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After the men's soccer team won just three of 11 games in the Missouri Valley Conference this season, sophomore midfielder Dustin Sitar said they can't wait to make a fresh start in Conference USA next year.

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## SGA candidates begin campaign

### Three of five positions go unopposed for Nov. 14 House, PC elections

By Hemi Ahluwalia  
STAFF REPORTER

Filing for elected positions in Student Government Association ended midnight Tuesday with only seven candidates running for five available positions.

Three of the five positions available in SGA are unopposed: Sara Donaldson, a junior neuroscience major, will run for SGA president; Amy Render, a sophomore marketing major, will run for vice president of the

House of Student Representatives; and Sara Komenda, a sophomore biology major, will be running for vice president of Programming Council.

The House secretary position will be contested by Kaylan Minor, a sophomore environmental science major, and Ryan Shoemake, a junior theater major. Deanna Bennett, a junior finance and accounting major, and John Billingsley, a sophomore business major, will run against each other for treasurer of House.

Candidates have seven days to campaign and encourage the student body to vote on Nov. 14.

Having so many important positions that

are unopposed is very unusual, said Brian Becker, elections and regulations committee chairman.

"Normally, the positions of president and vice president (will) have multiple candidates while the positions of secretary and treasurers would be the positions to only have one candidate," Becker said.

Larry Markley, SGA advisor, said the lack of candidates may be due to a general apathy toward House and PC.

"There are various factors that could have contributed towards the lack of interest, but I believe that SGA has not done a good enough job of informing the student body of what is going on and if there are

any positions available to run for," Markley said. "I also think that the restructuring referendum failing was also a major factor because it caused a lot of students who would have run to be ineligible."

A student referendum was held Oct. 26 to change eligibility requirements and duties of executive positions in SGA. The referendum, which needed a two-thirds majority (about 67 percent), failed when only 62 percent voted in favor of it.

Still, some students say the small amount of candidates on the ballot may not keep students from voting in the SGA election.

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Kristin Scott, a junior fashion marketing major; Sarah Jeter, a junior Spanish major; and B.J. Roberts, a junior finance major, look over some campaign literature about Sara Donaldson, Student Government Association presidential candidate, outside Moudy Building North Tuesday. As of the Tuesday midnight deadline, only seven people had applied to run for an elected office in SGA.

## pulse

briefs

### House passes off-campus Internet access resolution

The House of Student Representatives passed a resolution supporting dial-up network services for the entire TCU community despite several concerns regarding cost.

A dial-up network would allow off-campus residents, students at home on break or those studying abroad to connect to the network and the Internet through TCU. Some representatives were concerned there hadn't been enough research into the costs to students of the dial-up network.

Dave Edmondson, assistant provost for Information Services, attended the meeting to answer questions about the project. He said it is too early to estimate a cost for the service. If the system works as planned, TCU will be the first university in the United States to offer this kind of service, Edmondson said.

House also unanimously passed a resolution to inform the student body, faculty and administration of the results of its all-campus survey. According to the resolution, House recommended that the faculty and administration look at the results.

Discussion on a resolution to create a 24-hour lounge or study area was postponed until the Nov. 14 House meeting. The resolution would create the 24-hour location during finals week. If popular enough, House would request that the Board of Trustees put it in the budget for the next fiscal year, said Suzanne Riordan, Residential Concerns Committee chairwoman.

### Former student holds ex-girlfriend hostage

LAS VEGAS (U-WIRE) — Eric Youngren, 22, a former University of Nevada-Reno student, held his ex-girlfriend hostage in an armed standoff with police at a UNR fraternity house late Wednesday afternoon, police said.

The standoff at the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity house lasted over two hours and ended peacefully.

"Youngren was distraught over the breakup of the relationship with the female," university police Lt. Todd Renwick said Friday. "Youngren then placed the gun to his head and began threatening to kill himself."

Youngren was arrested and booked in to the Washoe County Detention Center. He was charged with second-degree kidnapping, assault with a deadly weapon, domestic battery, as well as obstructing and resisting with a deadly weapon.

— The Rebel Yell  
University of Nevada at Las Vegas

# ELECTION 2000



## Bush secures last-minute victory

### Republicans claim Congress, Oval Office

By Ron Fournier  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The last time the Republicans held the House, Senate and presidency was after the 1952 election.

In the end, after 2 a.m. EST, it all came down to Florida. The networks said the state was Bush's and it would put him over the top. *The Associated Press'* analysis showed the narrowest of margins with final votes still being tallied.

Bush was poised to claim his prize. Florida had been the epicenter of the campaign and Tuesday night was chaotic. At one point news organizations said Gore was the winner, but they backtracked as more votes were counted and

Bush eased ahead.

Deeply divided voters were keeping Congress under GOP control, by a razor-thin margin.

Republicans retained control of the Senate and looked likely to keep a small majority in the House as well. Bush or Gore, the next president will be submitting his first-year agenda to a deeply divided Congress.

Gore won big battlegrounds in Pennsylvania, Michigan and California while Bush claimed Texas, Ohio and a string of smaller states, including Gore's Tennessee and Bill Clinton's Arkansas.

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Chris Gibson/STAFF REPORTER

Olivia Mitchel, a junior political science major, places her vote at University Christian Church. Polling officials said about half of the precinct's 2,337 registered voters cast their vote Tuesday.

### About 900 voters show up at local church for elections

By Chris Gibson  
STAFF REPORTER

Voting for Texas Governor George W. Bush wasn't that difficult of a decision for Claire Dallas. The 92-year-old Fort Worth resident said she has been voting a straight Republican ticket for as long as she can remember.

But the decision wasn't that easy for others who showed up to cast their votes Tuesday at University Christian Church on the corner of University and Cantey drives.

In the most tightly contested presidential election in the last 40 years, voters showed up to the polls in high numbers to pick their candidate. While most said they were able to identify with one of the two major candidates, voters like Denis Dunagan, 55, said it was just a matter of not choosing the one he liked the least.

"Actually it was choosing the lesser of two evils for me," Dunagan said. "I voted straight Democratic party because I thought (Vice President Al) Gore represented my views more than Bush did. I was really tempted to vote for (Green Party candidate Ralph) Nader, but you are only going to get (Bush or Gore) so I wanted my vote to count."

TCU alumnus Isaac Varner, 22, said he was disappointed with both candidates.

"The main thing for me was Bush's environmental stance," he said. "I didn't really want that so I voted for Gore."

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## Admissions Web site gets redesigned

### Designers say goal is to make site more appealing

By Emily Ward  
STAFF REPORTER

Armed with a load of work and only five weeks time, Victor Neil, David Van Meter and Phil Henslee teamed up to redesign the TCU undergraduate admissions Web site in early September.

The Web site ([www.admissions.tcu.edu](http://www.admissions.tcu.edu)) was launched Oct. 13, three days before the goal date.

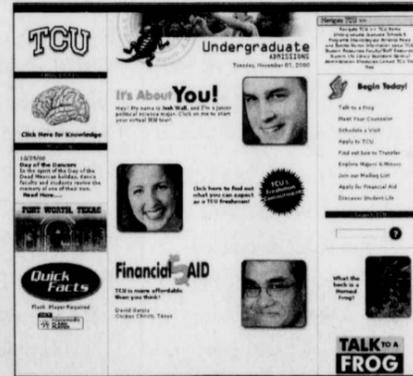
"We basically realized that the old site was nothing but information and links that left a lot of unanswered questions," said Van Meter, editor of the *TCU Magazine*. "So our goal was to make the new Web site more compelling, and I feel that we have met that goal."

Highlights on the new site include a link to information about Fort Worth, a "What's Up" TCU news link and "Frog Brain," an interactive link that displays random facts about TCU and other areas of interest.

Students can also download a portable document form file of TCU's undergraduate admissions application off of the new Web site. After downloading the file, students can print the application, fill it out and send it in to the university.

"We are working on a true online application that can be filled out and sent in to a database all through the Internet," said Neil, director of new media at TCU.

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## Ordering textbooks online has advantages for students

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— David Yee,  
textbook manager  
for the TCU Bookstore

Students can avoid long lines by reserving textbooks at the TCU Bookstore's Web site

By Melissa DeLoach  
STAFF REPORTER

Students registering for classes during advance registration can avoid the lines in January by ordering and reserving their textbooks online.

Bookstore employees have offered online book buying as an option for students who seek convenience when purchasing textbooks.

Students may choose to have their books sent to their permanent residences or held in the store for pickup. The bookstore gave fresh-

men a one-time shot for books to be delivered to their dorms in August.

"Ordering online takes the stress off students on finding the correct books," said David Yee, textbook manager for the TCU Bookstore. "Students can just walk right in the bookstore, pick up their books and avoid the lines."

During peak times, at the beginning of a semester, the bookstore processes \$350 every 16 seconds. The average wait is seven minutes, said Liisa Lewis, general manager for the TCU Bookstore.

Students can reserve textbooks at

([www.bkstore.com/tcu/](http://www.bkstore.com/tcu/)) now until the week before spring classes begin, Lewis said. The bookstore will begin pulling books as soon as an order comes and books are available.

When ordering online, students can pay only by credit card. They can't put their purchases on send home because students must present their signature directly to complete a send-home transaction, Lewis said.

Another drawback to ordering online is students can't personally select used books, Yee said.

"We have done the best job that we can, getting the best used books

out to the students," Yee said. "If a student is picky about a book they should come in and look through them."

If students change classes before school starts, they have until the week before classes begin to e-mail the bookstore about the change, Lewis said. If the book has already been pulled, the regular buyback policy will apply.

In spring 2000, only 40 students reserved textbooks early. A semester later, 1,800 students purchased their

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campus lines

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moudy Building South, Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050 or e-mailed to (skiffletters@tcu.edu). Deadline for receiving announcements is 2 p.m. the day before they are to run. The Skiff reserves the right to edit submissions for style, taste and space available.

► Kina Monda International Film series presents "A Better Tomorrow" (Hong Kong/1986) at 8 p.m. today in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 1. All films in the series are free and open to the public.

► TCU Pong Jam, a synthesis of poetry and music sponsored by the English department, will be from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center Lounge. Read your own poetry or someone else's works.

► Neeley Student Resource Center will have academic advising workshops from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday outside the Student Center Ballroom, and from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday and Nov. 15 in Dan Rogers Hall. The workshops are for all business students and those planning to be business majors. For more information call (817) 257-6772.

► Programming Council Executive Board applications may be picked up Wednesday to Nov. 28 in the PC office or at the Information Desk. Interviews will be held Nov. 29 to Dec. 2. For more information call the PC office at (817) 257-5233.

► An information meeting for Topics in Regional Geography (GEOG 30503) will be from 4 to 5 p.m. Nov. 15 in the Student Center, Room 211. Slides will be shown. The class, a study of the land and the people of France, includes a 37-day trip to France from May 20 to June 25.

► TCU MBA program will have an open house from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in Tandy Hall. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the MBA program. Bring questions, talk to current students and meet faculty. For more information call (817) 257-7531 or go to (www.mba.tcu.edu/visit/openhouse.htm).

► 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.

news digest

WORLD

Attempted diamond heist in Millennium Dome would have been world's largest robbery

LONDON — Crashing into the Millennium Dome on a bulldozer and throwing smoke bombs, thieves expected to snatch \$500 million worth of diamonds and zoom away in a boat waiting on the Thames.

It would have been the world's largest robbery, but the diamonds were already gone from the tented exhibition arena and Scotland Yard was waiting Tuesday morning. Officers disguised as cleaners overpowered the robbers, and a dozen men were arrested without a shot fired.

Tipped off by police, dome officials replaced the gems with crystal fakes — including the spectacular 203-carat De Beers Millennium Star. The pear-shaped diamond is arguably the most perfect large diamond in the world and third-largest ever discovered, said Kate Evan-Jones, a spokeswoman for the South African company.

"If this had been carried out in accordance with their wishes, this would have been the largest robbery in the world," said Detective Supt. Jon Shatford, who led the operation involving more than 100 officers. "It was an extremely audacious operation."

Built on the Prime Meridian at Greenwich, the dome — at 1,050 feet in diameter and 165 feet high at its center — is the world's largest structure of its type. It opened last Dec. 31 with a party that attracted thousands of high-powered guests, including Queen Elizabeth II and Prime Minister Tony Blair, but since then it has struggled to attract visitors and has needed infusions of cash to keep going.

Police had warned dome officials about the attempt five weeks ago, and had expected the attack any time in a three-week window.

Four men were arrested who trapped themselves in the vault that usually houses the diamonds. Police picked up another near a speedboat on the river, and a sixth man on the opposite shore. Six others were apprehended later in southeastern England.

Dome operators, the New Millennium Experience Co., said the diamonds are displayed in an exhibition area of the East London facility called the "money zone" and are very closely guarded. The Millennium Star is displayed in a reinforced glass cylinder and the area has alarms and security cameras.

NATION

Chief Mideast mediator resigns suddenly from post before the presidential election

WASHINGTON — Without waiting for the result of the presidential election, Dennis B. Ross, the one-time Vietnam war protester who worked as the chief Mideast mediator for both Presidents Bush and Clinton, said he will quit in January.

Ross, who has logged hundreds of thousands

of miles in a 12-year pursuit of peace, cited family reasons for relinquishing the job when the administration changes in January.

In a speech Monday night to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, Ross, 51, called the surge of violence between Israelis and Palestinians "disheartening" and said "there are very deep, psychic wounds that are going to take some time to repair and recover from."

President Clinton will meet at the White House with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat on Thursday and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak on Sunday, in an attempt to revive the peace process.

Ross played a central role in U.S. Middle East diplomacy in the Bush and Clinton administrations, helping to persuade Israel and the Arabs to start peace talks in 1991 and brokering a compromise deal last year between Israel and the Palestinians over the contested West Bank town of Hebron.

Tuesday, Geoffrey Kemp of the Nixon Center called Ross a dedicated and exceptionally well-informed negotiator who won the confidence of the key parties and deserved enormous credit for bringing the peace process this far.

But a rush to get an agreement this year and meet deadlines set by Clinton, Barak and Arafat before issues were fully resolved, took away some of that luster, Kemp said in an interview.

Thomas Smerling, director of the Israel Policy Forum's Washington center, called Ross indefatigable, creative and trusted by all the negotiating parties.

"The peace process came a long way under his tutelage," Smerling said in an interview. "It's a big mistake to think the recent spasm of violence has washed that out."

Tuesday, Clinton named former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell to lead an inquiry into the cause of the violence that wracked the West Bank, Gaza and Israel for five weeks and imperiled already shaken peacemaking efforts.

White House press secretary Jake Siewert said Tuesday that the committee would work to craft an objective review aimed at preventing more violence.

STATE

Republican, Democratic parties battle for future control of Texas House and Senate

AUSTIN — While the country pondered the selection of its next president, the Republican and Democratic parties in Texas battled for control of the state's legislative future.

The balance of power in the state Senate and the House of Representatives was up for grabs Tuesday, with the parties waiting to see who will claim majority control in 2001 when lawmakers redraw voting districts for legislative and congressional seats.

While Democrats have controlled the Texas House since the 1870s, their majority has been diminishing since the 1980s. They currently hold a 78-72 advantage.

Republicans won the Senate in 1996 for the first time since post-Civil War Reconstruction and held on by only a 16-15 margin in 1998.

In the House, the parties fought for 43 of the 150 seats. In the Senate, which has produced the most rancorous of political contests, only four districts had major party opposition.

The key race was in East Texas' Senate District 3. Incumbent Republican Drew Nixon of Carthage is stepping down, and Republican Todd Staples and Democrat David Fisher were in a bitter battle to replace him.

The two campaigns were expected to spend about \$5 million, making it one of the most expensive legislative races ever.

The Texas House is almost as tight. If Republicans gain the edge, Democratic House Speaker Pete Laney could be forced out, although some analysts believe the popular speaker could stay in power if Republicans win only a slim majority.

Even more changes could be in store for the Legislature if Gov. George W. Bush is elected president. Perry would become governor and the Texas Senate would pick a new lieutenant governor from its own ranks.

County attorney challenger and incumbent's brother get into fist fight at sandwich shop

SHERMAN — Spare the metaphors — this pre-election brawl was for real.

A candidate for Grayson County Attorney and the brother of the incumbent duked it out at a downtown sandwich shop Monday, and each blames the other for starting the fracas.

Challenger Joe Brown and David Jarvis, the brother of incumbent Bob Jarvis, apparently ran into each other at Der Sandwich Shoppe and got into a scuffle, the Sherman Herald-Democrat reported Tuesday. Brown alleges David Jarvis punched him in the jaw and kneed him in the groin.

Brown said Jarvis blocked his exit from the shop and cursed him as he tried to leave. Jarvis was complaining about a Brown campaign flier accusing Bob Jarvis of not prosecuting alleged crimes by his relatives, Brown said.

"I am not going to be intimidated by you," Brown said he told Jarvis.

Jarvis then punched him, kicked him and ran off, Brown said.

David Jarvis' attorney, Bob Slagle, said Brown instigated the entire incident.

"That nasty flier of his backfired and he knows it. He is desperate," Slagle told the newspaper.

Slagle said Brown engaged Jarvis when they ran into each other.

"He kept saying he was not going to be intimidated and the whole time he was bumping David back out of the sandwich shop," Slagle said. "I told the police that I would be glad to have David tell his side of the story."

Sherman police are investigating the incident,

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## MORE CHOICES

### SGA deadline should be extended

Last fall, there were 14 Student Government Association candidates, including five choices for the president position.

As of the 11:59 p.m. Monday deadline, there are only seven SGA candidates for five positions, including only one candidate at each of the top three positions — president, vice president of House and vice president of the Programming Council.

**staff  
editorial**

Maybe the lack of students interested in SGA candidacy is simply another example of the apathy of people ages 18 to 24. Only 381 people voted on the proposal to restructure the SGA in October.

Whatever the reason, the fact remains that support of and interest in SGA has fallen 50 percent in the last year.

Ultimately, this fact hurts the entire TCU population by limiting students' choices for leadership.

The deadline for declaring candidacy should be extended. While this will reward any students who didn't fill out the application on time, it will also reward students with choices for leadership.

To comply with SGA procedure, the application deadline can be extended only if no one has applied for a position. If no one submits an application in within two days, the newly elected officers decide who to appoint to the position.

While this year's election isn't in the situation of having no candidates at a certain position, it has its own points which deserve special concern.

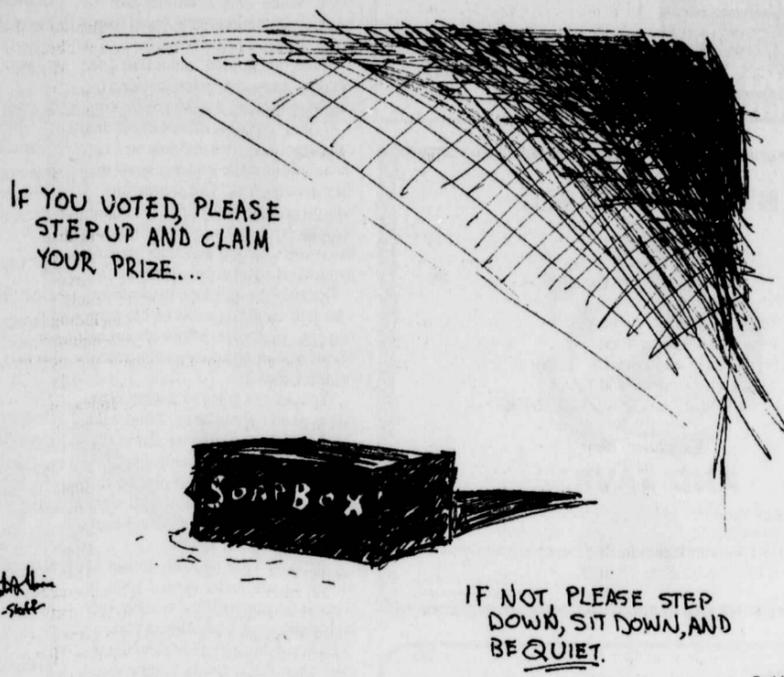
In 1999, the application deadline was extended when no one applied to run for secretary. Obviously, the president and the two vice-president positions have a much bigger role in SGA than the secretary.

Only having one choice of each of these three positions is unacceptable.

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## Don't criticize your teachers

### College is a privilege, so don't waste it by being disrespectful

I am going to begin by making a generalization about the people you and I go to school with. We are privileged.

It's true. No matter how we ended up here and what kind of measures we are taking to continue studying here, we are privileged in the fact that we can go to college.

A girl in one of my classes stated this as the rest of us were saying how we don't fit into the typical "wealthy TCU student" profile, and I believe she is correct.

Granted, many of us, including myself, aren't wealthy to the point of having everything at our fingertips. But the truth is very few of us have actually experienced poverty and honest need. To be able to go to a college, a private one at that, and expand our horizons and learn and grow is a tremendous privilege that we should appreciate and not take for granted.

After one of my classes, I was positive that this message was lost to many TCU students. I have never, even throughout high school, seen people who were so disrespectful to a professor. Instead of asking questions when they couldn't understand him, many of the people in my class felt it was their right to tell him how to teach.

"Tell" might not even be a strong enough

word; I think "command" is more like it.

They began turning to one another and saying what a horrible teacher he was and how they couldn't understand what he was saying because of his accent. They weren't attempting to learn. The class grew louder and louder and more chaotic as the hour progressed. My professor didn't know what to do and attempted to continue teaching.

As I was walking out at the end of class, completely frustrated by the behavior of my fellow classmates, I overheard a girl turn to a guy and say "Thank you for explaining this to me. At least you speak English." Shocked and infuriated, it was all I could do not to yell at her right then and there. There was absolutely no respect whatsoever for what this man was trying to do. He has dedicated his life to teaching people like her. Instead of giving him the respect and attention that he deserves, she placed herself above him with that comment and insinuated it was because he was not Caucasian that he wasn't doing his job the way she wanted him to.

Our professors are here for a reason. They didn't happen to fall into teaching at this or any university. They have valuable educational and life knowledge that they can bestow on us if we will only listen. Taking this privilege for granted shouldn't be an option. Learning is a two way street; if we don't do our part to meet our professors halfway by respecting and paying attention to them, then we might as well not be here.

I do recognize there are professors who are not

good teachers. But I believe they have something to offer, even if it is simply teaching you how to deal with poor teaching qualities in a professor.

When talking to my roommate about this issue she also had story to share about a guy in one of her classes who loudly comes to class late, interrupts the professor constantly and packs up and leaves class as soon as his watch says 10 minutes 'til, even if the professor is still talking.

Therefore, I know the display in my math class isn't an isolated incident. I am sure all of us have had a similar experience during our years here, but that doesn't mean that we should accept them.

I am not sure why you are here, but I am here to take advantage of all this school has to offer me. This might sound idealistic or even self-righteous. But think about it — deep down what was your reasoning in choosing to go to any college at all?

For some of you it might be to make more money. Others of you may have a genuine desire to learn. And for some of you, it could be that you were told going to college was your only choice.

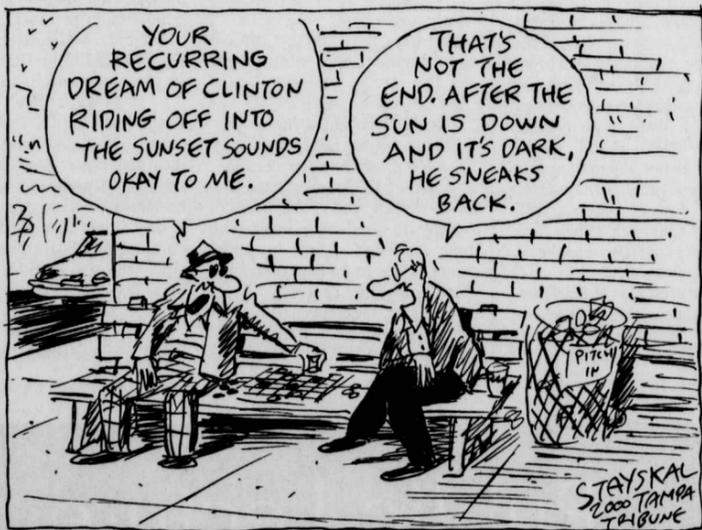
No matter what your reasoning, I think you have a responsibility to yourself and your fellow classmates to get the most out of this privilege. Otherwise, what is the point?

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**Commentary**



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## in your words

### letter to the editor

#### Visitation hours don't stop bad judgment

This letter is in response to an article about visitation hours that appeared in the Nov. 3 issue of the *Skiff*.

I understand that, being a Christian school, we are likely to be affected by conservative regulations, and I can respect that. After all, I did choose to attend this school.

I do feel, however, the visitation policy needs to be revised. At the current time, it is quite impractical.

Students often meet to study with members of the opposite sex, or wish to hang out with their friends, and they want to do it before noon or after midnight. This is, after all, college, and what are we if not students who will stay up until 2 or 3 a.m. during the week?

OK, so some of you are saying, that's what the Student Center is for, or even the 24-hour lobbies in some of the dorms. But let's face it, sometimes you can't concentrate or don't want other people around.

The article completely ignores this side of the visitation issue. One interview in the story had the most sexist attitude towards visitation hours I have ever heard and put a negative spin on the article.

These rules aren't in place solely to keep girls from getting out of line with their boyfriends, or even to protect us from random guys.

Visitation hours don't stop the bad judgment calls that cause residents to allow strangers into their dorm. Visitation hours also don't stop inconsiderate room-

mates from letting a significant other spend the night.

As another interviewee pointed out, they still do it, but they are just more careful about getting caught.

The issue of letting someone spend the night is something that should be worked out between roommates, not university policy. We are adults, and we pay a lot of money to go to this school.

If we want to hang out with members of the opposite sex later than midnight or 2 a.m. or earlier than noon, I believe we should be allowed to make that decision on our own, and not be denied the choice by outdated policies.

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## Napster needs alternative

"Bye bye, Miss American Pie" indeed. At the very least, good riddance to the 60-year-old recording industry that built its fortune printing compact discs full of songs like "American Pie" by Don McLean. That, it seems, is the implication of the huge agreement announced on Halloween by Napster and the German giant of the media world, Bertelsmann Music Group. In a nutshell, Napster has agreed to clean up its act and charge users a subscription to download songs by Bertelsmann artists, in return for sharing profits with the German label and its artists. This announcement is the piece of news that will affect your life most in the next couple of years.

Napster, as everyone knows, is one neat little program. The recording industry — the same industry that thought the compact disc was a bad idea — bitterly opposed all this socialist sharing going on and slapped Napster with the mother of all lawsuits. Because Napster doesn't host song files, it merely facilitates their transmission, Napster had a pretty strong case. But an unsympathetic judge and the prospect of being tied up in court until the Class of '04 graduates made them want to deal. Bertelsmann, recognizing that in the future, music will be downloaded whether they want it to be or not and, knowing that a recording industry not known for its technological savvy wasn't going to get them the digital promised land, decided it had better do a deal too.

For Napster's college-student users, this pact means several things.

First of all, we can expect that sometime in the next few months, all Bertelsmann content (like Santana and Christina Aguilera) will be pulled from the free Napster service

and moved to a premium service.

Expect to pay between \$10 to \$25 a month to subscribe. The rest of the songs on Napster will remain free, which leads us to two possible alternatives. Under the first alternative, the record companies will individually put up their own competing subscription sites, which will be so disastrous for everyone that the record companies will look to today's digital music anarchy with nostalgia. Not only would users have to subscribe (at a similar cost) to five major download sites, but to download a track, say, a new Moby single, they'd have to first figure out which label Napster is on, then register as a paying user at that label's download site. Hardly a good solution to the Napster problem.

The better alternative, the scenario which will unlock the discontinuous powers of the Internet for the distribution of all media, would have all music available through one site, for one low subscription cost. Napster, if it negotiates shrewdly with the music industry, is in the best position to provide this service. Yet, it already may have stumbled in this effort, as the Bertelsmann deal — in an arrangement typical of New Economy partnerships — includes provisions for Bertelsmann to make a significant investment in Napster. While on its face the investment option legitimizes Napster, it could create conflicts of interest for the company down the road.

Why, for example, would Warner Music want to play ball with Napster, when it knows that the business it generates for Napster is only making wealthier its arch-enemy Bertelsmann? Clearly, Napster's not out of the hole yet.

For the users of Napster and the cus-

tomers of the music industry, the stakes are high. Imagine being able to access the entire library of recorded music — from "The Barber of Seville" to "I'm a Barbie Girl" — anywhere, any time and on any device with a speaker and an Internet connection. In the next three years, DSL and cable modems will bring broadband connections as fast as the campus network to the home, democratizing the access to MP3s we've enjoyed on campus for years now. The era of the shrink-wrapped album with liner notes — and even of traditional pre-programmed radio — may be coming to an end. Chattering radio DJ's and Tower Records, take note.

A final footnote in the Napster story: if Napster is successful in enabling the digital jukebox, it will most likely have to abandon the "special sauce" that made it so successful, P2P file sharing. Napster pioneered P2P as a workaround to the objections of the recording industry. Now that the industry has (belatedly) jumped on the musical broadband bandwagon, there's no reason for Napster to stay P2P. As users know, MP3s on Napster are often misidentified and of poor quality. If Napster distributed songs off its own servers, which it could do legitimately in the future, it could ensure their quality and reliability. Just months ago P2P seemed an ascendant technology on the mind of every entrepreneur in Silicon Valley; now it appears as just a temporary solution to a sclerotic industry.

So, in a way, the Napster revolution may already be over. Long live the Napster revolution.

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"I will still vote in this election because the candidates still need to receive votes and I would like to exercise my right to vote," said Sarah Jetter, a junior Spanish major.

Some unopposed candidates still plan on campaigning despite being the only one running for the position.

"I will probably do more of my campaigning by person now so I can make sure that the students know that they need to vote," Donaldson said. "I will go around to the different organizations on campus to let them know that I am running and that 'moving forward' is my campaign slogan."

Donaldson is not the only candidate who will be doing most of her campaigning in person. Minor also plans to make this election campaign a more personal one.

"You are not going to see my name plastered all over campus," Minor said. "Instead, I am going to take a more personal approach to this campaign."

The weather may also play an important role in how many yard signs and posters students see around campus this semester.

"We only have a small amount of money to use and I do not want to waste it on posters if the weather will be bad all week," Donaldson said.

Each candidate is allowed to use no more than \$200 during regular elections and no more than \$50 during runoff, Becker said.

"The candidates are required to turn in all receipts of all items that they purchased or a list of what the fair market value is for items that were used but were not bought," Becker said.

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**Barak considers creation of viable Palestinian state**

**Israeli prime minister won't make changes under violent threats**

**By Karin Laub**  
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JERUSALEM — Israel's prime minister said Tuesday, in the clearest terms yet, that a Mideast peace treaty would produce a "viable Palestinian state" but he would not make concessions to the Palestinians under the threat of violence.

In new rock-throwing clashes and gun battles in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a Palestinian was killed and more than 50 were wounded. Gunmen fired on the southern Jerusalem neighborhood of Gilo, which is next to a Palestinian village in the West Bank.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat on Tuesday renewed a call for the deployment of a 2,000-strong U.N. protection force that would shield Palestinians against Israeli troops. Arafat said he would raise the demand when he meets with President Clinton at the White House on Thursday.

The U.N. Security Council was to discuss the Palestinian request on Wednesday. The United States and Israel oppose an international force. However, U.S. officials did not say whether they would veto the proposal, and diplomats, including some from the United States, noted that international observers were dispatched in the past to the tense West Bank town of Hebron.

Barak, who is to meet with Clinton on Sunday, sent a letter to heads of government worldwide to explain Israel's position. Barak said Israel has acted with utmost restraint,

while the Palestinian Authority has been trying to "replace the peace process with an armed struggle."

The Israeli leader said he made far-reaching concessions during a Mideast summit at Camp David in July.

"We could resume negotiations which — based on the ideas discussed at Camp David — will lead to the creation of a viable Palestinian state, or we can succumb to the route of violence and unilateral Palestinian action," Barak wrote.

If the Palestinians choose violence, he warned, "Israel will be forced to take measures to ensure the security of our citizens."

In the past, Barak has said he would not rule out creation of a Palestinian state, but Tuesday's statement was his clearest promise yet of eventual Palestinian independence. Barak's letter appeared, in part, aimed at undercutting possible world support for a unilateral Palestinian proclamation of independence.

Arafat has said 2000 was the year of Palestinian statehood. However, senior Palestinian officials have said Arafat would not declare a state unilaterally in the near future, including on Nov. 15, the 12th anniversary of a symbolic independence declaration the Palestinian leader made in exile.

A senior Israeli official, meanwhile, said Barak did not expect Clinton's latest initiative to lead to a resumption of peace talks. At best, the meetings could help reduce violence, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

A gun battle erupted at the Kami crossing, and more than 50 Palestinians were wounded by Israeli fire, Palestinian doctors said.

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The overall philosophy of the new Web site is to make it seem young but professional, Van Meter said. The site's average viewer is usually between the ages of 17 to 24, he said.

Every four out of five prospective students use the Internet when looking at different colleges, said Neil. Students are looking for sites that are both appealing and informative, and the new Web site was designed mainly with them in mind, he said.

"It looks very appealing and it shows a lot of school spirit," said Karen Sawyer, a freshman pre-major.

Sawyer said when she was comparing colleges, she spent a lot of time looking at different universities' Web sites. She said TCU's new admissions site would be better if it had more links to topics such as Frog Camp.

Neil said most of the links were designed to make the site more interactive and engaging.

Students are looking for something more hip and appealing, Neil said. If they can become interested when looking at the Web site, the more likely they are to remember TCU when viewing other schools' Web sites, he said.

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**BOOKS**  
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books online and 1,200 were freshmen, Lewis said. The remaining reserved textbooks were for athletes, traditional students and students in the distance learning program.

"We actively went after freshmen for reservations at orientation," she said. "It is their first time on campus, they are here early and most don't have a car. We helped the new students learn how to find books and pay for them."

Bookstore employees worked for four days, the week before school started, to set aside reserved textbooks for freshmen before delivering the books to the students' dorms.

Michelle Gifford, a bookstore employee since August, said she would come in at 1 p.m. and wouldn't leave until midnight for a week.

"Sometimes I would miss the numbers either on the textbook or

order and have to go back and start all over again," Gifford. "With so many orders, you just want to get it right. It's a matter of self-motivation."

Lewis said ordering and shipping books to the freshmen early reduced the return rate by 5 percent.

Nick Coleman, a freshman biology major, ordered books for the fall semester. He said he will reserve his textbooks early again because he is not sure when he will return for the spring semester.

Lewis said professors are a vital aspect of the order because the bookstore can't complete student orders until the professor turns in the reading list. Last Friday 55 percent of TCU professors turned in their lists, she said.

"After what the freshmen did this fall, I can expect at least 1,500," Yee said. "I just see this number continuing to grow bigger every year."

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**VOTING**  
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Senior marketing major Laura Hetland said she made her decision a long time ago.

"I already knew before anything came out," she said. "I don't like (the Clinton-Gore administration) and I wanted more of the family values to come out."

Cindy Dietrich, a junior psychology major, said values were also a big factor in her decision.

"Personal values reflected how I voted this year," she said. "I wasn't in total agreement with one candidate. I had to weigh some issues more than others before I made my choice."

Ed Ipser, precinct chairman for the Democratic Party, said turnout at the UCC site resembles

past elections. Almost 900 of the precinct's 2,337 registered voters had voted by 6 p.m.

"Despite the close race this year, the turnout is comparable to past presidential elections," he said. "That is not a surprise though. This precinct is always a good turnout precinct."

Dietrich, a Kansas native, re-registered with the UCC precinct so she could vote in Texas.

"If more college students would vote then I feel like the politicians would have a better idea about our generation," she said. "College students seem to have an opinion on everything, so if they would actually voice that opinion, make a statement and vote, then we would get a little more respect."

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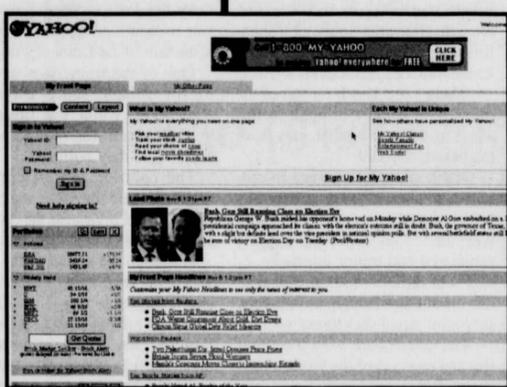
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This is the third in the series of five pages that highlight Web sites that may be of interest to students.

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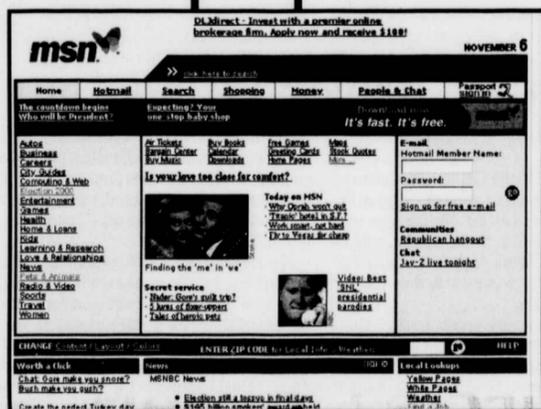
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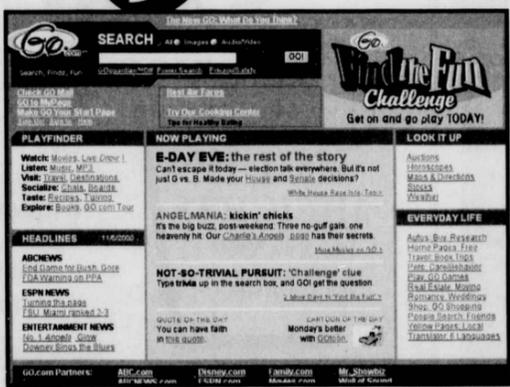
Yahoo! has always been one of the most widely used sites on the Internet, so it comes as no surprise that they offered one of the first portals. Portals provide consumers with personalized points of entry (or gateways) to a variety of information on the Internet. My Yahoo! is actually the most comprehensive portal you can find because of the breadth of information that Yahoo! offers. When you sign up for a My Yahoo! account, you get a permanent Yahoo! e-mail address, a Yahoo! Geocities personal Web site, Yahoo! Calendar, Yahoo! Briefcase where you can store files and photos and many more Yahoo! services. Also, for all of you instant messaging fans out there, be sure to check out Yahoo! Messenger. It has all the bells and whistles of AOL Instant Messenger with links to all of Yahoo!'s services.



## WWW.MSN.COM

A lot has been said about Microsoft in the past year with the whole Internet Explorer problem. MSN, short for The Microsoft Network, has come a long way. There isn't anything particularly great about their portal site, although I do like the quote and link of the day. The greatest part of MSN is the new MSN Explorer. Basically it's a new browser that is easier to use. If you have a Hotmail e-mail account, MSN Explorer is at least worth a try. It makes Hotmail easier and gives you a whole new, more attractive, format to view your e-mail. It also has MSN Messenger, Microsoft's instant messaging program, and Windows Media Player built in for easier use. It is definitely worth checking it out.

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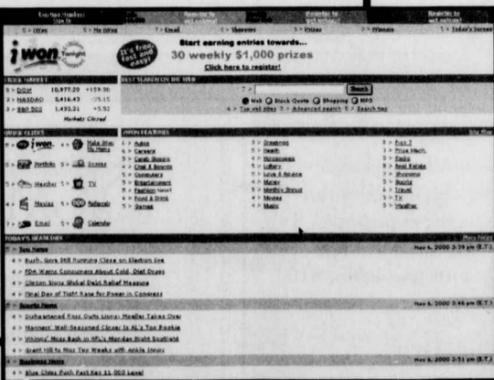


## WWW.GO.COM

I've given the address to the Go Network because the whole site has gone through major changes and the address to Go's portal, MyPage, is likely to change soon. Once you sign up for an account, it all gets easy. It's owned by Disney and they have had a hard time figuring out the whole one-stop Internet information/entertainment site. They've hardly ever been far off the mark though. The one thing Go has going for it is the partners provided by Mickey and his friends. The news and information you get from MyPage is gleaned from the Go Network, which is quite possibly the best group of sites on the Internet for their respective uses. The list includes ABC News, ESPN, Mr. Showbiz, Wall of Sound and, of course, Disney. Regardless of using MyPage, I highly recommend the Go Network.

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## WWW.IWON.COM

This is quite possibly the hardest portal to stop visiting. Here's the basic concept behind Iwon: everyday they give away \$10,000, every month they give away \$1,000,000 and every year on the day income taxes are due (April 15th), they give away \$10,000,000. Here's the catch, you have to browse through the site to get entries for the drawings, all conveniently tracked at the top of the Web page. You are allowed 100 entries a day, and it's not that hard to accomplish each day. Now I got hooked by Iwon and have had a hard time giving it up. I mean come on, \$10,000 a day? Who wants to give up that chance? As you can probably imagine there is a high collateral involved with running this site. This is simply solved by the deep pockets of advertisers and contributes to the main weakness of Iwon. Sometimes it's hard to see where the fun side of Iwon ends and the corporate advertising begins. Try Iwon if you're looking for the thrill of possible cash, but be wary of the advertisers. Advertising on the Internet is great, but not when you can't tell the difference between content and ads.

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# Investigators confirm jetliner hit crane on runway

By Marcos Calo Medina  
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TAOYUAN, Taiwan — One week after the deadly crash of a Singapore Airlines jetliner, the airport runway remains an eerie memorial: melted suitcases, crumpled shirts, a Hello Kitty doll, scattered pink and purple socks — and a mangled construction crane. Investigators confirmed for the first time Tuesday that it was the crane that ripped open the belly of the jumbo jet as it hurtled down the wrong runway. Eighty-two people died in the fiery takeoff attempt. "Bodies just began to fall out,"

## Crash experts say pilot took off down wrong airstrip, killing 82

David Lee, an investigator with Taiwan's Aviation Safety Council, told reporters at Chiang Kai-shek Airport during the first close public look at the runway wreckage. Last week, when crash experts disclosed the contents of the "black box" cockpit recorder of Flight SQ006, they would only confirm that the pilot picked the wrong runway and that there was a series of collisions as the plane sped down the airstrip. On Tuesday, investigators offered the most detailed account yet

of the crash. Seconds after the jet began its takeoff, a front wheel hit a concrete barrier about 4,950 feet down the runway. Then the plane slammed into a crane that peeled open its underside, said Lee. Parts of Singapore Airlines' trademark blue and yellow metal were twisted around the body of a flipped-over crane. Another nearby crane was badly battered. Bouquets of lilies and pictures of the dead lay on the charred remains of the plane, where many bodies were

found. Musical scores apparently left by passengers littered the runway and a makeshift Buddhist altar with incense and plates of apples and pears was arranged near the plane's nose. In the plane's tail section — which Lee said was the least damaged — magazines and candies were strewn on the soiled purple seats. The ceiling and overhead compartments had collapsed, revealing air pipes and electrical cables. Some seats dangled out of the plane in a section split from the rest of the jetliner.

The major question experts are trying to answer is why the plane's pilot thought he was on the correct runway. Kay Yong, managing director of the Aviation Safety Council, said the probe is focusing on whether the closed runway — which was parallel to the plane's assigned runway — was improperly lit, inviting the pilot to make the fatal choice Oct. 31 during a storm brought by an approaching typhoon. Investigators have heard conflicting reports about whether the lights

along the side of the closed runway were on, indicating to the pilot that he could use the strip, Yong said. Yong said that seconds after the crash, an airport maintenance vehicle requested that the air traffic control tower turn on the runway lights. "We cannot give any direct probable cause. The final report might take as much as one year," Yong said at a news conference at the airport in this suburb of the capital, Taipei. Yong also said visibility was 2,950 feet at the time of the crash — better than the original estimate of 1,640 feet.

# Boy accused of murder has violent history

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DALLAS — The stepfather of a 14-year-old boy accused of killing a deaf man last month had asked police to remove the teen from the family home, records show. The boy was taken to Henry Wade Juvenile Justice Center in August, after his stepfather reported a family argument to the police. During the dispute, the boy became enraged and hurled 12-pound concrete blocks, stepfather Mark Penrice told officers. The teen was released — but not for long. He returned to the juvenile jail last month, charged with capital murder in the Oct. 4 shooting death. Steven Lamar Armstrong, 38, was killed after his first day of work in the barns of the State Fair of Texas.

## Police were called more than 40 times to teen's home for aggravated assault to theft

Armstrong was waiting for a bus outside the fairgrounds, carrying only enough change to get home. He was shot in the head during a botched robbery, police said. "My brother met the devil in the body of a 14-year-old kid," Dorinda Marshall, sister of the slain fair worker, told *The Dallas Morning News*. Two days later, the teen was arrested. An acquaintance told investigators he and the suspect decided to rob Armstrong on their way out of the fairgrounds. The boy shot Armstrong out of frustration when the older man couldn't understand orders, the suspect's friend told police.

Police and state records show the boy grew up in a troubled family. "I looked into his eyes and knew he was headed in the wrong direction," said neighbor Larry Harris, who lived near the family in their South Dallas neighborhood. The boy was raised in his elderly grandmother's crowded house; his mother was in jail for drug possession. When the boy's older brother was 17, he was convicted of capital murder in the deaths of two men. The brother was sentenced to life in prison for the 1992 slayings. In elementary school, the suspect was described as a "smart" and

"brave" boy, according to Child Protective Services reports. But a school yard fight landed the boy in alternative school, where he bounced in and out of trouble. "He mostly had truancy problems and had difficulty following his teachers' instructions," said DISD Officer Al Davis. But police were called more than 40 times last year to the brick home where the boy lived with his mother and stepfather. Reports ranged from aggravated assault to theft. A hearing to determine whether the teen will be certified and tried as an adult is expected next month. If he is tried as an adult, he could face life in prison. If he stands trial as a juvenile, he could be handed as many as 40 years behind bars.

# South Africa train wreck kills four

## Two passenger trains crash head-on Tuesday while riding on same track

By Ravi Nessman  
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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Two passenger trains crashed head-on late Tuesday afternoon, killing four people and injuring 106 others, police said. The two Metrorail trains apparently were traveling toward each other on the same track and collided about 4:30 p.m. in Wadeville, an industrial area south of Johannesburg, Superintendent Andy Piekie told *The Associated Press*.

Rescue workers had searched the trains to see if people were trapped inside, but by late Tuesday night, they stopped looking and brought in cranes to remove the cars. The workers did not expect to find any more bodies, Viljoen said. "They've gone through everything," she said. The trains have the capacity to carry hundreds of people, though it was unclear how many were aboard at the time of the accident, Piekie said. One of the trains was traveling to the Johannesburg suburb of Katlehong, while the other was headed toward the suburb of Elsburg when they collided.

The collision flipped one train on its side and the other was on top of it, angled high into the air. Several train cars were badly damaged. Although the cause of the crash was not known, two railroad workers responsible for the affected stretch of rail have been suspended, Hendrik van Stryp, the regional manager of Metrorail, told the *South African Press Association*. Metrorail said the tracks were being operated manually while a new signaling system was being installed. The speed limit on the section of the track was 55 mph, but it was unclear how fast the trains had been traveling.

There's one coach on top of the other, so it's really difficult at this stage to determine what may have happened," he said. Of the injured, two were in critical condition and were airlifted by helicopter, Piekie said. Thirteen were in serious condition and the remainder had minor injuries. Those killed were the trains' drivers and two female passengers, Inspector Amanda Viljoen said. "Our prayers are with the families and relatives of the victims, and we wish those in hospital a speedy recovery," South African Transport Minister Dullah Omar said. Provincial Transport Minister Khabisi Mosunkutu said the efforts of the emergency workers had kept the number of deaths low.

# Drunk driver killed four girls, awaits sentence

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WEATHERFORD — Relatives of four slain honor students, urging the maximum sentence for the man who pleaded guilty in the deaths, told of the unfulfilled dreams the girls had before they were struck down by the drunk driver. Some jurors were tearful Monday as the families showed videotapes and photos of Mandi McWhorter, 15; Lacey Osina, 17; Staci Lee, 16; and Whitney Welch, 16. All were athletes and honor students in Brock, a close-knit community of about 300 people

about 40 miles west of Fort Worth. Relatives told of cheerleading camps, family vacations and organ donations in the trial to determine the punishment for Rickey Carter, 42, of Fort Worth. Carter faces up to 20 years' imprisonment, to run concurrently, for the four counts of intoxication manslaughter. Some family members have criticized Carter's plea agreement and Parker County District Attorney Donald Schnebly for accepting the deal following the deaths. "If you want an impact statement on what this has done to me, I think you see it," said Brock High School

principal Jim Branch, breaking into tears minutes after taking the stand. "These were very young, active, gifted students." Three were cheerleaders and one victim was a player for the Brock High School girls' basketball team before Carter's pickup veered into the wrong lane on Ranger Highway in Brock just after 11 p.m. on Dec. 19, 1998. The truck then smashed into a Nissan that had tried to avoid the collision by pulling onto the road shoulder, killing all four occupants, inside as they tried to return home from a basketball game. Carter spent most of Monday's

testimony in a crowded courtroom with his head down, refusing to look at the witnesses. Testimony was to resume Tuesday before visiting State District Judge Robert Gill. David Lee lost his only child, Staci, in the crash. He told the eight-woman, four-man jury Monday that Carter has never apologized. "He had every opportunity to show a sign of remorse, sympathy or just say, 'I'm sorry,'" Mr. Lee said. "All he did was snarl at me." Family members and friends took turns recounting the last hugs, the birthday parties and the track meets.

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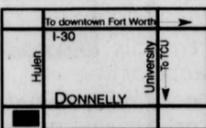
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# FDA intends to ban ingredient in cold, diet drugs

By David Ho  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A number of major drug store chains are pulling dozens of over-the-counter cold remedies and diet pills from their shelves after the government warned that an ingredient could cause hemorrhagic strokes, especially in young women. The Food and Drug Administration issued an unusually strong warning Monday, telling Americans to immediately quit using drugs containing phenylpropanolamine, or PPA, which is found in Dextrometorphan and dozens of other over-

## Warns stores to stop selling drugs with phenylpropanolamine

the-counter medicines. The agency, which intends to ban the ingredient, asked manufacturers voluntarily to stop selling PPA-containing drugs immediately and to replace the ingredient with a safer alternative. Rite Aid, with 3,800 drug stores in 30 states and the District of Columbia, soon will begin posting warning signs and removing products with PPA, spokeswoman Jody Cook said. "We would advise our customers to check with the pharmacist about the alternatives," she said.

CVS Pharmacy, which has 4,100 stores, and Walgreen Co., with 3,200 stores, made similar announcements. Dr. Charles Ganley, the FDA's nonprescription drugs chief, said buyers should be alert for PPA in the ingredient list of nonprescription cold relievers — both brand names and generic or store brands — and instead choose decongestant pills with the safe alternative pseudoephedrine or use nasal sprays. Over-the-counter alternatives do not exist for diet pills, however, so

dieters will have to consult doctors about prescription-only alternatives, Ganley said. Whitehall-Robins Healthcare quit shipping PPA-containing Dimetapp on Monday. New liquid Dimetapp formulas lacking PPA will head for store shelves next week, with pill versions to follow. Also, some stores are selling PPA-containing versions of its Robitussin-CF product, and some are selling a new non-PPA formula, in boxes flagged with a yellow band. SmithKline Beecham Consumer

Healthcare said people should not use its PPA-containing Contac 12-hour Cold Capsules, but five other Contac versions contain the safe pseudoephedrine. Even though manufacturers learned three weeks ago that the FDA was preparing to act, when the agency's scientific advisers declared PPA unsafe, many scrambled Monday to decide what to do. About 6 billion doses of PPA are sold in this country each year, mostly without prescriptions. There are a few

PPA-containing prescription decongestants, and the FDA asked their makers also to stop selling them while it moves to ban prescription use as well. With millions of Americans swallowing PPA daily, the FDA estimated it could be to blame for 200 to 500 strokes yearly just in people under age 50. Hemorrhagic strokes typically occur in the elderly, and are extremely rare under age 50. In the 1980s, however, medical journals cited several dozen young women who suddenly had strokes days after taking their first PPA-containing diet pill.

# Conjoined twins separated, one dies

### Surviving girl is in 'critical but stable' condition

By Emma Ross  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — The stronger of 3-month-old conjoined twins struggled for life Tuesday after being separated from her sister, who died as a result of the 20-hour operation. The surviving girl, known only as Jodie, was in "critical but stable" condition. St. Mary's Hospital in Manchester said. "As with all major surgery, the first few days following an operation are the most critical," the hospital said. Her sister, known as Mary, died

following surgery to separate the two, St. Mary's said. Experts said the case was the first in Britain where judges had to choose whether to accelerate the death of one person to save another. The Court of Appeal allowed the operation after doctors said both girls would have died within months without it. The next 48 hours are critical, experts say. "The process is by no means over," said Dr. Lewis Spitz, a pediatric surgeon at London's Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children. Much depends on the function of Jodie's bladder, bowel and lower limbs, he added. Doctors say Jodie will probably need further surgery to reconstruct

some organs damaged in the surgery, including her rectum, sexual organs and lower abdomen. She is also expected to need skin grafts. The hospital provided no details of the complicated procedure, which began Monday and lasted until early Tuesday. But according to testimony at the Court of Appeal, doctors said one of the main problems was that Jodie's aorta, her main artery taking blood away from the heart, was feeding blood to Mary and that her vena cava, the main vein bringing blood back to the heart, was handling Mary's blood as well her own. Both those blood vessels would need to be separated and divided, to give Jodie the best chance of surviving, and severing those connections would kill Mary, an unidentified doctor was

quoted in court records as saying. The legal battle began shortly after the twins were born at St. Mary's in August with fused spines, joined at the abdomen and with arms and legs at right angles to their upper bodies. Doctors had said surgery might allow Jodie to have a normal life, but that Mary's heart and lungs did not work and would not survive once she was separated from Jodie. Without surgery, both would surely die, doctors said. The twins' parents — identified only as Roman Catholics from the Maltese island of Gozo in the Mediterranean — refused to allow the operation for religious reasons, and the hospital went to court to override them.

# Navy ends the search for sunken nuclear sub

By David McHugh  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSCOW — Russian and Norwegian divers cast a wreath Tuesday on the arctic waters above the sunken nuclear submarine Kursk and gave up their effort to recover more bodies from the vessel, saying they had done all they could. The remains of only 12 of the 118 crewmen who died in the Aug. 12 disaster were brought to the surface and identified during the risky 18-day operation in the Barents Sea off Russia's northern coast. But navy officials had cautioned that most bodies would not be recovered. The explosions that sank the Kursk likely blew many of the crew to bits, and hurled heavy equipment and machinery around the shattered vessel's compartments, making it impossible for divers to safely reach parts of the sub.

sageway, and no remains were found. The divers then welded shut the hole they had cut in the section. Divers decided not to search for remains in the fifth compartment because any bodies were likely to be located on a lower level, which could only be reached through a hatch too small for the divers' bulky suits, Navrotsky said. All the bodies were recovered from a rear compartment, farther from the bow where the explosions are believed to have occurred. Navrotsky said the Russian cruiser Peter the Great and a Russian ship checking for possible radiation leaks stayed at the site. The Russian divers will remain aboard the Regalia for several more days to complete decompression necessary after deep diving, he said. Navrotsky and officials from the Norwegian arm of Halliburton, a Dallas-based oil-services company hired by Russia to organize the recovery effort, said the operation had been a success. "We did what we set out to do," Halliburton spokesman Birger Haraldseid said.

The cause of the Kursk's sinking remains unknown. Russian officials favor a theory that a collision with a foreign submarine set off the powerful blasts. Others have said the most likely reason was a torpedo exploding in its tube because of a technical malfunction. The divers had worked for the past two days to remove jagged debris from the upper deck of the submarine's fourth compartment, yet could only move 6 feet along a single pas-

age and was eventually acquitted of murder in the cousin's death. Another man, Michael "Jay" Clements, pleaded guilty to arson and received a 25-year sentence in exchange for his testimony against Jackson. Clements testified that he and Jackson recruited an admitted crack addict, Andrew Lewis Terry Jr., to buy the gas and set the fire as they waited in a car. The prosecutor has said more evidence was needed in order to charge Terry.

# Man sent to prison for murder, arson charges

By Kia Shant'e Breaux  
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ROANOKE, Va. — A man was sentenced Tuesday to 45 years in prison for his role in a boarding-house fire that killed six people. Brian E. Jackson, 22, was convicted in June of murder and arson for helping set the fire in May 1998 to avenge the shooting death of his cousin. The jury recommended Jackson serve 125 years in prison — 20 years for each murder conviction and five years for arson — the minimum sen-

ences were meaningless for convicts as young as Jackson because they typically are eligible for parole at age 60 regardless. Before Weckstein read his decision, Jackson told the judge he was extremely sorry, adding, "I'd gladly walk up heaven's stairs and trade my life for theirs." One of the residents of the house, Willie Caldwell, had been charged hours earlier with killing Jackson's cousin, Kevin Lee Jones. Caldwell was not home when the fire was set

and was eventually acquitted of murder in the cousin's death. Another man, Michael "Jay" Clements, pleaded guilty to arson and received a 25-year sentence in exchange for his testimony against Jackson. Clements testified that he and Jackson recruited an admitted crack addict, Andrew Lewis Terry Jr., to buy the gas and set the fire as they waited in a car. The prosecutor has said more evidence was needed in order to charge Terry.

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## ELECTION

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Green Party candidate Ralph Nader had just 3 percent of the national vote, but did well enough in to potentially tip several states to Bush.

The next president will be submitting his first-year agenda to a deeply divided Congress. The closeness of the day's voting demonstrated deep division in the country and bestowed no clear mandate.

Ever confident, Bush went out for dinner and awaited final returns. "I don't believe some of these states that they called, like Florida," said the Texas governor. Regarding the vice president, Bush said, "I've run against a formidable opponent."

Gore, awaiting returns in Nashville, wasn't heard from.

The GOP sought to retain its fragile hold on Congress and it was projected that the House would stay in Republican hands and likely the Senate too.

Voters settled a full roster of propositions on the first general election day of the 21st Century. Residents of Colorado and Oregon, shaken by school shooting rampages, cracked down on gun show patrons and sweeping private school voucher proposals were defeated in California and Michigan.

Democrats needed to pick up eight seats in the Senate to wrest control.

In New York, Hillary Rodham Clinton made history, becoming the nation's first first lady to win a Senate seat. "You taught me, you tested me," Mrs. Clinton told her adopted New Yorkers. "I am determined to make a difference for all of you."

But it was the presidential race that foretold the end to Bill Clinton's turbulent eight years in office.

The math was excruciating for both campaigns — both candidates were within reach of an electoral majority, and agonizing defeat. By midnight EST, Bush had won 29 states for 246 electoral votes of the needed 270. Gore had won 16 states plus the District of Columbia for 237. Florida offered a tantalizing 25 votes to its winner.

"It looks like the candidate who wins Florida will be the next president of the United States," said Gore spokesman Mark Fabiani, a practical reality more than a mathematical certainty.

Maine gave three of its four electoral votes to Gore, while the final one was still undecided.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said, "I'm used to counting the votes in the Senate and the House of Representatives, but I'm not used to count-

ing votes in the electoral college."

As the anxiety mounted, Bush changed his plans to watch the returns with a large group of family and friends at a hotel. He opted instead for the seclusion of the governor's mansion.

It was no less tense in Democratic quarters.

"It will be late and there will be lots of surprises," said Gore campaign chairman, William Daley.

No vote was overlooked. Party sources say Gore aides called for fresh troops for New Hampshire get out the vote operations. The Ted Kennedy campaign sent 250 or so volunteers — all that for four electoral votes.

Not that it mattered, but with votes tallied from 84 percent of the precincts, Bush had 42,357,342 votes and Gore 41,822,893. Nader was at 2 percent and Pat Buchanan barely registered.

Nader said he didn't mind that his race caused electoral mischief, proclaiming, "You can't spoil a system spoiled to the core."

Interviews as voters left their polling places by Voter News Service said that a candidate's position on issues was more influential than his personal qualities, and about one in five voters didn't make up their minds until the last week. Many of those tipped toward Gore.

In Senate races, former Virginia Gov. George Allen ousted Sen. Charles Robb from the Senate, diminishing Democratic hopes to regain control. Republicans also picked up a Democrat seat in Nevada, while Democrats picked up GOP seats in Florida, Delaware and Minnesota.

In Missouri, Republican Sen. John Ashcroft was defeated by the state's dead governor, Mel Carnahan, who was killed on a campaign flight in October. Gov. Roger Wilson said he would appoint Carnahan's widow, Jean, if her husband topped the ballot.

Rep. Jim Rogan fought to hold his southern California seat in the costliest House race in history. Rogan was a leader in the House impeachment effort. At late-evening, Democrats and Republicans had each picked up a seat.

There were hopes the showdown would inspire higher turnout, reversing the trend of recent elections. At a West Little Rock polling site, the line snaked through a church gymnasium and out into the parking lot. In Reisterstown, Md., attorney Paul Beckman said, "I'd walk a mile to vote."

The voting day poll indicated Bush fared well among those who cared most about world affairs and taxes. Voters who cared most about

Medicare and prescription drugs, Social Security, health care and the economy tended to favor Gore. Both candidates were seen as good for schools, an issue that traditionally has favored Democrats.

Individual considerations had an impact: voters who cared most about a candidate's honesty favored Bush and those who wanted a president with experience mostly sided with Gore.

About one in four said reports that Bush had been arrested in 1976 for drunken driving was important to their vote. Nearly half of voters said Clinton "scandals" was an important reason for their choice.

Eleven gubernatorial contests were being decided Tuesday, along with legislatures that will wield wide influence in next year's congressional redistricting. Democrats held their governorships in Delaware, New Hampshire, Indiana, New Hampshire and North Carolina — and scored an upset in West Virginia, where Gov. Cecil Underwood lost to Rep. Bob Wise.

But it was the race between the son of a former president and the son of a former senator that captured the attention of voters who had often ignored politics during recent years of relative peace and ongoing prosperity.

Bush, 54, just six years into his first political job, promised to end the Clinton-Gore "season of cynicism," cut taxes, improve schools, build up the military and reshape Social Security. Benefiting from family connections and Texas-sized expectations, Bush raised a record-shattering \$103 million as he aimed to settle a score as well as reach the political pinnacle: Clinton-Gore swept his father from office in 1993.

America has had father-and-son presidents only once: John Adams (1797-1801) and John Quincy Adams (1825-1829).

In TV ads and on the campaign trail, Bush said Gore couldn't be trusted. Gore, 52, said Bush didn't have the experience to be president. The Texas governor countered by tapping his father's defense secretary Dick Cheney, a Washington veteran, as running mate.

Gore chose Lieberman, the first Jewish candidate on a major national ticket, and a voice of moral authority during the impeachment debate.

After eight months and \$250 million in TV ads, most pre-election polls showed Bush with a narrow advantage in the popular vote, and he sought victory-sealing upsets in Democratic-leaning states like California and Wisconsin.

# Serbian prisons report rape; riots turn violent

## Protests challenge Kostunica in Yugoslavia

By Dragan Ilic

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NIS, Yugoslavia — Protests at two prisons in Yugoslavia turned ugly Tuesday, with shots fired, buildings set ablaze and a female inmate reporting an "orgy of rape" as Serbs went on a rampage to demand better jail conditions and amnesty for certain convictions.

The unrest, which began Sunday with a riot at a third prison, presented the latest challenge to the new president, Vojislav Kostunica. Even as his government tries to consolidate its authority, it faces a decade of pent-up discontent accumulated under the previous regime and now threatening to spill over into growing anarchy.

Kostunica and his supporters control government on the federal level but not in the two Yugoslav republics. With elections in Serbia six weeks away, allies of ousted President Slobodan Milosevic will remind voters that the disorder would not have been tolerated while he was in charge.

Although opinion polls now project a solid victory for Kostunica's Democratic Opposition of Serbia in the Dec. 23 elections, his camp is worried their support could erode as pro-democracy euphoria is replaced by disenchantment over price increases, energy shortages and other hardships. While the economy was destroyed under Milosevic, there is fear his successors will harvest the blame.

The riots at Pozarevac, Nis and Sremska Mitrovica appear linked by demands focusing on an end to alleged ill treatment and inclusion of Serbs jailed for criminal activities into a proposed amnesty law that would free Kosovo Albanians. It was unclear which crimes the inmates wanted covered in an amnesty.

Witnesses outside the prison in Pozarevac, about 50 miles east of Belgrade, saw flames shooting from at least four buildings in the compound Tuesday and heard gunfire immediately afterward. The fires appeared to have burned out or been

doused several hours later.

In the southern city of Nis, where inmates rioted Monday, a female prisoner told reporters the rioters were raping and molesting the women inmates.

"They broke into our ward and it's now hell inside," said Bosiljka Sumas. "It's an orgy of rape."

Sumas said one of her friends had smuggled her out of the prison, but gave no details.

"The ringleaders are forcing other prisoners into rape," she said. "They are also fighting among themselves."

Later, corrections officials said four other women also managed to leave the prison, leaving three inside.

An ethnic Albanian inmate who spoke to The Associated Press by telephone from the Nis prison said Serb inmates wearing guards' uniforms and carrying weapons were saying: "We are going to kill you at nightfall." The 300 ethnic Albanians had refused Serb demands they join in the rioting, the inmate said.

At Pozarevac, warden Stipe Marusic said guards shot in the air. But some inmates told reporters contacted by telephone that they were shot at and that several prisoners were injured — at least two seriously.

Nevertheless, the situation there appeared less volatile than at Nis, where hundreds of ethnic Albanians were evacuated by nightfall.

The proposed amnesty law would affect ethnic Albanians arrested for activity in or support of the rebel Kosovo Liberation Army, which disbanded after Milosevic's troops withdrew from the Serb province of Kosovo in June 1999 under a peace deal to end NATO's 78-day bombing campaign. Tensions have remained high between Serbs and ethnic Albanians, who constitute a majority of Kosovo's population.

In Pozarevac, inmates said they were demanding that first-time criminal offenders be forgiven a third of their sentences and multiple offenders almost a third, along with

more food, less work and dismissals of corrupt prison officials appointed under Milosevic.

"We don't have enough food, and they are forcing us to work endless hours," said one prisoner, who, like others, refused to give his name.

In a statement, the Yugoslav government said the amnesty law "will be addressed quickly and seriously," without indicating whether the inmates' demands would be included.

Witnesses at Pozarevac saw inmates perched on the prison's rooftops, some brandishing signs: "We go out, JUL goes in." They were alluding to the neo-communist Yugoslav Left party that ruled Yugoslavia with Milosevic's Socialists until the former president lost the Sept. 24 elections and was toppled by a popular revolt.

Other signs hoisted by inmates have expressed support for Kostunica, an indication that backing for his pro-democracy policies extends into all segments of Serbian society.

"We believe that since some things have changed in this country, there must also be changes for us," one of the Pozarevac inmates told "Associated Press Television News." "We are not doing this for fun."

In Nis, hundreds of helmeted riot police, toting submachine guns, took up positions around the prison, while hundreds of jeering inmates climbed to rooftops inside the compound.

But the police did not act, presumably to give time to negotiations between the inmates and Vladimir Domazet, a Nis city official.

About 1,000 inmates at Nis began a hunger strike Monday in a show of solidarity with Serbian prisoners in the northern city of Sremska Mitrovica. The inmates in Sremska Mitrovica began rioting late Sunday; they claimed they were beaten by guards and demanded an expansion of the proposed amnesty law.

One prisoner, 30-year-old Vasilije Kujovic, slipped and fell from a rooftop early Tuesday. He later died at the Nis hospital after suffering brain damage, the state Tanjug news agency reported.

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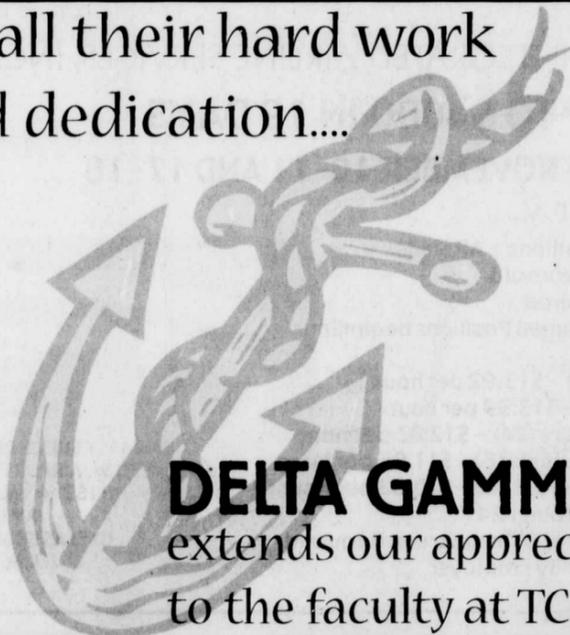
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## Soccer weekly

# Men's soccer team looks forward to C-USA play

### Frogs see playoff hopes dashed, acknowledge lack of focus and effects of late-season injuries

After the men's soccer team won just three of 11 games in the Missouri Valley Conference this season, sophomore midfielder Dustin Sitar said they can't wait to make a fresh start in Conference USA next year.



**KELLY MORRIS**  
Soccer weekly

"We're very excited about joining C-USA next year since we had such an extremely frustrating season in the MVC this year," Sitar said. "Next year will be a lot different because the play (in C-USA) is more similar to our own style, and unlike this year, we'll be playing extremely good teams in the preseason."

"Because we knew our schedule just two months before the start of this year's season, it was too late to play against teams of higher caliber in the preseason, but our schedule for next year has already been determined."

The Frogs ended their season with four consecutive losses, the last coming in an 8-1 defeat to No. 6 Southern Methodist on Friday. With the loss, the team finished with a 7-11 overall record.

Sophomore midfielder Nick

Browne said after the team lost against Drake 5-0 on Oct. 27, hopes for making the playoffs were basically dashed.

"It was really hard to come back in the game after (Drake) scored five goals against us in the first 30 minutes of play," Browne said. "After that game, everything went downhill because we continued to have a lack of focus and didn't play up to our ability. Besides underachieving, we also continued to have problems getting up for games against teams we were supposed to beat."

Browne and sophomore forward Ryan Parsley led the team in scoring with 12 points. With four goals each, Browne, junior forward Bobby Montes and junior midfielder Nick Baker led the team in goals.

Freshman forward Wes Bender said injuries late in the season were a big reason for the team's decline.

"With key losses at the end of the season, we had less and less motivation to go out and play, and the injuries didn't help either," Bates said. "Later in the season, sophomore defender Todd Bates aggravated his pulled hamstring

injury, and (senior) Mike Martin had an ankle injury."

Browne said the team is already working to improve for next season, which is now about seven months away.

"What we do now as individuals in the months before next season will affect how well we come back next year and how much we improve."

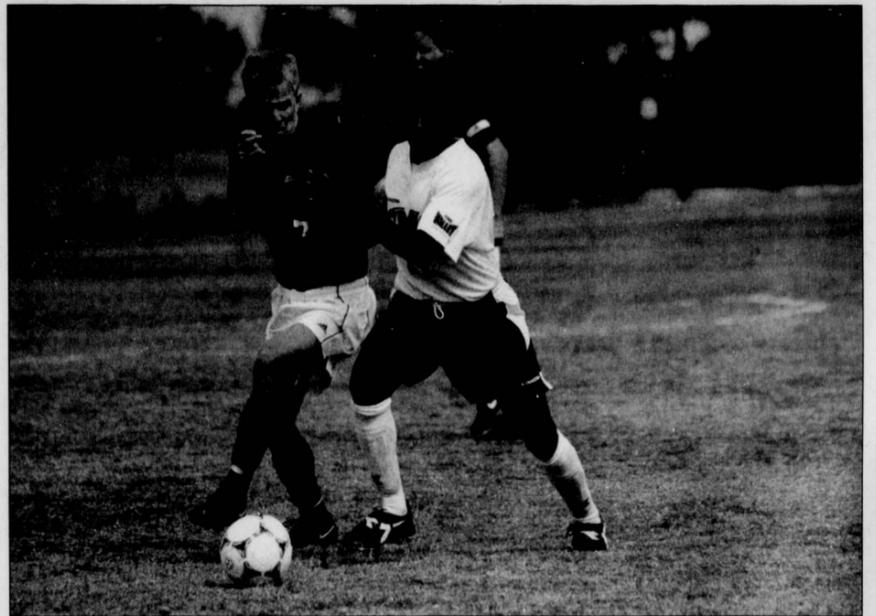
— Nick Browne, sophomore midfielder

season will affect how well we come back next year and how much we improve," Browne said. "We hope to make it to the conference tournament next year."

Although this was the last season for Martin and senior midfielders Matt Groves and Brad Johnson, Sitar said he isn't worried about team depth for next year.

"We have some players from scholarship schools who are interested in playing for TCU next year," Sitar said. "We still have enormous depth for next year because we have a lot of hard-working, experienced players coming back."

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File Photo

Sophomore forward Jon Meyers (7) looks to advance the ball against freshman forward Jamal Sutton of Southwest Missouri State in a game Oct. 8 at Garvey Rosenthal Soccer Stadium. In a season that saw few peaks, TCU did manage to pull off the 1-0 upset of the Bears, who were ranked No. 11 at the time.

### Notes

In Sunday's first round of the Iron Kids Missouri Valley Conference Championship, no higher-seeded team was upset by a team of lower ranking.

Top-seeded Southern Methodist won against 8th-seeded Southwest Missouri State 2-0, Creighton won against Tulsa 2-1, Bradley beat Eastern Illinois 3-0 and Western Kentucky beat Vanderbilt 3-2.

SMU will play Bradley, and Creighton will play Western Kentucky in the semifinals Friday in St. Louis, Mo.

The winners of these matches will compete for the MVC championship Sunday.

### Final MVC Standings

Team	MVC Rec.	Pts.	Pct.	Overall Rec.	Pct.
Southern Methodist	10-1-0	30	.909	17-3-0	.850
Creighton	9-2-0	27	.818	16-3-0	.842
Western Kentucky	7-4-0	21	.636	10-10-0	.500
Bradley	6-4-1	19	.591	14-5-2	.714
Eastern Illinois	6-5-0	18	.545	12-6-1	.658
Vanderbilt	6-5-0	18	.545	9-11-0	.450
Tulsa	5-4-2	17	.515	10-7-2	.579
Southwest Mo. State	4-5-2	14	.455	9-7-3	.553
Drake	4-7-0	12	.364	7-12-0	.368
Evansville	3-7-1	10	.318	4-10-3	.324
TCU	3-8-0	9	.273	7-11-0	.389
Belmont	0-11-0	0	.000	1-17-0	.056

## MULTI-FACETED

### Carril acts as a mentor, leader for tennis squad

By Dana Alden  
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Senior Esteban Carril has doubled this fall season as leader for the men's tennis team and mentor for his teammates.

Sophomore Antonio Gordon said Carril is not only extremely talented on the court, he also has an air about him off the court that permeates the entire team.

"I came to TCU on a recommendation from (Carril)," he said. "He has helped me with my English, my tennis game and my life overall. He's become sort of my big brother since I got here."

Carril is the leader of the TCU tennis team now, but things haven't always been so clear for Carril.

He said he faced many of the same problems as Gordon when he first arrived at TCU four years ago.

"I struggled with external obstacles," Carril said. "My English wasn't very good when I got here. I was just determined to learn and speak better. It's coming together."

Struggling with his speech was only the beginning of Carril's problems upon arriving in the United States.

"I had been struggling with my tennis, too," he said. "I actually quit for two years before I came to TCU because I had gotten burned out. I had been playing for the Spanish team, but I just had to quit. It just wasn't what I wanted it to be anymore."

Even now, despite all his successes (two-time All-American, two-time Western Athletic Conference Player of the Year), Carril said playing tennis has become frustrating for him.

"It's kind of hard to compete when you're a senior because you keep playing in the same tournaments,"

Carril said. "Sometimes I feel like it's just not exciting anymore."

Carril said he doesn't want his opinion on the repetition of competition to indicate that he's gotten complacent or that he thinks he's better than the college game.

"I really don't think of myself as a superior player," said Carril, who ranks as the No. 1 player on the TCU squad. "I think all the players on the team are equal. There are some great players on this team, and it's just a coincidence that I'm No. 1. Somebody has to be No. 1."

Carril's opinion of himself doesn't equal that of head coach Joey Rive.

"He's a positive role model and a positive leader on the team," said Rive, who is in his first season as head coach for the men's tennis team. "With his work ethic and how he goes about his business, I think it circulates through the entire team."

Gordon said he's inspired by Carril's on-court demeanor.

"He always goes on the court ready to fight," Gordon said. "It doesn't matter if he's playing the No. 1 player in the nation. His confidence makes us all more confident."

But life for Carril doesn't revolve around tennis and how well he fares on the court.

Carril said he plans to enroll in

graduate school upon graduating from TCU. He has plans to get a master's degree in business or finance.

His tennis career beyond TCU remains uncertain.

"I don't know if I'm going to continue playing tennis, maybe at the professional level," Carril said. "I know I'm probably not leaving TCU any time soon. I would love to stay at TCU and help with the team somehow and at the same time, get my master's degree."

Carril won his most recent tournament, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Region VI Tournament, by defeating Andy Leber of Texas-Arlington in three sets. The three-set win marked the end of the fall season in which Carril finished as the No. 6-ranked player in the nation.

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Senior Esteban Carril uses a forehand to return serve against Andy Leber of Texas-Arlington Oct. 30. Carril defeated Leber in three sets to capture the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Region VI Tournament.

## WAC roundup

### Football

Team	WAC games				All games					
	W	L	Pct.	Hm.	Rd.	Neutral	Strk.			
UTEP	6	0	1.000	7	2	.778	4-0	3-2	0-0	W6
San Jose State	5	1	.833	7	3	.700	3-1	4-2	0-0	W3
TCU	4	1	.800	7	1	.875	4-0	3-1	0-0	L1
Fresno State	4	1	.800	5	3	.625	4-0	1-3	0-0	W2
Tulsa	2	3	.400	3	6	.333	1-3	2-3	0-0	W4
Rice	2	4	.333	3	6	.333	3-2	0-4	0-0	L1
SMU	1	4	.200	2	7	.222	2-2	0-5	0-0	L1
Hawaii	0	6	.143	1	7	.125	1-3	0-4	0-0	L3
Nevada	0	5	.000	1	8	.111	0-4	1-4	0-0	L6

### Saturday's results

San Jose State	27
TCU	24
SMU	14
Rice	43
UTEP	45
Nevada	22
Hawaii	27
Fresno State	45

### Saturday's games

Fresno St. at TCU (Fox SportsNet), 2:30 p.m.
Tulsa at SMU, 6 p.m.
Rice at UTEP 8:05 p.m.
Nevada at Hawaii, 12:05 a.m.
Tulane at SMU, 6 p.m.

### Players of the week

**Offensive:** Texas-EI Paso senior quarterback Rocky Perez threw for a career-high 323 yards and completed 20 of 35 passes. He threw two touchdown passes and ran for two more. The Miners remained unbeaten in conference play with a 45-22 win over Nevada.

**Defensive:** Rice junior linebacker Dan Dawson equaled the Owls' single-season record of seven interceptions after picking off two passes against Southern Methodist. He also returned two picks for a school-record 113 yards, including a 45-yard touchdown. Rice beat SMU 43-14.

**Special teams:** Fresno State senior safety Terence Brown blocked a field goal attempt that was returned 81 yards for a touchdown. Fresno State is now tied with TCU for third place in the Western Athletic Conference with a 45-27 win over Hawaii.

### AP TOP 25

The Top 25 teams in *The Associated Press* college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 4, 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:

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1.	Oklahoma (70)	8-0	1,774	1
2.	Miami	7-1	1,684	3
3.	Florida State (1)	9-1	1,633	4
4.	Nebraska	8-1	1,512	5
5.	Florida	8-1	1,499	6
6.	Oregon	8-1	1,429	7
7.	Washington	8-1	1,371	8
8.	Virginia Tech	8-1	1,260	2
9.	Purdue	7-2	1,196	11
10.	Oregon State	8-1	1,127	14
11.	Notre Dame	6-2	863	15
12.	Northwestern	7-2	839	21
13.	Ohio State	7-2	819	16
14.	Georgia	6-2	727	17
15.	Mississippi State	6-2	707	18
16.	Kansas State	8-2	673	19
17.	Clemson	8-2	584	10
18.	TCU	7-1	571	9
19.	Texas	7-2	527	20
20.	Michigan	6-3	426	12
21.	South Carolina	7-2	353	22
22.	Auburn	7-2	342	23
23.	Texas A&M	7-2	328	24
24.	Georgia Tech	6-2	220	25
25.	Southern Miss.	6-2	217	13

**Others receiving votes:** Colorado State 213, W. Michigan 58, Louisiana State 39, Louisville 26, UCLA 22, Tennessee 16, Mississippi 11, N.C. State 4, Toledo 4, UTEP 1.

### Coming Next

With their loss to San Jose State on Saturday, the Horned Frogs fell to No. 18 in *The Associated Press* poll and out of the Bowl Championship Series poll. Now, with BCS chances even more slim than they were before, the Frogs must look at themselves in the mirror and decide how they want to finish the season. The first test on the way back is a

home date against Fresno State Saturday. The Frogs might be getting a break by playing Fresno State in Fort Worth because the Bulldogs are just 1-3 on the road, while compiling a flawless 4-0 record at home.

The Fresno State offense is led by its quarterback, junior David Carr. He has thrown for 1,772 yards, 15 touchdowns and nine interceptions.

Carr averages 221.5 yards a game and ranks 19th in the nation in pass efficiency.

Despite lackluster performances against San Jose State, the TCU defense and senior tailback LaDainian Tomlinson still rank No. 1 in the nation. Tomlinson has rushed for 1,448 yards while the Bulldogs' leading rusher has run for only 285 yards.

# Arizona opens season as AP's No. 1 college basketball team

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Arizona, with all five starters back from a team that was a top seed in the NCAA tournament, edged Duke as the No. 1 team in *The Associated Press* college basketball poll.

The Wildcats, who were the preseason No. 1 in 1997 and went on to win the national championship, had a sizable lead in first-place votes from the national media panel, but finished with just four more points than the Blue Devils.

### Wildcats edge Duke as top seed, prepared to create a difficult match up for opponents

"This one has fewer question marks than probably any team that we've had," Arizona coach Lute Olson said of the group that features the sophomore backcourt of Jason Gardner and Gilbert Arenas and junior forwards Richard Jefferson and Michael Wright.

Senior center Loren Woods, who missed the end of last season with a back injury, has been impressive returning from off-season surgery. "We've got everything," Gardner

said. "We've got an inside game. We've got an outside game. We've got quickness. We've got strength. It's going to be hard for anybody to match up with us."

Arizona, which finished 25-7 last season and lost to Wisconsin in the second round of the NCAA tournament, had 37 first-place votes and 1,753 points.

Duke, which has four starters back from the team that was No. 1 in the final poll and lost in the

round of 16, was first on 27 ballots, and its 1,749 points were 260 more than defending national champion Michigan State.

The Spartans, who lost three starters from the team that won it all, received five first-place votes and was just two points in front of Stanford.

Maryland received the other first-place vote and was followed in the Top Ten by North Carolina, Kansas, Illinois, Tennessee and Se-

ton Hall. Florida, which lost to Michigan State in the championship game, was 11th, followed by No. 12 Kentucky, No. 13 Utah, No. 14 Connecticut, and Arkansas and Notre Dame, which tied for 15th.

UCLA was 17th, followed by Cincinnati, Wisconsin, Wake Forest, DePaul, Oklahoma, Southern California, Virginia and Iowa State.

The big conferences dominated

the voting with eight leagues supplying all 25 teams. Six conferences had at least three teams each with the Atlantic Coast Conference's five — Duke, Maryland, North Carolina, Wake Forest and Virginia — leading the way.

Last year's preseason No. 1 was Connecticut, while Michigan State was third in the opening poll. The only teams to be ranked in the Top Ten all last season were Arizona, which got as high as No. 2, and Cincinnati, which was No. 1 for 12 weeks.

