.

In game two, Hawaii started with a 9-1 lead. However, the Frogs were able to take advantage of the Wahine's hitting errors, and took five points before Hawaii would score three more points, and eventually win the game 15-8.

Hawaii held TCU to a .000 hitting percentage during the first and second games, while they posted a .257. The Frogs were able to bump this percentage up to .125 during the third game.

The Wahine dominated the third game by taking a quick 10-point lead.

Hawaii won the third and decisive game 15-6.

The match only took one hour and 24 minutes, demonstrating the determination of a powerful Hawaiian game.

"Any time you play teams that are that well-trained, you're bound to learn something," freshman setter/center back Tori Barlow said. "Personally, I'm glad that I learned how to read blocks better (from the Hawaii match)."

Despite the two losses, Troutd said there were highlighted performances from senior outside hitter Amy Atamanczuk, junior outside hitter Marci King and junior setter Lindsay

Hayes.

All three of these players were able to record double-doubles on the Nevada match. Atamanczuk and King now both have nine. Hayes, now with four double-doubles, had 49 assists and 16 digs on the night.

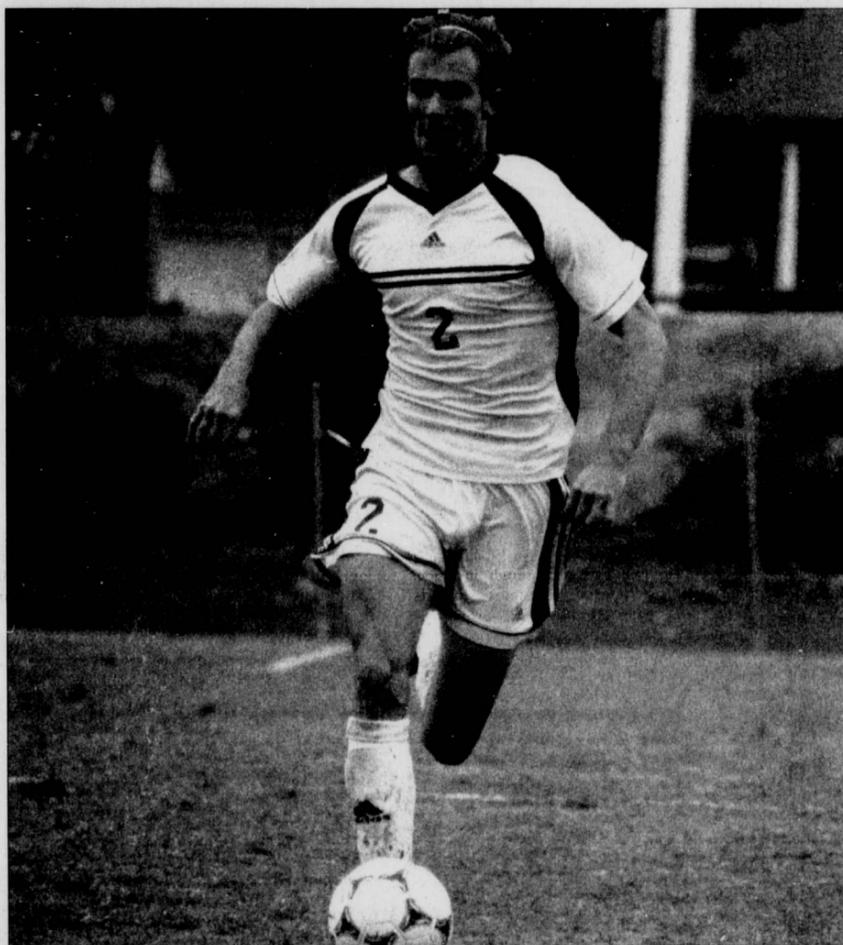
Junior middle blocker Jennifer Sebastian said she believed the team would succeed as long as they gave their best effort.

"Just like the rest of the season has been," Sebastian said. "If we lay it all out, I don't care if we win or lose."

This optimism is something Troutd said she wants to remain in the team's mind during the remainder of the season.

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# Men's soccer team falls to 6-5



Senior defender Mike Martin leads the Horned Frog attack in a game against Southern Methodist last season. TCU is 6-5 this season, and 2-1 in Missouri Valley Conference play. The Frogs are on the road this weekend at Western Kentucky and Evansville.

## Team struggling in first year in MVC, coach says

By Danny Horne  
SPORTS EDITOR

With seven games remaining in the men's soccer team's first and only season in the Missouri Valley Conference, one thing has been determined. At 6-5 overall, the Frogs' season has been fraught with peaks and valleys.

Assistant coach Blake Amos said it's been frustrating at times to watch the team struggle against teams they shouldn't struggle with.

"It's almost like I don't ever know what team is going to show up from game to game," Amos said. "Games against teams like Tulsa are frustrating because it wasn't so much Tulsa being good as much as it was us not being good."

TCU split two home games last weekend. The Frogs lost to Tulsa 2-1 and shutout then No. 11 Southwest Missouri State, 1-0.

In TCU's upcoming games, Amos said he will try to find a way to keep the team's intensity level equal to that of the shutout win over Southwest Missouri.

"It looks like we'll have to invent some rankings for the teams on this week's schedule," he said. "We've already talked about lessons learned, and we've talked about inconsistencies. Now, we have to go out there and play better on a more consistent basis."

The win against Southwest Missouri on Sunday was the second time in three games that TCU beat a team that was, at the time,

ranked among the top 25 teams in the country. Before the loss to Tulsa, the Frogs defeated then No. 25 Bradley, 2-1.

Amos said games against teams in the top 25 that happen to be in the MVC are interesting because he said his team doesn't take a particular route in preparation.

"We don't know anything about most of the teams in this conference," he said. "We don't know anything about teams like Bradley and Southwest Missouri State. We don't know anything about most of the MVC for that matter, so I can't really explain why we tend to play so well against those ranked opponents."

TCU is playing just one season in the MVC before making the move to Conference USA next season. Amos said TCU's one-year stay in the MVC makes it extra-difficult to focus.

"We know we could face any one of these (MVC) teams again," Amos said. "It will be good to have a home next year. This season, we didn't have to actually invest time into really getting to know the opponents."

"Next season, when we move to C-USA, our approach will change because we have it as a home."

TCU is on the road Friday and Sunday against Western Kentucky and Evansville before returning home to play Belmont a week from Friday.

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season.

"We didn't play our best game today," Franchione said. "But we're 5-0 for the first time since 1942 and we're proud of that."

The Horned Frogs (5-0 overall, 2-0 in the Western Athletic Conference) moved to No. 11 in the ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll and No. 12 in *The Associated Press* poll this week, and they have a week off

before they travel to Tulsa to face the Golden Hurricane on Oct. 21.

"We're a little banged up right now," Franchione said. "We need the open week to get healthy."

The Frogs' current 10-game winning streak is their longest since the 1937-38 season. TCU also possesses the nation's second-longest winning streak, trailing only Nebraska.

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yards on 16 carries (an average of 7.3 yards a carry). They gained 73 of those yards in the second half.

Franchione said after halftime that TCU shifted its attention to stopping Chang and Hawaii's passing game.

"I think it got to the point where we didn't care (about their running game) anymore and just started rushing the passer," Franchione said. "That's a little uncharacteristic of us."

In addition to breaking his own record for carries, Tomlinson became TCU's all-time leader in scoring (264), yards from scrimmage (5,136) and became the first TCU player to rush for 4,000 yards in a career.

He currently holds eight TCU records, including career rushing leader (4,079), rushing

yards in a season (1,850) and career rushing touchdowns (45).

Tomlinson said he has not thought about the significance of all his rushing records.

"It hasn't all set in yet," Tomlinson said. "I'll probably appreciate them and realize how special they all are once I have time to sit down and think about what it all means."

### Offensive linemen injured

Senior tackle David Bobo left the game with 7:07 left in the first quarter with a strained medial collateral ligament. He returned in the second half.

Junior guard Victor Payne joined Bobo on the sideline with 12:16 left in the second quarter. He would later return in the fourth quarter.

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## Women lose 2-0 to SMU

Soccer team goes to 6-7-1 for season

By Kelly Morris  
SKIFF STAFF

Head women's soccer coach David Rubinson said his team continues to be its own worst enemy by not making the most of its offensive opportunities after Sunday's 2-0 loss to No. 16 Southern Methodist in Dallas.

"We created many wonderful chances to score," Rubinson said. "But we continue to shoot ourselves in the foot because we are giving good teams gifts. We need to continue to do what we do best by owning the ball and defending with passion."

"We seldom give ourselves a chance because we can't afford to make any mistakes. To take the pressure off ourselves, we need to score goals."

The Frogs have scored 16 goals this season, while their opponents have scored 27. In the last seven games, the team has only scored four goals.

There have been five games this season in which TCU was outscored 17-0.

To finish the season strong, sophomore defender Brenda DeRose said



Sophomore forward Nicole Carmen goes up for a header in the Horned Frogs 3-0 win against Texas-El Paso on Oct. 1. TCU is coming off a 2-0 loss to Southern Methodist Sunday and plays against San Jose State on Friday at the Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium.

Erin Munger/STAFF REPORTER

she knows the team must capitalize on its chances.

"We have to create more shots and really work on finishing those shots," DeRose said. "We are keeping our hopes up, but it is really frustrating because we know we have the ability, we just can't get the results."

With the loss, the Frogs fell to 6-7-1 for the season and 1-2 in the Western Athletic Conference. They are 4-1 at home and 2-5-1 away. SMU improved to 10-3 overall and remains undefeated in the WAC at 3-0.

Sophomore forward Sherry Dick said she was not surprised by SMU's performance.

"Although they have great speed, SMU did nothing we had never seen before," Dick said. "SMU scored its goals on our defensive mistakes."

Of the five games remaining on their schedule, four of them are con-

ference games. With their minds set on the WAC Championships, Dick said she wants to make the most of their final few games.

"We have to win the rest of our games," Dick said. "There is nothing we can't do, so we want to prove to ourselves that we can compete."

Rubinson said he's surprised his team hasn't played to its potential at this point in the season.

"We have more quality players than we have ever had before," Rubinson said. "I know this team is as good as the top teams in the WAC, but I don't know if the players know they are that good."

"With its ability and depth, this team is better than what most players on this team think."

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## today's menu Oct. 10, 2000

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**Worth Hills Lunch**  
Chicken and cheese quesadillas  
Meatloaf

**Dinner**  
Cheese ravioli  
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**Eden's Greens Lunch**  
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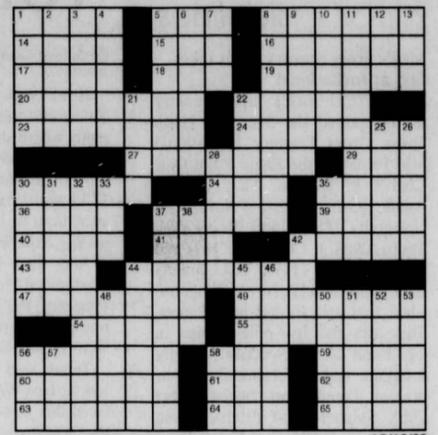
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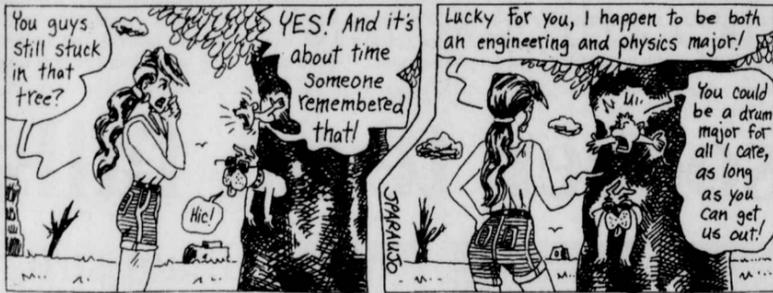
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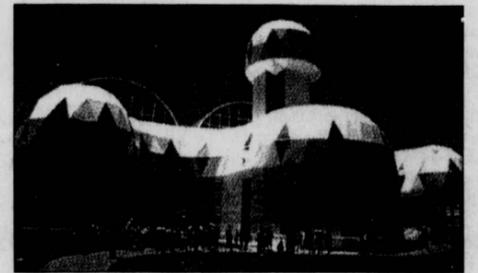
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