#### Sports teaser

Women's soccer star Bara Gunnarsdottir has made her way thousands of miles from Iceland to Texas. See Sports, page 10.

#### At the movies

Not even a few promising flicks can save this fall film season. Check out a full list of upcoming features. See Arts and Entertainment, page 5.

Thursday, October 4, 2001

Fort Worth, Texas

# Five students hit by car

#### Two students taken to Harris Methodist Hospital by ambulance

By Aaron Chimbel

Five students were hit by a car as they stood on the pedestrian median on University Drive Wednesday night shortly before 6 p.m., said TCU police officer Fred Pruitt.

Steven Baker and Adam Southey were taken by ambulance to Harris Methodist-Fort Worth Hospital, said hospital spokeswoman Laura Van-Hoosier. Both were listed in good condition Wednesday night.

Hunter Harris, Brent Marks and Adam Brown left the scene, uninjured.

A 61-year-old Fort Worth woman was driving southbound on University Drive in a white four-door Cadillac when she swerved from the right lane to the left lane. She drove her car over the curb and hit the students, sophomore marketing major Drew Ingram who saw the accident said.

Freshman e-business major Andrew

Wolfe was playing frisbee on the Clark Hall lawn when the accident happened.

'I heard a (scream) and then (one of the victims) crawled over from half way across the street."

Ingram said one of the victims was carried on the hood of the car after being hit, he then fell off and told Ingram his knee hurt.

Fort Worth Police Cpl. J.A. Ponce said the driver lost control of her car to because of a diabetic condition. She may not have been taking her medication, he said.

Paramedics on the scene took the woman's blood sugar level, but did not release whether it was imbalanced. She refused treatment, Ponce said.

Ponce said he does not expect any criminal charges.

> **Aaron Chimbel** a.a.chimbel@student.tcu.edu

Features Editor Angie Chang contributed to this report



Both Fort Worth and TCU Police officials were dispatched to University Drive. Wednesday night after a 61-year-old Fort Worth woman drove her car over the curb and hit five TCU students. Three of the men who were hit walked away from the accident. Two others were transported to Harris Methodist Hospital and were listed in good condition Wednesday night.

# Chapel held in Spanish

Different language used in service for first time

By Heather Christie

In an effort to provide students and faculty with the opportunity to "share faith in a global community" University Ministries conducted its first-ever Spanish-speaking service at Robert Carr Chapel, Wednesday.

Even those who did not speak Spanish could appreciate the service, said Chris Stillwell, a Brite student and University Ministries intern.

"It's not just the words of the service that can (have) meaning, but a great deal is the attitude and the ritual (of the service)," Stillwell said.

Kristi Kolpanen, a freshman computer science major who attends chapel services every week, said she understood a little of the Spanish

"I actually thought it brought in more people today than it usually does," Kolpanen said. "There were different, new faces in here."

Stillwell said other non-traditional services, as Islamic and Jewish, have been held in the chapel.

"I suggested that we do something in a different language because we had never done that before," Stillwell said. "I suggested Spanish because we have a decent size Hispanic community on campus.'

The leader of the Spanish service was Dr. Rev. Gilbert Marez, pastor of Iglessia Cristiana Camino De Paz in Fort Worth.

The chapel choir, composed entirely of students, sang in Spanish prayer songs

Amy Lightner, a chapel choir members and freshman biology major, said the choir spent two weeks learning the Spanish songs. She said the English translation of the songs was written underneath the Spanish

Stillwell said the special service was helpful not only for Spanishspeaking students and faculty, but also for students taking Spanish classes. University Ministries sent a letter to Spanish classes, the Organization of Latin American Students and the International Student Association inviting them to the service, he

Many Spanish students were required to attend one of the activities of Hispanic Heritage Month, said

David Bedford, Spanish professor. "It was a requirement for (my)

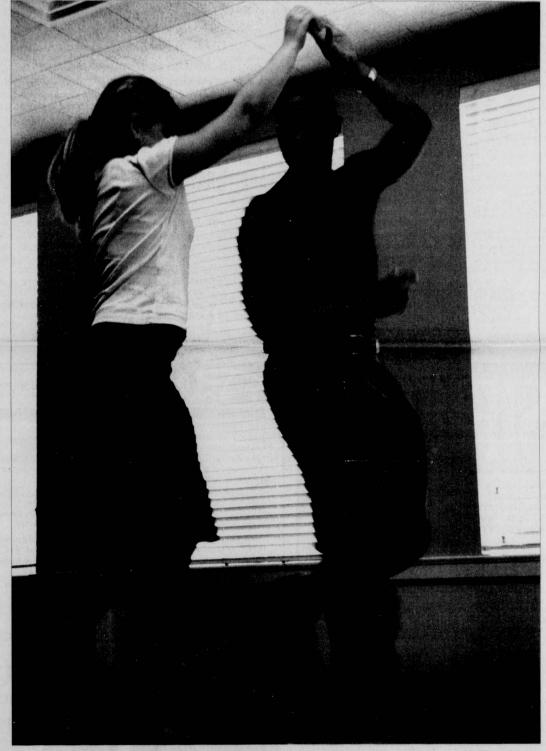
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#### **CLARIFICATION**

The House of Student Representatives donated \$1,000 Tuesday to the Arnold Air Society, a group of students from area universities who participate in the TCU Air Force ROTC program.

The brief published in Wednesday's Skiff incorrectly stated the money was given to Air Force ROTC.

#### SPICY STEPS



Irene Buron, a TCU alumna, and Larry Estefan, a coordinator with 4U2C Entertainment, show off their moves at the Salsa Contest in the Student Center Wednesday.

## Peace negotiator alters speech to focus on attacks

Even following the Sept. 11 attacks on America, there is no conflict that cannot be resolved, said former U.S. Senator George J. Mitchell Wednesday in Ed Lan-

He said the effort to combat terrorism should be global in scope. 'We will find and destroy the

networks of terrorism," Mitchell said. "It's essential that a broad, international coalition be built and

Mitchell was nominated to

speak at the fourth annual TCU Fogelson Honors Forum because he is considered to be the premier peacemaker in the world, said Kathryne McDorman, honors program director.

Mitchell is the chairman of an international fact-finding committee investigating violence and recommending resolutions in the Middle East. He serves as Chairman of the Peace Negotiation in Northern Ireland.

The topic of Wednesday's forum

SEE FOGELSON, PAGE 4



Former Senator George J. Mitchell discusses the importance of using global measures to fight terrorism.

## Campus messages will not be monitored

By Jordan Blum

Despite national efforts to monitor telephone and electronic communication for terrorist content, communications at TCU will not be under surveillance, said Dave Edmondson, assistant provost for Information Services.

The Senate has unanimously approved an amendment to allow the FBI and other agencies to install nationwide "traps and traces" to tap into information about telephone calls and electronic messages. Information access would need only the approval of a single judge and not a legitimate warrant, according to a Newsweek article.

Newsweek reported the Senate has also approved an expansion of the government's power to obtain e-mail information from Internet service providers (ISPs) using FBI technology. This technology would be allowed to attach itself to ISPs and extract information about every customer's Internet activities without warrant or subpoena.

Edmondson said he cannot examine emails and personal network information without authorization from the owner. However, system administrators may gain access to student user's files when it presents a danger to the TCU systems or to ensure compliance with the university's rules.

TCU has no plans to alter policy to monitor e-mail and telephone communication, Edmondson said.

Keith Whitworth professor of sociology, who teaches Information Technology and Society, said even with an increased powers the FBI still does not have the technology to monitor the entire Internet for terrorist communication.

There are 28 billion images on the Internet and there are two billion Web sites," Whitworth said. "On any one of those you can encrypt a message, and the FBI doesn't have the resources to monitor and decrypt all those images.

"In a picture of your dog on your own personal Web site could be encrypted info on the next terrorist attack. How can the FBI be expected to intercept this?"

Journalism Professor Anantha Babbili said the government needs to proceed with

SEE CAMPUS, PAGE 4

By Kristin Campbell

dreth Hall Auditorium.

maintained.

## HELPING HANDS

#### TCUnity fair to raise relief funds

By Piper Huddleston

The Residence Hall Association sponsored the TCUnity Fair Wednesday to raise money for the victims in New York City and Washington, said John Gi-ammalva, RHA Advisor.

The money raised at the fair will go to a relief fund for attack victims established by the Week of Compassion, a service arm of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Giammalva said.

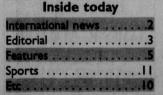
Since TCU is affiliated with the Disciples of Christ, the RHA

decided they would be an appropriate organization to raise money for," Giammalva said.

The event included a silent auction, a barbecue lunch, raffle and craft booths.

Participants in the silent auction and raffle won prizes such as top parking spots, a Walkman and gift certificates from local restaurants and salons, said Laura Mc-Farland, RHA President. She said a Henri Matisse print worth \$300 was also auctioned off.

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Today in history 1957 — The first earth satellite, Sputnik, was launched into space by the Soviet Union.

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■ Delta Sigma Theta sorority Inc. will present the third annual "Steps to Success" high school step show at 7 p.m. Friday in Ed Landreth Hall. Sorority members will be in the Student Center selling tickets to the competition for area high school step teams for \$4 from noon to 1 p.m. today. For more information call (817) 257-5869.

■ The annual Major/Minor Fair will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 8 in the Student Center Lounge. The fair is hosted by the Center for Academic Services and provides students an opportunity to speak with representatives from various departments on campus. Students may also sign up for door prizes. This year the door prizes are two first-day enrollment passes for the spring 2002 semester. For more information call (817) 257-7486.

■ The Office of International Education will have an informational Study Abroad table at the Major/Minor Fair from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 8 in the Student Center Lounge.

■ The mathematics department presents Isabel Darcy, a professor from University of Texas at Dallas who will be giving a lecture entitled "Knot Theory and Modeling Protein Action" at 4 p.m. Oct. 9 in Winton-Scott Hall, room 145.

■ The TCU Symphony Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 9 in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. The free concert features Mozart's "Symphony No. 25 in G minor," "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Musorgsky and "Rhapsodia Latinoamericana." For more information call (817) 257-7602.

■ Public Relations Student Society of America will meet at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 11 in Moudy Building South, room 271. For more information send an e-mail to (tcuprssa@hotmail.com).



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# WORLD DIGEST

#### Israel attacks police posts in Gaza, calls off Palestinian meetings

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — A week-old truce was in danger of unraveling as Israeli tanks rolled into Palestinian farmland Wednesday and shelled a string of police posts, killing six Palestinians in retaliation for a lethal raid on a Jewish settlement by Islamic militants.

Israel also called off meetings with the Palestinians and declared it was not moving ahead with cease-fire commitments until Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat arrests militants responsible for attacks on Israelis.

The Palestinians said the Israeli actions were a grave violation of last week's truce deal, which called for Israel to suspend military strikes and halt incursions into Palestinian territory. But Arafat's Palestinian Authority condemned the attack on the settlement and said it would bring those responsible to justice.

Despite considerable U.S. pressure to make this cease-fire stick, violence has increased, the antagonists exchange harsh recriminations daily and militant Palestinians say they will not honor the truce.

'Yasser Arafat has made a complete mockery of this cease-fire," said Israeli spokesman Dore Gold. 'Until it becomes clear that Mr. Arafat is willing to fulfill his cease-fire obligations, what point is there in pursuing this discussion?"

Israeli Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer said Israel would not return to talks "until the Palestinian Authority has taken control and stops terrorism."

But Palestinians say excessive force by Israeli troops has undermined the cease-fire. Twenty-six Palestinians and two Israelis have been killed since the cease-fire was formally announced Sept. 26.

The two Israeli victims, a 19-year-old woman and her 20-year-old boyfriend, died Tuesday night when two members of the militant Islamic group Hamas, dressed in combat fatigues, burst into the small Jewish settlement of Elei Sinai on the northern border of the Gaza Strip.

The attackers fired wildly and threw grenades at houses as terrified residents dropped to the ground or huddled in bathrooms. Fifteen Israelis were wounded, including two children and seven soldiers. "We ran toward a house behind the playground,

which was the closest building to us," Haniel Gross, 12, told Israel Radio. The attackers, ages 17 and 20, eventually holed

up in a house whose owners were away. An Israeli commando unit stormed the house and killed the

Hamas claimed responsibility and its senior leaders were prominent at the noisy funerals of the two slain attackers, whose bodies were carried through the packed streets of the Jabaliya refugee camp near

"We are proud of our son," Fakhria Shaban, mother of one gunman, Abdullah Shaban, said at a gathering of female mourners at the family home. 'Our enemy is killing us daily. My son's action is revenge for the killing of the Palestinians."

About 6,000 Israelis live in Gaza settlements among more than 1 million Palestinians, who demand the Jewish enclaves be removed.

Early Wednesday, Israel responded by sending at least 11 tanks to seize a mile-wide strip of Palestinian territory, most of it farmland, just outside Elei Sinai. Bulldozers destroyed crops, while tanks shelled seven Palestinian police posts, Palestinian police said.

The main target was Beit Lahia, a Palestinian town of cinderblock homes and garbage-strewn

An Israeli tank shelled a Palestinian checkpoint in Beit Lahia, killing four Palestinian policemen and a civilian, doctors said. In an exchange of fire, another Palestinian was killed and seven were wounded, three critically, doctors said.

In other violence Wednesday, Palestinian gunmen fired on a crowd of Israelis who gathered to celebrate the Sukkot harvest festival at the Tomb of the Patriarchs in Hebron, one of the holiest sites in Judaism. Two Israeli women were wounded, one seriously, said Noam Arnon, a spokesman for the Jewish settlers in Hebron.

The latest round of killing brought the death toll from a year of fighting to 663 on the Palestinian side and 179 on the Israeli side.

It also threatened to undermine a new U.S. peace initiative for the Mideast, which has yet to be un-

#### S. African court orders legislation to include same-sex life partners

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — A South African court ruled in favor of making it easier for gay couples to adopt children together, and declared that a lesbian judge could share the same worker benefits with her domestic partner as married judges

Judge Frans Kgomo of the Pretoria High Court on Friday accepted the petition by a lesbian judge and her life partner that sections of a guardianship act be altered to include same-sex life partners, the South African Press Association reported.

The lesbian judge, Anna-Marie de Vos, also of the Pretoria High Court, had been deemed the sole adoptive parent of two children in 1995, although both she and her partner sought legal custody.

The couple argued that it was in the best interests. of the children that their experience of family life be reflected in the law

In his decision, Kgomo said he had no evidence to show that same-sex life partners are less capable of raising children.

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In a second ruling, Kgomo said that sections of a com-

pensation act for judges should be declared unconstitutional because they prevent same-sex partners from sharing benefits enjoyed by their mar-

ried counterparts. Altering the act would entitle the partners of gay judges to such benefits as sharing in medical insur ance packages and compensation in the case of death.

#### Police kill Cameroon secessionists, arrest 140 demonstrators Monday

YAOUNDE, Cameroon — Police fired on seces sionist demonstrators in Cameroon on Monday, killing three and arresting at least 140 others, police and secessionist leaders said.

The secessionist Southern Cameroons National Council defied a government ban on public protests and organized marches in the French-speaking nation's only two English-speaking provinces.

Nfor Ngala Nfor, vice president of the secessionist movement, told The Associated Press that police fired on a crowd of about 500 demonstrators in Kumbu, about 430 miles west of the capital, Yaounde,

killing three civilians and wounding five others. A senior police official, speaking on condition of anonymity, confirmed police and paramilitary forces fired on the crowd in Kumbu to try to break up the demonstration. He said 40 people had been arrested there

Nfor spoke by cellphone from a jail in Bamende northwest of Kumbu — where he had been arrested with about 100 other secessionist advocates who also took to the streets to protest. Nfor said four civilians had been wounded in clashes between police and secessionists in Bamende.

The government ban on protests, announced Saturday, was aimed at preventing the secessionist movement from celebrating the independence anniversary of the former Southern Cameroons from Britain in 1961.

Southern Cameroons had been under a British trusteeship since 1922 until gaining its independence on Oct. 1, 1961. It merged the same day with neighboring French-speaking Cameroon to form the current country.

But leaders of Cameroon's English-speaking minority — who comprise about 20 percent of the country - say they are treated as second-class citizens and have lobbied for years for autonomy.

- From The Associated Press

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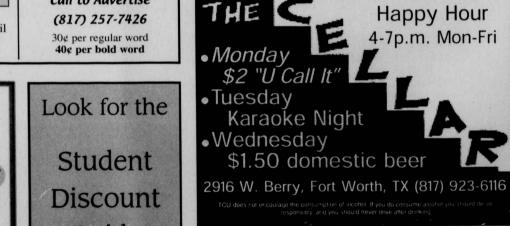
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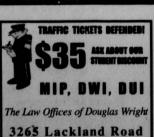
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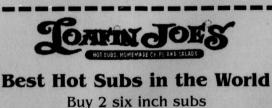
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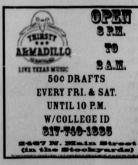


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**OPINION** 

#### **Our views**

# REALITY BYTES

#### Communications lines must be free

"They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."

Benjamin Franklin's quote is a loaded statement, especially since the Senate unanimously approved legislation to expand government surveillance powers.

After Sept. 11, things will never be normal. But sacrificing our freedom and basic rights in the name of security is not the answer. If we give the government the power to intercept communication, including through use of the Internet, we walk a dangerous line.

If we give up those liberties, not only do we shake the foundations of American government as established in 1787, but we

The Internet is no different than any other type of communication. It is simply a new and different way to exchange information. The same privacy regulations should apply for the Internet as with traditional forms of communications. The new powers granted to the FBI by the Senate could not have prevented the terrorist attacks.

Even before that dark Tuesday, government agencies could monitor individuals' phone lines and other types of communications within limits.

Internet service providers can be used to track down the actual real-time location of a computer-user. Every time files are downloaded or sent using the Internet, ISP addresses are exchanged. Individuals with the resources can find out detailed information, considering it all started with a long set of numbers.

TCU system administrators have the ability to peruse e-mails and other information of anyone who accesses the TCU network. However, Dave Edmondson, assistant provost for Information Services, says unless there is evidence to warrant a need for an invasion of privacy, the user must authorize the system administrator before e-mails or telephone communications may be monitored.

Either way, the ability and technological resources are readily available to monitor communications.

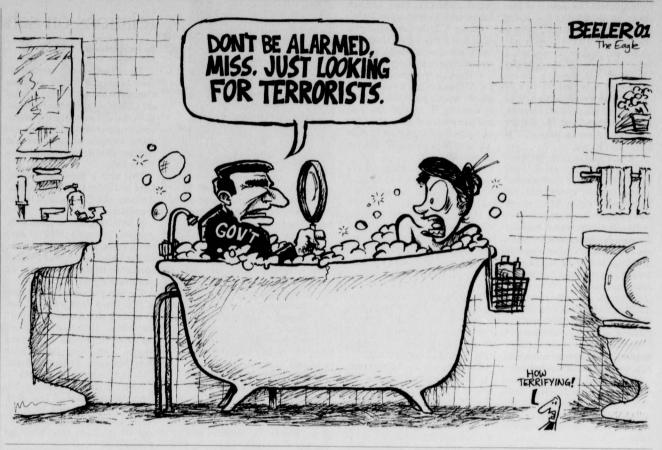
But as significant as Ben Franklin's words were then they hold more value even today to make sure our basic freedoms remain intact.

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# Give something, then give some more

t's hard to understand how some people in America have such an abundance of wealth

while others live in expoverty. It wonder how the wealthy can sleep on their down pillows and satin sheets.



700,000 people in the United States have no place to sleep tonight.

Last week, Donald J. Carty, American Airlines Inc. chairman and chief executive, announced that he will forgo pay for the remainder of the year due to the recent airline revenue losses

While this is a commendable gesture, Carty will still be earning more than most Americans this year. With an annual salary of about \$800,000 Carty will earn at least \$575,500 with the pay cut. When you consider most janitors earn around \$15,000 a year and receptionists \$18,000 a year, how much of a sacrifice has Carty really made?

Carty asked other employees

of the airline to voluntarily give up some of their pay as well. Too bad not all employees earn as much as Carty. In 1998 the median earning for a flight attendant was \$20,000, according to the U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Outlook Handbook. While Carty can afford to sacrifice a portion of his salary, a family living on \$20,000 a year probably cannot afford a pay cut.

The disparity of wealth in this country is unjustifiable. One wonders if Bill Gates ever feels guilty enjoying his \$109.5 million mansion while children in the United States are starving and homeless? Maybe he pats himself on the back for his charitable donations and thinks that he has done his part to make the world a better place

In 1999, Bill Gates donated \$15.8 billion to a foundation he created, but compared with his \$58.7 billion net worth, that's nothing.

Imagine how many people in the world could be helped with \$15 billion. Gates can afford to give \$22,000 to every homeless person in America and still live better than most.

Maybe some people don't see the absurdity of spending \$100 million on a home or even

\$40,000 on a car. Maybe some people don't realize poverty is real and all too common in this country

In the United States in 2000, there were over 275 million people living in poverty, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. There are individuals struggling to survive on less than \$8,000 a year.

Something is wrong with a society where some kids will never be able to attend college while others

One wonders if Bill Gates

ever feels guilty enjoying his

drive \$30,000 cars and spend \$20,000 a year for an education. Something is

\$109.5 million mansion while wrong when elchildren in the United States ementary are starving and homeless? school teachers earn \$39,000 and social workers \$30,000.

while CEOs make \$800,000. Something is wrong when some people worry about starving, and other people worry about wearing the right tube top to class.

The average American hears about poverty and thinks there isn't really anything they can do. However, money isn't all that is needed to make a difference in the world. Time and energy can be just as important.

Yet, how many of you will be volunteering your time this se-

mester? And if you are volunteering this semester, how many will be completing a required minimum number of hours, and then congratulating yourself on your good deed for the year? The point of volunteering isn't to accumulate hours of service but to help others.

Carty is sacrificing his wealth this year for the benefit of his company. Think how much more commendable it would be for

him to sacrifice his wealth every year to help starving children.

Bill Gates is giving a percentage of his income to his

philanthropic foundation, but consider how much more commendable it would be if he sacri ficed his mansion and fortune to help people who have nothing

When you complete however much community service you plan on doing this semester, think about what a difference you can make by doing just a little more.

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#### **Your views**

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### **Miss America Pageant** does live up to its standards

As a contestant in the Miss America Pageant/Scholarship system, I was insulted by Julie Ann Matonis' opinion column in The TCU Daily Skiff on Wednesday, Oct. 3. She implied that the pageant system does not live up to its standard of 'reflect(ing) ideas about national identity, community and moral standards, as well as beauty and femininity." I'm not quite sure why she feels the pageant is lacking in any of these areas.

The "national identity" is covered by representatives from all 50 different states and District of Columbia.

The "community" is achieved by each contestant's bearing a crown and title of not only her personal state, but also her personal community. Every woman on the Miss America stage must win a title at her local community level in order to compete in her state pageant.

The "moral standards" of the contestants cannot really be insulted due to the fact that each contestant pursues a critical issue centered around an ethical, political or personal feeling. This year, contestants spoke about everything from learning disorders to school safety programs.

"Beauty and femininity" are obviously presented during the evening gown portion of the pageant.

Miss Matonis may think that some areas of the pageant are pointless, but every portion is part of the whole event. And at the end of the night, the girl with the most well-rounded personality wins

It is not about swimsuits and high heels. It is about giving young women an avenue by which to make a difference

Liz Tate, freshman advertising/public relations major

# America is no longer invincible

#### Neutrality is not an option as a generation faces questions, issues

n my way to Moudy Building South Wednesday, I saw a hand-lettered sign stuck to a pole that

"What are we to do? Change." The thing is. I feel like all I've done in the past few weeks is change. When I



think of war, I pic-

1960s. I picture long flowing dresses, longer flowing hair, sandals and love beads and protesters with signs chanting. 'Make Love, Not War." Picture the epitome of pacifism.

For the last several years, I've considered myself someone who would protest when faced with the prospect of killing and conflict. I don't swat flies; I don't eat meat; and when asked, I've declared that I am a conscientious ob-

Yet, since Sept. 11, it's hard to remember what I object. I want to object the deaths of innocent Americans, the threats to my safety and the assertion made by Afghanistan leader Mullah Mohammed Omar that Americans are afraid to fight

Switzerland and neutrality have become almost synonymous: however, if even they were struck by a similar act of terrorism, how would the country react? Would their pacifistic morals remain the same? Fighting back would probably come to their minds, as it has come to mine.

I could maintain my stubbornness throughout this column and insist that I still want everyone to "give peace a chance," knowing that as a woman I will not be called to fight and can stay hidden in Fort Worth, never having to take a stand either way.

But for once, my inflexibility has given way. I'm facing up to the facts now and admitting that my feelings have changed. All I want now is the safe little place I once had back, and I'm willing to sacrifice anything to have it again.

Including, as I've described, parts of my belief system. But then again, a lot has changed

as our country is just now realizing.

It is more than New Yorkers who have relocated their offices and more than paper flags taped in windows; more than tighter airport security and red, white and blue ribbons. New Yorkers can find office space elsewhere and we can all arrive a little earlier to catch a plane.

But can we all assert that America is once again invincible? Can I remain in my insulated little corner of the world and keep proclaiming my selfrighteous, untested hippie beliefs?

The answer is no. Times have changed. Our generation is unfamiliar with the things that are happening. Current events are cool; people have lost interest in political apathy; MTV interrupted its regular programming. I have friends who are ready to enlist, and I'm ready to support that.

So to the writer of the sign, regarding change: You're right, and I have. I just wish I could do more.

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## Food services on campus underrated

Jonathan

Sampson

The bottom line is this: If you

want options, you'll have to

expect to pay more and eat

more meals on campus.

hen Chrystal Sargent transferred to TCU after two years at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, food

on campus was the least of her concerns. She said she was surprised at the number of students she heard complain about food services.

It doesn't take much work to find someone who is unsatisfied

with the food on campus Whether it be the lack of choices or the overall cost, everyone has a gripe. But when you actually take the time to compare TCU to other universities, we

above the rest. Even with the recent rise in meal plan costs to \$800 for freshmen, \$600 for returning stu-

come out miles

dents on campus and \$400 for students in the on-campus apartments, TCU's options are still cheaper than other universities.

Tulane University's meal plan prices range from \$1425 to \$1750 per semester, and while Vanderbilt University's plan costs \$645 a semester, it only includes seven meals a week.

To those who complain about a lack of dining options on campus, Marketing Manager for TCU Dining Services Legia Abato says it all comes down to demand and Commentary Dining Services is currently

using all available space, Abato said. The only option for an outside vendor is Worth Hills, but Sodexho has had problems getting students to visit that facility in the past.

When Chili's looked at opening a shop in the Greek area. they agreed; the business just isn't there.

Students complain about food on campus, complain about eating on campus and then complain about a lack of options. Something has to give.

The bottom line is this: If you want options, you'll have to ex-

pect to pay more and eat more meals on campus. You'll also want to get used to eating those chicken wraps, because

menu... every day. Let us face it, cafeterias are a way of life, and TCU has a fair and reasonable amount of options for a university its size.

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## Greyhound resumes after crash

MANCHESTER, Tenn. - A passenger on a Greyhound bus cut the driver's throat Wednesday, causing a crash that killed six of the 40 people aboard and prompted Greyhound to temporarily halt service nationwide. The driver told authorities the attacker used a box cutter.

The driver was treated for a cut to his neck and was stable after surgery, a hospital official said. The attacker, who had a Croatian passport, was killed, the FBI said.

"He just went up to the bus driver and, like, slit his throat, and the driver turned the wheel and the bus tipped over," passenger Carly Rinearson told Nashville TV station WTVF by cell phone from the crash site.

The crash happened on Interstate 24 near Manchester, 50 miles southeast of Nashville. The bus originated in Chicago with a final destination of Orlando, Fla., Greyhound spokesman Mike Lake said.

Six people died at the scene, and the 34 others on board were injured, said Dana Keeton, a Tennessee Department of Safety spokeswoman.

Greyhound initially said 10 people had died, but the company's chairman later told reporters that six had died.

Keeton said the injured were taken to at least six hospitals. Hospital officials described the injuries as ranging from bumps and bruises to some that required emergency

After the 5:15 a.m. EDT crash, Greyhound pulled the 2,000 to 2,500 buses operating at the time off the nation's highways, but after consulting with federal and state investigators and transportation officials, the company decided it was safe to resume service as of 1 p.m. EDT.

The officials have assured me that they believe this tragic accident was

the result of an isolated act by a single deranged individual," Greyhound president and CEO Craig Lentzsch told reporters in Washington, D.C.

Earlier, U.S. Justice Department officials said they did not believe the attack was terrorist-related, but that the investigation was continuing.

Coffee County Medical Examiner Dr. Al Brandon said the driver told him the attacker had boarded the bus in Kentucky. He said the man, who had been polite and spoke with a foreign accent, got up several times to ask him where the bus was headed, Brandon said.

The driver, whose name was not immediately released, told Brandon the passenger then "accosted" him with a box cutter.

However, Brandon said he couldn't confirm the weapon was a box cutter, saying it was a "sharp instrument similar to a razor blade." The terrorists who hijacked four airliners on Sept. 11 reportedly used box cutters in their suicide attacks.

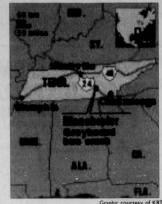
After attacking the driver, the passenger grabbed the steering wheel, forcing the bus into the oncoming lanes of the interstate before it crossed the road and tipped over onto its right side, the medical examiner said.

The driver was able to crawl from the wreckage through a window and tried to flag down passing vehicles. He told Brandon the attacker was thrown through the windshield.

The bus, No. 1115, left Louisville, Ky., and was due to stop next in Atlanta, Greyhound spokeswoman Karen Chapman said.

Rinearson told WTVF the attacker, who appeared to be 30 to 35 years old, kept approaching her front seat and asking what time it was. She said the man then asked if he could have

her seat, and she refused. He then attacked the driver, she said. Dallas-based Greyhound, which



carries about 70,000 passengers a day, stopped all service as a precaution after the crash, spokeswoman Kristin Parsley said. She said buses

already en route were allowed to con-

tinue to their destinations. Lentzsch said Greyhound was offering full refunds to passengers who decided against taking trips. He also said Amtrak agreed to accept Greyhound bus tickets.

He added that security was being bolstered.

"Prior to re-boarding passengers today, we are hand searching carry on luggage," Lentzsch said. He also said some passengers have been checked with a wand used to detect metal devices.

Passengers across the country, already jittery after last month's terror attacks, had to wait hours or find other means of transportation.

People are a little panicky about it," said Joi Smith, a Greyhound agent in New Hampshire. "They are freaked out, which is understandable."

Greyhound had begun boosting security in many terminals around the nation, said Tim Barham, district manager of driver operations in Washington, D.C.

# **Congress begins Monday**

#### Student conference to discuss international relations on schedule, despite contribution cuts

The second annual American Airlines Leadership for the Americas Congress scheduled to begin Monday at TCU will not be affected by the airline's decision to stop cash contributions to non-profit organizations, said Kathy Andersen, an AMR/American Airlines Foundation administrator Wednesday.

"We have a three-year commitment to TCU that will be fulfilled," Andersen said. "The payment for that is completed."

A \$600,000 grant was given to the program November 1999 to fund travel, meals, and all other expenses for three years, said Rebecka Tucker, coordinator for the Leadership of the Americas Program.

The leadership congress will meet at TCU Oct. 8 through Oct. 12 with 55 student representatives from 11 universities, Tucker said. Students represent universities in Canada, Mexico, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Peru Venezuela Colombia Brazil. Chile and Argentina, Tucker said.

American Airlines decided to halt charitable contributions last week after 20,000 employees were laid off, in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York and

Andersen said she does not know if American Airlines will continue to sponsor the program after the remaining grant money is used next year.

"It is very difficult to predict what the future will be," Andersen said. "It is a valued partnership and hopefully it will be continued."

This year's topics are education, the environment, sustainable development and science and technology, Tucker said.

Tucker said the program leaders originally thought the war on terrorism would be important to discuss, but later decided against it.

The more we thought about it, we did not want to bring this issue to the forefront right away because then we thought it would overwhelm our discussion and (the representatives) have worked for almost a year on these topics," Tucker said.

All representatives will sign a declaration against terrorism in a session on Friday, and the Nobel Laureates may address the declaration when they speak Thursday night in Ed Landreth Hall, Tucker said.

Tucker said TCU representatives were selected by faculty nominations and an application process. TCU students attending the conference are Alonso Sanchez, a senior math maior: Veronica Peña, a senior coordinated dietetics major: Nelson Sosa, a senior management major; Molly Stone, a senior Spanish and English major; and Maria Yabrudy, a senior economics and French major.

Stone and Peña are the only TCU representatives from the United States and the other three students are from other countries. Representatives are required to be fluent in Spanish in English, Stone said.

Stone said she has been preparing her paper on education for the entire semester. She and the other students will miss classes all next week for the events, she said.

Larry Adams, associate provost for

Events open to the public next week

inaugural Ceremony eaturing Mayor Kenneth Barr noon to 1 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall

'Concert of the Americas' present ed by the TCU Orchestra 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Hall

Leadership and Citizenship in a Civil Society

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitor's Center, Cox C

'An Evening with the Nobels Peace Prize Laureates from the Americas" featuring a panel of four Nobel Peace Prize Laureates 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Hall

■ Friday

presenting themes and findings of the American Airlines Leadership for the Americas Congress 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Kelly Center

academic affairs, created the idea for the program several years ago to let students discuss different topics every year with students from the Americas.

Last year, the first leadership congress was held at the Universidad de las Americas in Puebla, Mexico.

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#### **SPANISH**

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Spanish class so I picked up some words here and there," said Collin Sandifer, a sophomore e-business major.

Bedford said he hopes his students will see the universality of Christianity and begin to understand how the Spanish language is used.

The next non-traditional service this semester will be Oct. 17, Stillwell said. The service will follow the beliefs of Unitarian Universalists, who believe in the unity of God but not the Trinity (the Father, Son and Holy Ghost), he said.

Heather J. Christie

#### **FOGELSON**

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originally focused on international conflict and resolution, specifically in Northern Ireland and the Middle East, McDorman said. Mitchell changed his speech because the attack on America is now more timely, she said.

Mitchell said while terrorism cannot be eliminated, America needs to focus on what can be done to reduce the likelihood and success of future attacks.

"We are much more likely to prevent further attacks, and when they occur, reduce their effectiveness, if we aggressively seek out the terrorists,

disrupt their planning and interdict their actions," Mitchell said. "Failure to respond aggressively would be interpreted around the world as a sign of weakness.'

its place in the world

He said many people around the world are inspired by American constitutional values of in-

dividual liberty, equal justice and opportunity for all, but those same people disagree with

some American policies. "There are those for whom America is the inevitable target for

their rage, simply because of its place in the world," Mitchell said. It is important to remember that this

is not the first time America was attacked, he said. He cited several other terrorist acts against There are those for whom the United States America is the inevitable target but said none of for their rage, simply because of

> America's sense of invulnerability. George J. Mitchell,

them

"The attack exposed the reality that there is no place that is immune from terror," he said.

shattered

There is no safe haven, anywhere." Mitchell received a standing ovation at the end of his remarks and opened the forum for questions.

Rebecca Still, a junior history major and forum coordinator, said she found Mitchell encouraging.

"There's always a solution, it's just a matter of finding it, particularly through discussion and negotiation," Still said.

Mitchell said that hope and opportunity are essential to stability. Larry Lauer, vice chancellor for

marketing and communication, said he was impressed by the clarity of Mitchell's thinking.

'He's obviously good at solving conflicts and he will continue to be called upon by administration,'

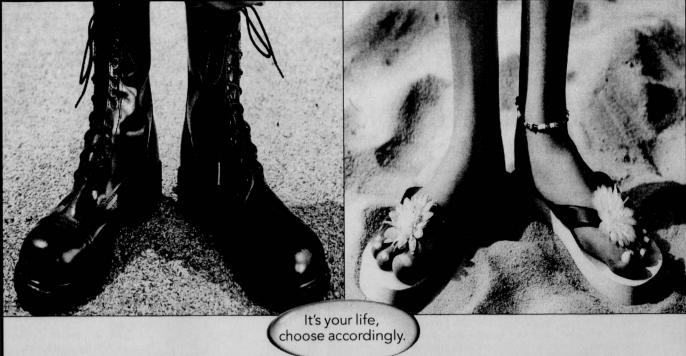
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caution with Internet privacy issues because people can be very para-

"People say if you don't have anything to do with terrorism then you don't have anything to worry about," Babbili said. "Theoretically, that sounds good. But, emotionally, human beings naturally have that nagging suspicion that someone is watching them or eavesdropping on them and that leads to some form of fear and anxiety."





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# Coming Soon



Movie studios, like many businesses, have slow times during the year and it is usually during the fall and spring for the film business. This fall will be no exception with few blockbusters being released until the end of November. Movie audiences will have to settle for a smaller selection of films, all of which lack money-making appeal.

Studios might be in for another surprise hit like "Meet the Parents," which earned over \$150 million at the box office last fall. But we will have to wait and see. This season's releases are outlined below as they are rated by The Motion Picture Association of America. All dates are subject to change. Information about the films were gathered from the Internet Movie Database at (www.imdb.com). From the prospects, it looks like it may be a long autumn season.

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■ Oct. 5, 2001 "Joy Ride" (R)

Adventure/Thriller/Horror

Paul Walker, Steve Zahn, Leelee Sobieski

This film is marketed to the young-adult audience. Recently, teen films have not done as well as expected. This movie was supposedly filmed more than two years ago before Walker and Sobieski garnered any fame. Walker starred in "The Fast and the Furious," a summer surprise hit which means he can ride on that fame to bring audiences to the theaters. But many may be put off by the dark theme of this movie.

#### "Max Keeble's Big Move" (PG)

Family Comedy

Alex D. Linz, Zena Grey, Larry Miller This could be this year's "Snow Day." There has not been a very good family film in the past few months, which may give this film an opportunity to do well. But children are back in school during the fall and this type of film tends to do better during the winter or summer months while they are

#### "Serendipity" (PG-13)

Romantic Comedy

John Cusack, Kate Beckinsale

This looks like a nice romantic comedy which will appeal to a broad audience. It will, of course, be the date movie of the season. The film revolves around Cusack's character as he searches for a woman that he believes may be his soul mate played by "Pearl Harbor" star Beckinsale. "Serendipity" has potential but the box office muscle of Denzel Washington may draw audiences away from this film.

#### "Training Day" (R)

Denzel Washington, Ethan Hawke

Denzel Washington stars in this dramatic film about a corrupt cop who is training his new partner (Hawke). Washington has the star power to rake in box office dollars as he did last year with "Remember the Titans," which earned more than any of his other films. Since the film is rated R, it will deter families and younger audiences, which could be a problem.

#### ■ Oct. 12, 2001

"Corky Romano" (PG-13)

Chris Kattan, Peter Falk

I have many reservations about this film. From the movie trailers it seems like a quirky family comedy starring "Saturday Night Live" performer, Chris Kattan. It is a Disney film, that is rated PG-13. I think with this rating, people will be surprised that it is not really a family film.

#### "Bandits" (PG-13)

Comedy, Crime, Drama, Romance

Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton, Cate Blanchett

The film has received a lot of promotions and publicity in recent weeks. Its only competition is "Corky Romano," which has the same PG-13 rating. I think if people want to see a funny film with some energy this will be it. It sounds like it has a clever story line. It takes a certain type of audience to watch Billy Bob Thornton and Cate Blanchett films, but this one looks like it could be a winner.

#### ■ Oct. 19, 2001

"The Last Castle" (R)

Action

Robert Redford, James Gandolfini

In the past several years, Redford has been seen directing more than acting, but now he is back in front of the camera. "The Last Castle" will appeal to the audiences who liked "Three Kings" or "Rules of En-



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ment." If male audiences go to the theater this particular weekend, it will be to see this film.

"Riding in Cars with Boys"

Comedy, Drama

Drew Barrymore, Steve Zahn

Not much information has leaked out about this film. It seems to be about a teenage girl growing up in the 1960s who gets pregnant and raises her son while trying to get her hectic life on schedule. The film is a perfect fall movie with a lot of warmth and caring. I am not too sure how well it will compete with "The Last Castle" and "From Hell" but it will be the date movie of the weekend.

#### "From Hell" (R)

Crime, Thriller, Horror, Mystery Johnny Depp, Heather Graham

At first glance, this film share similarities with Johnny Depp's "Sleepy Hollow". It is the story of Jack the Ripper as directed by the Hughes brothers. Their previous movies include "Menace II Society" and "Dead Presidents," which both include very graphic details. So it may be more hard-edged than "Sleepy Hollow."

#### ■ Oct. 26, 2001

"K-Pax" (PG-13)

Adventure, Family, Drama, Sci-Fi, Fantasy

Kevin Spacey, Jeff Bridges

Praises and the possibility for another Academy Award nomination for Kevin Spacey have already been mentioned for his role in this film. It is still early to talk about the Oscars, but Spacey has been a mainstay with fall films. Two years ago "American Beauty" was released at the same time and last year there was "Pay It Forward." The story has a lot to do with fantasy and psychic premonitions. It has a mystical feel, which may be a nice getaway for movie audiences.

#### "13 Ghosts" (PG-13)

Horror, Thriller

Matthew Lillard, Shannon Elizabeth

Another carbon-copy horror film with younger actors in the roles of the victims and heroes. I have a feeling this film will flop, especially with lowbudgeted horror films doing increasingly worse at the box office. All the studios are trying to recreate the success of "Scream" but it just won't

#### ■ Nov. 2, 2001

"Monsters, Inc." (G)

Family, Animation, Comedy Voices of Billy Crystal, John Goodman

This will definitely be the first big blockbuster of the fall leading into the holiday season. If audiences liked "Shrek" they are sure to like "Monsters, Inc." I am not a big animated film fan but the people at DreamWorks are good at it. This will be one of the biggest family films of the fall season.

#### ■ Nov. 9, 2001

"Shallow Hal" (R)

Gwyneth Paltrow, Jack Black

Gwyneth Paltrow is fat. It is hard to believe but Paltrow actually is in a fat suit during many scenes within the movie. The film is from the Farrelly brothers who did classics like "There's Something About Mary" and "Dumb and Dumber." Their more recent gross-out comedies like "Say It Isn't So" and "Me, Myself, and Irene" have not been as big as their previous films, but I suspect this film could bring their reputation back as the gross-out

#### ■ Nov. 16, 2001

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (PG)

Daniel Radcliffe, Alan Rickman, Maggie Smith

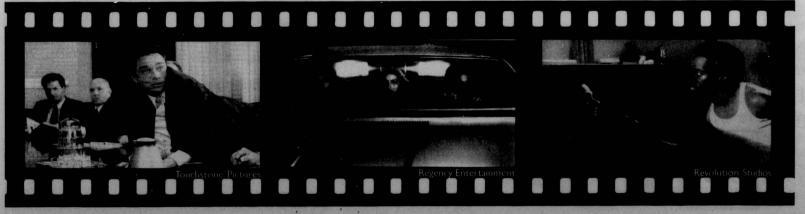
Without a doubt, I am placing my bets on this film to be the highest grossing film of the fall season. The book written by J.K. Rowling has been an international phenomenon, and it arrives just in time for the holidays. The film has been kept top secret but it is directed by Chris Columbus who did "Home Alone." Based on the trailers, I think it will please the avid fans.

#### "The New Guy"

Comedy

DJ Qualls, Eliza Dushku, Eddie Griffin

This film looks like a cute comedy about a nerd who is taught some lessons in prison and then returns to high school as the new "cool" guy. The film's release date has been moved numerous times, and I do not think this weekend is the greatest choice. It might do okay and pique the interest of fans that enjoy films like "Road Trip."



# Denzel has fun being bad in new

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As corrupt Los Angeles police detective Alonzo Harris, Denzel Washington is clearly having a blast in "Training Day." And the role is so vastly different from the good guys he's known for playing, it is just as much fun watching him.

Alonzo is so unpredictable, so volatile, it is impossible to take your eyes off him — at least for a little while, until you begin wondering little things, such as: After 13 years on the force, what happened to him that made him this way?

That's what rookie Jake Hoyt (Ethan Hawke) wants to know, too. The whole movie takes place during Jake's first day as a LAPD narcotics officer, with Alonzo as his trainer.

And it's a really long day. Regular cops must spend years on patrol without the kind of action Jake and Alonzo see over a few hours.

Alonzo beats up suspects on the street for sport then lets them go. He



visits drug dealers just to intimidate them. Then he stops by the house of an old friend (Scott Glenn) in the middle of the day, just to chat and

When the two are driving around together - Alonzo behind the wheel, talking smack, Jake sitting timidly in the passenger seat, unsure how to behave — it's fascinating.

Like Jake, we do not know whether Alonzo is truly insane or if he is just acting that way to scare Jake, hazing him like a fraternity

And we would probably care about the answer to that question if we knew more about Alonzo's past. He alludes to having been idealistic long ago, to caring deeply about wanting to rid the streets of drug dealers the way Jake does now. What made him snap?

It probably was not greed. He steals cash from drug busts, but lives with his girlfriend and son in a small apartment in a dangerous part of the city. It probably was not addiction, ei-

ther. He snatches drugs from kids who trek to the 'hood for a score, but he doesn't use them himself; he forces Jake to try them instead. Maybe he's just bad because it is

more fun being bad than good. "To protect the sheep you gotta catch the wolf, and it takes a wolf to catch a wolf." That's Alonzo's mantra, which is far catchier than "To protect and to serve.'

Hawke's upstanding, moral young officer has to be low-key in contrast to Washington's. But screenwriter David Ayer does not flesh him out, either.

Director Antoine Fuqua, who made "Bait" and "The Replacement Killers," keeps a crisp pace and achieves a dark, gritty mood throughout the film. Then he makes the mistake of overwhelming us with a protracted, bloody shootout at the end that is totally unneces-

The stunt casting is gratuitous and amusing: Snoop Dogg as a wheelchair-bound crack dealer, Dr. Dre as a member of Alonzo's secret narcotics team, and Macy Gray as a strung-out, chain-smoking, goldtooth-wearing wife of a drug dealer.

And the much-hyped soundtrack collaboration of Sean "P. Diddy' Combs and David Bowie on a remake of Bowie's "This is Not America" - now titled "American Dream" - never plays during the movie.

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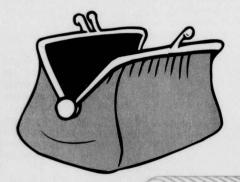
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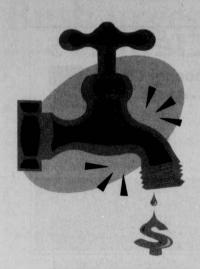




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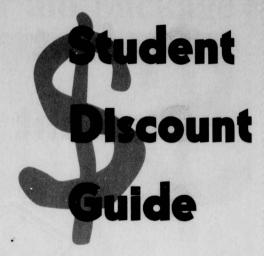


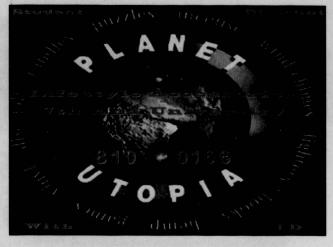




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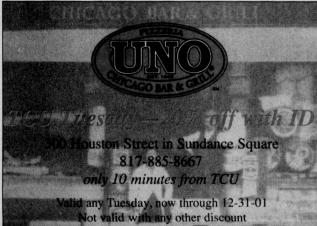


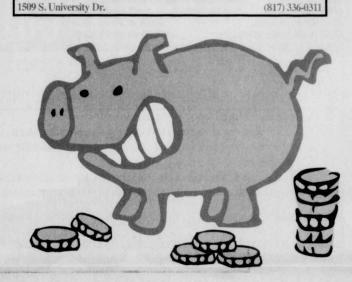
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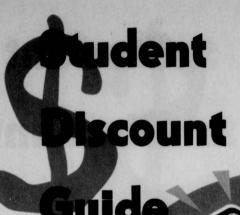
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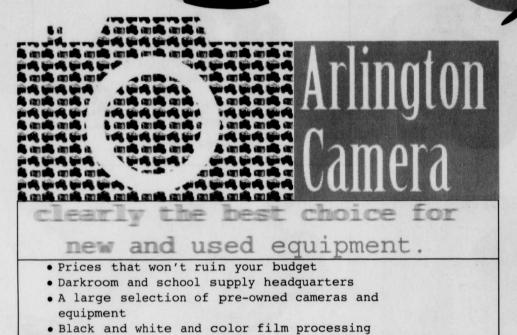
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# Bush urges Congress to pass billion-dollar aid package

WASHINGTON - President Bush and his top economic adviser urged Congress on Wednesday to approve a stimulus plan of between \$60 billion and \$75 billion to avert a steep recession triggered in part by last month's terrorist attacks. "I know people are hurting," Bush said.

Proposing tax cuts for individuals and businesses, Bush told business leaders in New York that Washington must "provide a kick start to give people reason to be confident, and we will

Bush said the administration is considering tax rebates for people or accelerating the tax cuts approved earlier this year. For businesses, corporate tax cuts and investment tax credits are among the options. Laid-off workers need extra relief, he said, because the attacks "shocked our economy just like it shocked the conscience of our nation.'

Bush made the remarks shortly after Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill told the Senate Finance Committee he expects negative real growth in the current quarter but said similar poor performance could be avoided in the fourth quarter if consumer confidence quickly rebounds.

'The depth of this contraction, as well as the pace at which the economy returns to a healthy rate of growth, will depend in large part on how fast consumers regain their confidence and on our success in incorporating new protections against terrorist acts with-

out material reductions in productivity," O'Neill said.

O'Neill said the president had set the range for the additional economic stimulus at between \$60 billion and \$75 billion. Congress has already approved a \$40 billion emergency spending plan and \$15 billion airline aid

Administration officials said Bush wants quick agreement on the size of the stimulus package before the White House and congressional leaders delve into the details

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Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. gested roughly billion.

"Senate Democrats feel that is an appropriate size," he said. "This is deficit spending once again and its very disconcerting to many of us. But I don't know that there's an alternative. We are in an economic, military and security emergency.

Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said he favors another round of tax rebates to help the roughly 30 million Americans whose wages are so low they did not qualify for the checks

mailed out earlier in the year. Virtually all wage-earners pay Social Security payroll taxes and the tax relief could be based on those levies.

Baucus said he also supports an extension in unemployment benefits and tax relief to encourage businesses to make new investments in plant and

O'Neill said the administration is considering all those proposals as well. He said that it would probably be a good idea to make any business tax

The depth of this contraction, as

relief retroactive to Sept. 11 so that businesses did not halt pur-chases of bigticket items waiting for the legislation to be enacted.

O'Neill said the administration was also considering speeding up a key provi-sion of the mas-

sive \$1.35 trillion 10-year tax cut passed earlier in the year. He said the reduction in individual tax rates scheduled to go into effect in 2004 could be moved forward to next year, boosting consumer purchasing power and quickly stimulating the economy.

Additionally, O'Neill said, the administration is considering a proposal to establish emergency grants that would help governors respond to concerns raised by the terrorist attacks, such as helping laid-off workers pay

All sides urged caution to make sure the stimulus package does not become so large that it pushes the country back into huge budget deficits that could force up long-term interest

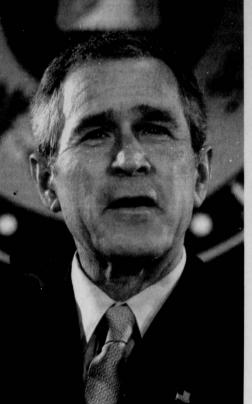
But in his comments in New York, Bush did not dismiss the possibility that spending in the wake of the terrorist attack could put the federal budget back into deficit. He said urgent priorities need to be ad-

'We've now got a reason to do what it takes to not only provide security at home, to do what it takes to win the war on terrorism, we've also got to do what it takes to make sure the economy gets growing so people can find work," he said.

Congressional leaders were to hear again Wednesday from Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, who had previously urged a go-slow approach to assess the impact of last month's terrorist attacks on the already-soft economy.

Democrats have made it clear they are mainly interested in providing tax cuts to lower-paid workers and less determined to extend the tax breaks to those who have already received

But there are prominent naysayers. Rep. Bill Thomas, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, of business investment and huge in- rorist attacks.



said rebates would not deal with the President George W. Bush approves up to \$75 billion to primary economic problem - lack counter a steep recession triggered by last month's ter-

# Nortel cut 20,000 jobs, says worst is over

tions in productivity

By Tom Cohen

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TORONTO — Despite another horrendous day, Nortel Networks officers say the worst may be over for the Canadian fiber optic leader that has become near synonymous with the downfall in the high-tech industry.

Nortel announced Tuesday it expected a \$3.6 billion third-quarter loss, raising the total losses for the fiscal year to more than \$20 billion. It also said it will cut 20,000 jobs, to reduce its work force to 45,000 from about 95,000 when the year began.

The layoffs follow previous cuts of 30,000 jobs, and outgoing chief executive John Roth acknowledged that revenue was below \$4 billion for the quarter, far below estimates as high as \$5 billion. Still, he said signs indicate capital spending in

the industry may be leveling after a long fall.

'We are seeing the market amongst our customers starting to firm up a little bit as I think the shakeout in the industry is well along," Roth said. "And while it isn't all done yet, it is becoming fairly predictable.

The "more sustainable spending levels" have eroded excess inventory, Roth said, "and while we're ahead of plan we see that we now need to reduce our break-even point. We're going to reduce our head count a little further."

Nortel also announced that chief financial officer Frank A. Dunn would succeed Roth as chief executive officer on Nov. 1, with Roth serving as vice-chairman of the board. Roth previously announced he was stepping

Board chairman Lynton "Red" Wilson said Dunn, a McGill University graduate who has been with Nortel for 25 years, emerged as the best candidate from an "extensive" search inside and outside the com-

"He has played a leading role putting in place a business structure that ensures the company will be both sustainable and profitable in an industry that has gone through an abrupt and severe correction," Wil-

Nortel has been troubled for almost a year due to problems that have dominated the meltdown of the technology industry: misguided acquisitions at sky-high prices, overly aggressive expansion, risky lending practices with new customers, and a tendency toward exuberant forecasts.

Earlier Tuesday, the company an-

nounced it sold off a high-priced acquisition for a fraction of the cost. The Clarify customer relations management unit was sold to Amdocs Ltd. for \$200 million, less than 10 percent of the \$2.1 billion in stock Nortel paid for the company last

Nortel had previously announced it would retreat from a market the company entered only recently through acquisitions — the business of making DSL equipment for highspeed Web service — dumping some of the companies purchased for that purpose.

The company's stock has plunged 90 percent in less than a year, losing more than \$300 billion in market value. Nortel shares fell 16 cents, or 3 percent, to \$5.13 in morning trading Wednesday on the New York Stock Ex-

#### UNITY

FROM PAGE 1

Andy Walker, sophomore engineering major, won the chance to park in Chancellor Michael Ferrari's parking spot for a day.

McFarland said RHA received a tremendous amount of support from local businesses as well as the TCU community. She said RHA began working on the project two weeks ago and received an overwhelming response for such short notice

Giammalva said he has not had a chance to determine the amount of money raised at the fair.

We're not sure how much money we raised, but we are very proud because no matter what the amount is, it will help those in need," McFarland said.

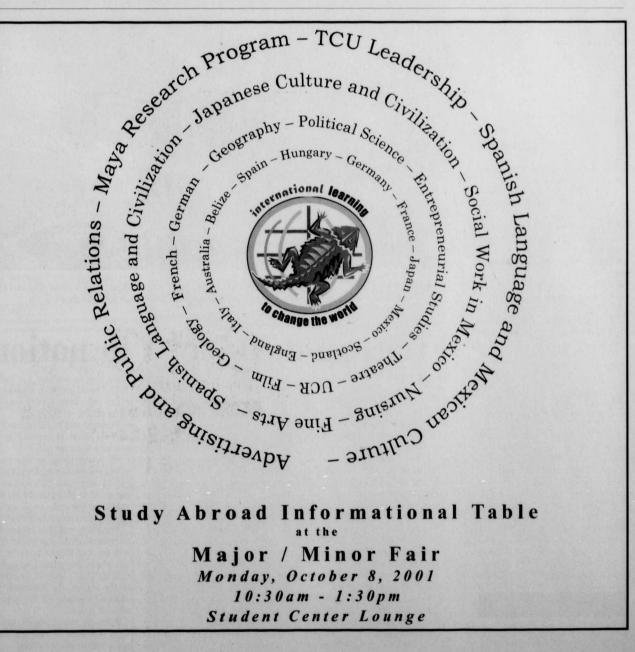
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**SPORTS** 

#### SPORTS BRIEFS Super Bowl may clash

#### with Mardi Gras NEW ORLEANS (AP) -Fantastic

floats, masked riders tossing beads and trinkets to the crowds, costumed revelers and streets full of parades are famous images of Mardi Gras.

They don't necessarily mix with the Super Bowl, the NFL's biggest

"It's not what you would plan," said Arthur Hardy, publisher of an annual Mardi Gras guide and an authority on the celebration. "Either event is great, but putting them both on in the same place at the same time is not what you would want ideally. In fact, it could be a nightmare.

The NFL, in order to play a full schedule of playoff games, is trying to move the Super Bowl, scheduled for Jan. 27 in New Orleans, to Feb. 3. The league has been working with the National Association of Automobile Dealers to switch weekends.

The complicated move would put the game squarely into the first weekend of Mardi Gras.

"Believe me, a lot of strange people are on the streets beginning with those parades, and none of them are thinking about football," said Sara Anderson, who lives in the French Quarter. "It's a great time, a great crowd, but I don't know if I can handle that and the Super Bowl.'

#### Jordan, Wizards hold closed scrimmage

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) Reporters didn't get a chance to see Michael Jordan do anything but watch from the sidelines Tuesday as the Washington Wizards held their first day of training camp.

Anyone sneaking a peek through the windows could see Jordan handling a basketball, sometimes dribbling, sometimes shooting. He wore a white Wizards practice jersey with the uniform No. 23.

But when the doors finally opened at 8 p.m. and a media mob got a chance to watch the final 15 minutes of a scrimmage, Jordan had already finished playing. He buried his head in a towel when rookie Kwame Brown missed a free throw. He yelled something at someone. He chewed gum.

He did not, however, give anyone with a camera or a notebook any kind of glimpse into the state of his game.

Brown described Jordan as being about 90 percent effective mentally, while other teammates said they were most impressed by Jordan's passing skills.

#### weekend preview

- ➤ Men's and women's cross country at North Texas Invitational, Oct. 5
- ➤ Rifle at Horned Frog Invitational,
- p.m. Oct. 5 at the TCU Rifle ➤Men's soccer vs. Charlotte, 1
- p.m. Oct. 7 at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium ➤Women's soccer at Centenary, 3 p.m. Oct. 5
- ➤ Volleyball vs. Memphis, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 5 at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum ➤ Men's Tennis at Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-American Championships, Oct. 6-11, Stone

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1984 - "There it goes! It could be, it might be, it's ... " a sad day for long-suffering Chicago Cubs fans. Chicago lost to the Padres 7-1 in the National League Championship Series.

1992 — Miami Dolphins' safety Louis Oliver grabbed three interceptions from the Buffalo Bills and returned one for a 103-yard touchdown, tying the NFL's all-time longest interception return record, by San Diego's Vencie Glenn against Denver on Nov. 29, 1987.

#### to our readers

The Skiff sports staff wants to know how we are doing. We welcome your comments, suggestions, rants and raves. E-mail us at (skiffletters@tcu.edu) or drop by Moudy 291S. Selected letters will be printed on the sports page.

# Men's soccer team gears up to play Charlotte

By Dan Smith

Though the men's soccer team did not begin its season the way it wanted in terms of wins and losses, the team has still played good soccer, associate head coach Blake Amos said.

"Our record doesn't show for how well we have played" Amos

The men's soccer team (2-5-1, Conference USA) is looking to get back on track 1 p.m. Sunday at Charlotte after losing three straight matches to ranked opponents.

The Frogs last game was a 4-0 loss against No. 3 Saint Louis. TCU, sitting in the middle of the C-USA standings with a record of 1-1, still has high hopes of going to the conference championship, Amos said.

We have a (certain) amount of

teams we have to beat to get to the championship," Amos said. "We just need to beat the teams that we think threat with forwards Juan Munoz-Airey and Mira Mupier who have supplied all but three team goals for can

beat." Losses to Wisconsin, Southern Methodist

and Saint Louis dropped the Frogs overall record, but the loses have barely affected their

drive for the post season, Amos said. Sunday's game will end an eightday lay off. This break has given us time to

relax and get healthy as we prepare for the next few weeks of C-USA games ahead," Amos said.

Charlotte brings an offensive

Charlotte this season. Charlotte and TCU are averaging a little more then a goal a game, and both need conference wins.

"This will be a

big turning point of our season," junior forward Michael

Blackburn said. "We need this conference win.'

Sophomore defender Andrew Porteous (ankle), and freshman defender Jason Wiley (groin) will not play due to injury

Dan Smith



Junior midfielder Carrington Brown guards the ball against Southern Methodist forward Asher Hamilton. The Frogs play Charlotte at 1 p.m. on Sunday at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium.

Bara Gunnarsdottir traveled more than thousands of miles to play soccer for TCU

# SAME SPORT, DIFFERENT **COUNTRY**

By Sarah McClellan

Bara Gunnarsdottir doesn't like country music, and she doesn't like hot weather. So what attracted the freshman midfielder Kopavogur, Iceland, to Fort Worth? The TCU Web site.

"I had to pick from two schools and I saw the (TCU) Web site and everything looked so good," Gunnarsdottir said.

Gunnarsdottir, who has started five games but is out with a hamstring injury, is adjusting well to the change of place and climate, players said. Head coach David Rubinson said Gunnarsdottir is the first person from Iceland to play soccer for TCU

Rubinson said Gunnarsdottir's decision to move thousands of miles away from home was brave

"It certainly was a gamble for her," Rubinson said. "She hadn't seen the campus in person."

Senior midfielder Tiffany Goetz said Gunnarsdottir has become more open and outgoing since she has been in America.

"I think she's more confident about her English now that she's been here awhile," Goetz said. "I can tell because she's getting sarcastic." Gunnarsdottir said her English

has improved since she arrived in America. "I would say I almost understand everything, but I have a hard time

saying everything I want to say," she said. "Sometimes (on the field) I say something in Icelandic because it just comes out.

Freshman midfielder Stephanie

Bereznicki, Gunnarsdottir's roommate, said the adaptation to American life has gone smoothly for Gunnarsdottir

"She seems to get along well with everyone," Bereznicki said. "She used to be shy but now she goes out a lot and talks more.

Gunnarsdottir said there are only a few big differences between culture in America and Iceland.

"There are always small things that are different here," she said "The biggest difference is when you walk by people, they smile. People are much nicer here.

Rubinson said Gunnarsdottir is learning a lot from teammates.

The other girls are teaching her a lot about American culture," Ru-binson said. "It's been a wonderfully educational experience for all of us."

Gunnarsdottir played on the under-17, under 18 and under 21 Iceland national teams while in high school. The experience should translate to success on the field, Rubin-

"It's good to have a freshman from a national team," Rubinson said. "She played at a very high level and what she really adds to our team is an excellent work ethic. She's very enthusiastic about what she does. When she trains, she trains hard. When she plays, she plays hard."

Rubinson also said Gunnarsdottir has a hamstring injury, which could be a result of how hard she

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## Frogs ranked No. 1 in nation

Freshman forward Bara Gunnarsdottir is the first TCU women's soccer player from Iceland. Gunnarsdottir

played on the under 17, under 18, and under 21 Iceland national teams while in high school.

Even though it has played in just one tournament, the TCU men's golf team has already accomplished what only the men's track and field team could last season - the nation's No. 1 ranking.

Bill Montigel, who is entering his 14th season as head men's golf coach, said it is a thrill for the Frogs to have the top spot in the country for the first time in program history. "It's great for the guys in this pro-

gram," Montigel said. "They have been working so hard, and it's finally paying off for them.'

According to the Golfweek/ Sagarin performance index, TCU has a 68.51 rating. In 1997, the Frogs were ranked as high as No. 2 in the nation after their fall season.

After shooting a three-round score of 841, the Frogs opened their season with a first place finish at the Ridges Intercollegiate in Johnson City, Tenn. for the second year in a row. The Frogs set a school record with its 54-hole score.

Even though the performance ranking includes just one tourna-

ment, Montigel said it is still a good starting point to the season.

"I like the idea of being ranked, but the truth is it's still very early in the season," Montigel said. "If we're going to keep the ranking, we'll just have to see where we are after three to four more tournaments."

Individually, senior Steve Shuert, who was named Conference USA golfer of the Month Tuesday, currently holds the No. 2 spot in the country with a 66.78 rating according to the Golfweek/Sagarin performance index. He is coming off finishing first in the Frogs' first tournament. Shuert was the first Frog to win a individual tournament title since J.J. Henry in 1998.

Junior Adam Rubinson, who finished second at the Ridges, is ranked No. 3 in the country.

Shuert, whose previous best finish was a tie for ninth at the Cleveland Golf/Southwestern Intercollegiate last season, said his victory came as more of a surprise.

"There were really no words to describe it," Shuert said. "Until the Ridges, I hadn't been part of a winning team at a tournament. It didn't

really sink in until we got back to TCU. Once I got back, I got a lot of phone calls from family congratulating me.'

Montigel said it will take an overall team effort to continue to win tournaments in the fall.

"If you're going to win tournaments, you need a couple guys to step up," Montigel said. "It's hard for any one golfer to play consistently for a long time. But every single member of this team is able to help this team."

The Frogs will play in their third tournament of the season Oct. 8 and 9 at the Red River Classic in Dallas, where they placed second last season. TCU's second tournament of the season, the Inverness, was canceled because of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

After the delay, Shuert said the team is excited to take the course again with its No. 1 ranking.

"Everybody is extremely anxious to play in the next tourna-ment and excited to win another tournament."

**Kelly Morris** 

# Knight wants files made public

By Rex W. Huppke

INDIANAPOLIS — Bob Knight wants his personnel files at Indiana University made public and said in an affidavit filed Wednesday that he would like to know more about the discussions that led to his firing as basketball coach last year.

"I am as interested as anyone in discovering the exact conversations held between Myles Brand and the trustees of Indiana University, Knight said in the affidavit.

The document was filed as part of a class-action lawsuit claiming the university violated open meetings law when it fired the Hall of Fame coach. Knight now coaches at

Texas Tech. In the affidavit, Knight also contends Brand, the university's president, was eager to get rid of him. Knight described a discussion he had with Brand on May 14, 2000, in which the president told the coach he would receive a three-game sus-

pension for choking a former player "I suggested to him that a threegame suspension seemed unreasonable, and his entire demeanor changed," Knight said in the affidavit. "Are you going to resign then?' he asked eagerly. He seemed disappointed when I said that I

The overall theme of Knight's affidavit is that the allegations of inappropriate behavior leveled against him by the university were false and that Brand wanted the coach to leave.

would not."

Though a judge in the case has ruled that it was Brand's right as president to fire Knight, the coach said his contract never gave the president that authority, and if it had, he

never would have agreed. This challenges and contradicts IU's assertion that Brand had sole authority to fire him," said attorney Roy Graham, who is representing 46 plaintiffs in the suit against the school. "He's basically saying, 'I

wouldn't have signed the contract."

#### **Horoscopes**

Y Aries (March 21-April 19) - Negotiations must be handled carefully and precisely. If you've got the facts to back up your claim, more money could be yours. Don't trust a friend to provide these; dig for

8 Taurus (April 20-May 20) - There's still confusion at the top, so keep your head down. You'll have little trouble expressing your desires in a private setting, with the ones you love. Stay in a snug harbor and let the storm rage on without you

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - You may be tempted to dump your responsibilities and take off on a wild adventure. That might be fun, but now is not the time to start. Now is a better time to face responsibilities.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - This time a friend's advice is less welcome if she tells you to stop when you want to go. You have free will, but remember: There's not much to be gained but learning from a loss. Do more research before making a big investment.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - An older person's frustration with somebody else could work to your advantage. Be on the lookout so that you can offer your services when the other guy goofs up. You could win the prize, raise or promotion. You snooze, you lose!

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Your spirits are up, even if your immediate surroundings haven't changed. Want to take a step beyond your normal boundaries? Start planning. Make it happen!

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - It's hard to just say "no" to something a loved one wants. If you can't afford it, you may have no choice. It's hard to discuss a sensitive subject at first, but it'll get easier. Keep talking

M Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Negotiations with your mate or business partner are slowing you down. You can't quite agree, but this is not bad. Pending changes should be evaluated carefully, as you well know. Besides, something unexpected could happen soon.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Things have set tled down, and you're back in the same old routine. The excitement of the past few days fades, and you realize there's a mess to clean up. A new idea or machine has a few bugs to be worked out, too. Slow and easy does it.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - You'd like to buy the

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - A problem you're trying to solve at home will take longer than you thought. It's kind of like you're digging up a rock, and the more you dig, the more rock you find. You may have to go around it.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - One old worry after another is forgotten as you sink into familiar love. Sometimes what you get to teach the next generation - in almost the exPurple Poll

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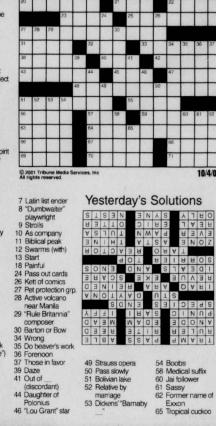
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"This is a different kind of war, which we will wage aggressively and methodically to disrupt and destroy terrorist activity."

we would know," he said

States U.S. to publicize successes.

"If some of the bad guys are killed

Carter said a variety of agencies will

likely be involved. If intelligence agen-

By Aaron Chimbel

The war on terrorism will most closely compare to the Vietnam War, said TCU political science professor Ralph Carter who specializes in U.S. foreign policy.

"(U.S.) special operations groups in Vietnam engaged in deep penetration operations," he said.

Similar missions are likely to take place now in Afghanistan, Carter said.

Carter said he does not think the Bush administration will publicize what is going on related to the war on terrorism.

"I don't think this is the kind of war ou acknowledge while you are doing it," Carter said. He said

cies like the CIA are on the ground in Afghanistan they could be ordered to take action, he said. Uniformed military personnel and FBI electronic inhe would expect the telligence could all be used. He said U.S. military agencies are actively re-

cruiting people with oliveskinned complexions and multi-lingual expertise. In his weekly radio address Saturday, President Bush said, "This is a dif-

ferent kind of war, which or capture bin Laden. we will wage aggres-

sively and methodically to disrupt and destroy terrorist activity.

Earlier this week President Bush said part of winning the war on terrorism will be to cut off financial support to people suspected of being involved in the attacks on New York and Washington.

"Thus far we have frozen \$6 million in bank accounts linked to terrorist activity," Bush said. "And we are just beginning.'

According to USA Today, elite troops from U.S. special operations forces have been inside Afghanistan for the past two weeks looking for suspected terrorist leader Osama bin Laden. Teams of three to five U.S. special military commandos have reportedly been given orders to kill

The president also said that 29,000

two carrier battle groups, hun-

dreds of military aircraft and an amphibious-ready group have been deployed. The president said about 17,000 members of military Reserve units have been called to active duty.

"It is hard to fight a guerrilla (war) with conventional forces, but our military is ready," Bush

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# Fear of draft hits close to home

By John-Mark Day

Jared Salzman and Jennifer Tidwell are planning a wedding. They've set a date, found a church and planned a future. But the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks left them with one more thing to think about — the possibility of a military draft.

"I don't think (the draft) will be necessary for this war," Salzman, a sophomore criminal justice major, said. "But if the world goes to war and my country needs me to ensure the safety of our government and way of life, I would be willing to fight."

Political science professor Ralph Carter

said a military draft is unlikely any time soon. "(This war) will consist of very small units of very specialized forces doing very specialized tasks," Carter said. "It won't require massive call-ups.'

Tidwell, keting majo fiancee, said while she would support a draft if needed, she would do so reluctantly

"If Jared got called, there would be brutal tears shed," Tidwell said. "(It) would be extremely hard being away from my best friend and (then) husband.'

Salzman and Tidwell are part of a growing number of American college students

Speaking at a news conference, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld said the military was not considering calling up a draft.

who

concerned

the aftermath

of the terrorist

attacks of Sept.

11 will include

a new military

"At the moment I do not foresee the need to do that," Rumsfeld said.

Carter said if a draft was necessary, the first step would be to make sure the Selective Service database was accurate. All males citizens of the United States are required to register with Selective Service when they turn 18.

get drafted.

Once

the database is accurate, a lot-

tery would be

established,

choosing people by

their birthdays. Everyone

of a certain age born on

that day would be called

up, Carter said. The system

is designed to be imple-

"If you need it, you need it

mented quickly.

in a hurry," he said.

While the last time the draft was used only

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Salzman and Tidwell are two of those stu-

which would give them two v

'We would definitely not take for granted

dents who could be called up at the end of a

semester. The date for their wedding is April

together before the end of the semester if ei-

our time together any more," Salzman said.

"I'm sure there would be many tears about

the separation and possible death of each

Salzman said he could not watch Tidwell

empt only through the end of the semester

males were called up, Carter said he would

expect a new draft to include females as well.

combat are largely over," he said.

ther one was drafted next Spring.

they are in, Carter said.

"I would feel helpless if my wife got called up," he said. "I would probably enlist or get involved some way to make me feel closer to her. I could not stand to be apart from her, but I know that it would be our duty and there would not be much of a choice.'

Salzman said he is afraid fighting in a war would change them.

"I would be scared she wouldn't return the

same person as when she left," he said. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills said drafted students would return changed, which would affect their return to

"If this is like the last draft, veterans will come back with much of their situation altered," he said.

Mills said in the last draft, veterans came back to TCU with new funding through the G.I. Bill, change in career aspirations and, in

some cases, married. "TCU would welcome back students in

good standing who wished to return," he said. "The student's goals and personal situation would then determine how best for the student to come back to TCU and be success-

Salzman said if he were called, while it would be hard to leave his family, he would

"I would be honored to fight for this country," he said. "I don't want my kids growing up in fear for their life every day because terrorists are still randomly choosing targets and killing thousands.'

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# Women battle sterotypes for right to

By Jacque Petersell

The role of women in combat is a new thought in some Americans' minds after the recent terrorist attacks and President Bush's subsequent deployment of troops to the Middle East and call up of 50,000 active reserves.

Lt. Col. James House, a professor of military science, said one of the biggest problems facing women in combat is the social issue

"Many Americans would not like to see women, rightly or wrongly, (in combat)," he said.

When looking at women in combat, House said he can understand society's fear, because he has some of his own. "I'm looking at this as a father of two high school daughters," he said. I wouldn't want to see them in direct combat. I would-

n't want to see anyone in combat.' Women have been a part of the armed services for a many years, said Capt. Doug Owens, an assistant professor of military science. Most worked as nurses or in administrative positions, he

In 1994, then Secretary of the U.S. Army Togo West announced the Army would assign some limited combat assignments to women. Positions available to women include combat engineers, air defense artillery specialists, pilots and crew mem-

bers of helicopters on special operations missions.

Also in 1994, then Secretary of Defense Les Aspin rescinded the Army's "risk rule," which prevented women from being assigned to support units, such as engineering, supply and military police forces. However, jobs that involved direct ground combat would remain closed to women.

According to the Pentagon's direct ground combat definition

and assignment rule, direct combat involves any mission "engaging an enemy on the ground with individual or crew-served weapons (such as machine guns and rifles), while being exposed to hostile fire and to a high probability of direct physical contact with the hostile force's personnel."

Despite the restrictions placed on where women can and cannot serve, Owens said women are trained the same as men.

"We train our people (with the) same standards here," he said. "It doesn't matter what gender they are. We do the same physical fitness, same exercises

"Everyone who is in the Army has the potential exposure to combat. It is important to have training in combat operations and tactics. The bottom line is that if we think women won't be involved in ground combat, then we're fooling ourselves.' House said one problem involving women in combat is the

amount of physical pressure put on women. During training and combat, soldiers must carry rucksacks, containing supplies and ammunition, which may weigh between 80 and 130 pounds. "You need a lot of upper body strength," House said. "That's

quite a load to carry for an extended period of time. Do I think some women (are strong enough for combat)? Yes. Do I think the majority are? No."

According to the 1992 Presidential Commission on the Assignment of Women in the Armed Forces, the top 20 percent of women at West Point that year achieved scores on the Army Physical Fitness Test equivalent to the bottom 20 percent of male cadets. As of August 2001, there were 644 females enrolled at West Point out of a total of 4,189 cadets.

Owens said he has read a number of studies that show there is no difference between men and women in combat situations. "I've worked with women in combat positions (in army hos-

pitals)," Owens said. 'I saw no differences (between men and women) in emotional or physical strength."

other.

Another controversy about women in combat is the readiness to deploy at a moments notice, which is necessary for combat assignments

There is a readiness issue you must address," House said. "At any time, 8 to 12 percent of women (in the armed forces) are

Owens said the same issue is brought up when there is a single father that may be deployed, so it is not a gender

House said the armed forces is not gender specific.

People are not trained or recruited differently, he said. When I look at someone in a uniform, I don't see a male or female," Owens said. "I see a soldier."

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