

Death Penalty Debated

With the legislature working towards a two-year moratorium on executions, the Skiff examines the pros and cons of the death penalty.
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Fort Worth, Texas

Staff, administration work to even, raise pay

By Jaime Walker
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

Despite staff concerns that their recent merit-based salary increase would be based on popularity rather than necessity, Chancellor Michael Ferrari said Thursday the \$1 million discretionary portion of the increase will be distributed based on a complicated formula, designed to combat salary compression.

“That money was set aside so that Human Resources could individually evaluate each job on campus and figure out where the need was,” he said.

At its March meeting, the Board of Trustees approved a 3 percent raise for staff, not including the \$1 million, and a 1 percent increase towards the retirement fund. All staff should receive a letter outlining the details increase on May 1.

“When you add it all up, the numbers actually turn out to be a

little more than 4 1/2 percent, which is a marked improvement,” Ferrari said.

He said Human Resources needed time to determine how the money could be allocated fairly. Any misunderstanding or confusion about issues related to the increase should be addressed, but with the understanding that the time delay was not intended to mislead anyone.

Roger Ivy, a controls technician

getting 3 percent for sure I was devastated.”
Ivy, who also works as the head coach of the rifle team, said he loves his job at TCU, but he would be willing to leave if he feels like his compensation in this raise is not adequate.

“I have done a lot of thinking about this issue, and I have heard a lot of promises about it too,” he said. “The truth of the matter is that our com-

pression problems are really bad here. I know that, but I also know that I have a family to feed, and I can't do that on 3 percent.”

Other sources in both the grounds crew and residential housekeeping have expressed similar concerns.

“We have all been worried that our supervisors would get to choose who the money went to.”

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British minor new to campus

By Reagan Duplisea
SKIFF STAFF

What initially began as a discussion group among faculty in various disciplines on campus has now resulted in a new minor. British and Colonial/Post-Colonial Studies came to fruition as a collaboration of several faculty members from art history to English who spun their visions at professors' homes and appropriately, a local pub.

According to the proposal, the minor will provide students with an understanding of Great Britain's past and present and will provide a framework for investigating issues of globalization, such as the impact of colonization.

The program was passed by University Council in December, and students can officially declare a British studies minor in the fall. Although program courses will be drawn from various colleges on campus, the program will make its home in the AddRan College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

About three years ago, many of the faculty members began meeting regularly, united by their common interest in British studies. Twice a semester, they gather to discuss a book or article and eat at one of their homes, said Anne Helmreich, an associate professor of art history.

History instructor Sara Sohmer said she has enjoyed the group, because it allows her to meet people from other departments on campus with whom she may not otherwise come into contact.

“We realized what depth we had in the wealth of personnel at TCU who were interested in British studies,” she said. “We really have the expertise already in place.”

From those faculty, a committee was formed and a proposal was drawn up.

The program is not limited to incoming freshmen, Helmreich said. Many students who have

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HERE'S TO GRADUATION



Amy Sands, a senior speech communication major; June Komazaki, a senior marketing major; and other seniors participate in the Senior Toast event held Thursday at the D. J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center.

Chrissy Braden/STAFF REPORTER

Ferrari encourages bonds programs

By Jonathan Sampson
STAFF REPORTER

Chancellor Michael Ferrari encouraged local government and business leaders Thursday to begin or increase participation in the U.S. Savings Bonds Program. Ferrari, 2001 campaign chairman of the Fort Worth Geographic Center, launched the center's U.S. Savings Bonds Campaign during a luncheon at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center.

James Duran, area manager for the U.S. Treasury Savings Bond office, said business leaders who attended the event received training on how to run a company campaign to encourage employees to purchase savings bonds. “A lot of people will leave here motivated to go out and make savings bonds work at their particular organization,” Duran said.

Savings bonds are a way the U.S. Department of the Treasury secures funding for various governmental programs by borrowing money from consumers where the investment will grow over time and can be held for up to 30

years. Before TCU head football coach Gary Patterson was introduced as the luncheon's guest speaker, Ferrari told the crowd he hopes the Fort Worth area will exceed last year's \$60 million bond purchase amount. As leaders of area businesses, including Lockheed Martin and Harris Methodist Health System finished their desserts, Patterson ex-



Jonathan Sampson/STAFF REPORTER
Chancellor Michael Ferrari encourages local business and government officials to increase participation in the U.S. Savings Bonds Program Thursday at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center.

pounded on the virtues of savings bonds. He said he wants to ensure that he and his staff are a part of something that has been with the country for a long time.

“My job as a head football coach is to win championships,” Patterson said. “But my job is also to grow up young men and women and make them successful in the world.”

He said savings bonds provide an opportunity to build a base for students and help them achieve their goals.

Pattie Boyd, a contract administrator for Lockheed Martin, said she thought the luncheon was a great kickoff for the bond program.

“It helped to get people motivated to go out and get others to join,” she said. Lockheed Martin participates in the bond drive every year, Boyd said.

Ferrari was appointed campaign chairman by the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury under the Clinton administration.

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Weekend set for senior reunions

Older graduates to revisit Fort Worth and campus

By Julie Ann Matonis
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Fadie Beckham, Jarvis Hall residence hall mother in the 1930s, used to tell women that they shouldn't wear red because it made them look like ladies of the night.

Beckham's advice will be resurrected Friday in a monologue at the “Nostalgia at Noon” luncheon by theater students taking part in Alumni Weekend. The theme for the weekend is “Reflections and Expectations.”

Close to a dozen events are scheduled Friday and Saturday for alumni returning to TCU for 40-, 45- and 50-year reunions. Events include a bus tour of the campus, lunch with the chancellor and a tour of Fort Worth and Bass Performance Hall. Alumni will also be able to interact with current TCU students at the “Nostalgia at Noon” luncheon and dinner at “Cafe du Mond.”

This is the fourth year of spring scheduled 40-, 45- and 50-year reunions, which are separate from the reunions that take place during Homecoming.

Merry Roberts, an administrative assistant for Alumni Relations, said the overall attendance estimate for the weekend is 550. Eighty-two members of the class of 1951 are expected, 80 members of the class of 1956, and 86 members of the class of 1961. Each class will host its own party Saturday night.

Kristi Hoban, director of Alumni Relations, said less recent graduates have different interests than more recent graduates when it comes to reunions.

“We used to do all reunions at Homecoming,” Hoban said. “It's hard to plan the reunions for 1 to 50 years all at once. Our less recent graduates want to hear faculty and tour facilities.”

Hoban said she wants alumni to see their old friends and get an update on TCU.

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TODAY IN HISTORY
In 1521, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan, who traveled three-quarters of the way around the globe, was killed during a tribal skirmish in the Philippines.

WEATHER TOMORROW

High 80
Low 62
Partly cloudy

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Student wins first place in conference for research paper

By Kelly Marino
STAFF REPORTER

Tracy Haverty, a junior engineering major, won first place for the best undergraduate student research paper last weekend at the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Region V Conference in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Competing against students from colleges around Texas and the Southwest, Haverty presented a paper titled, “Implications for Detaining Alcohol Impaired Drivers, Using an Ethanol Fuel Cell Microsensor and a Wireless Communication Link.”

She said the prototype device could aid law enforcement officers in apprehending drunken drivers. Haverty said the device is an alcohol sensor placed inside a car. The device can measure the amount of alcohol on someone's breath once they get inside their car.

Ed Kolesar, professor of engineering, said that if a person's breath is above .08, the device will electronically send a signal

to local law enforcement and provide them with the driver's license plate number and the vehicle identification number.

“Kolesar and I have fabricated a circuit that will test someone's breath up to 13 inches away,” Haverty said. “It probably will not detect it if the passenger has been drinking, just the driver and that is what we are shooting for.”

Kolesar said that the once the officer receives information about the vehicle, he will send it to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

“They will provide a description and a location of the car,” Kolesar said. “After law enforcement receives this information they can detain the vehicle and do a comprehensive test to see whether it was the driver drinking or the passenger.”

Haverty has been researching this project for more than a year. Since then, she has won first place at the Fort Worth local chapter of the IEEE and the American Society of Engineering Educators at Texas A&M for the best undergraduate research paper.

Kolesar said the engineering department has had students win at the local chapter but never at the regional level.

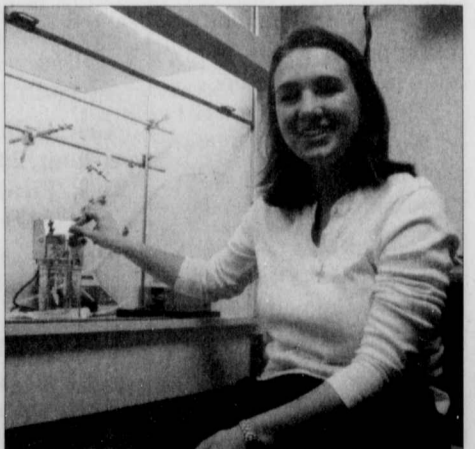
“(Haverty) winning this award is a huge marker for our department,” Kolesar said. “(She) possesses superior capabilities and dedication, not only in the classroom and with the research, but also working with people and providing leadership, supervision and administration.”

Haverty said she didn't expect to win the award but is very pleased she did.

“There were many high quality papers from a lot of prestigious colleges so when I won, I was ecstatic,” Haverty said. “I think this project is very interesting to the public and is something that everyone can relate to.”

Haverty said she will continue researching the project for another two years before trying to get a patent.

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Courtney Crews/SKIFF STAFF
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Gone but not forgotten

the Skiff remembers



Bob Carrell Jr.

Carrell, 70, a former chairman of the journalism department, died Jan. 17.



Ana Catalina Calderon

Calderon, 20, an international student from Colombia, died Feb. 17.



John Justin Jr.

Justin, 84, a former member of the Board of Trustees, died Feb. 26.



Linda J. Perkins

Perkins, 60, an Intensive English Program faculty member, died April 4.



Lori Lessis

Lessis, 28, a 1994 TCU graduate, died April 20.

Not pictured:

Julius "Judy" Truelson, 87, an emeritus trustee, died April 9.

Raymond Bazemore, 55, an associate professor of music, died April 20.

Legislators undo bills Bush passed while governor

By **Connie Mabin**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — It's been dubbed by some the "de-Bushing" of Texas: plugging holes in the state budget, banning new charter schools and overhauling the criminal justice system.

A swift unraveling of George W. Bush's Texas legacy is dominating the first legislative session since the two-term governor became president.

A tougher hate-crimes bill, which Bush supporters killed last session, passed the Democratic-controlled Texas House this week and is making its way through the Republican-controlled Senate.

Legislation that would provide

Texas House passes changes to state budget, criminal justice system

poor defendants with better court-appointed lawyers — a bill vetoed by Bush in 1999 — was approved by the Senate. Other death penalty reforms Bush opposed are moving forward.

Bush's environmental initiatives are being toughened. Lawmakers from both parties have declared that breaking down barriers children face to get Medicaid a priority. Bush opposed the idea two years ago.

It is no secret that with the chance to get a fellow Texan into the White House, lawmakers in both parties in 1999 agreed to support Bush's ideas

and not to push certain controversial issues that could hurt him.

"If that meant enacting some laws that you really didn't feel like were in the best interest of the people that you serve, but it wasn't going to pain them too much, then you convinced yourself that you were doing it for the greater purpose, the greater good," said Rep. Sylvester Turner, a Democrat.

That session, Texas had a \$6 billion surplus, and Bush won his tax cut.

"The tax reduction and all the tax credits that we gave last time — were they prudent?" Turner said.

"No. Are we paying a price for them now? Yes."

Republicans have joined Democrats in blaming Bush's \$3 billion worth of tax cuts for shortfalls in the current budget.

Republican Sen. Chris Harris is sponsoring a bill calling for the repeal of 1997 school property tax cuts. Harris said he would not have voted for the tax cuts if he had known the problems they would create.

"I think his sole purpose was to show people across the country that he could do a tax cut, and he did it at our expense," said Sen. Mario

Gallegos, a Democrat.

A \$718 million emergency appropriations bill was passed this session to cover cost overruns in the prison and Medicaid programs.

Lawmakers, faced with a slowing economy, are now drafting the tightest two-year budget in a decade. Legislators said they will make it through this session by penny-pinching, but they warned the next session could bring tax increases.

Bush's popularity is still high. Several dozen lawmakers have signed a resolution praising his proposed federal tax cuts. And they said

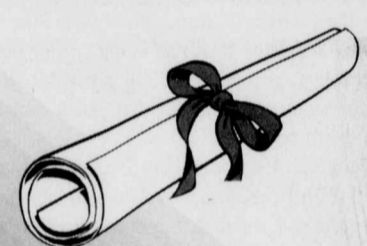
that because the Legislature only meets every two years, it is normal to tinker with previous legislation.

"I happen to think not only were the tax cuts right, ending social promotion, all of those issues that we worked on along with the governor" were right, said Gov. Rick Perry, Bush's GOP successor who in 1999 presided over the Senate as lieutenant governor.

Troubling to many legislators is the state's criminal justice system, which Bush ardently defended. Texas is the nation's No. 1 death penalty state. Forty inmates were put to death last year, the highest number by any state in U.S. history.

Panhellenic Congratulates
the 505 men and women in the
Greek community who are
TCU and Dean Scholars.
We appreciate all your hard work.
Good Luck on Finals!

**Kappa Alpha Theta
congratulates our
seniors and wishes
them good luck.**



Angie Bray	Amanda Janak	Sarah Nicholson
Lauren Brown	Grace Langmade	Ellie Pillsbury
Megan Burst	Lane Lankton	Jenica Rose
Kendra Byrd	Mandy Lester	Kari Schember
Emily Chote	Melissa Lewis	Liz Schroeder
Julie Covert	Laura Loveless	Skye Stoulig
Robin Devoe	Kate McArthur	Abby Thompson
Jenny Disen	Anna McElwain	Mihn-Hai Tran
Bethany Farmer	Keri McNew	Marissa Weege
Abbey Gindlesberger	Amy Mercado	Alana Wiczorek
Betsy Hoefler	Ashley Nevin	Libby Zey

**TCU DINING CELEBRATES
CINCO DE MAYO**

INTERNATIONAL & COMPANY

- BARBACOA (Beef Tacos)
- CARNITAS (Pork Tacos)
- SPANISH RICE
- REFRIED BEANS
- CORN TORTILLAS
- HOMEMADE SALSA'S

THE MAIN SKILLET

- HORNITOS (Tequila Lime Chicken)
- CHILAQUILES (Corn Tequila Casserole)
- CORONA BORRACHO BEANS
- SAFFRON RICE
- CAULIFLOWER
- SOUTHWESTERN ZUCCHINI

THE GRILL

- CARNE ASADA (Grilled Beef)
- MEXICAN POTATOES
- STEWED GREEN BEANS
- HAMBURGERS
- GRILLED CHIX SAND.
- FRIES

DESSERTS

- CUERNITOS
- EMPANADAS
- HO JARASCA

**MAY 2, 2001
THE MAIN DINING**

A TASTE OF NEW ORLEANS

**APRIL 30, 2001
DINNER**

MAIN DINING HALL

INTERNATIONAL & COMPANY

- PO BOY SANDWICH
- RED BEANS & RICE
- FIXINGS

THE MAIN SKILLET

- SHRIMP ETOUFFE
- CAJUN BLACKENED CHICKEN
- DIRTY RICE
- SMOTHERED CABBAGE
- GREEN BEANS
- BISCUITS & CORNBREAD

DESSERTS

- APPLE CRISP
- LEMON MERINGUE PIE
- TARTE ALA BOUIE
- KEY LIME PIE

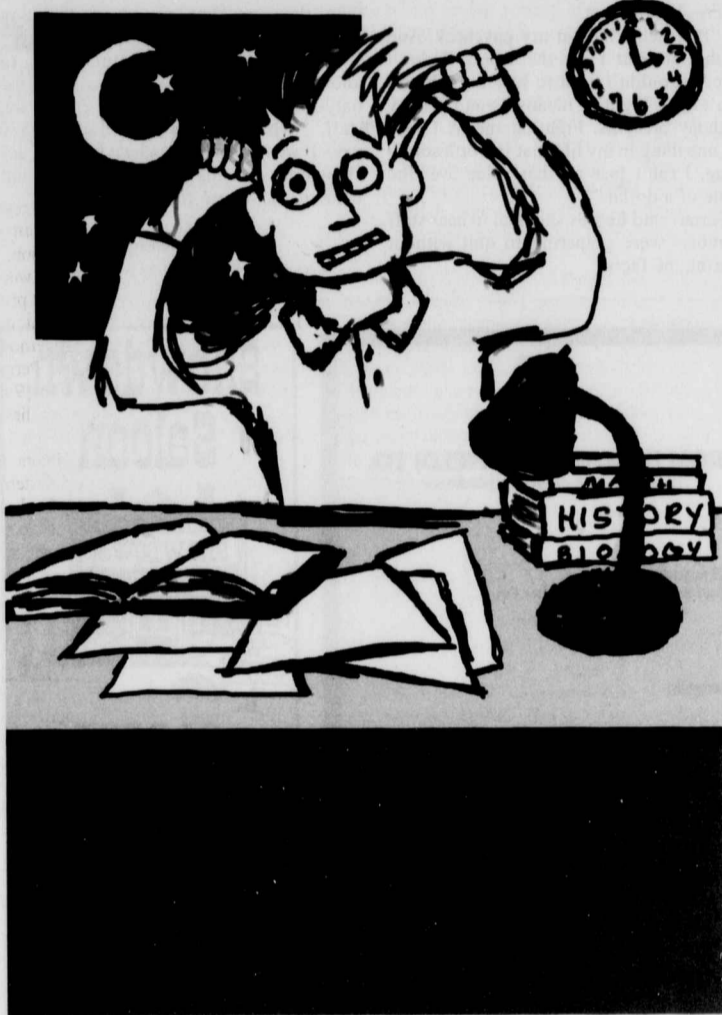
THE GRILL

- JAMBALAYA
- FRIED OKRA
- 1/3 LB. BURGERS
- SPICEY FRIES
- ONION RINGS
- GRILLED CHICKEN SAND.
- FRIED CHICKEN STRIPS

MARDI GRAS

'Twas the night before finals...

and all through the dorms,
not a student was sleeping not even a one.



It's April at TCU, and the stress is on full blast. Brains are flying wild with visions of term papers and finals soon to come, and droopy-eyed students clad in plaid pajama pants and flip flops seem to be the trademark for lecture classes.

While hopping to a local bar may to many seem the natural stress-buster from cramming and pounding out term papers, for some students, numbing anxiety with alcohol should not be an alternative to effective time management, nutrition and exercise, said Monica Kintigh, licensed professional counselor at TCU.

Kintigh said April is generally the month for high stress.

"Students are worried about losing financial aid, their living arrangement or what they're going to do over the summer," Kintigh said.

Lack of concentration, irritability and increased heart rate are all symptoms of being stressed, Kintigh said.

"The more decisions you have to make in a day and the more things you have to do, even if you like to do them, can cause stress," Kintigh said. "The Health Center will sometimes see more people (in April) for headaches and other symptoms of stress. Although the pain is real, it's just from stress."

Linda Moore, associate professor of social work, said stress usually sneaks up on people.

"All of a sudden, it's hard to get up in the morning and you find yourself taking longer and longer to get ready and get where you're going," Moore said.

Moore has experienced stress not only as a professor, but also as a social worker. Burnout is a term used especially in helping professions, she said.

Some symptoms of burnout include fatigue, chronic illness, negativity and anger, accord-

ing to the International Journal of Psychiatry.

"I think we have to be especially careful of cynicism," Moore said. "You find yourself making comments you thought were funny, but when you listen to yourself, you realize you're being cynical."

Rayner Smith, a senior business management major, said he is generally a relaxed person.

"I drink a lot, though," Smith said. "It's a release for me to forget all the stuff that's going on."

Smith said he has been burned out his whole five years in college, and now he just wants his diploma.

"At this point, I care about school zero," Smith said. "I'd take a lower letter grade in any class if I didn't have to take the final. 'D' stands for diploma."

To celebrate after graduation, Smith is throwing a crawfish boil.

"College has been a paid vacation," Smith said. "I'm sure once I start working, it'll be lots more hectic."

Moore said she can tell when the stress from the end of the semester has caught up with students.

"It's interesting as a faculty member to watch the students who usually dress up and wear makeup to class," Moore said. "By the end of the semester, it's sweats and T-shirts."

Kintigh said there are strategies students can follow to balance stress in college. Planning a to-do list for the week, breaking down tasks into manageable pieces, eating, sleeping and exercising right are all ways to beat stress.

"Another important thing is to find ways to laugh at life," Kintigh said. "If you don't have two or three good belly laughs a day, you're probably holding a lot of stress in. A friend of mine says, 'if you can laugh about it a year from now, laugh about it now.'"

Sometimes people turn to alcohol to avoid

dealing with stress because they do not have a clear set of goals to get them through it, Kintigh said.

"We all have a little addict in us, whether it's eating chocolate ice cream or drinking too much," Kintigh said. "Some people think if they avoid the pain, it'll just go away."

Dave Mitchell, owner of the Pub on University Drive, said he sees a noticeable drop in business during the week when students are feeling the pressure.

"Anytime there are tests, projects and deadlines, we see a drop-off," Mitchell said. "The kids don't come in. They're doing the right thing."

Mitchell said last week and the week after Spring Break were slow, but business has remained strong on the weekends.

"More often than not, Thursday through Saturday they blow it out here," Mitchell said.

Kintigh said using friends as support systems is an important way to get through stressful times.

"It's certainly better than going to the bars," Kintigh said.

Stress management is as necessary for faculty as it is for students.

"It's important for us who are working with students to find ways to refill our own cups," Kintigh said. "We have to appropriately manage our stress so we'll be good role models for our students."

Moore said it helps her to exercise and cut back on tasks when she feels overwhelmed.

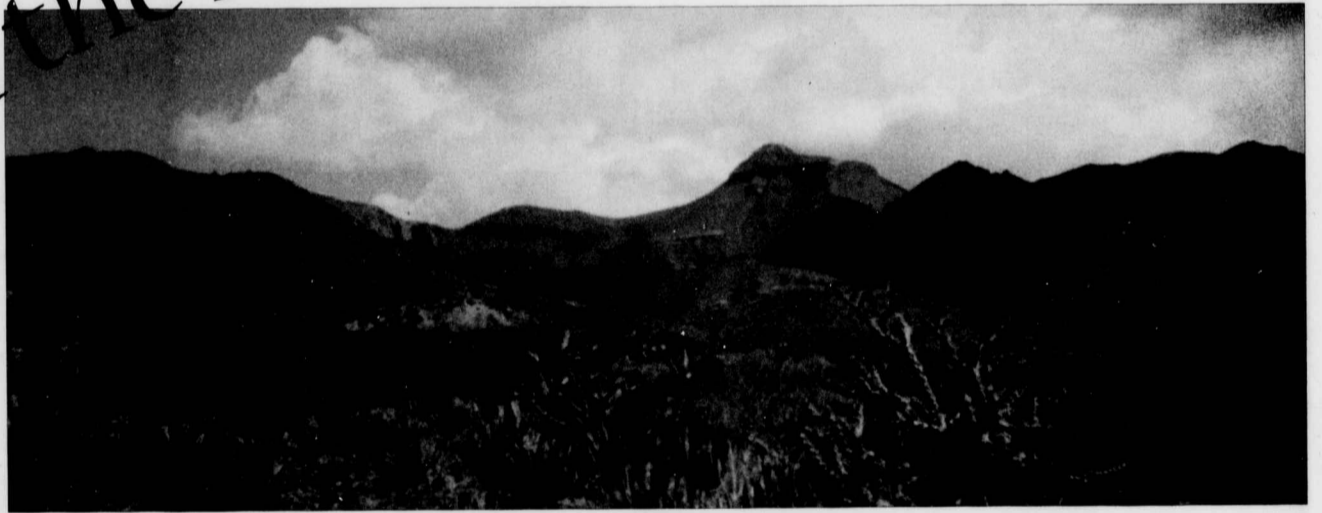
"Sometimes you just have to say 'stop it' and do something else," Moore said. "And sometimes you have to lower your expectation level and accept that you're doing the best you can."

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Just around the river bend

Photos and Story
By Chad Carey



A winding, lazy river cuts 1,500-foot-deep canyons through limestone rock. A vast desert, which can reach temperatures of 120 degrees in the summer, stretches as far as the horizon will allow. And 8,000-foot jagged mountains shoot out of the ground, seemingly touching the sky.

Tucked away in southern Texas along the Rio Grande is still one of the nation's most beautiful national parks. Big Bend, as the Apache Indians called it, features some of the most stunning natural scenery in the United States, as well as some of the best hiking in the Southwest.

The park, located in the Chihuahuan Desert, runs along the Rio Grande, the southern border between Mexico and the United States. As the river winds southward, it suddenly veers north in a horseshoe curve before it continues its voyage to the Gulf of Mexico. Inside the horseshoe lies the area known as Big Bend.

Mark Willey, a park ranger at Big Bend for nine years, said the park has some of the most unique geological sites in the country.

"This is the only park I know where you can see mountains rising up out of the desert floor, giant canyons with 2,000 foot drops, one of the most beautiful rivers in Texas, and some very unique wildlife," Willey said. "Not many people across the nation know about (Big Bend), but that's what kind of makes it nice."

The groundwork for Big Bend was laid about 200 million years ago. Two seas, one after another, flowed and receded in the region leaving thick deposits of limestone and shale. About 125 million years later the present mountains, except for the Chisos, uplifted to form some of the smaller mountains in the park. During that same time a 40-mile-wide trough sank along fault lines, leaving the Santa Elena Canyon to the west, and the Sierra Del Carmen to the east. Forty million years later volcanic ash spewed into the air from one of several active volcanoes and molten lava flowed to the surface, forming the Chisos Mountains.

Big Bend also is home to more than 1,000 different plant species, some of which can't be found anywhere else in the world. Vegetation includes several different types of cactus, more than 25 different types of wildflowers and many different types of trees. The park also includes more than 400 different types of birds, more than any other national park in the nation.

"Besides the obvious beauty of the park, a lot of people come down here to birdwatch," Willey said. "The reason there are so many birds is because we are in the migration flight path from Central to South America."

When exploring the park, it is best to allow several days, especially

if you plan on hiking. The Chisos Mountains Basin and the Santa Elena Canyon provide two of the park's most dramatic backdrops.

When exploring the Chisos Mountains, the southernmost mountain chain in the United States, be sure to stop at Pulliam Bluff. The lookout provides one of the most spectacular views of the mountain chain and has it that you can see the profile of legendary Apache Indian chief Alslegendate on the side of the peak. On certain nights it is said that if you look closely enough you can see Alsate's campfire burning on the mountain.

As you continue on a southern path through the Chisos Mountains you slowly come upon one of the park's most physically intimidating features. Casa Grande, which means "big house," is one of the tallest mountain peaks in the park. It rises some 7,325 feet above the surface and can be seen from much of the park.

Forming the southernmost boundary of Big Bend is the Rio Grande. The river, which actually starts in southern Colorado, forms many of the beautiful canyons that preside on the southern border of the park. Santa Elena Canyon is perhaps the most spectacular.

"I'd say that Santa Elena Canyon is something that everyone who comes to this park should see," Willey said.

The canyon, which drops down some 2,000 feet, provides a breathtaking view. If the water level of the river is low enough, take the two-mile round-trip hike down to the canyon floor and enjoy the view of the canyon walls from a different perspective.

Big Bend offers visitors three campgrounds on a first-come, first-served basis. Two of the campsites, Cottonwood and Rio Grande Village, are located on the Rio Grande. The other campsite, the Basin, is located on the side of Casa Grande Peak, some 4,500 feet above the surface.

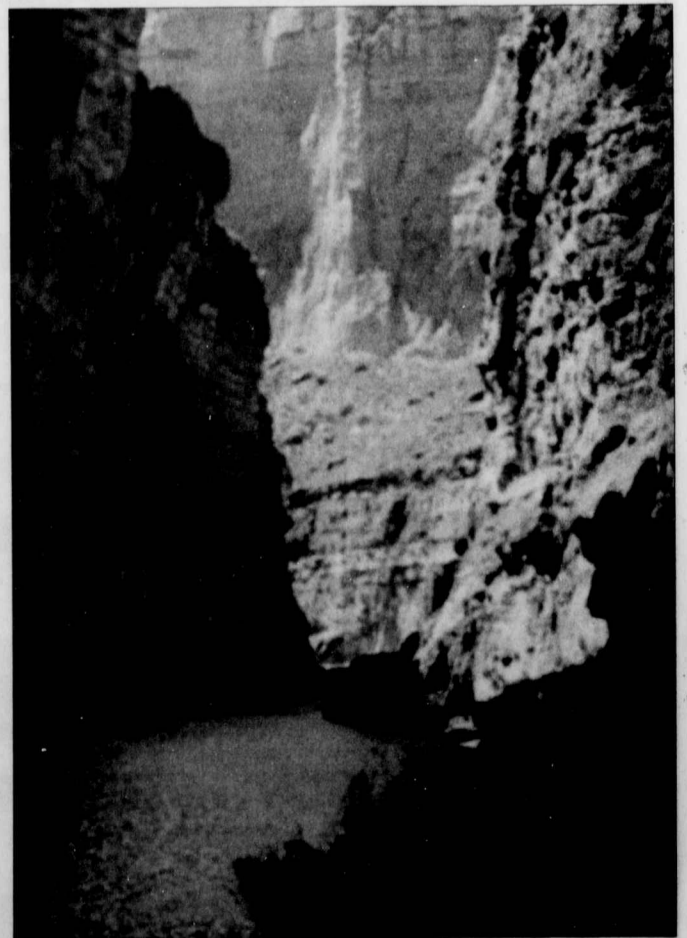
John Kirkley, a nature enthusiast who has visited Big Bend nine times, recommends overnight backpacking permits.

"If you really want to get out and experience Big Bend, you need to camp far away from the roads and people in the park," Kirkley said. "It takes a little more effort, but after you camp in the back country for a night you will never think about camping anywhere else."

Overnight backpacking passes are issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Park rangers will help you plan your backpacking trip when you purchase a permit.

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SALARIES

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one source said. "The problem with that is that in some of our jobs it's very obvious there are personality conflicts between the bosses and us."

"We had already decided if that was how this increase was going to go down (then) we were going to walk. It's about time the people who really keep TCU running stand up for themselves and show the administration that we won't take no for an answer," the source said. "We want equal pay with people who are getting hired now or we'll just let the chancellor and (John) Roach water TCU's lawn and fix its leaky faucets."

Pat Jolley, director of compensation, said the policy is specifically designed to prevent favoritism or subjectivity of any kind.

"We took each job category, computed the average salary and then split the fund up so that each person who has been here three years or longer working a specific job could earn in the 94th percentile for that job," she said.

Jolley said TCU employs about 575 nonexempt staff, employees who are paid by the hour and eligible for overtime, 350 exempt staff and 325 faculty members. Each of those three groups was allocated about one-third of the discretionary fund, she said.

"Each major job group received about \$300,000," she said. "Although we know compression may still be an issue, we believe this money is going to go a long way."

"I know it may not look like a lot, but you have to consider the market rates for each individual job. We wanted everyone in every field to feel like they were getting competitive wages in connection to TCU's benefits."

Some staff sources said TCU's administration relies too heavily on its good benefit packages to keep its staff employed.

One administrative assistant said despite what her boss thinks, she is not loyal

to TCU.

"I know he thinks I am here because I like my job," she said. "I know he thinks I keep staying because I like to work with the kids and I love to go the football games. But truthfully, I'm waiting for the day I feel appreciated. On that day, I am going to quit."

"We are at the bottom rung, so to speak. I believe (the administration) when they tell me that I am important. I get gifts from some of the students on Christmas. One of them in the building knows my birthday. You can't find a work environment like this one anywhere. I know that."

— a housekeeper

"I am starting to resign to the fact that my paycheck will never match the work that I do because those people who make the important decisions have forgotten what it's like to work from paycheck to paycheck."

Ferrari said in his tenure as chancellor he has worked to improve salary equity and re-structure the system so that all TCU employees are paid

appropriately.

He said when he started at TCU the faculty had 11 1/2 percent going into the retirement fund. Non-exempt staff only had 6 1/2 percent. Last year, staff retirement

was increased to 8 1/2 percent, and this year it will be moved up to 9 1/2 percent.

"It's a matter of principle and fairness," he said. "We have to move toward parity."

One housekeeper, who has been here 13 years, said she is pleased with the efforts TCU has made, but she just wants the administration to understand that what they see as effort isn't always viewed that way.

"We are at the bottom rung, so to speak," she said. "I believe (the administration) when they tell me that I am important. I get gifts from some of the students on Christmas. One of them in the building knows my birthday. You can't find a work environment like this one anywhere. I know that."

"But then I look at my paycheck. And in that amount I see the words 'I don't care.' I wouldn't want to lose my job so I don't fight. Fighting means I won't get any birthday presents. Fighting means I lose the one thing in my life that is worth something. I can't lose all that value over the value of a dollar."

Ferrari said he was shocked to hear staff members were preparing to quit without hearing the facts.

"If they have already made up their minds there is nothing I can do or say to fix that," he said. "I was under the impression that the staff were feeling positively about the situation because I have gotten nothing but positive feedback."

Ivy said the Staff Assembly, not even a two-year-old organization, has worked diligently to improve salaries and voice concerns on other issues. But it is still relatively new, so it doesn't really have the voice it could have in the future.

"We are doing the best we can do with Staff Assembly," he said. "We have a lot of potential, but not a lot of people from all the ranks. The voices could be louder than they are, but we are a fledgling group."

Ivy said he wants administrators to know that the Staff Assembly is not the only means of hearing the concerns of the staff. "Whatever they do, whatever they pay, I want them to understand and acknowledge that this campus would not run without us. We are the heartbeat of it."

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- Two core courses
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Courses that will count towards a minor in British and Colonial/Post-Colonial Studies:

- ART 20073 — British Art: Medieval to Modern
- ENGL 20433 — Introduction to Shakespeare
- ENGL 30673 — King Arthur in Literature and Legend
- GEOL 30103 — Science, Scientists and Society
- HIST 30563 — The British Empire
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- PHIL 40243 — Anglo-American Philosophy
- RTVF 30663 — Film in Global Society

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taken courses related to Great Britain should check the requirements to see if they could complete the minor, she said.

The committee has put together a list of 55 courses already taught at TCU that can be incorporated into the program.

While the courses are in the catalog, they aren't offered every semester. However, the program will try to make sure enough courses are offered on a regular basis, Helmreich said.

"We can't dictate to every department how often they should have a course," she said.

Interdisciplinary programs give students a broader and richer perspective, Sohmer said.

"You're not getting a sense of the period if you don't have the visual or are not familiar with the literature or economics," Sohmer said. "Interdisciplinary studies make the subject three-dimensional instead of one-dimensional."

While many universities across the United States do offer British studies programs, many of them, such as Florida State University, require students to study abroad. With TCU's British and Colonial/Post-Colonial Studies, however, students don't have to go to Great Britain.

"We do understand that not everyone will necessarily be able to go," Sohmer said.

However, the classes at the TCU London Centre will be eligible for credit.

Susan Layne, London Centre coordinator, said students who decide to minor in British studies and study abroad in Great Britain will find the two enhance one another.

"If you're interested in British studies, how can you possibly have a good grasp of

it if you don't spend any time in London?" she asked. "And, for students who go to London but who don't have the educational background, it just makes it more real if you have delved into it further."

Holly Carless, a freshman education major, will be attending the TCU London Centre in the fall. She said she plans to soon become a British studies minor.

"Otherwise, some of the credits don't go to anything or just count as an elective," she said.

Helmreich said she hopes students who do study abroad will bring back their experiences and be able to collate them with knowledge gained in the classroom.

Response from faculty members and students has already been proven strong. Sohmer said the widespread interest in British studies usually stems from a personal connection.

"We used to be told that British heritage was American heritage, but I'm not sure if British studies has that privileged a place any more," she said.

Often interest is peaked during travels, Sohmer said.

Although much of Britain's history will be studied in the program, Helmreich said she hopes students will learn how to draw connections between the past and the present.

"A lot of people argue that the United States is in the same position Britain was at the height of its empire," she said. "Maybe we can learn lessons from Britain's past 100 years."

Helmreich said the committee hopes to hire a program director next year. Eventually, the group also hopes to service the Dallas-Fort Worth area by offering public lectures and bringing in speakers.

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Ex-girlfriend testifies

Accused bomber attacked blacks, Vaughn says

By Bob Johnson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — An ex-girlfriend of a former Ku Klux Klansman accused in a 1963 church bombing that killed four black girls testified Thursday that he once tried to run over a black pedestrian and claimed to have attacked others with acid.

But Waylene Vaughn, who dated Thomas Blanton Jr. in the early 1960s, said he never talked about participating in the bombing.

Blanton, 62, is on trial for murder in the Sept. 15, 1963, bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, a rallying site for civil rights demonstrators. The blast killed Denise McNair, 11, and Addie Mae Collins, Cynthia Wesley and Carole Robertson, all 14. They died in a basement room of the church while preparing for Sunday services.

Vaughn, a prosecution witness, testified that a black pedestrian dove to avoid being hit by Blanton's car. She said Blanton commented: "All I wanted was a chance to kill one of those black bastards."

On another occasion while riding in a car with Blanton, she said, he tossed a bottle into a crowd of blacks outside a nightclub. She said some of the crowd got in cars and chased them down, but fled when Blanton pulled a gun from under the dashboard.

She said Blanton also poured what he described as acid on the seat of a car that blacks had gotten out of at a supermarket.

On another drive, she said, he went into a supermarket that blacks patronized. When he came out, she said, he told her: "They will be closing this place in a little while. I just put acid in the meat."

Vaughn said Blanton once spoke to her about how to detonate dynamite. But she said he commented only briefly, and never spoke of dynamite again. She said they dated off and on from 1960 until she left Birmingham for the Army the week after the church bombing.

Under cross-examination, defense attorney John Robbins tried to show that Vaughn was a racist, too, and that she enjoyed going with Blanton to Klan parties. She said she didn't enjoy them but did not leave them.

She took the stand on the third day of testimony in Blanton's trial, which began Tuesday and appears to be moving quickly toward a conclusion.

Attorneys said the trial could go to the jury as early as Monday.

"We're right where we want to be," U.S. Attorney Doug Jones said. "We just got there a little quicker than we anticipated."

Jones, prosecuting the state murder case under a special appointment, said Wednesday he expects to present his final witness against Blanton today or Saturday. That's if the judge extends the trial into the weekend, something he has said he will likely do.

U.N. asks for boost in spending to halt spreading of AIDS

By Glenn McKenzie
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ABUJA, Nigeria — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan called Thursday for a huge boost in global spending to halt the AIDS pandemic and prevent the disease from striking the rest of the world as hard as it has hit sub-Saharan Africa.

Annan said a "war chest" of \$7 billion to \$10 billion annually would be needed to combat the disease and prevent a catastrophic spread through major developing nations like India, China and Russia. Current spending on AIDS in developing countries totals around \$1 billion annually.

"It sounds a lot, and it is a lot," Annan said during opening remarks at a two-day African AIDS summit in Abuja, Nigeria's capital. "But it is not at all impossible, given the amount of wealth in the world. In fact, it is little more than 1 percent of the world's annual military spending."

He proposed the creation of a global fund to fight the spread of AIDS and other infectious diseases, improve health care systems and provide research, education, testing, drug treatments and condoms, as well as care for orphans. The money would come from governments, foundations, academics and the private sector, U.N.

officials said in New York.

Several major donors, who Annan declined to identify, have promised to contribute to the fund, he told reporters.

U.N. Development Program spokesman Djibril Diallo called Annan's estimate of the amount needed conservative.

"The secretary-general is a very cautious man," Diallo said. "These figures have come after extensive consultation," with the international community, governments, non-government organizations and private enterprise, he said.

More than a dozen African leaders are attending the summit, organized

by the Organization of African Unity and the Nigerian government. Former President Clinton also addressed the gathering. Nancy Powell, acting secretary of state for African affairs, led the official U.S. delegation.

Of 36 million people infected with HIV around the world, 26 million live in Africa. Globally, the virus has killed 23 million people, including 17 million in sub-Saharan Africa.

Annan said a window of global interest in fighting the spread of AIDS marks "a moment of hope" for Africa.

"In the last year or so the world has begun to realize that HIV/AIDS is indeed a world-scale pandemic, which

has spread fastest and farthest in Africa," he said. "So this is a moment of hope, and potentially a turning point. Africa is no longer being left to face this disaster alone."

Clinton noted that the U.S. government doubled spending on AIDS programs in Africa during his administration and said America could help in the fight.

"I am convinced that with the secretary-general's leadership, we can get the American people to do their part," Clinton said. "We have the money all right. The question is, do we have the will?"

Annan outlined five goals: prevent-

ing further spread of the epidemic, reducing the transmission of HIV from mother to child, ensuring that care and treatment is within reach of all stricken, delivering scientific breakthroughs and protecting those most vulnerable, especially orphans.

He called on Africa's leaders to take the lead "in breaking the wall of silence and embarrassment" that surrounds the disease. While stressing that prevention is key, Annan also called for measures to improve access to expensive treatments in Africa.

Clinton — who described AIDS as "an enemy that crosses borders, kills stealthily" — agreed.

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Semester Flashback

When the semester began more than three months ago, the "Texas Seven" were the talk of the nation, President George W. Bush was awaiting his inauguration and the men's basketball team had two more members.

Since then, there has been much activity on and around TCU's campus. Downtown Fort Worth marked the one-year anniversary of the tornado that caused millions of dollars of damage. LaDainian Tomlinson was awarded the Doak Walker trophy, and he was drafted Saturday by the San Diego Chargers.

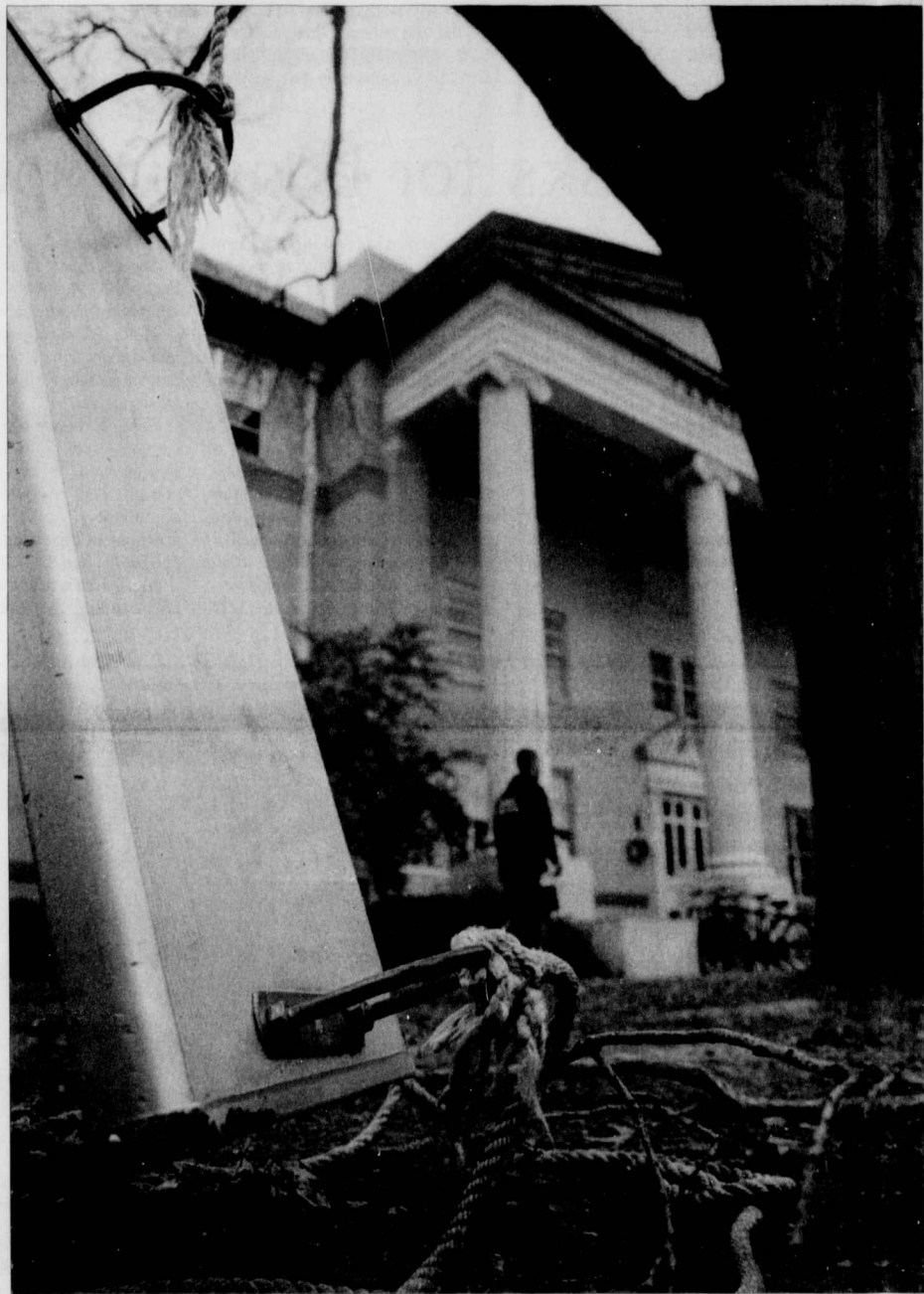
Junior guard Greedy Daniels and senior forward Myron Anthony were dismissed from the men's basketball team, while the women's basketball team won the Western Athletic Conference Championship and appeared in its first NCAA Tournament. The

men's track team was ranked No. 1 in Trackwire Top 25.

In other campus news, South American artifacts valuing \$267,700 were reported missing from the library in February and were recovered by the TCU Police earlier this month.

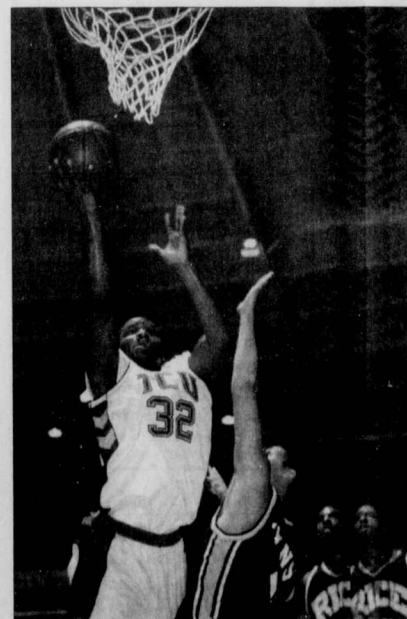
Eighties pop superstar Tiffany performed last month before a crowd packed into the Student Center Lounge. Outside of class, students found other ways to entertain themselves, including participating in Greek philanthropy events like Pi Kappa Phi's PUSH America and residence hall socials like Sherley Hall's food fight.

As the spring semester draws to a close, take time to look back and remember the events of yesterday. It won't be long before all you have from your days at TCU are memories, photos and old college newspapers.



"This has probably been my biggest challenge. You never know what life is going to give you, and this was devastating, but everything has just gone great. We have been managing great, and the building looks better than ever."

— Dee Knight, Mallick Tower's property manager since 1974, on the tower's reconstruction after the 2000 tornado



"There comes a time when you have to think about the team. There are rules we have to abide by. They made bad decisions."

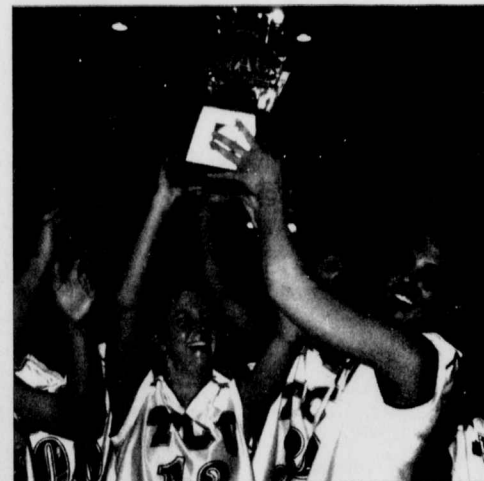
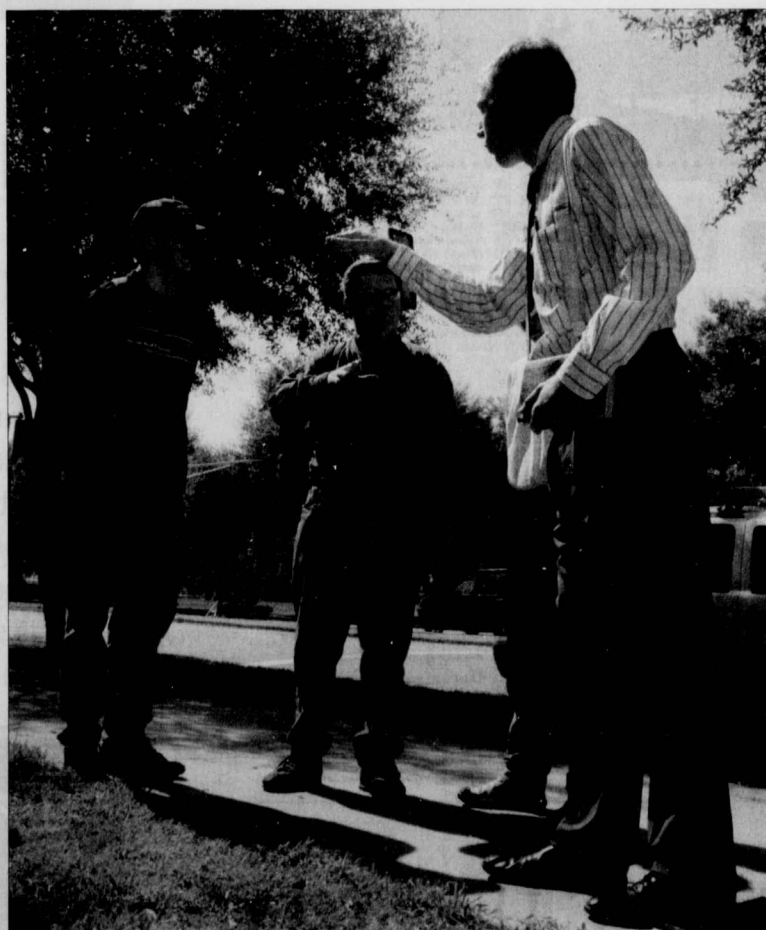
— head men's basketball coach Billy Tubbs, on the dismissal of senior forward Myron Anthony and junior guard Greedy Daniels

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"I think we upheld TCU's tradition nicely. The Texas Relays are a big, high-profile meet. It's the first of four big outdoor meets for us, including the Penn Relays, the conference championships and hopefully, the NCAA Championships at the end of the year."

— Head track coach Monte Stratton, on his team's showing at the Texas Relays

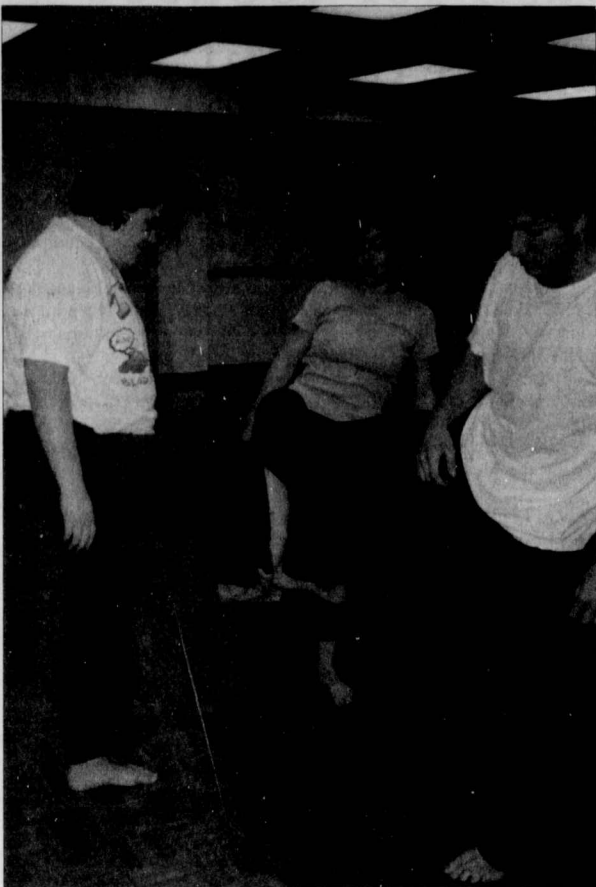


"The celebration was more special than I ever could have imagined. I'm going to miss that feeling of getting up for the big games, but most of all, I'm going to miss my teammates."

— Jill Sutton, at Senior Night, the last women's basketball home game

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Shannon Knipp, a sophomore theater major; Emili Panian, a sophomore theater major; and Matt Perkins, a junior radio-TV-film major, do warm-up exercises for a theater movement class Wednesday. The class is designed to develop balance and personal and spatial awareness.

U.S. crew unable to destroy all material

By Susanne M. Schafer
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The U.S. crew on board the Navy EP-3E surveillance plane that made an emergency landing in China was not able to destroy all sensitive material onboard the aircraft, government and military officials said Thursday.

China has refused to release the damaged aircraft, which landed on Hainan Island on April 1, after colliding with a Chinese F-8 fighter jet over the South China Sea. The 24 American crew members on board the reconnaissance plane were released 11 days later. U.S. officials debriefed them for two days to glean information about the incident.

The National Security Agency, the government office responsible for collecting electronic intelligence, is conducting a review of the potential damage done by the loss of the top-secret aircraft, said two government officials familiar with the study.

"The damage assessment is still ongoing, but it's clear some stuff was lost," said one of the officials. All spoke on condition of anonymity.

Officers not to be disciplined

By Donna De La Cruz
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A preliminary report by New York Police Department investigators concludes that the four officers who fatally shot an unarmed African immigrant in the vestibule of his apartment building acted within departmental guidelines.

The investigative panel, which included several police commanders and a police officer, did not recommend the officers be disciplined, but rather undergo retraining in tactics and firearms use.

The panel ruled that the officers

did not violate guidelines because they believed Amadou Diallo had a gun and they were defending themselves when they shot him Feb. 4, 1999, two police sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, told the Associated Press.

Diallo's mother, Kadiatou, said at a news conference with the Rev. Al Sharpton and her attorney, Anthony Gair, that she was surprised by the report.

"I'm here to denounce the (justice) system," she said. "If the New York City Police Department is supposed to be the best in America,

someone will have to denounce this conduct."

The recommendation is the first step in the administrative review process of the officer's actions. Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik will make the final decision.

The officers — Kenneth Boss, Sean Carroll, Edward McMellon and Richard Murphy — encountered Diallo in the vestibule of his Bronx apartment building on Feb. 4, 1999, while searching for a rape suspect. They opened fire when they saw Diallo pull out what they thought was a gun; it turned out to be his wallet.

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Participants in the Senior Studios Dance Concert practice Thursday in the Ballet Building. Seniors choreographed the performance which will be held at 8 p.m. April 27 and 28 in Studio B of the Ballet Building. Admission is free.

Ads push for tobacco employees to quit jobs

By Mike Schneider
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — Quit your job! That's the message the state of Florida is sending in full-page newspaper ads directed at tobacco company employees.

The ad — part of a state campaign to reduce teen-age smoking — was published Thursday in Charlotte, N.C., Louisville, Ky., New York and Richmond, Va., where Philip Morris Inc., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corp. have corporate offices or nearby plants.

The campaign is funded by the state's \$11.3 billion settlement with cigarette makers and is administered by the Health Department.

The ads, costing \$129,617, incorporated with Take Our Daughters to Work Day, which was Thursday.

"On Take Your Daughter to Work Day, Would You?" the ads began. "Today 3,000 young people will start smoking. 1,200 people will die from tobacco. And someone, somewhere will decide they've had enough of working for the tobacco industry. We'd like to make sure it's a decision that doesn't go unnoticed.

"So if you're out there, please call 1(866)929-9222, and let your daughter see you for what you really are. A hero."

The ads show an image of a worker on a cigarette assembly line.

The ads were placed in Charlotte's *Creative Loafing* weekly, *The Courier-Journal* in Louisville, the national edition of *The New York Times* and the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

Philip Morris supports Florida's campaign to reduce youth smoking, but "this ad doesn't appear to be consistent with those goals," said spokesman Tom Ryan.

"Spending Florida's settlement funds and tax dollars to attract employees of the tobacco industry isn't appropriate or necessary," Ryan said. "We're very proud of our employees and the contributions they make not only to our business but to the community as well."

The state hopes to run advertisements featuring current or former tobacco company employees who respond to the appeal to quit, said Frank Penela, Health Department communications director.

Since Florida reached its settlement with the cigarette makers in 1997, it has run a series of funny TV commercials poking fun at tobacco companies. The commercials are credited with helping to reduce teen smoking in Florida.

"Our hope is that they do grow a conscience and decide that is the right thing to do," Penela said.

Other mistakes found

Investigation of accidental bombing reveals three other training blunders

By Robert Burns
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A Pentagon investigation of a U.S. bombing accident that killed six people in Kuwait last month found that it had been preceded by similar, though nonfatal, training blunders at the same bombing range, officials familiar with the investigation said Thursday.

The inquiry, its findings still not officially released, revealed there had been three previous cases since last fall in which U.S. Air Force and Marine Corps aircraft had dropped bombs near an observation post rather than on their intended target, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The investigation was begun after a Navy F/A-18C aircraft flying from the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman in the Persian Gulf mistakenly dropped three 500-pound bombs on an observation post at the Udairi training range on March 12, killing five U.S. servicemen and a New Zealand army major.

Army Gen. Tommy Franks, commander of U.S. Central Command, this week endorsed the investigation's findings and modified slightly the investigators' recommendation with regard to possible punishments for the three men found to have contributed to the accident.

The investigators determined that the accident was caused mainly by the F/A-18C pilot's error in misidentifying his target, which was more than a mile from the observation post. Two air controllers — one on the ground and the other in a Navy F-14 aircraft nearby — were found to have contributed in less serious ways.

Franks agreed with those findings. The investigators recommended, in the case of the F/A-18C pilot, that either "administrative" or "disciplinary" action be taken against him. Franks softened that to say only that such actions should be considered. The outcome will be decided by the admiral who commands naval forces in the Persian Gulf area and could

range from no action to administrative action, like a verbal or written reprimand, or disciplinary action such as a court-martial, the officials said.

Franks made the same recommendation for the F-14 pilot who was directing the other pilot's bombing run in the training exercise, and for an Air Force enlisted man who was an air controller on the ground. Those two shared responsibility for directing the pilot to his target, the officials said.

Franks' recommendation did not prescribe specific punishments.

Rear Adm. Craig Quigley, a Pentagon spokesman, said the investigation's findings will be made public after results are provided privately to families of those killed or injured in the accident.

Franks also recommended that the Army improve safety practices at the Udairi training range in northern Kuwait.

The central finding, the officials said, was that Navy Cmdr. David Zimmerman, who commands the VFA-37 Hornet squadron aboard the USS Harry S. Truman and was flying the F/A-18C, mistook the observation tower for his assigned target.

Besides the six people killed, three were seriously injured, including Air Force Staff Sgt. Timothy Crusing, the ground forward air controller.

The identity of the F-14 pilot has not been released.

The investigation found that the airborne controller gave the F/A-18C pilot "nonstandard" directions to his target and thus contributed to the accident.

Crusing, the ground forward air controller, was found to have failed to keep track of Zimmerman's F/A-18C during its final approach to the target area. As a result, the officials said, he had too little time to stop the bombing once he realized Zimmerman was attacking the tower area.

The investigation also credited Crusing with taking quick action immediately afterward that may have saved the lives of the injured, one official said.

Funeral held for four bombing victims

By Mark Lavie
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Thousands of Palestinians marched in a funeral procession in Gaza on Thursday, blaming Israel for the bombing death of four activists, as police and soldiers guarded picnic spots on Israel's independence day.

Dozens of masked gunmen fired rifles in the air as Palestinians carried the bodies, covered with white sheets because of mutilation from the explosion, through the town of Rafah. About 8,000 people walked alongside, shouting anti-Israel slogans and burning Israeli and American flags.

The four, including Ramdan Azam, leader of the Popular Resistance group, were killed Wednesday when a bomb went off near the Gaza-Egypt border.

At the funeral, Palestinians said the blast was an Israeli operation aimed at killing the group members.

They said the bomb was planted in a concrete block used to mark the border with Egypt. Palestinians say that since violence erupted Sept. 28, Israel has targeted and killed at least 15 other Palestinian activists.

A spokesman for the group, associated with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah organization, said the activists were about to plant a bomb to stop Israeli tanks when Israeli forces set off another bomb that killed them.

At an independence day reception Thursday evening, an Israel TV reporter asked Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer if Israel was involved in the explosion. "I don't have any idea what you are talking about," he replied, "but I can say that

we are fighting a bitter struggle against terrorism."

A Popular Resistance leaflet threatened that the group would retaliate by firing mortars at Israeli targets, though Arafat has banned mortar attacks.

Early Thursday Israeli soldiers shot and killed a Palestinian who cut through the Gaza fence and entered Israel, the military said. Palestinians said the man, a farmer, was shot while working his land inside Gaza.

Another Palestinian died of wounds suffered in a clash two months ago in Khan Yunis, Palestinians said. He had been taken to Egypt for treatment.

Nearly seven months of Palestinian-Israeli violence has killed 418 people on the Palestinian side and 70 people on the Israeli side.

Because of a recent wave of

Palestinian bomb attacks, large numbers of police, reinforced by soldiers, were called out to guard cities and picnic sites as Israelis celebrated their independence day.

Despite concerns about violence, Israelis thronged to national parks and other sites. At midday, Israel radio broadcast a long list of parks and campgrounds filled to capacity. No incidents were reported.

Diplomatic efforts to defuse the crisis appeared to pick up momentum. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres is to go to Cairo on Sunday to discuss an Egyptian-Jordanian initiative to stop the violence and resume peace negotiations, said Peres aide Yoram Dori. He said Peres may also visit Jordan on Sunday, before he leaves for the United States to meet Secretary of State Colin Powell.

U.S.-China policy hasn't changed, Bush says

By Pauline Jelinek
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President George W. Bush has changed nothing in U.S.-China policy, the White House and State Department are insisting. But on Capitol Hill, nobody seems quite sure exactly what he did.

"The president is saying what he believes," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said Thursday in Crawford, Texas, in discussing Bush's statement a day earlier that he would use U.S. military force if necessary to defend Taiwan. "It's what he'll always do."

On Capitol Hill, Secretary of State Colin Powell stressed the importance of China's status as a "country in transition" that will be "a serious competitor for influence in the region" and as a trading partner whose exports benefit citizens of both the United States and China.

Listing such American stores as Home Depot, Office Depot and Kmart, Powell said there are "a lot of places where U.S. consumers get pretty good deals" because of Chinese imports. At the same time, he said, "The more economic activity we give to the Chinese people, the

less likely they are to want to put that new wealth at risk."

"We're not looking for enemies," Powell said. "We don't need enemies. We want to be friends with anyone who wants to be friends with us."

Powell was not asked about the president's remarks Tuesday that the United States could use military force in Taiwan's defense.

Some lawmakers said Bush's comments negated traditional ambiguity in U.S. policy while acknowledging that there is but one China.

"Ambiguity never was any good," Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., a longtime foe of China's communist-led government, said Wednesday. In all of this, the White House and the State Department asserted Bush's comments represented no change in policy toward China and Taiwan, the island in the Taiwan Strait that Beijing considers a renegade province.

"The Taiwan Relations Act makes very clear that the United

States has an obligation that Taiwan's peaceful way of life is not upset by force," said Condoleezza Rice, Bush's national security adviser. That 1979 law is the basis of the one-China policy and specifies how it is to be carried out.

"What (Bush) said clearly is how seriously and resolutely he takes this obligation," Rice said. "A secure Taiwan will be better able to engage in cross-strait dialogue."

In Beijing, Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue said Thursday "the Chinese government and people are strongly indignant and opposed" to Bush's remarks. Bush's comments, on the heels of approving a new arms sale to Taiwan, indicate the United States "has drifted further on a dangerous road," Zhang said.

"There is only one China in the world," she said. "Taiwan is part of China. It is not a protectorate of any foreign country."

Taiwan's Foreign Ministry spokeswoman, Catherine Chang,

read a statement saying: "We affirm the United States' effort and determination to safeguard the security across the Taiwan Strait and in the Asian Pacific region. But we Taiwanese must understand that to enhance our security, we must build up our own defenses."

Bush touched off the stir Wednesday in a succession of press interviews to mark his first 100 days in office, which end Sunday. In one he said America would do "whatever it took" to help Taiwan defend itself. Later he softened that a little by saying U.S. military force would be "certainly an option" if China should invade Taiwan.

He added into the mix his decision to let Taiwan buy more weapons than ever, although he deleted from its wish list the top item: four Arleigh Burke class destroyers with state-of-the-art Aegis combat control systems.

For decades, U.S. administrations have been purposely hazy on whether the United States would go to war with China over Taiwan, as opposed to arming Taiwan well enough to enable the island to defend itself.

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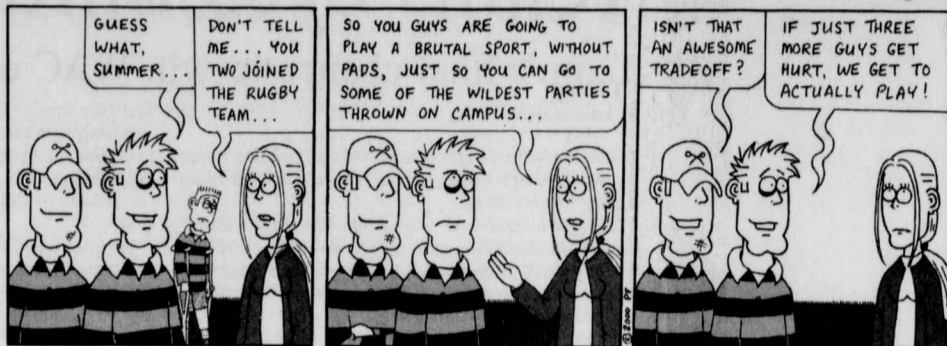
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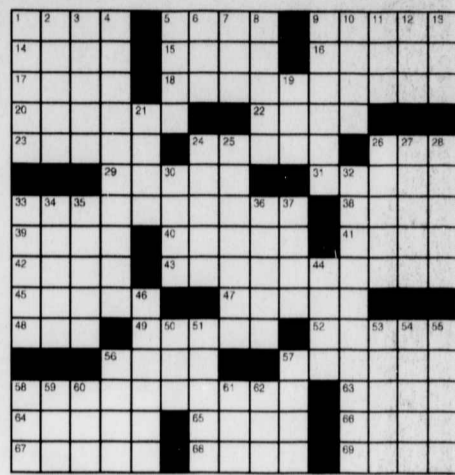
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Senior Esteban Carril hits a backhand from the baseline in a match at Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center. Carril, who is currently ranked No. 8 in the nation, is known throughout the college tennis community as a player who can almost win at will. This weekend in Fresno, Calif., Carril and the rest of the men's tennis team will be striving for a third Western Athletic Conference championship in four years.

Tennis eyes third trophy

Team's final chance to win WAC championship

By John Weyand
STAFF REPORTER

The No. 4 men's tennis team will try to bring home its last Western Athletic Conference Championship trophy this weekend.

TCU, who has won two of the last three conference titles, is playing its final season in the WAC before it joins Conference USA next season. Sophomore Antonio Gordon said a WAC title would be a pleasant goodbye to the conference.

"It would be great to have those kind of bragging rights to the WAC," Gordon said.

Head coach Joey Rive said he is confident about the Frogs' chances in the tournament despite the team's recent loss to cross-town rival Southern Methodist.

"We're going there for one thing, and that's to bring home the trophy," Rive said. "When we compete, we are tough to beat."

Many of the members of the Frogs tennis team share Rive's confidence in the team's tournament success. Senior Petr Koula said the team is ready to play its best.

"I think we can win," Koula said. "I think we all

feel like that."

Along with the team's confidence, however, Koula said that the Frogs have to make sure they are mentally prepared to deliver their best performances.

"This is a time to suck it up and play hard," he said.

Besides winning the conference title, Rive said that he wants the team to get re-acustomed to tournament play in time for the NCAA Regionals, May 12 and 13, and the NCAA Championships May 19 to 27. The top 16 teams in the nation each host a four-team regional, and Rive said that the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center is a shoe-in for regional play.

"Even if we lose in the first or second round (of the WAC Championship Tournament), I don't see us dropping from No. 4 out of the top 15," he said.

Among the better opponents the Frogs will face in the WAC Championships are No. 7 SMU, No. 26 Fresno State and No. 36 Tulsa. Of those teams, Fresno State is the only one the Frogs have not faced this season.

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It's intensity time for Carril

On every high school sports team there is that one person, male or female (whatever the case may be), who is responsible for such things like uniforms, equipment and the crucial water supply.

The other day, while watching the men's tennis team practice, I found myself thinking about the person who was responsible for keeping track of our uniforms and some of the various equipment when I played high school baseball.

Those two were the real unsung heroes. However, never once did it cross my mind that they would turn into the best baseball players in the nation.

However, apparently anything really can happen.

When he was 19 he was masquerading as the team manager for the tennis team at Irving High School as a foreign exchange student. He had given up his pursuit of tennis that had made him so successful in his home country of Spain.

It's funny to think that he went from team manager for a high school tennis team to quite possibly the best collegiate tennis player in the country. It's not a move you would see any team manager make in any sport.

For the record, I did see Jim Bakken, now a graduating senior from the basketball team at Alabama, make the jump from team manager to eventual college athlete. The difference is that Bakken actually played eventually in high school and was by no means considered the best collegiate basketball player.

Senior Esteban Carril was described in an interview with the men's tennis coach from Pepperdine as the best collegiate tennis player in the country — when he wants to be.

The key words are obviously, "when he wants to be."

In other words, Carril has the uncanny ability to flip that proverbial switch and catapult his level of play far above that of his opponent. Whenever he loses a match, it should be considered an enigma, because there's a chance he could have grabbed the win, if he had only flipped that switch.

Carril carries himself as if he really is the best player in college tennis. When he's on, Carril exhibits an intensity that few players

can match, let alone compete with.

In a match in the fall against junior Andy Leber of Texas-Arlington Carril fell behind early, became visually frustrated and proceeded to come back for the victory. At times, Carril's fiery attitude rivals that of longtime American tennis legend John McEnroe, who was well known for his outbursts on the court.

Of course, it's hard to argue with McEnroe's style given his success much like it's hard to argue with Carril and his style given the enormous amount of success he's seen since arriving at TCU. This season alone, he's climbed as high as No. 4 in the country and currently stands at No. 8.

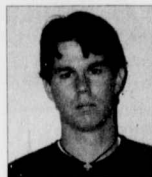
He help lead the Frogs to an 18-3 record, while going 23-7 himself, constantly playing out of the No. 1 singles slot.

The men's tennis team has made its way to the conference championships in Fresno, Calif. Expectations are clearly high despite a recent loss to Southern Methodist. It's hard to imagine Carril allowing another loss to SMU.

"Click." There's that switch.

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Commentary



DANNY HORNE

Top players carry men's golf team into WAC tournament

By Jennifer Koelsing
STAFF REPORTER

The men's golf team captured third place at last year's Western Athletic Conference Championship without this year's top golfer sophomore, Adam Rubinson.

After redshirting last year, Rubinson is back and he said he is expecting nothing less than a first-place finish at this year's tournament.

"We deserve the conference victory because we have worked hard and have had a strong game this season," Rubinson said.

Rubinson will join seniors Scott Volpitto and Aaron Hickman, junior Andy Doeden and sophomore

No. 8-ranked Horned Frogs look to improve on last season's 3rd-place finish

Scott Polanski to play at the WAC Championships Monday through Wednesday at Forest Ridge Country Club in Tulsa, Okla.

According to the MasterCard Collegiate Golf Rankings, the Frogs are ranked eighth nationally, while the team is ranked 13th in Golfweek's Top 25 Rankings. Rubinson was the only player to participate in all 10 tournaments this season, earning four top 10 and five top 20 finishes.

The Frogs won the WAC Championships in 1997 and 1998. Volpitto, who earned four top 10 and four top 20 finishes this season, said the combination of Rubinson

and the team's depth could help bring a victory.

"(Rubinson) has been playing great all year, and we can depend on him to play a good game," Volpitto said. "All of the guys have played well this season, and although the lineup has changed from last year's tournament, we have a much deeper team."

Fresno State, which won the WAC title last season, and Southern Methodist, which finished second, will be among the nine competitors at the tournament.

But Volpitto said the competition won't be as tough this year.

"Fresno has lost most of their senior golfers from last year's tournament, and SMU has done OK this season," Volpitto said.

Rubinson said the Frogs are entering the tournament in better shape than last season, but that doesn't necessarily assure them the championship.

"Our team is better because we have the same guys from before, plus new members who have had a good season, like Polanski," Rubinson said. "The game is all mental because we can only take it one shot at a time and we have no control over what the other teams are

doing."

Head men's golf coach Bill Montigel said that although he wants the team to win the conference title, the most important thing is for the players to play their best.

"I always tell them to play their best and at the end, we will add up the points, and come back the next day and do our best again," Montigel said.

During the 14 seasons in which Montigel has coached, the Frogs have appeared in 11 NCAA Regionals and eight NCAA Championships.

Montigel said it is important to

focus on the current situation, and he hasn't given much thought to regionals and the NCAA Championships.

"I'm just thinking about the first hole at the WAC," Montigel said.

Hickman said that although the team is competing to win, it is trying not to look too far ahead.

"I'm looking forward to winning the conference title for the bragging rights because we have had a good run so far," Hickman said. "But we're trying to live in the moment and not get ahead of ourselves."

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Sports glance

A look ahead at what's going on in TCU athletics next week.

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	Penn Relays in Philadelphia	Penn Relays in Philadelphia					
				Men at WAC Championships in Broken Arrow, OK.	Men at WAC Championships in Broken Arrow, OK.	Men at WAC Championships in Broken Arrow, OK.	

JUMPING FOR TROPHIES



Tim Cox/SKIFF STAFF

Freshman Reggie Harrell (right) competes in the Hurdles at the UTA Invitational March 31 in Arlington. The TCU track team began competition Thursday in the Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Pa. The event runs through Saturday.

Federal government to execute first inmates in more than 38 years

By Alisha Brown
STAFF REPORTER

It has been 38 years since a convicted criminal was put to death by the hands of the federal government, but May 16 Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh will go down in the history books as the first to die by lethal injection in the 21st century.

McVeigh also holds another record for the shortest amount of time spent on death row — just less than four years — since he waived his right for appeals after being convicted in 1997 for killing 168 people in the bombing of the Murrah Federal Office Building in 1995.

The last person to be executed by the fed-

eral government was Victor Feguer in 1963 for kidnapping and murder, according to the Death Penalty Information Organization's Web site.

In 1972, the Supreme Court ruled the state and federal death statutes unconstitutional because they allowed for arbitrary application, according to the *Washington Post* Web site.

After state revisions, the death penalty returned four years later.

But such a controversial matter never truly left the nation's court room, and in recent years, various groups have lobbied for and against federal and state executions.

During the Clinton administration, Juan Raul Garza's case shuffled into the spotlight.

Garza, a marijuana-ring boss, was convicted in 1993 in Texas for three murders in 1990 and 1991, according to CNN's Web site.

A Supreme Court decision in 1988 made a new death penalty statute for murder in the case of a drug kingpin conspiracy, according to the *Washington Post*'s Web site.

He spent more than seven years on death row awaiting lethal injection. His execution date was set for Dec. 12, 2000. But in September 2000 Garza asked Clinton to reduce his sentence to life in prison because of long-standing racial biases in capital punishment, according to the *Associated Press*.

The Justice Department released a 40-page

review of capital punishment the same month entailing cases of discrimination.

"It found that minority defendants, and certain geographic districts, are disproportionately represented in federal death penalty prosecutions," Clinton said in September. "... After a close and careful review of this issue ... I am not satisfied that, given the uncertainty that exists, it is appropriate to go forward with an execution in a case that may implicate the very issues at the center of that uncertainty."

In a decision made Dec. 7, 2000, Clinton postponed Garza's execution until June 2001, allowing the Justice Department more time to gather information for death row inmates

seeking presidential clemency.

But McVeigh will precede him by a month. Both McVeigh and Garza await execution, along with 19 other death row inmates, in Terre Haute, Ind.

In the last month, the federal penitentiary has seen an influx of security and publicity from the approaching executions.

Nearly 400 state, local and federal law enforcement officers will be stationed at the prison to handle the attention McVeigh's execution is bringing, according to the *Associated Press*.

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NO MIDDLE ROAD

Story by Jaime Walker
Illustration by Ryan Brown

Huntsville student interviews inmates, examines pros, cons of death penalty



U.S. Methods of Execution

- lethal injection
- electrocution
- lethal gas
- hanging
- firing squad

Capital Murder Crimes in Texas

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- Murder for remuneration
- Murder during prison escape
- Murder of a correctional employee
- Murder by a state prison inmate, who is serving a life sentence of any of five offenses (murder, capital murder, aggravated kidnapping, aggravated sexual assault or aggravated robbery)
- Multiple murders
- Murder of an individual under six years of age

Huntsville isn't just the town where the state executes every two weeks — it's the town where

she lives. She came to Huntsville to get a journalism degree at Sam Houston State University, she says. She didn't know how much the town would affect her.

"There are things I like here, but I will never get over the fact that the prison is in town."

"And each time there is an execution, everybody walks around like nothing is going on. It's easier to pretend than it is to take a hard look at what we do here."

Since the U.S. Supreme Court reinstated the death penalty in 1976, officials at the Huntsville Unit prison have executed about one-third of the 700 inmates put on death row nationwide, 244 men and two women.

When the state executed David Lee Goff, a 32-year-old Fort Worth man convicted of the 1990 kidnapping, robbery and murder of Michael McGuire, Hylton couldn't help but wonder if she supports the town's work. "I don't know," she said. "I wonder if we know what we're doing."

The legislature has been notorious for its harsh treatment. But this session has been one of the most progressive.

Legislation that some are calling "a broken criminal justice bill" after bill designed to change the state's constitution.

The bill would allow the state's voters to decide if the death penalty should be halted for two years while death-row inmates are out of committee in both houses. It is expected to go to the floor soon. Gov. Rick Perry signed into law a bill that would give the state the right to petition the state-paid DNA testing because the technology wasn't available at the time of their trials.

Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, who coauthored the bill, told reporters on that day the legislation would give the Texas criminal justice system more integrity and make it more efficient. Officials with Duncan's office said Texas is the 12th state to act on such legislation.

According to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, nearly a dozen men have been released from Texas prisons in the past two years after DNA evidence cleared them of rape or murder charges.

The Senate has approved legislation setting minimum standards for court-appointed lawyers, marking the first time state funds could be used to help pay the lawyers. They also passed bills to stop racial profiling and to provide more compensation for those inmates found wrongfully convicted.

The House passed a bill Monday banning the execution of mentally retarded inmates.

Perry has asked both chambers to consider offering juries the option of sentencing capital murder defendants to life without parole. Bills to do just that have passed committee in both the House and the Senate.

The letter of the law

Alan Levy, head of the criminal division for Tarrant County's District Attorney's office, has spent his career persecuting people who break the law. Although he supports DNA testing measures and the review of specific cases, he thinks the idea of a moratorium is ridiculous.

"I can't tell you what a dramatic impact a measure like that

would have on the system," he said. "People that support it can't give you any direct evidence why it will fix the system because they can't even tell you how it is broken."

Levy said people who support a moratorium lack the courage to say they are opposed to the death penalty.

"If you ask me, the battle to halt executions is a propaganda battle," he said.

Hylton said she either supported the death penalty or was middle-of-the-road until she started researching the facts.

Communicating with the dead

Hylton, now a senior, had the opportunity to examine the Huntsville's "Walls" Unit firsthand when she was assigned to interview a death row inmate. *The Houstonian*, Sam Houston's university newspaper, did a special section on capital punishment for an issue last fall. Hylton and other classmates were enlisted to contact inmates and their families.

She spoke with inmates Stacey Lawton and Jeffery Dillingham just weeks before each was executed.

"I had done my research on Jeffery Dillingham's case, but he originally denied my request for an interview," she said. "Then I went with another reporter to talk to Stacey Lawton, and he told me he was friends with Jeffery and would see if he might be willing to talk to me."

"When I resubmitted my request, Jeffery agreed, but was nervous because in his seven years on death row he never talked to the media. He said since it was for school and since Stacey thought I was sincere, he wanted to talk. I did my interview on the prison's media day and talked to his family, too."

Hylton said she continued to correspond with both Dillingham and Lawton after the issue was published.

"Writing those stories was the hardest thing I have ever had to do," she said. "I would get off the phone with their mothers, their aunts and I would be in tears. Things change when you realize they are human beings and not the animals society wants you to believe they are."

Research says

Levy said examining the death penalty should be a case-by-case process.

"How can you say that a man who maliciously kidnapped, raped and murdered a young girl and then confessed to his crime should get to spend the rest of his life in jail on the taxpayer's dollar?" he said. "That is not justice."

Carol Thompson, chairwoman of the sociology and criminal justice department, said society tends to base its idea of justice on retribution.

"We live in a world where people believe that an eye for an eye is the right way to deal with violence," she said. "If you buy into that idea, the death penalty is perfect."

Levy said there should be no middle of the road. "Either you think people should die for heinous crimes or you don't," he said. "End of story."

One reason people oppose the measure is that no research has shown capital punishment as a deterrent for crime.

"If we want to teach our children not to kill, then we need to send that message in all circumstances," Thompson said.

Learning the lesson

Hylton said she appreciated the value of human life after her visit to the "Walls" Unit.

"No other experience teaches you about people the way that assignment did," she said.

"I learned men can change in prison, life is hard no matter what and the death penalty is a bad idea because whether it's in place or not, it's human beings who are getting hurt."

Jaime Walker
j.l.walker@student.tcu.edu

States without death penalty statutes

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Source: Texas Department of Criminal Justice

ISSUES

1818 to 1923

Hanging used for execution

1923

• State of Texas authorizes the use of the electric chair
• Huntsville selected as location for all state executions; individual counties no longer responsible for own executions

1924

The State of Texas executes the first offender by electrocution

1964

Texas executes last offender by electrocution
A total of 361 inmates were electrocuted

1972

• The U.S. Supreme Court declares capital punishment "cruel and unusual punishment"
• 45 men on death row were commuted to life sentences.

PRO

By James Zwilling
OPINION EDITOR

When the federal government executes convicted murderer Timothy McVeigh by lethal injection May 16, he will become the 34th person killed by the government since 1927 and the first since 1963. His death will mark the end to an all-too-long U.S. hiatus from federal executions. McVeigh, surrounded by controversy since the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, where 168 people died and nearly 700 were left wounded, dropped all appeals and said he welcomes his death. Of course he welcomes his death. He thinks he will become a martyr for his cause. Unfortunately, McVeigh is right. For at least a few people, he will be just that.

However, this small group of people, quite possibly as sick as he, subscribe to the misconception that death row inmates are dying in vain.

Death row inmates do not die in vain. They die for their own wrongdoing.

Although McVeigh's case has been highly publicized because of the nature of his crime, little separates him and the reasons he should die from the other 21 inmates on federal death row.

In an age where eye-for-an-eye mentalities are almost unimaginable except in the history books, capital punishment remains the only method of punishment holding criminals physically responsible for their crimes.

Sure, it can be argued that the U.S. court system is faulted and that too many inmates have been executed for crimes they didn't commit. Obviously, this line of thought has garnered enough attention that even Texas, the deadliest state in America, is considering a two-year moratorium on the death penalty.

And yes, there are improvements that could be made in the judicial system, yet doubting the system will only create more problems for the already criticized American justice system.

Who wins then? The criminals, of course.

Without the death penalty, there would be no solace for the families of victims.

No one can say exactly whether the death of the murderer or rapist of their daughter, son, husband or wife will provide relief to the pain they face, but it might.

That alone, the fact that it may help one victim through the grief they experience, is enough to execute these hardened criminals.

Americans don't have the right to choose whether or not someone should die for their crime unless they've been personally affected by the crime of an individual. An overwhelming majority of victims families support the death of the convicted. In McVeigh's case, nearly 250 of those family members even want to watch the execution.

But whether or not families want a victim to die is purely a moral decision on their behalf.

The rest of America has the responsibility to support capital punishment as a deterrent to crime.

For hundreds of years people have been executed as a deterrent to crime.

Today, it is impossible to prove that capital punishment is an effective deterrent to crime. The reason: fancy lawyering and political agendas.

These agendas and lawyer maneuvers have fooled the American people into believing that their system is faulted.

There shouldn't be any doubt that holding criminals responsible for their actions will prevent people from doing harm. Yet, the political and legal process has become so writ with the personal agendas of the lawyers and politicians that all Americans ever see and hear about are appeals and stays and retrials.

Capital punishment is not a responsibility that needs to lie in the hands of lawyers, legislators and prosecutors. It should lie in the hands of the jury.

That means, it is up to every citizen in this country to defend the justice of capital punishment and not be fooled by the trickery of its opponents.

When this happens, the punishments will be carried out quicker, more prisoners will be executed and eventually, the death penalty will return to its original purpose: deterring crime and saving the lives of those closest to every American.

Death row inmates do not die in vain. They die for their own wrongdoing.

DEATH PENALTY DEBATED

Capital punishment. They say it is fairly administered. But overwhelmingly it kills minorities. It even kills the mentally ill.

They say it deters crime.

But it has killed the innocent on more than one occasion. It makes martyrs out of monsters.

They say it helps families grieve.

But it has never brought a victim back to life. It never will.

Our society has advanced and grown this century, both technologically and morally. We have put a man on the moon and can clone sheep. Most no longer judge men and women by the color of their skin, at least not openly. But we still kill one another.

And we, the people who elect pro death penalty representatives, do it for all the wrong reasons. Worst of all, we do it unfairly.

Almost 90 percent of people who are killed by the government are convicted of killing whites, according to the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. The irony in this is that more than half of all homicide victims are minorities. Apparently juries think that killing a person of color doesn't deserve maximum punishment nearly as much as killing a white person. According to the same organization, 60 percent of people on death row in California and Texas are minorities.

Minorities have always been executed more often than whites. This is no new development. But the mentally incompetent are being executed more and more.

The NCADP estimates that more than 300 people on death row have mental retardation, and that number could be as high as 10 percent of the death row population as a whole. Since 1976, 31 mentally ill inmates have been executed, 19 of which have been killed the past five years, reports the NCADP.

Most reasonable people agree that killing someone who is mentally ill is wrong. It's like killing somebody because they have chicken pox. It's not right. But the public overwhelmingly supports the death penalty anyway.

Numbers may not tell the whole story, but they never lie. The system is racially biased and unfair. It must go.

For some, it is worth it, because even if one group is targeted more than another, we are stopping future crimes from occurring.

Death penalty supporters believe capital punishment prevents atrocities by putting the fear of death into possible murderers. Many believe it is the only moral reason to support the death penalty. Indeed, it does sound good in theory, but it flies in the face of statistics showing otherwise.

Consider this: In the last 20 years, states with the death penalty have had homicide rates 48 to 101 percent higher than those that don't, according to a study by *The New York Times*. Ten of 12 states without capital punishment have homicide rates less than the national average, according to FBI data.

Capital punishment doesn't prevent crime. It never has, and it never will.

Governments have killed criminals for centuries, and in much more inhumane ways than they do now. Murderers have been burned at the stake and tortured. Yet murders still happened then, and they still happen now.

And more murders may actually happen as a result of capital punishment.

When Timothy McVeigh is executed, he will be a martyr to right-wing extremists across the country. His death will be another reason to attack what they view as an overbearing government.

McVeigh is a monster. Nothing should be done to make him look like a hero. But that is exactly what will happen.

His death won't prevent another Oklahoma City bombing. It may only cause more.

Does McVeigh deserve to die? No human being can make that decision. But killing McVeigh will solve nothing. It will not bring back the people he killed, and more people may die as a result of his death.

Capital punishment. They say it affirms life. But it only destroys it. The killing must stop.

By Brandon Ortiz
SKIFF STAFF

CON

• Death row cleared
• Texas Penal Code revision allows assessment of the death penalty

1973

State executions resume

1974

Lethal injection adopted as means of execution in Texas

1977

First offender dies from lethal injection

1982

Close friends and relatives of victim allowed to witness executions

1996

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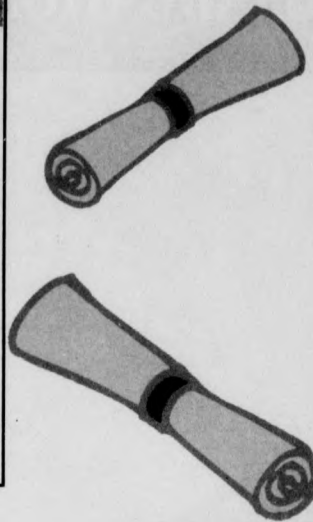
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Love,
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"Champion the right to be yourself. Dare to be different. Live your own life and follow your dreams. For in the end if we live truly, we shall truly live"

Sara Elizabeth Luckie



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Mom & Dad



Leigh Katherine Wilson

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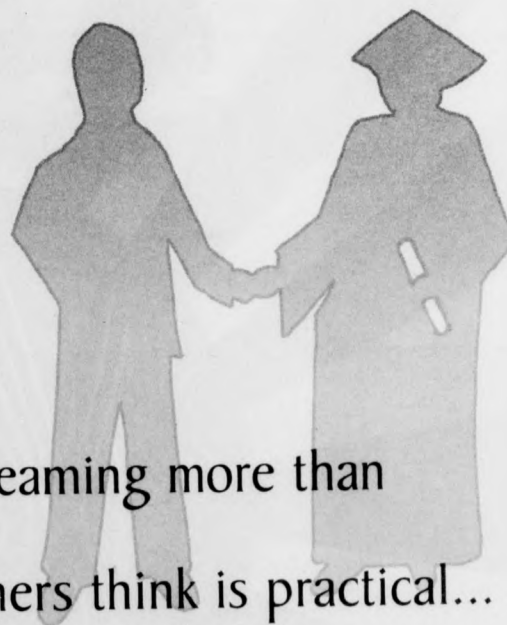
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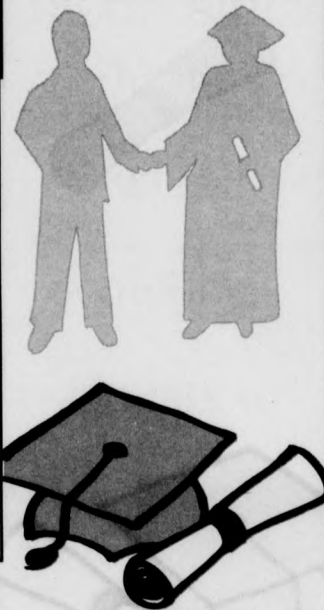
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others think is possible..."

John Preskitt



John,
Congratulations on your graduation! We are so proud of you! We know all of the hard hours you put into the Skiff are going to pay off!

We love you,
Mom and Dad



Kathryn M. Carrieri



We're really proud of you Katie, Ms. TCU graduate of 2001! Freedom is now yours to enjoy.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Mike,
Steve, Grammy and
Peanut

Courtney Moore



Congratulations, sweetie, on your graduation. As always you make our hearts burst with pride. Four years as a Horned Frog are near an end yet another adventure awaits. We wish you joy with your ballet career and a fulfilling, happy future.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Katie Dunn



Darling Katie,
From the time you were born, you brought joy into our lives. You've matured into a beautiful, energetic and compassionate young woman. We love you dearly and are so very proud of you!

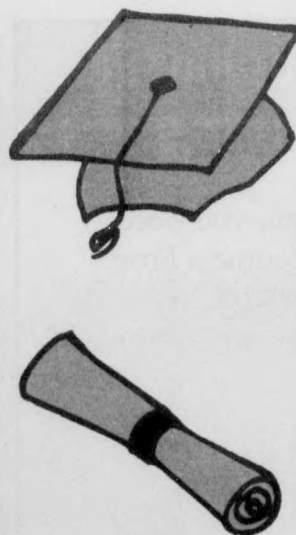
Wishing you God's many blessings, tremendous success, and enduring happiness,
Mom and Dad

Guadalupe Mendoza



Congratulations Lupe on your graduation! We are so proud of you. We know you'll go far!

Buena Suerte,
Mama, Papa,
sisters, nieces &
nephews



Alvaro Saucedo



Al,
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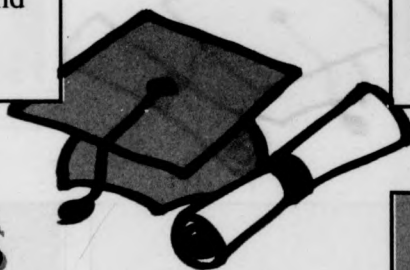
Love,
Mom

Jennifer Elizabeth Fuller



Your light has been shining since Montessori days. Now, take it and illuminate the way for others.

With love and pride,
Mama, Dad, and
Jessy



Megan Korns



Congratulations Meggy Beth! Keep your trust in God, always dance to the music and visit the beach often. God bless you always.

Love,
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Rusti Michelle Lawley



We are so proud of you and your accomplishments, and want the best for you.

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Best of luck,
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With love and joy,
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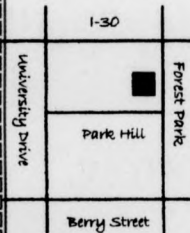
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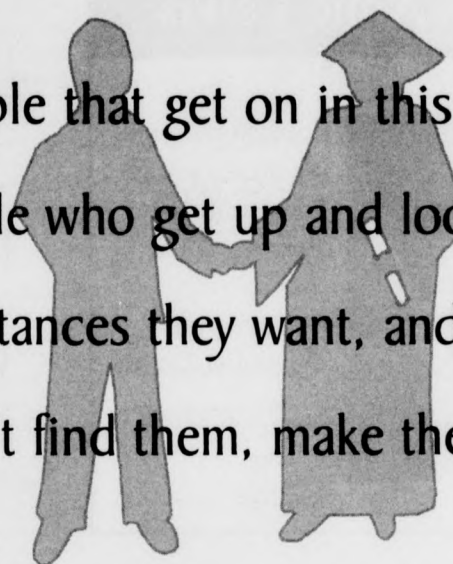
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Congratulations Jason!
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our son.

Love,
Mom and Dad
(Now you can break
Mom's wooden spoon)

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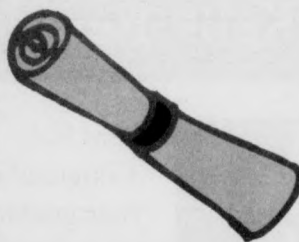


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Congratulations,
Danya! We are so
proud of you!

Love,
Mother and Dad



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Congratulations
Annie!
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you and we know
that a bright and
wonderful future
awaits you.

All our love,
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your graduation! We
are so proud of our
precious young
woman. We know
you'll go far.

All of our love,
Dad & Linda

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Congratulations!
We are so proud:
You are truly a
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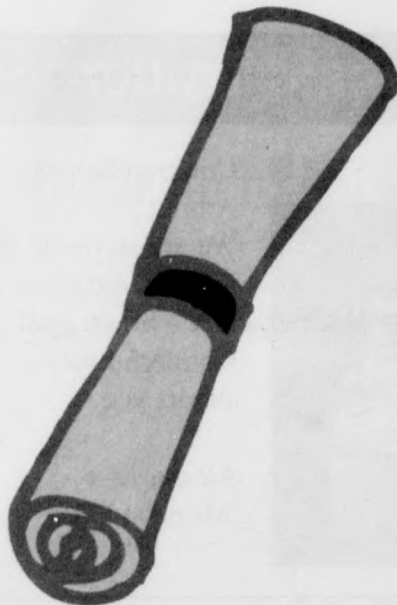
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get..."

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Congratulations Yvette,
on your graduation and
your journalistic
accomplishments! Our
hearts are bursting with
pride! Buena Suerte
Siempre!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Kelly Beres



Dear Kel,
Congratulations on
your graduation. We
are so proud of our
baby. You have a
wonderful future
ahead of you.

Love,
Mom & Dad



David Kostohryz Jr.



Congratulations
Bud! We are so
proud of you!
Best of luck in
dental school.

Mom & Dad

We make
a life by
what we
give."

Alexis Boissonnet



Cher Petit Alex,
Congratulations on
your graduation!
You made it baby!
We are so proud of
you. Good Luck!

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Three to receive honorary doctorates

By Julie Ann Matonis
STAFF REPORTER

Three honorary degrees will be awarded at Spring Commencement May 12.

Leon Breeden and Father Maximiliano Mizzi will be given Doctor of Letters degrees and Staley McBrayer will be given a Doctor of Science.

Breeden, who received his bachelor's degree from TCU in 1945, served as director of bands at TCU from 1944 to 1949.

"I always used to say that if I ever won an Academy Award, my speech would be very short," Breeden said. "I would just thank everyone. This is just a culmination of years of trying to do the right thing."

Curtis Wilson, professor of music who nominated Breeden, said it was a great opportunity to give Breeden the recognition he deserved.

"(Breeden) is one of the most historically famous jazz educators in the world," Wilson said. "More than anything, (for me) he's been a real inspiration."

In 1985, Breeden was inducted into the National Association of Jazz Educators' Hall of Fame. The induction put him in with elite company, including jazz legends like Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong and Dizzy Gillespie.

Breeden was director of jazz studies at the University of North Texas

from 1959 to 1981.

"In 1959, less than a dozen colleges in the country had a jazz curriculum when he started at North Texas," Wilson said. "Now probably about 99.5 percent of all colleges have some sort of jazz curriculum. That can be attributed to people like Leon. He was one of the people to get jazz out of the bars and into the classroom."

Wilson said Breeden has garnered somewhere in the neighborhood of 200 awards for his jazz talents. Wilson said Breeden has made three appearances at the White House, performing in 1967, 1979 and 1981. Breeden also performed before the king and queen of Thailand. Breeden said his most memorable moment was not of an award-winning performance.

"We were playing in (Mexico) and a woman, who had walked some distance, approached me and offered me (a gift)," Breeden said. "She gave me a necklace and told me that my music was the highlight of her life. I've never gotten over being moved by that experience."

Ken Lawrence, associate professor of religion, nominated Mizzi for the other honorary Doctor of Letters degree.

Mizzi, who completed his graduate education in 1952, was ordained a priest in 1955 and appointed master of novices in Assisi, Italy, at the

Franciscan Monastery. Mizzi founded an Ecumenical Center in 1972 and served as its first director. In 1974, Mizzi arranged the first program of study for TCU students and alumni at Assisi for a summer school course on religious art and architecture. Mizzi conducted similar study programs through 2000 and is scheduled for another one in 2001. He planned and led these programs without compensation.

McBrayer, who was nominated by Doug Newsom, professor of journalism, received his degree at East Texas State Teacher's College, now Texas A&M University at Commerce, where he majored in economics. In 1933, he enrolled in journalism courses in the graduate school of the University of Texas at Austin, but finances forced him to take a full-time job in the advertising department of the *Austin American Statesman*.

Nominees for honorary degrees are submitted to the Faculty Senate for consideration. The Faculty Senate makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Each of the three degree recipients is scheduled to speak briefly, but there will be no main speaker as in past years.

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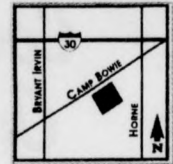
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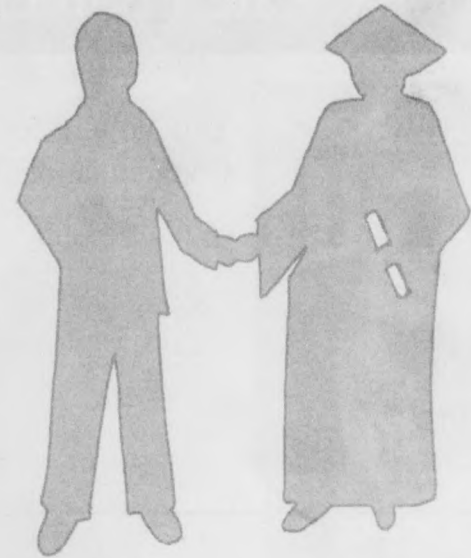
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Prov. 3:5-6

Carl Ray Long Jr.



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We love you
always,
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“Unless you
try to do
something
beyond what
you have
already
mastered,
you will
never grow.”

Gretchen Hochhalter



Congratulations
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We love you!
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From pigtails and dolls, ribbons and sunglasses;
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You've grown up it seems, in just a moment in time
And your loving heart and gentle ways are surely God's design.
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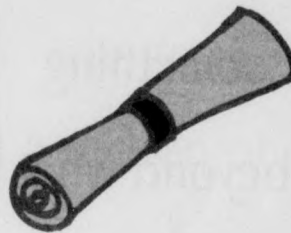
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Betsy Kate Loomer



You did it, Boo!
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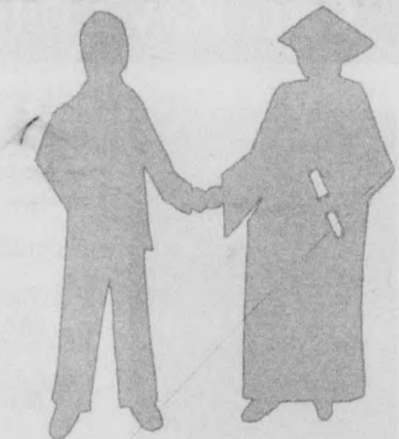
With daisies and roses-
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Mom, Cody & Andy

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to college
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Your Family



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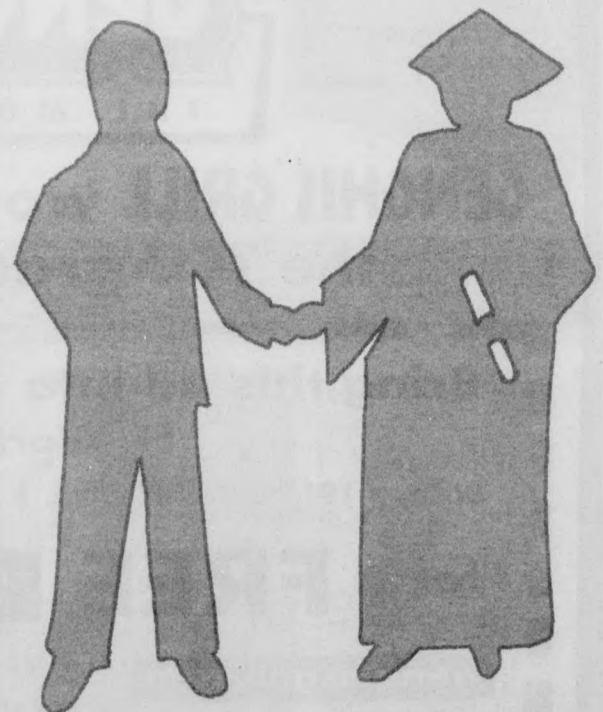


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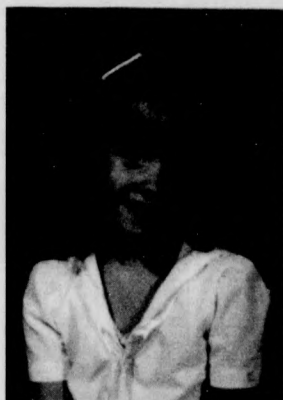
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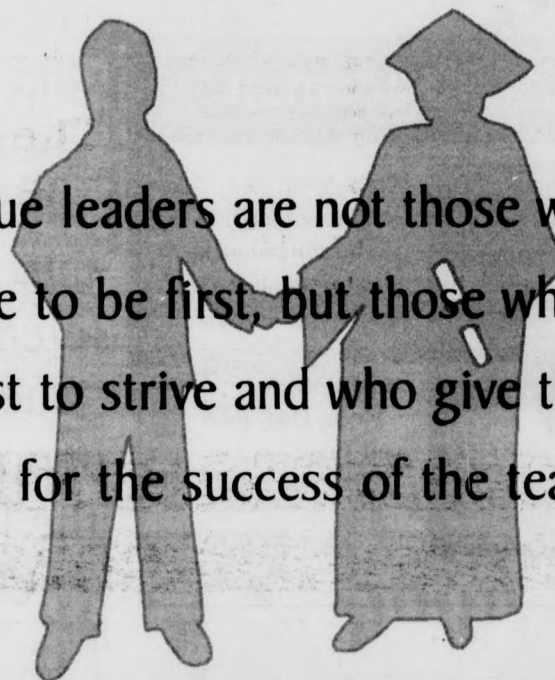
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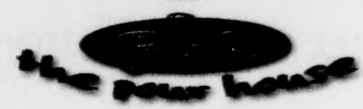
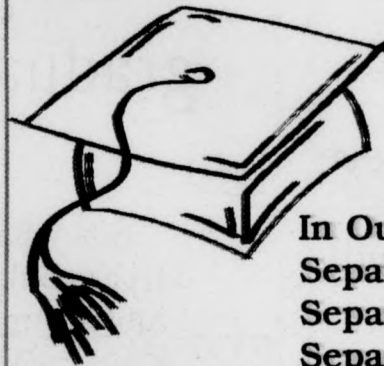
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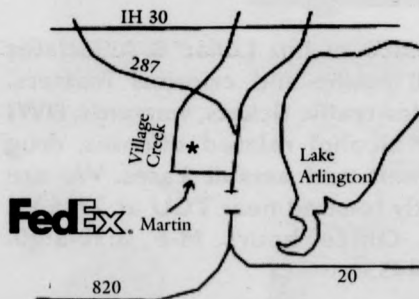
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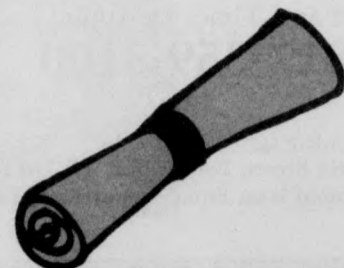
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Senior toast offers last relaxing

By Jessica Cervantez
STAFF REPORTER

Free prizes, free fajitas from Pappasito's Cantina and a champagne toast with Chancellor Michael Ferrari are all relaxing ways to end the school year, but some students were too busy to attend the Senior Toast Thursday due to crunch time late in the semester, said Judy Clark, assistant director of alumni relations.

Clark, who was also in charge of the event, said that in past years, the celebration was only a cookie and punch type of event. The actual toasting began in 1999 to encourage more students to attend the celebration and to congratulate the students, Clark said.

But some students said they either didn't know about the event, they were too busy this late in the semester or both.

Nicole Flores, a senior psychology major, said she didn't know about the Senior Toast or what it even was.

"Nobody told me about the Senior Toast," Flores said. "It sounds

like a good idea, but it's so late in the semester and I have to get my priorities straight."

Kristi Hoban, president of the Alumni Association, said 175 students, or about 10 percent of the graduates, were expected to attend the toast.

"Anytime you get 10 to 15 percent attendance in any event it's wonderful."

Hoban said. "If you get 20 percent, that's incredible."

Ferrari said a problem with attendance may be that the event isn't publicized enough.

"Of course this time of year, all students and especially seniors have their minds on finals and transition plans so this undoubtedly competes for their attention and time," Ferrari said. "But I'm not preoccupied with the size as I am with the celebration for those who attend."

Clark said the TCU Alumni Association wants to be the first to

congratulate the seniors and to welcome them into the association.

"We want to welcome (the graduates) into the club," Clark said. "Being a Frog isn't something that lasts only four years. You're a Frog for life."

"I have so much going on right now. (I was happy to be) able to take my mind off things for a couple hours."

— Blare Willingham
senior biology major

a way to celebrate the end of the university career of seniors and to wish them well."

Blare Willingham, a senior biology major, said attending the event was something to do to keep the stress off for awhile.

"I have so much going on right now," Willingham said. "(I was happy to be) able to take my mind off things for a couple of hours."

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