

Playing the best

The men's soccer team hosts the No. 1 ranked and Metroplex-rival SMU Mustangs Thursday. See Sports, page 8.

Trendy television

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Fort Worth, Texas

Colleges installing software to deter Web-surfing during class

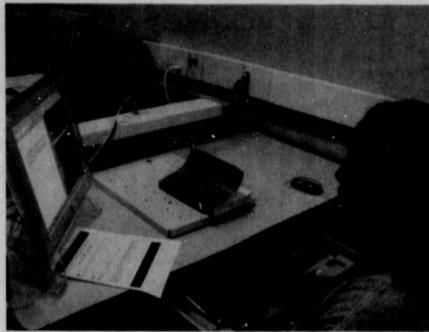
By Jordan Blum
STAFF REPORTER

Junior political science major Aaron Christian said he sometimes ended up surfing the Internet instead of paying attention to the lecture during one of his business classes. "Instead of listening to the lecture, I would either mess around on the Internet or do instant messaging," Christian said. "In my class it was very common and it really wasn't hard to do. I'd just shut it off when

the professor would walk around." According to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, schools such as the University of Michigan, University of California-Los Angeles and the University of Virginia have either spent money to install "kill switch" buttons to the Internet or have banned Internet connections altogether in classrooms due to students using the Internet inappropriately during classes. Various instructors on campus

have mixed responses over the use of "kill switches." Jane Mackay, director of the e-business program, said new software was installed at TCU in February for the computers in the RadioShack E-Business Laboratory to enhance learning and decrease student distractions. "We installed SynchronEyes software in the lab and it can lock the keyboards up during lectures,"

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Erin Munger/PHOTO EDITOR

Joi Harris, a senior broadcast journalism major, works on an assignment in Media Writing and Editing II lab Wednesday night.

Abandoned U.S. embassy stormed

Fighting reported between opposition, Taliban forces

By Amir Shah
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KABUL, Afghanistan — Shouting "Long Live Osama!" and "Death to America!" thousands of protesters burned an effigy of President Bush, then stormed the abandoned U.S. Embassy in the Afghan capital, torching old cars and a guardhouse and tearing down the U.S. seal above the entrance.

In northern Afghanistan, where an opposition alliance is fighting troops of the hard-line Taliban government, heavy new fighting was reported.

Radio Kabul quoted unidentified government officials as saying Taliban forces pushed back opposition troops in the Razi district of Badghis province in northwestern Afghanistan. The officials said opposition fighters were killed, without providing an exact number, and weapons were confiscated. An opposition commander, Abdul Rashid Dostum, confirmed the report.

The Taliban's leader, Mullah Mohammed Omar, appealed to Afghans who have fled the capital to come home. Even if the city is attacked, they will be safe, he said in a statement faxed to news organizations in neighboring Pakistan.

The demonstration at the U.S. Embassy, organized by students at Kabul University, was the largest anti-American protest in Kabul since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. The United States suspects Saudi exile Osama bin Laden orchestrated the attacks and has ordered the Taliban — who have been sheltering him for five years — to turn him over or face punishment.

The old embassy compound was guarded by a few Afghan security guards who were no match for the crowd. The last U.S. diplomats left the embassy in 1989 just ahead of the Soviet Union withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Smoke billowed into the sky after about five vehicles were set afire in the embassy compound, and several men used hammers to remove the large circular U.S. seal above the front entrance. Taliban authorities eventually dispersed the protesters and extinguished the fires.

"It's just another sign of the fact that this is serious," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said of the attack on the former embassy. "It doesn't change anything about what the president has said or what the mission of the United States will be."

In Pakistan's capital, Islamabad, senior Pakistani officials said Pakistani and U.S. defense and intelligence officials had reached general agreement on an anti-terror program that included some provisions for possible at-

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SEEKING SOLACE



RICHARD MICHAEL PRUITT/DALLAS MORNING NEWS (KRT Campus)

SMU students Dina Pugach, left, Yasmeen Tadia, center, and Nazreen Hassan bow their heads in prayer at a special service held as part of President Bush's call for a national day of prayers in the aftermath of the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

NATIONAL BRIEFS

Columnist fired after criticizing Bush

GRANTS PASS, Ore. — The Daily Courier has fired a columnist who wrote about President Bush "hiding in a Nebraska hole" instead of returning to Washington immediately after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Dan Guthrie said publisher Dennis Mack fired him from his job as columnist and copy editor because of negative reaction to his Sept. 15 "Dogwatch" column. Mack denied the column was the reason for the dismissal but declined to elaborate, saying it was a private personnel matter.

In the column, Guthrie wrote that Bush "skedaddled" after the attacks. "Most of his aides and Cabinet members split for secret locations, too."

Guthrie wrote that the airline passengers whose struggle with hijackers is believed to have led to its crash in Pennsylvania "are the heroes of this rotten week. They put it all on the line. Against their courage the picture of Bush hiding in a Nebraska hole becomes an embarrassment."

Guthrie noted that Bush's spokesman told reporters the administration had evidence that the White House had been a terrorist target, and that the president was following accepted emergency procedures.

After receiving hundreds of letters criticizing the column, the newspaper ran an editorial by editor Dennis Roler apologizing to readers.

House committee tackles campus security, other issues

By Kristin Campbell
STAFF REPORTER

TCU Police Chief Steve McGee Wednesday told the House of Student Representatives that campus safety depends on input from faculty, staff and students.

Students can help make the campus safer by reporting anything suspicious immediately, McGee said to students in the University Affairs committee.

"We can't be everywhere at once," he said. "It's up to the faculty, staff and students to be the eyes and the ears (of the TCU Police)."

Karl Kruse, a sophomore international business major and the committee chairperson, said the committee invited McGee to inform members of safety concerns like factors contributing to car break-ins, campus lighting and the possibility of extending Froggie-Five-O hours.

McGee also discussed precautionary measures students can take to prevent their cars from being broken into. McGee said students should make sure compact discs, purses, bags or any other valuable items left in the car are not visible. Thieves are more likely

to attempt a break-in if they can see anything of value, McGee said.

Committee member Zach Swain, a junior marketing major, said car theft and vandalism is a larger problem than students think.

"If somebody breaks into a car that parked on one of the streets surrounding TCU, the crime is not included in the TCU crime report because it falls under Fort Worth jurisdiction," Swain said.

McGee said the possibility of building a parking garage over the existing parking lot south of the Moudy build-

ing is still being reviewed, but finding a donor to offset the estimated \$7 million building cost has not been successful. Parking rates skyrocketed at other schools that built parking garages without donor funding, he said.

Swain said students have expressed an interest in building a getting a parking garage, but may not be willing to pay more for parking permits.

"TCU students really pay very little for parking compared to other private universities," Swain said. "I think students will be willing to pay a little

more to get a parking garage, but not enough to cover the costs," he said.

The option of extending Froggie-Five-O hours was discussed but no one agreed to any changes, not agreed upon.

McGee said students have abused the service by forgetting its purpose. It is designed to be a protective service, not a convenient transportation method, he said.

The option of adding expensive security cameras in campus parking lots was previously mentioned, he said.

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Delta Air Lines to cut jobs, flight schedules over next few months

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Becoming the last major airline to slash jobs in the economic aftermath of the terrorist attacks, Delta Air Lines said Wednesday that it will eliminate up to 13,000 jobs over the next few months and cut its schedule by 15 percent.

The job cuts represent nearly 16 percent of Delta's 82,000 employees. Chairman Leo Mullin said the steep decline in travel after the Sept. 11 attacks threaten the very survival of the nation's third-largest airline.

"War was declared on the United States of America, using aviation as

the instrument of destruction," he said. "As a result, the operational and financial outlook for airlines has changed precipitously, and drastic measures are required if we are to avoid being among the first economic casualties of the war."

Overall, U.S. airlines plan to shed nearly 93,000 jobs and Boeing Co. up to 30,000 more by the end of next year because Americans largely have abandoned air travel. Only one major airline, Southwest, has announced no job reductions or schedule cuts since the attacks.

Mullin said Delta planes have been only 33 percent to 35 percent full on most flights since the attacks

far below the 65 percent load factor the airline needs to break even. The company is averaging about 140,000 daily passengers, compared with 300,000 before the attacks.

Delta has lost about \$1 billion since the disasters and expects to receive about \$600 million from the \$5 billion aid package Congress approved for airlines last week. The cuts, which will include about 1,700 pilots, will be completed by the end of the year.

The Atlanta-based airline has hubs in Cincinnati, Dallas-Fort Worth, Salt Lake City, Orlando, Fla., New York and Los Angeles.

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COMMUNITY WORSHIP



Erin Munger/PHOTO EDITOR

Members of Beth-El Congregation leave after observing Yom Kippur, which began at sundown Wednesday.

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Today in history

1940 — The Tripartite Pact was signed in Berlin by Germany, Italy, and Japan to form the Axis powers.

CAMPUS LINES

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Public Relations Student Society of America will meet at 5:30 p.m. today in Moudy Building South room 271. For more information send an e-mail to (tcuprssa@hotmail.com).

Student Development Services and SGA present the University Retreat and TCU LEAPS. Students, faculty and staff interested in participating may return registration cards to Student Development Services in room 220 in the Student Center or register online at (www.tculeads.tcu.edu). The University Retreat will be at 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. Friday in the Student Center. TCU LEAPS will be at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday starting at the Rickel Building. For more information call Student Development Services at (817) 257-7855.

TCU London Centre applications for spring 2002 are due by Oct. 15. Information sessions for anyone interested in a fall or spring semester at the London Centre will be at 4 p.m. today in the Student Center, room 207. For more information contact Susan Layne at (817) 257-7120 or e-mail (s.layne@tcu.edu).

Advanced sculpture students are presenting a cutting edge, contemporary art show until Oct. 19 in the Moudy Building North gallery. Participating artists are Nick C. Kirk, Bob Hughes, Jennie Franz, Amanda Harvey, Amanda Mein, J. Kent Ladewig, Jennifer Burkhart and Julie Hamer.

TCU Theatre will present "La Llorona" at various times from 8 p.m. Thursday through 2 p.m. Sunday in Hays Theatre. For more information and ticket reservations call the box office at (817) 257-5770.

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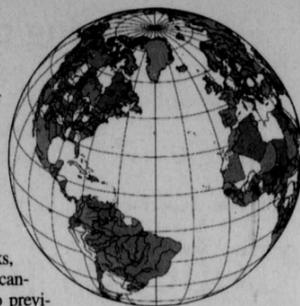
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WORLD DIGEST



Congolese, Rwandan leaders discuss cease-fire in civil war

BLANTYRE, Malawi — The presidents of Rwanda and Congo began a two-day meeting Wednesday intending to shore up a fragile cease-fire agreement to end a three-year civil war in Congo. Neither Congolese President Joseph Kabila nor Rwandan President Paul Kagame spoke to reporters upon their arrival in Blantyre, Malawi for the talks, but Malawian President Bakili Muluzi said he hoped for progress.

"I expect they will come out of Blantyre with results," he told journalists.

The closed-door meetings were expected to continue through the night. Rwanda and Uganda have backed rebels who began fighting in 1998, trying to oust then-President Laurent Kabila. Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni was expected in Malawi on Friday to open an international trade fair. Muluzi said he planned to brief him on the results of the meeting.

A 1999 cease-fire agreement has been plagued by violations and sluggish implementation. Disarmament and demobilization of the Interahamwe — Rwandan rebels accused in the 1994 genocide in Rwanda — is a key provision of the 1999 deal.

Rwanda insists it will not pull its troops out of Congo until the Interahamwe and former Rwandan soldiers fighting Rwanda from Congolese territory are stopped.

Rwandan officials said they would press Congo for a faster and more transparent disarmament of the Interahamwe and former Rwandan soldiers and urge Kabila to stop supporting the rebels.

On Sept. 12, Congolese authorities showed diplomats and journalists what it said were 3,000 disarmed Rwandan Hutu rebels. However, reporters were not allowed to talk to the purported rebels. Rwanda estimates there are at least 15,000 Interahamwe and former Rwandan soldiers in Congo.

Also Wednesday, the tribal Mayi Mayi militia — which is backed by Congo's government — threatened to undermine peace efforts if it is barred from talks next month on the country's political future.

"If we are not allowed to participate in this forum, if our demands are not taken into account, it will be illusory to think of any kind of peace," said militia spokesman Anselme Enerunga.

The Mayi Mayi are fighting Rwandan-backed rebels in eastern Congo. They were not party to the 1999 cease-fire, so they are not allowed to participate in the talks, which are scheduled to begin Oct. 15.

On Tuesday, the rebel Congolese Rally for Democracy offered to include Mayi Mayi representatives in its delegation.

The government, however, supports the militia's demand to be represented in its own right — provided the other parties in the talks agree.

Arafat, Peres formalize plans for cease-fire in Middle East

GAZA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, Gaza Strip — In a somber meeting marked by skepticism on both sides, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres announced plans Wednesday to formalize a shaky cease-fire and end a year of Mideast fighting.

But even as the leaders met in the southern Gaza Strip, shooting broke out just a few miles away, leaving a Palestinian teen-ager dead.

The United States had been pressing hard for the meeting, and the two sides agreed to resume security cooperation that had long since collapsed. In a first gesture, Israel was to ease military blockades that have severely disrupted daily life in the Palestinian areas.

"No one came with great joy and everyone has grounds to worry if this agreement will be implemented on the ground, but it was an important meeting," Peres said afterward.

A series of cease-fires have failed to take hold over the past year, and the Palestinians also struck a cautious note.

"The meeting was a first step," said Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo. "But if there are no practical procedures on the ground, this may lead to a setback."

In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell called the agreement to hold security talks a hopeful sign that might lead to the sides tackling the key issues that have divided Israel and the Palestinians.

"I am pleased some progress was made," Powell said. "I hope we can move rapidly."

President Bush saw Wednesday's meeting as "an important step forward in restoring confidence and changing the situation on the ground," said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer.

Just three miles from the meeting site at Gaza International Airport, Palestinian youths threw stones at Israeli troops, who responded with fire, killing 16-year-old Mahmoud Qushta and wounding 11 other youths, Palestinian witnesses and doctors said.

Earlier, three Israeli soldiers were wounded when Palestinian sets off a bomb at an army post in the same area, near the border with Egypt. The militant Islamic group Hamas claimed responsibility.

The most recent truce, negotiated by CIA chief George Tenet in June, never took hold. However, there were hopes the current cease-fire would stick.

The United States wants calm in the Mideast as it tries to bring Arab states into an international anti-terror coalition in the aftermath of the suicide attacks in America. Neither Israel nor the Palestinians wants to be seen as undermining the American efforts.

Still, the Israelis and Palestinians have not solved any of their fundamental differences, and the accumulated bitterness remains.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon had been re-

luctant to even allow

Wednesday's talks, and had canceled two previous meetings. Sharon has portrayed Arafat as an unrepentant terrorist and said he could not be trusted. The Palestinians, in turn, have been concerned that Peres, the leading dove in Sharon's government, has only a limited mandate.

A major test of the truce will come Friday when Palestinians plan to mark the first anniversary of the fighting with marches across the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Often such marches lead to confrontations with Israeli troops.

Peres is to meet with two senior Palestinian negotiators on Friday to work out details of the truce plan. One difference quickly emerged: the Israelis want five weeks of calm as a testing period before moving ahead with confidence-building steps, while the Palestinians want to limit the period to two weeks, according to Rabbo.

At the start of Wednesday's meeting, Peres and Arafat, who have negotiated with each other for years, briefly shook hands, without smiling or looking at each other.

In a joint statement afterward, the leaders pledged to resume security coordination, with another Peres-Arafat meeting expected in about a week.

Former Colombia minister, 10 others kidnapped Monday

BOGOTA, Colombia — Suspected leftist rebels Monday kidnapped the attorney general's wife, a woman who formerly served as culture minister, police said.

Consuelo Araujo, 62, was missing along with 10 others traveling with her, including two body guards.

Police said the kidnapers grabbed the group at a roadblock near the provincial capital of Valledupar, Araujo's hometown about 420 miles north of Bogota.

Araujo served as culture minister under President Andres Pastrana until her husband, Edgardo Maya, was elected attorney general in December. She resigned to avoid a conflict of interest.

Police said leftist rebels are suspected, and both the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, and the National Liberation Army, or ELN, roam the region where Araujo was taken.

Araujo's brother, Fernando Araujo, a former economic development minister, was kidnapped by the FARC in December in the coastal town of Cartagena. He still is held. The FARC is also holding four congressmen captive.

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CHEERS & JEERS

A brief overview of various issues

Cheers to American Airlines' CEO Don Carty for giving up his salary for the rest of the year in order to help restore American's weakened finances.

Jeers to the University of Texas President Larry Faulkner for making a public attack on UT professor Robert Jensen for writing an opinion piece about America's own acts of terrorism. Americans First Amendment rights of free speech must be protected.

Cheers to the patriots still flying the nation's colors. Hopefully this surge in unity and pride will continue long after the rubble has been removed from New York and Washington.

Jeers to yet another posed photo on the cover of Frog Calls. Let us stick with last year's theme — real photos of campus, not public relations cheese.

Cheers to the patriotic fans at Saturday's game against Northwestern St. (La.). The TCU community is showing love for its country loud and proud.

Jeers to the football team for not being able to pull off a victory against a Division I-AA team on Family Weekend and at our home opener.

Cheers to Milton Hall Director Artist Thorton for giving residents the chance to change visitation hours. It is not 24-hour visitation hours but it is a step in the right direction.

Jeers to airline companies and airports who purchased security from the lowest bidders.

Cheers to the TCU men's golf team for being the ranked No. 1, and senior Steve Shuert and junior Adam Rubinson for being ranked the No. 1 and No. 2 individually in collegiate golf according to the Golf Week/Sagarin ratings system.

Jeers to Chancellor Ferrari for deciding the "Hey" cheer could no longer be performed by the cheerleaders and band athletic games. Jeers to the band for not playing other songs in place of the cheer.

Cheers to major banks, insurance companies, credit card issuers and utilities companies for extending grace periods and waiving late charges on customers.

Jeers to General Motors for discontinuing the production of Chevrolet Camaros and Pontiac Firebirds, two of America's all-time favorite cars.

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Your view

Letter to the Editor

Printing of dining menus requested back to the Skiff

Through dealing with student concerns and needs, I have come across one area that you can help with.

I am the Dining Services Committee Chair for the TCU House of Representatives, and the student body wants the Sodexo menus back.

Although the menus are posted weekly on the TCU/Sodexo Web site, it has come to my attention that very few people actually take advantage of this resource.

To fulfill our responsibility to students, the House of Representatives is adding a link on our Web site directly to the Sodexo site; we would appreciate your help, too.

I know that both the Skiff and SGA are committed to meeting the needs of students at TCU, and I urge you to join us in this effort and return the Sodexo menu to your daily publication.

Abby Crawford
Dining Services Chair

Menus for the Main and Pond Street Grill convenient

I was wondering if you would be able to put the menus for the Main and Pond St. Grille back into the Skiff. I feel that it would be helpful and convenient and I would appreciate anything that you could do.

Marchelle Jordan,
junior sociology major

Being able to cope quickly is a good skill

Resilience developed from helping others after terrorist attacks

The attacks on Sept. 11 reminded me of the old adage, "What does not kill you makes you stronger."

I recovered quickly after the events so I found myself helping people regain the strength to move on with their lives. I passed out copies of my last column, listened to people vent about their fears and calmed their fears of the impending war.

It made me wonder why I was able to recover so quickly compared to other people I knew. The only difference I can think of is that I have had to develop resilience.

The Oxford English Dictionary defines resilience as the "act of rebounding or springing back." It is not denial or suppression of what you feel. It is the ability to quickly cope with a negative situation and move on with the positive areas in life.

Resilience is a healthy skill to have. In my experience, not only do resilient people have improved mental health, since they tend to be much more op-

timistic, but they tend to have better physical health. Resilient people's relationships also tend to be healthier, since they are much more upbeat and positive.

A few weeks ago, I said in a column if you wanted to change your world, you have to change yourself. Most people (including me) do not change unless they feel they must. Now is a better time than ever, because you have the Sept. 11 tragedy to motivate you.

Can difficult times motivate people toward better times? Of course they can. To paraphrase cancer survivor and two-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong, turn every obstacle into an opportunity.

The first step in self-improvement is self-awareness. Being aware of the motivations and thought processes will help you become a stronger, more compassionate, more rational person. Or as TCU likes to put it, it will help you become an educated individual who thinks and acts as an ethical leader and a responsible citizen in the global community.

The best thing you can do right at this moment is to become aware of your internal thought processes. What is holding you back can be your very own subconscious thoughts and assumptions.

Have you ever tried to make an important decision when you are thinking negatively?

The decision is probably not going to be as good as a decision you make if you are calm and positive. As a result of the bad decision, you feel more negative, and the downward spiral continues. At worst, you are an emotional wreck you feel terrible, and your relationships are reeling from that thing you know you should not have done.

The resilient person knows when he or she is entering a downward spiral. They usually have a plan when the negative thoughts surface. The first step is to actually know what you are thinking. There are many ways to do this, but I like to ask myself questions when I start feeling negative. For example, when I changed my major from English to computer information science, I found myself unable to do my work every time I tried to complete an assignment.

"Why can't I do my work?" I asked myself. "Because the work is hard." "Why is the work hard?" "Because I don't understand it." "Why don't I

understand it?" "Because I'm too dumb to understand the work!"

Bingo! I realized a mental block prevented me from even trying to understand my assignments. I did not stop there. I rebounded from my situation. The next step was to replace my negative thought with something more positive: I am actually rather intelligent.

Then, I had to review my values to decide how I would like to do in this situation. Finally, I had to follow through on my decision. I'll share more details with you on each of these things in the coming weeks.

And what was the end result? I am doing very well in computer information science, and people are actually coming to me for advice on how to do their homework assignments. Remember that you can be your best friend or your worst enemy. Choose carefully and consciously.

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Terrorism must be fought at home

We are being assaulted from all sides. The 11th day of September was not the first time an aerial attack on New York was planned by terrorists.

Commentary

Reilly Capps

Back in 1999, the writings of a small, but dedicated group of fanatics showed they longed to hijack an airplane and crash it into Manhattan.

Their own lives, of course, meant nothing to them. It was the death of others that mattered. Since they lacked the resources and manpower to carry out this sort of super-villainy, they settled on a smaller strike.

On April 20, 1999, Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold brought two duffel bags full of guns and bombs into Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo. They committed suicide before they could carry out their planned bombing of downtown Denver and their dreams of flying a plane into New York. But they killed 13 people and destroyed any sense that kids are safe in school.

Columbine, terrible as it was, was a spitball fight compared to the attacks of Sept. 11, but there is a connection. The motivation and the goal were the same: the maniacal desire to kill as many people as possible.

In his search for something on which to declare war, President

Bush proclaimed a "war on evil." He's convinced that evil is a tangible element somewhere, something we can destroy if only enough guns are pointed at it and enough NATO countries sign on.

But if we want to go to war against evil, we have to go to war not only in Afghanistan and Iraq and Egypt but in Littleton. And in Delray Beach, Fla., San Diego, New Jersey and everywhere else the Sept. 11 terrorists trained. We have to send the Green Berets into flight schools, biological engineering classes and water treatment facilities all over the United States.

Osama bin Laden and his followers will not be the last to target America. Kill bin Laden, and there is a surgeon from Egypt poised to take over al-Qaida. Kill the surgeon, and there is somebody else in a long line of people.

Bush has created a new cabinet-level position to keep us safe, and ideas on safety are being thrown around like confetti. They will not help much, and they wouldn't have stopped these attacks.

A national identity card? The attackers were mostly legal residents, middle class, students. Their stories would have all checked out. Better airline security? It may be impossible. We spent all our money looking for bombs, and we got taken out by shaving cream cans and box-cutters.

If you want to be safe, you should

move to a bomb shelter in the Inuit Province of Canada and eat imported freeze-dried, starved-white noodles boiled in strained water. You should wear earmuffs and gas masks, and speak to no one. And even then you may be in trouble.

We are being assaulted from all sides.

Harris and Klebold were not the last school yard gunmen. Remember the faces of the kids who shot up Fort Gibson, Okla., and Santee, Calif.? And right now, there is a kid sitting at his desk somewhere in America, scribbling furious nothings into the wood-top of his desk, quietly becoming the next great evil waiting in the wings.

He may even have spoken to us last week. He may have been the one who posted a memorial on the Internet dedicated to Harris and Klebold, two of the worst people ever to come out of Colorado, but now unlikely anti-heroes. One day after the attack, the writer rejoiced — in capital letters — that somebody carried out Harris and Klebold's dark vision of aerial assault on America's greatest city.

"Celebrate!" the page reads. "I wish Eric could see this!!! ..."

"Eric, Dylan, wherever you are, celebrate Sept. 11, 2001!"

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Religious freedom is guaranteed

Now that things have quieted down, there is someone who has given me

cause to make the victim of my "rapier wit."

Commentary

Tim Dragma

We all knew it would not be long before resident hate monger and demagogue Jerry Falwell would, in Hitler-esque fashion, charge the problems of the country on an easily persecuted minority group.

He did so spectacularly on the "700 Club", blaming "the pagans and the abortionists and the feminists and the gays and the lesbians ... the American Civil Liberties Union, the People for the American Way" and other "Christ-haters" for secularizing America and forcing God to "lift the curtain and allow the enemies of America to give us probably what we deserve."

Pat Robertson, the current host of the "700 Club", was quick to agree. What really struck me about that was, well, for being such staunch, self-proclaimed homophobes, these two sure do spend a lot of time together. I wonder if they are just covering for something. I really hate to make fun of their bigotry because they try so hard at it, but when someone says something so completely asinine, I can't resist.

Falwell went on to specifically state that "The ACLU's got to take a lot of the blame for this." Although I can't find reason why anyone would find an organization specifically designed to protect everyone's civil rights as being at fault for a terrorist attack.

I do, though, wonder if Falwell sees the irony of attacking the ACLU since it is specifically the efforts of the Civil Liberties Union that protects his right to free speech. The endeavors of the ACLU allow him to come on national television and dribble out his hilarious brand of lowest common denominator and un-American demagoguery, bigotry and hate.

Falwell has unwittingly highlighted exactly what American values are not. This nation was not founded to be a Christian nation. A good way to cure any delusion some of you may have about this would be to read the Constitution (I promise it's still in print).

This is not a Christian society, the same way it is not an Islamic, Jewish or Hindu society. We live in a secular society because that is the only way for people of different religions to peacefully co-exist. It is the only way to guarantee religious freedom. If the laws by which we live happen to reflect Judeo-Christian values I would venture that is simply because there are common values innate in any just society. The reasons why it is wrong to steal and kill etc. can be arrived at completely independent of religion.

Religious freedom is something ingrained in our Constitution and I reject Falwell's remarks as being completely un-American and totally contrary to the principals on which this country was founded.

Falwell's statements really are gut-bustingly uproarious, particularly because he is a man who uses the word of someone who preached nothing but tolerance and love to preach nothing but intolerance and hate. Even writing this seems like it is giving Falwell more credit than he deserves, but I think it represents a specific lesson that everyone should take notice of: There is no better way to completely negate any relevant point you may ever have to make about anything than by saying something absolutely devoid of common sense, class and reason. From now on everything that comes out of Falwell's mouth is going to be an improvement.

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U.N. agency asks for \$252 million in aid

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GENEVA — The U.N. refugee agency said a U.S. assault on Afghanistan could send up to 1.5 million Afghans fleeing into neighboring countries and appealed Wednesday for \$252 million to care for refugees.

The European Union's head office also expressed concern of a looming humanitarian crisis, proposing Wednesday that the EU almost double its aid to Afghan refugees to \$48 million. The EU's 15 governments and the European Parliament must still approve the extra \$23 million in funding.

"Today we are witnessing an unprecedented global effort to combat terrorism," said U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Ruud Lubbers. "We need a similar unique effort to deal with possible humanitarian consequences of whatever happens in Afghanistan."

UNHCR officials fear that any action in Afghanistan, where the ruling Taliban militia are thought to harbor alleged terrorist Osama bin Laden, could send up to 1.5 million people fleeing toward neighboring countries, Lubbers told representatives of governments that support the agency.

It could be the largest flight of refugees since Serbian forces drove

hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians from their homes in Kosovo during NATO's 1999 air war against Yugoslavia, the agency said.

UNHCR planners expect that up to 1 million Afghans will cross the border into Pakistan, 400,000 into Iran and 50,000 each into Tajikistan and Turkmenistan.

The agency needs the money over the next six months to be able to build refugee camps, and supply 80,000 tents and other relief goods.

The United Nations has been supporting 5 million people affected by years of war and drought inside Afghanistan. It also is helping care for

up to 4 million Afghan refugees in Pakistan and Iran.

The agency said later that it appeared Pakistan was easing its ban on any new refugees entering the country. Tens of thousands of Afghans are waiting on the Afghan side, unable to cross.

UNHCR noted that Pakistan repeated Wednesday that the borders would remain closed to Afghans without proper travel documents.

But, an agency statement said, Pakistani officials "have indicated that people who manage to cross illegally will be assisted in camps in Pakistan."

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attacks on terrorist bases in Afghanistan, but that some sticking points remained.

Speaking on condition of anonymity, the officials said both sides want to minimize the use of ground forces in any strike. They also said some differences emerged during the talks between high-ranking Pakistani officials and an American delegation that includes senior defense and intelligence representatives.

The points of disagreement include whether the United States or other outside parties should lend support to the opposition alliance, something Pakistan — the only country that still

has diplomatic ties with the Taliban — has expressed strong misgivings over.

Other points of contention: what action is warranted against Pakistan-based militant groups, and whether or not the United Nations should approve any operation against Afghanistan.

Some differences were resolved Tuesday, when some U.S. delegation members met Pakistan's president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf, the officials said.

Pakistan was clearly uncomfortable with public discussion of its role in any U.S. strike. A Foreign Ministry spokesman, Riaz Mohammed Khan, said Wednesday that "no joint operation or specific contingency plans have been placed before the Pakistan government."

Iran will not support American, allied attack

By Ali Akbar Dareini
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's supreme leader ruled out Iranian help for any U.S.-led attack on neighboring Afghanistan, saying Wednesday that the United States was not "competent" to lead a global campaign and calling U.S. behavior "disgusting."

In a state-run television address to the nation, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said the U.S. administration was "over-expected" in wanting the whole world to help it following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"Iran will not participate in any

move under U.S. leadership. Iran will not extend any assistance to the U.S. and its allies in attacking the already suffering Muslim neighboring Afghanistan," Khamenei said in an address to families of soldiers killed in the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

America's behavior, by expecting help but not earning the respect of other nations, was "disgusting," Khamenei said, adding that Iran did not consider the United States "competent and sincere (enough) to lead any global campaign against terrorism." He did not elaborate.

Khamenei's remarks were the clear-

est made yet by Iran in response to suggestions that Washington may call on Iran to join a U.S.-led global force to fight terrorism.

Washington and Tehran do not have diplomatic ties, and Iran is on the State Department list of countries suspected of sponsoring terrorism. However, Washington has said it is willing to consider including Iran in an international anti-terrorism coalition.

Iran has maintained that the United Nations should lead any alliance against terrorism and expressed its opposition to unilateral U.S. retaliation against the Taliban, who harbors

Osama bin Laden, the prime suspect in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

On Tuesday, British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw praised the Iranian stance after talks on the fight against terrorism.

"We stand together in opposing terrorism of that kind," after he met Iranian officials," he said.

But Straw, on the highest level British visit to Iran since 1979, added that he had not brought any message from the United States.

Khamenei on Wednesday also rejected America's declaration to the world that nations had to choose between being "with us or terrorism."

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but equipment and labor expenses outweigh the benefits. Money would be better spent on other more effective security measures, McGee said.

Even when cameras are used, by the time an officer sees something suspicious and arrives to investigate, the suspect has fled the scene easily since there are many exits in most of the parking lots, McGee said.

"Dispatchers have a lot going on at night," McGee said. "We would have to hire someone to just watch the cameras."

There are two operational cameras in the freshman parking lot.

McGee said it is the most secure parking lot on campus because there is only one entrance and exit, which makes the lot easy to monitor.

McGee said the possibility of building a parking garage over the existing parking lot south of the Moody building is still being reviewed, but finding a donor to offset the estimated \$7 million building cost has not been successful. Swain said students have expressed an interest in building a parking garage, but may not be willing to pay more for parking permits.

"TCU students really pay very little for parking compared to other private universities," Swain said. "I think students will be willing to pay a little more to get a parking garage, but not enough to cover the costs," he said.

The option of extending Froggie-Five-O hours was discussed but no one agreed to any changes.

McGee said students have abused the service by forgetting its purpose. It is designed to be a protective service, not a convenient transportation method, he said.

A yearly assessment of priority campus lighting needs will be estab-

lished, he said. A list should be made of lighting needs that the physical plant staff, university officials and students decide are most important and then the budget would cover as many new lights as possible, McGee said.

Other topics being explored by the University Affairs committee include making send-home purchases possible at all vending machines and making send-home purchases possible at concession stands in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum and Amon Carter Stadium.

The University Affairs committee meetings are at 3 p.m. every Wednesday and are open to the public.

INTERNET

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Mackay said. "It can also broadcast a student's computer screen in the front of the room, so I can see what they're doing or show examples to the class."

Mike Gerst, adjunct faculty member of the journalism department, said restricting Internet access in classrooms is not the answer.

"Freedom of information is important, so I don't think you can put a muzzle on it," Gerst said. "I don't think you can regulate against it."

Gerst also said he tries to keep the class focused by keeping an eye on what the students are doing in his computer-assisted reporting class.

"I like to walk down the aisles and see what's on the students' screens," Gerst said.

"It's distracting to me when I hear, 'You've got mail' during a lecture. I know everyone does it, and

I'd have done the same as a student. But if I catch someone, I'm going to make sure everyone knows I caught them goofing off."

Chuck Miller, the Computer Support Services coordinator for the School of Business, said the software and installation cost approximately \$1,000.

Mackay said having students playing on the computers can be a problem for some professors, but she has not had any major problems dealing with it.

Gerst said if a professor is not interesting, then students will not pay attention, but the professor still deserves respect and attention from students.

Mackay said even though she thinks she prevents the students from playing on the computers in class, it is possible that students occasionally get away with stuff.

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DELTA

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Among the cutbacks will be operations at subsidiary Delta Express, meals on many flights and 40 percent of its international flights from New York's Kennedy airport.

Delta was not forced to cut as deeply as some airlines because of its strong balance sheet it had \$2.5 billion in cash before the government relief and because it will need to rehire some people as passengers return, said Raymond Neidl, an analyst with ABN Amro Inc.

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Entertainment Briefs

Cast members for 'Survivor Africa' announced

A goat farmer, a dentist and a professional soccer player are among the cast members for the third "Survivor" series on CBS, set to debut Oct. 11.

CBS executives are eager to see whether the public's appetite for the reality game will change because of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. The second edition earlier this year was the most popular television series of the season.

The 16 players were stranded in the Shaba National Reserve in Kenya, Africa. The cast members:

- Carl Bilancione, 46, a dentist from Winter Springs, Fla.
- Clarence Black, 24, a high school basketball coach from Detroit.
- Tom Buchanan, 46, a goat farmer from Rich Valley, Va.
- Jessie Camacho, 27, a deputy sheriff from Orlando, Fla.
- Teresa Cooper, 42, a flight attendant from Jackson, Ga.
- Silas Gaither, 23, a bartender from Germantown, Tenn., currently living in Los Angeles.
- Frank Garrison, 43, a telephone technician from Odessa, N.Y.
- Kelly Goldsmith, 22, a recent Duke University graduate from Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., working as a behavioral research analyst.
- Kim Johnson, 57, a retired school teacher from Oyster Bay, N.Y.
- Diane Ogden, 42, a mail carrier from Lincoln, Neb.
- Kim Powers, 29, a free-lance marketer from Conshohocken, Pa.
- Brandon Quinton, 25, a bartender from Dallas.
- Lindsey Richter, 27, an advertising account executive from Portland, Ore.
- Linda Spencer, 44, a career counselor from Cambridge, Mass.
- Lex van den Berghe, 38, a marketing manager from Santa Cruz, Calif.
- Ethan Zohn, 27, a former professional soccer player and now a coach from Lexington, Mass., currently living in New York.

'Saturday Night Live' to acknowledge attacks

"Saturday Night Live" plans to acknowledge the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks "in an emotional way" during this week's season premiere, executive producer Lorne Michaels said Wednesday.

First, though, the show has to be sure it's going to be on the air. It's preparing for its 27th season opener on NBC in a somber, uncertain atmosphere, knowing it could be preempted at the last minute if there's breaking news in the war on terrorism.

"We will definitely acknowledge the event and we will acknowledge it in an emotional way, because that's the appropriate way," Michaels said in an interview, shortly before listening to prospective comedy skits.

"All we can do is focus on getting a show on Saturday that addresses what happened with respect and dignity and at the same time do a comedy show that allows people some kind of relief," he said.

How that's done exactly isn't certain yet, he said.

Reese Witherspoon, star of this summer's light comedy hit, "Legally Blonde," is the guest host. Alicia Keys is the musical guest.

Michaels was forced to juggle when the planned Oct. 6 guest host, Ben Stiller, backed out in the wake of the attack. The third-week host, "American Pie" actor Seann William Scott, was moved up a week and Drew Barrymore agreed to fill in Oct. 13.

Some "SNL" staff members were forced out of their apartments because of the attacks, and the show had to evacuate briefly from its Rockefeller Center studio, Michaels said.

None of the cast members wanted to talk about what it's like to prepare for a show in this atmosphere.

"When you're here and you see the selflessness and bravery, it hopefully inspires you to do your job professionally," Michaels said. "I don't think the audience is looking for us to go through an existential crisis about whether what we do is important or not."

America's fascination with reality TV spawns more shows — and there is no end in sight

By Laura McFarland
SKIFF STAFF

Eating sheep eyes. Being dropped in the middle of nowhere with limited supplies and \$100 and then told to race around the world and end up at the Statue of Liberty. Setting sail on a cruise ship with 16 people for 15 days expected to find true love.

These scenarios, preposterous as they may sound, have all happened on one network or another and they are all part of a craze sweeping America called reality TV.

It all seemed to start in 2000 on network television stations when CBS aired a new show called "Survivor" featuring 16 strangers on an island vying to win \$1 million — at any cost. The show generated huge ratings, and the following season other networks were launching their own reality TV programs.

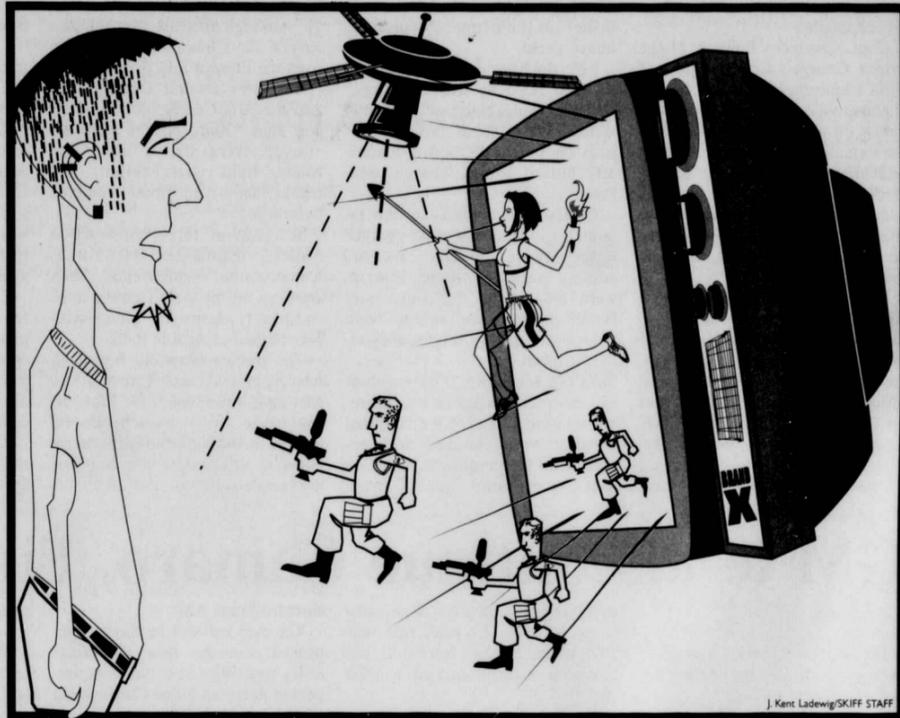
Shawnesse Herbert, a sophomore business management major, said she watched the first seasons of "Survivor" and "Big Brother", but stopped watching because she thought the shows had become redundant.

"In the beginning, it seemed exciting because it was something different, but after the second season it started to look the same," Herbert said. "People are only doing it for the money and not the thrill."

At least a dozen reality TV programs are currently on the air or will start this season, and the trend probably will not reduce for at least two or three years, said John Miller, a former WFAA news director.

Miller said the reasons are simple. First, reality shows provide the networks with the younger audiences that their advertisers want. Second, the shows cost anywhere from 1/10 to 1/3 less than what an hour-long drama would cost.

"If you can make three reality programs for the



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price of one drama, obviously they're going to find that appealing," Miller said.

The problem, Miller said, is that people were first attracted to reality shows because they were adventurous and unique. Now, it is almost impossible to escape them.

"As it usually happens with a fad in programming, or anything, it's overdone," Miller said. "As people become used to them and as there becomes more of them, they won't be as unique."

Crystal Jones, a sophomore business major, said she loves reality TV shows because they are unpredictable. But she feels the shows will not last much longer because so many new shows are flooding television, she said.

"It's all been seen before and it gets pretty old," Jones said. "I don't think I can take watching people eat pig ears and live beetles or have snakes dumped on their faces for one more season."

Before "Survivor," reality TV shows were uncommon. One of the earliest programs was perhaps "Candid Camera," which first aired in 1960. It would be years before shows like "Cops" and "Real World" grabbed audiences' attentions.

Kristin VandenBelt, a sophomore pre-major, said the new reality shows are ridiculous and she doesn't understand why people become so addicted to them.

"At the beginning, with 'Real World,' it was a creative new concept, but now reality shows are simply crass ways to make a buck with no new ideas," VandenBelt said.

Many people say contemporary reality TV programs lack imagination.

Theresa Barnott, a sophomore math major, said that now every other show on TV is a "real-life" drama about the same ridiculous subjects.

"My own encounters with reality do not include lying in a coffin full of snakes or being whisked away on an 18th Century cruise boat to some island

to duke it out with 16 other people for 'love' and, more importantly, the prize money," Barnott said.

In addition to their representation of reality, the programs have also been accused of deceiving viewers and manipulating results. An inherent skepticism in the American audience leads to the lack of trust in these shows, Miller said.

"Since these programs are filmed with only the producers calling the shots, there's not a lot of ways for us to know if that's what is really happening," Miller said.

Regardless of this cynicism, networks appear to be confident that the demand for reality TV will continue, especially CBS and Fox, who both have three reality programs airing this season. CBS has ordered new seasons of both "Survivor" and "Big Brother" and is airing a new show called "The Amazing Race," where 11 couples are given a starting point and an ending point and told to race around the world.

Fox is taking on a second season of "Temptation Island" and two new programs: "Murder in Small Town X," a "Survivor"-like murder mystery show, and "Love Cruise: The Maiden Voyage," which puts 16 singles on the open seas in hopes they will find true love long enough to win the prize money.

Additional programs include ABC's "The Mole 2" and NBC's "Fear Factor" and "Lost."

Janette Stanberry, a sophomore Spanish and speech pathology major, said she wants to watch "Lost" because it doesn't have sexual overtones like "Big Brother" and "Temptation Island."

"It sounds like a real reality TV show instead of a contrived TV show," Stanberry said. "It's more like the Discovery Channel than the pornography channel."

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Fall Reality TV Line Up

ABC	"Mole 2: The Next Betrayal"	
	Premiers 7 p.m. Friday	
CBS	"The Amazing Race"	
	8 p.m. Wednesdays	
	"Survivor Africa"	
	Premiers 7 p.m. Oct. 11	
Fox	"Love Cruise: The Maiden Voyage"	
	8 p.m. Tuesdays	
	"Cops"	
	7 p.m. Saturdays	
	"Temptation Island 2"	
	Premiers 8 p.m. Oct. 31	
NBC	"Lost"	
	7 p.m. Wednesdays	

Reality TV gives viewers fantasy outlet

I often wonder why all of America, including myself, has become so addicted to reality-based television programs

over the last few years. Although I am not so addicted that I would watch incredibly terrible Fox reality programming like "Who Wants to Marry a Millionaire?" or more recently "Who Wants to Be a Princess?," I do watch my share of "Survivor" and "Fear Factor." I will even



Reese

admit to watching that mean lady on "Weakest Link."

Even though I do watch this type of programming, I just cannot figure out why I do. I consider myself an average college student who attends class on a regular basis, for the most part. But am I not getting enough homework? Do I not work hard enough as a resident assistant? Why do I have so much time that I can sit for hours watching the squabbling between roommates on "The Real World" or watch people viciously vote fellow tribe members off the series on "Survivor."

I have learned that I am very picky about my reality television. I am deluded enough to believe that there is higher quality reality televi-

sion. "Survivor" is much classier than "Temptation Island" or "Boot Camp."

How sad is the world I am living in if I can distinguish between good and bad reality television? Truthfully, though, is it just a waste of time?

I guess the main reason I watch reality TV is because I am jealous of those people on the series. I mean I would love to be able to live in a mansion in some fast-paced city like New York or Los Angeles and be able to work for a radio station or record company. Maybe in some ways, I think by watching these television series I am living through these same dilemmas as well.

The most simple reason I watch this programming is because I enjoy

it. I like to see the drama between real people. I get tired of watching pre-fabricated story lines that get repeated constantly on comedy and drama series. It is sad to say, but I have enough drama in my life and I guess I like to see "real" individuals like myself go through crazy things like I do.

But I think reality TV, like any type of television programming, will eventually fade and it has already the point of being overdone. At first, MTV created "The Real World" and more recently "Survivor" became successful, but it has become too much with all of the Fox programs and other networks scrambling to come up with new ideas.

CBS completed "Big Brother 2" and has a new show called "The Amazing Race" while NBC has "Lost" and ABC has "The Mole 2," all for just the current television season.

Sometimes I just cannot handle it, but I still watch it.

In the end, like any other person, I watch reality television because I can escape from the daily grind of my normal and less exciting life for an hour or two. I mean, is that not the reason we watch any type of television programming?

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Two students dead in Maryland tornado

By Etan Horowitz
THE DIAMONDBACK

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (U-WIRE) — A fast-moving tornado ripped through College Park Monday, killing two University of Maryland students, forcing the evacuation of most of North Campus, destroying buildings and wreaking havoc throughout the campus.

Gov. Parris N. Glendening visited the campus Monday night and declared a state of emergency in Prince George's County. The campus was open Tuesday, but classes were canceled.

Capt. Chauncey Bowers, of the Prince George's County Fire and EMS Department, said two female students who were driving on University Boulevard were killed after the tornado picked their vehicle up and threw it into the rear of Easton Hall.

Forty-seven people, none with life-threatening injuries, were taken to area hospitals, Bowers said.

Bowers also said the tornado destroyed the North Woods Buffet, the tennis bubble on University Boulevard and trailers temporarily housing the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute, located behind the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. The campus day care center also sustained severe damage.

Five people were rescued from

the debris of the trailers located behind the Arts Center, Bowers said. Search dogs and thermal imaging cameras were used to make sure no one else was trapped in the rubble.

At least 2,500 students were displaced Monday when six dorms were evacuated for more than five hours due to damage from the storm, campus spokesman George Cathcart said.

Students were allowed to return at about 11 p.m. Residents of University Courtyard were unable to return to their residences Monday night and the campus made no contingency plan to house them.

"We do have damage in probably six resident life buildings," Cathcart said. "None of it is really serious it seems at this point -- trees on porches, [roofing materials] pulled loose, broken windows."

Cathcart confirmed the two fatalities and said that other campus injuries were "mostly cuts and nothing serious." Some injuries were treated at the University Health Center and others were transported to Washington Adventist Hospital.

Calvin Meadows, a meteorological technician with the Baltimore-Washington office of the National Weather Service, said a tornado estimated to be traveling at about 40 miles per hour moved from

Stafford County, Va., through Washington and into northern Prince George's County.

He said the tornado touched down in Beltsville at 5:20 p.m., in College Park at 5:24 p.m. and in northern Laurel at 5:45 p.m. Meadows confirmed the fatalities and said there were reports of damaged houses, downed poles and overturned cars throughout Prince George's County.

Meadows said the tornadoes were not a surprise and warnings were issued at about 5:10 p.m. for Northern Prince George's County. He said high pressure over the past several days has caused moisture over the Eastern Sea Board.

The area around Denton Hall and the Arts Center looked like a war zone. Guard houses were destroyed, trees strewn along the roads, light posts felled, and trucks, cars and other vehicles overturned.

A group of three construction trailers, maintained by Turner Construction, which has been working on the Arts Center, were completely destroyed along with cars parked alongside them.

The trailers normally house 45 offices, officials said. University of Maryland president C.D. Mote Jr. said seven people were inside the trailers at the time the tornado hit but were all accounted for. Some of the people suffered injuries.

"It's total devastation," he said. "[The tornado was] impressive in its voracity."

Rescue workers spent much of the afternoon searching through the piles of rubble, trying to free workers who were trapped inside. At least one person was brought out on a stretcher from the destroyed trailers.

Toby Wilson, a photocopy specialist for the institute, looked outside the window of the trailer when he heard the wind. Seconds later, he was flying through the air, landing stunned, but not seriously injured, 80 feet away.

"All of a sudden, I felt the whole trailer shift and I was on my knees, trying to make heads or tails of what happened," he said.

Damage was widespread throughout the campus Monday. Shingles were torn off the roof of University of Maryland, University College and wooden beams were flung to the ground. Portable restrooms were slammed up against fences near Lot 1.

Considering there were only a few seconds of warning, Mote applauded the campus for its response effort. He also said the tornado is the latest in a series of dilemmas the campus has had to deal with this month.

"It's pretty hard to run a campus right now," he said. "I can't wait until September is over."

Companies going easy on customers

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NEW YORK — Late charges are being forgiven, grace periods extended, credit limits raised and some payments waived.

In the wake of the terrorist attacks, major banks, insurance companies, credit card issuers and utilities are going easy on customers, especially those in the New York and Washington areas whose lives have been turned upside down.

Many families lost breadwinners and heads of households. Many customers, businesses and individuals alike, have suffered financially in the tragedy. And a lot of bills have gotten delayed and payments gone astray amid the air travel and mail delivery problems caused by the attacks.

In many cases, the companies have instituted procedures normally followed for a natural disaster, such as an earthquake, hurricane or tornado. But the current effort goes beyond that; it is not necessarily limited to any one region.

"This is a very important time in our country, and every institution is trying to help its customers," said Catherine Pulley, spokeswoman for the American Bankers Association trade group in Washington. "We're all in this together."

Big credit card issuers like Citibank in New York and MBNA Corp. in Wilmington, Del., sorted through incoming payments and made sure those delayed by problems with the mail did not incur penalty fees. Prudential Insurance Co. in Newark, N.J., extended the deadline for September premium payments to Oct. 1; for residents in and around New York and Washington, the deadline will be Nov. 14.

American Express, which lost its headquarters in the attacks,

and J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. provided cash advances and raised credit limits for customers in need, including small businesses.

Any costs to the companies are manageable, said MBNA spokesman Jim Donahue.

"In most cases we're talking about not charging fees that wouldn't have been charged anyhow," Donahue said. "Regardless, the cost to us in dollars doesn't compare to the cost in human misery and suffering that is part of this whole disaster."

All the companies said that customers hit with late charges or other fees because of problems beyond their control should call their corporate service centers and explain the situation.

"Like everybody else, we're going to be real liberal, especially in the hard-hit areas," said Jim Smith, a spokesman for Verizon telecommunications company, whose headquarters is in New York.

Citibank and J.P. Morgan Chase are dealing with thousands of customers in their home markets with serious financial problems because of the attacks.

"We're trying to be extremely flexible given the tragic events that have happened," said Maria Mendler of Citibank. "If someone needs reduced interest rates, a couple of months without minimum payments, help with mortgages or other bank business, we're ready to help them."

At J.P. Morgan Chase, fees are being waived for retail and small-business customers, grace periods are being extended on mortgages and credit cards, and emergency credit lines and loans are being expedited. The bank also is offering a three-month moratorium on mortgage payments for customers directly affected by the attacks.

GM to discontinue Camaro, Firebird

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DETROIT — Two of America's favorite sports cars are nearing the end of the road.

General Motors Corp. announced Tuesday that the 2002 model year will be the last for the Chevrolet Camaro and Pontiac Firebird.

GM blamed the demise of the Camaro and Firebird on a 53 percent decline in the sports car market since 1990.

More than 4 million Camaros

have been sold since it was introduced in 1967. Its peak year was 1978 when 260,201 were sold, but last year sales dwindled to just 42,131.

The Firebird's best year was also 1978 when 175,607 were sold. In 2000, though, sales were just a tad over 31,000.

John Middlebrook, GM vice president and general manager of vehicle brand marketing, said the automaker will celebrate the cars with a 35th Anniversary Edition Camaro and a Collector Edition

Firebird Trans AM.

The cars will not be directly replaced, but the new Chevrolet SSR, available next year, is expected to attract some Camaro and Firebird buyers. The vehicle is a cross between a roadster and the now-extinct favorite El Camino.

Pontiac will offer the new Vibe GT, Bonneville SSEi and supercharged Grand Prix GTP.

The Ford Mustang is the only survivor of the muscle car glory days. The Chevy Corvette and Dodge Viper sports cars have only two

seats and are much more expensive than the Camaro and Firebird.

The Ste. Therese, Quebec, assembly plant where the Camaro and Firebird are produced will close next September. Maureen Kempston Darkes, president and general manager for GM of Canada Limited, said the company tried to discover an alternative to continue manufacturing at the plant, but was unable to find one.

"This is an extremely painful and difficult decision," Darkes said.

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Horoscopes

Aries (March 21-April 19) - You may feel slightly inhibited, so let others be the messengers for a while. A partner is your best spokesperson, and friends can make progress where you'd fail. You've got a good team, so relax. You'll get another turn at bat soon enough.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - It soon may be possible to increase your status and paycheck. The trick is to find a need and fill it. A coworker could point you in the right direction. Don't wait. Tell people what you want and what you'll do to get it.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - This should be one of your "well" days where you call in "well" and get out of work. Call it preventive medicine. If the boss doesn't go for that, can you think of a reason to take a business trip?

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Concentrate, and don't let anybody distract you. Read the ads, clip the coupons, surf the internet, talk to the neighbor's uncle who can get it for you at wholesale. You can buy twice as much for half the money, but it's not easy. It's an art.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Feel like laying back and letting somebody else direct the show for a while? That would be fine. You know just the person for the job. Stop fighting for control. Let it go and get something better.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - The more you work on your routine, the faster it'll go. The objective is to make each movement efficient. Be like a well-oiled machine, cranking the money in, today and tomorrow.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - Love triumphs again! Whatever had you bothered is easily forgotten. So are old inhibitions and your exhaustion. You're eager to try new things and explore new ideas - with just the right companion, of course.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Go ahead and make a mess at home. Sometimes it's necessary, to get things just the way you want them. You like to wait till you have the whole thing figured out, but where's the adventure in that? Leave a couple of things to chance.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Call back people you talked to earlier, to answer questions and close the sale. There's a friendlier, less defensive tone to all communications now. People are also more willing to learn. Teach them.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - You might get that promotion or higher-paying job even if you've been brutally honest lately. You might have to take on more responsibility, though. Not a problem? Apply! Retired? Start your own business!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Drag out those old ideas that fizzled. You were just ahead of your time. The same item no one wanted then could be your best seller now - with a little twist to bring it up to date.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Should you buy a new couch or reupholster the old one? Should you do it yourself or hire someone to do it? This dilemma could drive you nuts. Do whatever keeps more money in your bank account for the longest time.

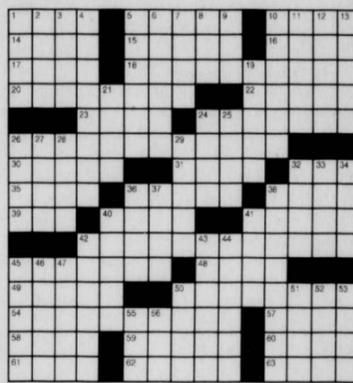
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A: Yes 45 No 55

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10 Spiders' creations
14 Precinct
15 Surpass
16 Boesky or Lendl
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22 Birch relative
23 Jezebel's idol
24 Most cunning
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31 Ms. McBeal
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35 Billions of years
36 Meanders, as a river
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42 University in Ohio
45 Conjunction
48 Cork's country
49 Watchful and ready
50 After a time
54 Entrance to San Francisco Bay
57 Merriment
58 Type of foil
59 Diane's nemesis on "Cheers"
60 Bluefin or yellowfin
61 Soothsayer
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"A careful study of economics usually reveals that the best time to buy anything is last year."

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Frogs hope to gain added exposure from harder schedule

The women's basketball schedule, released Wednesday, has 15 teams that played in the NCAA Tournament last season

By Brandon Ortiz
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's basketball team hopes to capitalize on a schedule that features the likes of Southwest Missouri State and Rutgers to gain more national exposure and win more recruiting battles.

"We feel we are ready to take on that kind of schedule," head coach Jeff Mittie said. "The schedule will provide us some opportunities nationally. It will give us a challenge before (Conference USA)."

The Frogs new schedule, released Tuesday, has 15 teams who reached the NCAA Tournament last season. Rutgers, Southwest Missouri State and Arkansas will travel to Fort Worth to play the Frogs. The Frogs play Oregon and Oklahoma on the road.

The Frogs advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament last season and had the fourth ranked re-

cruting class in the nation, according to some publications. The players think the schedule gives them a chance to receive a higher seeding in the NCAA Tournament.

"One of our goals is to return to the NCAA Tournament and improve our seeding," Mittie said. "When you put together a schedule, you want a schedule that helps you reach those kind of goals."

Senior forward Tricia Payne said the tougher schedule is a sign of how far the team has come.

"Good teams want to play good teams," Payne said. "It says a lot about the teams that want to play us."

"It definitely does nothing but benefit us. Nobody we play is easy."

Mittie said the Frogs benefit from tougher competition.

"In basketball, it is a win-win situation for good teams to play each other because of RPI," Mittie said. "It won't hurt a team's RPI to play a good

team."

Mittie said he was satisfied with how the schedule turned out, even though he had some problems in the beginning.

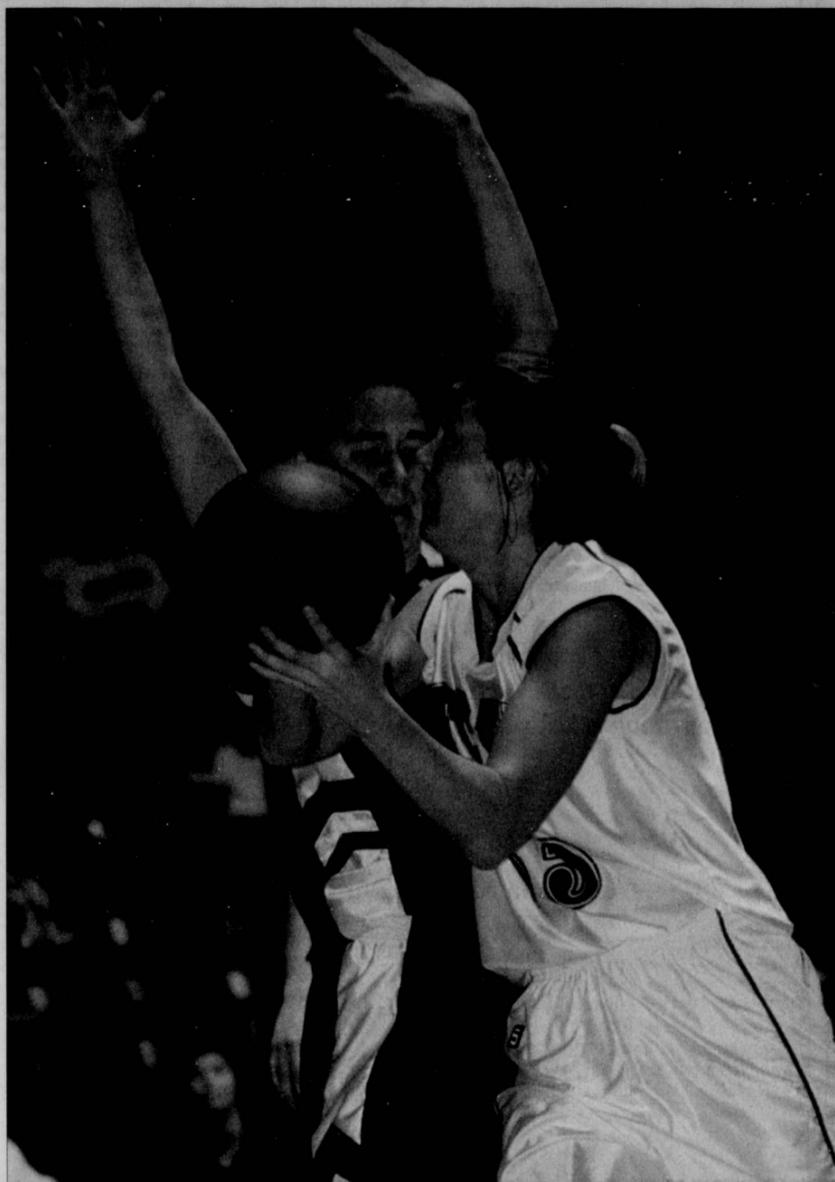
"It was difficult because of all the conflicting time slots, but this actually turned out to be a good year," Mittie said. "It fell into place. I think it gives us good balance. We have some good early season road challenges."

Mittie said the schedule will help with recruiting. Recruits want to go to schools with tough schedules, Payne said.

"They want to play teams like (Oklahoma), Tennessee, and Texas," Payne said. "Recruits want to go to schools that play good teams."

"This is how you build a better program."

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Senior forward Tricia Payne draws a foul as she drives to the basket in a game against Rice last year. The Frogs new schedule was released Tuesday. The team will play 15 teams who had postseason bids, including Rutgers and Southwest Missouri.

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Saturday	Nov. 3, 2001	International Team (Exh.)	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	7 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 10, 2001	SMU (scrimmage)	Dallas	TBA
Friday	Nov. 16, 2001	Sam Houston	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	5:30 p.m.
Sunday	Nov. 18, 2001	Air Force	Colorado Springs, Colo.	3 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 24, 2001	Oregon	Portland, Ore.	4 p.m.
Tuesday	Nov. 27, 2001	Oklahoma Norman,	Okla.	7 p.m.
Friday	Nov. 30, 2001	Prairie View A&M	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	7 p.m.
Sunday	Dec. 02, 2001	San Diego State	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 08, 2001	Rutgers	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 15, 2001	SW Missouri State	Fort Worth Convention Center	6 p.m.
Tuesday	Dec. 18, 2001	Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 22, 2001	BYU	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 29, 2001	Arkansas	Fort Worth Convention Center	6 p.m.
Tuesday	Jan. 01, 2002	Montana State	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.
Thursday	Jan. 03, 2002	Santa Clara	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	7 p.m.
Sunday	Jan. 06, 2002	Houston	Houston	1 p.m.
Sunday	Jan. 13, 2002	Houston	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.
Friday	Jan. 18, 2002	Cincinnati *	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	7 p.m.
Sunday	Jan. 20, 2002	Louisville *	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.
Friday	Jan. 25, 2002	Charlotte *	Charlotte, N.C.	6 p.m.
Sunday	Jan. 27, 2002	East Carolina *	Greenville, NC	1 p.m.
Friday	Feb. 01, 2002	South Florida *	Tampa, Fla.	6 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 03, 2002	UAB *	Birmingham, Ala.	2 p.m.
Friday	Feb. 08, 2002	Southern Miss *	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	7 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 10, 2002	Tulane *	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 PM
Friday	Feb. 15, 2002	Memphis *	Memphis, Tenn.	7 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 17, 2002	Saint Louis *	St. Louis, Mo.	1 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 24, 2002	Marquette *	Daniel-Meyer Coliseum	1 p.m.

*Conference USA games

SPORTS BRIEFS

Jordan ready to "out-smart" competition

WASHINGTON — Michael Jordan might not be able to outrun or outdunk Allen Iverson and Kobe Bryant upon his return to the NBA. So he has another plan.

"He told me: 'Mr. P., don't worry. I'll outsmart them,'" Washington Wizards owner Abe Pollin said. "That's Michael. He'll do whatever it takes to be a winner."

Winning will not be easy with the Wizards, and Jordan all but admitted as much in his statement Tuesday confirming his plans to play for the next two years. There was no mention of winning another championship, just the hope that he might help a young, rebuilding team get to the playoffs.

"I am returning as a player to the game I love," said Jordan, 38 and three years removed from what seemed to be a storybook ending to an unparalleled career. "I am especially excited about the Washington Wizards, and I'm convinced we have the foundation on which to build a playoff-contention team."

No QB controversy in Dallas; Carter still starter

IRVING — No thumb injury, no quarterback controversy. That is the way Dallas Cowboys coach Dave Campo sees it.

Campo may insist the situation is a non-issue if rookie Quincy Carter is healthy. But the Cowboys (0-2) could have a real mess on their hands.

Carter, the anointed starter, completed 9 of 19 passes for just 34 yards with two interceptions and a lost fumble in a season-opening 10-6 loss to Tampa Bay. But it was the thumb injury sustained on his throwing hand in a Sept. 12 practice, not his poor performance, that sidelined Carter.

Third-year pro Anthony Wright started last Sunday's 32-21 loss to San Diego, and despite three interceptions and a lost fumble, was 12-of-25 for 193 yards and three touchdowns.

Emmitt Smith, who took over No. 2 on the NFL's career rushing list, has since said more than once that Wright deserves to be the starter.

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Soccer team faces top-ranked SMU

Mustangs likely to take advantage of mistakes, coach says

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After 67 scoreless minutes, forward Doak VanEnk scored from 15 yards out to beat the Metroplex-rival Southern Methodist for the first time in school TCU history. The win ended 31 games of futility.

The year was 1999, but the Frogs (2-3-1, 1-0 Conference USA) will employ the same strategy they did two years ago against the Mustangs, the No. 1 ranked team in the country. The Ponies have dominated the Frogs in the past, posting a 31-1 lifetime edge over TCU.

The two play at 5 p.m. today at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium.

To beat the Mustangs, the Frogs will have to keep the score low against a team averaging 4.2 goals a game, associate head coach Blake Amos said.

"We have to be in the game a long time," Amos said. "If they come out and score a lot of goals in the opening minutes, my concern is our guys will lose interest. SMU has proven if they smell

blood, it is going to be a long day. The moment our heads droop, they will kill us."

Beating SMU will be no easy task. The Mustangs are ranked No. 1 by the National Soccer Coaches' Association of America and Soccer America.

Amos said playing fundamentally-sound soccer will be more important against the Mustangs than any other team.

SMU is more likely to take advantage of mistakes, he said.

"Our ideas is to limit our mistakes," Amos said. "They will punish you. We can't be our own enemies."

Stopping SMU forward/midfielder Luchi Gonzalez and midfielder Diego Walsh will be a top priority. Gonzalez leads the NCAA in points and has 10 goals

and five assists. Walsh is tied for 16th in the nation in points, with 2.5 points a game.

"The main thing is we have to stop their two stars," junior midfielder Nick Browne said. "We have to defend well."

Defense will be the key, Amos said. The Frogs are averaging one goal a game, even though they have out-shot their competition 33-26 for the season.

Overpowering the Southern Methodist defense, which allows less than a goal a game, is not going to happen, Amos said.

"We don't have the goal scoring they have," Amos said. "It is not legitimate to say we are going to go out and score a lot of goals."

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Forward Doak VanEnk goes after the ball against Southern Methodist Oct. 17, 1999. VanEnk scored the game winning goal to lead the Frogs to victory over SMU for the first time in school history.

Who to watch

Luchi Gonzalez, F vs. Mike Lahoud, GK

The matchup:

Forward/midfielder Luchi Gonzalez is the leader of the No. 1 ranked team in the nation. On a team with 10 returning starters that reached the College Cup Final Four, Gonzalez leads the nation in points. Junior goalkeeper Mike Lahoud is in his second year as a starter for the Frogs. TCU is fifth in Conference USA in goals allowed, and Lahoud is big part of it.

The stats: Gonzalez has scored with 10 goals and recorded five

assists in six games this season. Gonzalez has been named to Soccer America's Team of the Week twice this season. Lahoud is allowing 1.38 goals a game. He is sixth in C-USA with an average of five saves a game. **Effect on the game:** Stopping an offense averaging 4.2 goals a game is the biggest key to victory. If Southern Methodist jumps out to a big lead, it is not likely the Frogs have enough offense to catch up. The Frogs need tough defense and good goalkeeping to stay in the game.

The winner: Gonzalez. The Frogs are outshooting the competition 33-26, but things will change against SMU. Lahoud will have to defend a lot of shots, and with scorers like Gonzalez, a few will slip in.

