

## Straight shootin'

A hard days work is much longer for TCU Rifle head coach Roger Ivy than for most people. Ivy does double duty, for TCU and he loves it.

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Fort Worth, Texas

# Fugitives connected to German terrorist cell



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A group of soldiers with the Northern Alliance look up at a jet in the sky over the abandoned Bagram Air Force Base after it dropped a bomb on Taliban positions Tuesday.

By Karen Gullo  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A terrorist cell operating out of Hamburg, Germany, since at least 1999 included three of the hijackers and three accomplices who are being sought in connection with the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States, Attorney General John Ashcroft said Tuesday.

Ashcroft said the three fugitives,

Said Bahaji, Ramsi Binalshibh and Zakariya Essabar, are sought for planning the attacks. German authorities previously issued international arrest warrants for the three.

"Their connections to the hijackers are extensive," said Ashcroft, appearing at a news conference with German Interior Minister Otto Schily. He identified the three hijackers as Mohamed Atta and Mar-

wan Al-Shehhi, the suspected pilots of the hijacked planes that crashed into the World Trade Center in New York, and Ziad Jarrah, suspected of flying the plane that crashed in Pennsylvania.

Ashcroft said the three hijackers were roommates in Hamburg while attending school there in the 1990s. He said Binalshibh and Atta started a Muslim prayer group in Hamburg

and Essabar went to Florida in February at a time when both Atta and al-Shehhi were known to be there. And Essabar, Jarrah and al-Shehhi all appeared in a video of Bahaji's wedding, he said.

"It is clear that Hamburg served as a central base of operations for these six individuals and their part in the

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# Taliban forces dodging U.S. airstrikes

By Robert Burns  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Taliban forces in Afghanistan may be hiding in residential areas, aware of the U.S. military's hesitancy to bomb where civilians might be hit, a senior military officer said Tuesday.

Rear Adm. John Stufflebeem, deputy director of operations for the

Joint Chiefs of Staff, said he has seen anecdotal evidence of such a Taliban tactic, which he attributed to their realization that troops in the field or at military installations are vulnerable to punishing attacks by American warplanes.

U.S. airstrikes continued Tuesday with about the intensity as the previous day, in which about 60 carrier-

based strike aircraft, 10 long-range bombers and 10 land-based strike aircraft hit 11 planned target areas, officials said.

Air Force F-16G fighters entered the fray for the first time on Monday, a senior defense official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. A pair of F-16Gs, equipped with advanced navigation and targeting systems that enable

precision strikes at night, flew missions from bases in the Persian Gulf.

Stufflebeem said U.S. airstrikes have hit every known training camp of the al-Qaeda terrorist ring that is the ultimate target of allied military, financial and diplomatic pressure, and that bombing has eliminated most of

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## COLLEGE BRIEFS

### PC event publicity recognized at conference

The Programming Council won two awards at the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) conference in Houston Oct. 12-14, Vice President Sara Komenda said Tuesday at the House of Student Representatives meeting.

PC submitted event publicity and won the Best in Show award and the Best Themed Publicity for Family Weekend award for this year's theme, "Family Frontier: Yee Haw."

PC also presented publicity for campus activities including Howdy Week, Family Weekend, Homecoming and the Arts and Music Fest.

### Indiana U. student names given to FBI

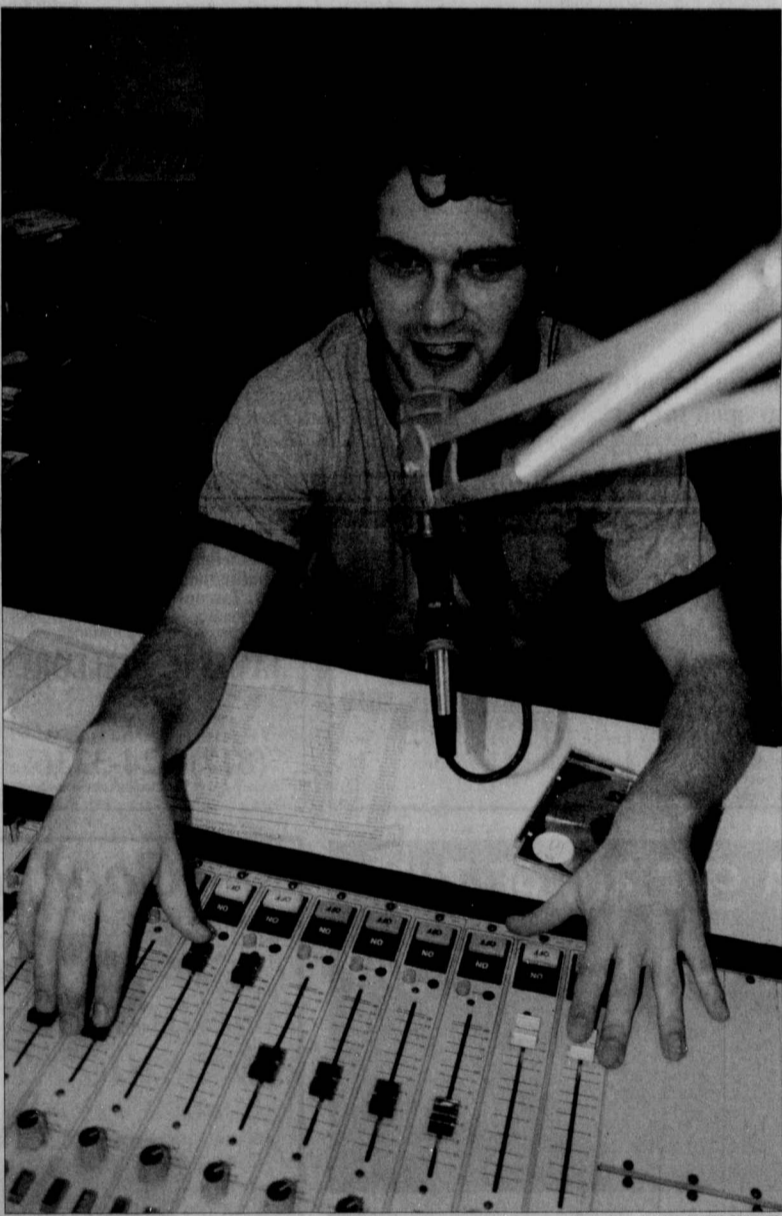
BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (U-WIRE) — Complying with a request to colleges and universities nationwide to aid terrorism investigations, records of about 3,200 Indiana University students were released to federal authorities last week.

The Office of International Services released the names of all nonimmigrant students who have taken intensive English-as-a-second-language courses during the past five years. Nonimmigrant students are classified as international students attending school in the United States on "F" or "J" visas.

The University responded to a direct FBI request to disclose the information. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act generally requires a subpoena to obtain personal student information, but the U.S. Department of Education declared a state of emergency after the Sept. 11 attacks.

— Indiana Daily Student

## MIX MASTER



David Dumas/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

Jason Barr, a junior marketing major, puts out music over the air waves of KTCU Monday.

# Fort Worth thinking about oil, gas drilling

By James Zwilling  
STAFF REPORTER

Neighborhood leaders, oil and gas industry executives and real estate developers opened dialogue Monday on a proposed ordinance to allow oil and gas drilling and production in Fort Worth.

More than 200 people gathered at the Will Rogers Memorial Center for the roundtable discussion.

The Fort Worth City Council extended a moratorium on oil and gas drilling and production within city limits until Dec. 11 so neighborhood associations and oil and gas industry representatives can learn more about the ordinance and comment on it, meeting moderator Regina Smith McKenzie said.

The city attorney's office wrote the proposal in response to several applications for drilling within city limits. Prior to those applications, there had not been any inquiries into drilling within Fort Worth. Similar pro-

grams are underway in Denton and Wise counties.

Residents asked questions about safety concerns and compensation to a panel including Mayor Kenneth Barr, several members of the city council, oil and gas company executives, representatives from the Texas Railroad Commission and representatives from local neighborhood associations. There was also a short presentation by Mitchell Energy Company that explained natural gas drilling operations and showed examples of recent drilling in Denton and Wise counties.

Mark Whitley, vice president and general manager of the North Texas region of Mitchell Energy Company said residents may be nervous right now because they do not know much about the process.

Areas most likely to be affected by the new proposal would be new developments,

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# Legal counsel available to students at no charge

By Kristin Delorantis  
STAFF REPORTER

When Amanda Borowczak's sister received a ticket for violating open container laws, Borowczak said she wished she could have spoken with someone to tell her about her sister's rights.

Borowczak, a freshman graphic design major, was unaware of attorney services provided to the student body by the Student Government Association.

According to an online survey conducted by the House of Student Representatives on Constituency Day, many other students are also oblivious to the service. Of the 600 students who filled out the survey, 8.3 percent

of students said they knew SGA provided free legal counsel, House Vice President Amy Render said. SGA has paid attorneys about \$3,000 per semester to provide legal services to students for 10 to 12 years, said SGA advisor Larry Markley. Attorney James Munford offers students free legal advice Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the SGA office.

SGA President Brian Wood said House does not greatly publicize Munford because they want to maximize his time with students.

"We don't want him to be flooded with

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# Colby Hall gears up for trick-or-treaters

## Colby Halloween

Who: Children, ages 9 and younger, of TCU faculty and staff

What: 29th annual Colby Halloween

Where: Colby Hall

Cost: Free

When: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, according to last name: S-Z 6 p.m., A-F 6:30 p.m., G-L 7 p.m., M-R 7:30 p.m.

Organizers ask faculty and staff to bring their children at the specified time to avoid over-crowding.

By Aaron Chimbel  
STAFF REPORTER

Radio-TV-film instructor Chuck LaMendola says he has a reputation for being tough, but students will get to see a different side of him tonight when he is with his 9- and 5-year-old daughters at Colby Halloween.

The 29th annual trick or treat event kicks off tonight at 6 p.m. in Colby Hall. Hall Director Naunie Mead said she expects about 600 faculty, staff and their children to participate.

Colby Resident Assistant Lindsay Misslin is helping with Colby Halloween tonight and said it has required much preparation.

"It is a little stressful to get everything ready," Misslin said.

The sophomore theater education major said many of her residents

worked hard to prepare for the trick-or-treaters. Colby residents work together to decorate their respective wings.

Colby RA Kyrsten Roberts said all of the RAs were given specific responsibilities to ensure the event runs smoothly. Roberts, a sophomore speech communication major, was responsible for getting students to volunteer for the event. Other RAs will prepare food and contact faculty and staff, she said. She said all of her residents are helping out.

Freshman pre-major Stephanie Southall said she is excited to see the children of faculty and staff members. "Seeing (faculty and staff) with their kids will let me see them out of the classroom setting," she said.

LaMendola says when students see him with his family out of class, they

realize he is not someone who sits at home and reads textbooks all the time.

"You don't think your professors have a life, (so) for them to see me with my two kids and my wife, I'm seen as a real person," he said.

He said it also helps for his family to feel like a part of TCU. He has taken his oldest daughter to Colby Halloween for eight years and both of his kids look forward to coming every year, he said.

"(My daughters) love it. It is a safe way for them to get candy," LaMendola said. "They don't have to be out on the street."

Children nine years old or younger of faculty and staff members are invited.

Aaron Chimbel  
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David Dumas/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

Mara Grove (right) and Mindy Shearer, both freshmen pre-majors, decorate the hallway of Colby Hall Tuesday in preparation for "Colby Halloween."

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## Unhealthy obsessions

One female columnist recognizes there is more to self-worth than body image. She implores her gender to stop griping and start living.

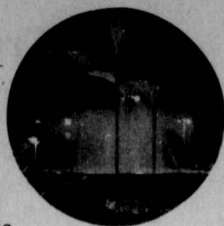
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## Today in history

1945 — The United Nations charter took effect at the San Francisco Conference with 51 countries joining together.

# CAMPUS LINES

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



■ **Flu shots will be available from the TCU Health Center** beginning today for \$12. The Health Center is open from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information call (817) 257-7940.

■ **Fraternity and Sorority Ambassadors** is sponsoring a Scary Movie Night at 9 p.m. today on the grassy hill by the Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta houses. Popcorn and hot chocolate will be served for "Friday the 13th."

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

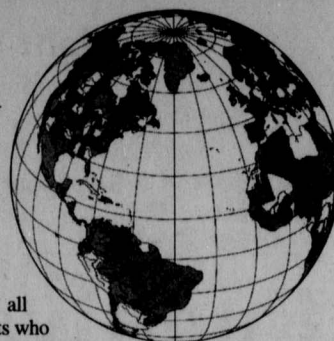
■ **Programming Council** is hosting an information meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center, room 222, for students interested in applying for an executive position. The deadline to apply is Nov. 26. For more information call the Programming Council office at (817) 257-5233.

■ **The M.J. Neeley School of Business** is offering Microsoft Office User Specialist certification in Word, Powerpoint and Excel. MOUS Exams are \$30 until the end of October. For more information or to sign up for a test date, visit the Neeley School Resource Center in Dan Rogers Hall, room 130, or call (817) 257-6772.

■ **The deadline to register for Up 'til Dawn** has been extended until Nov. 1, but spots are filling up fast. Only the first 50 teams are eligible to participate. For more information call Emily Berry at (817) 926-2415.

■ **Applications for the Washington Internship Program** are now available. The deadline to apply is Nov. 5. For more information call (817) 257-7395.

# WORLD DIGEST



## Canada ranked top in quality research on cancer treatment

LISBON, Portugal — American scientists conduct more than a third of the world's research on cancer treatment, but Canada, the Netherlands, Britain and Australia are doing it better, new research suggests.

A first-of-its-kind table ranks each country according to the impact of the cancer research produced between 1995 and 1999, based on the scientific papers its scientists produced.

The analysis, presented Tuesday at a meeting of the Federation of European Cancer Societies, was based on an Internet search of medical journals that retrieved records of experimental trials on chemotherapy alone or drug therapy combined with other treatment.

On volume alone, the United States led the world, followed by Italy, Britain, Japan, France and Germany.

However, with regard to impact, American scientists placed fifth, closely followed by Finland, Israel, France, Austria, Yugoslavia, Sweden and Belgium. Canada topped the list, followed by the Netherlands, Britain and Australia.

The investigator, Dr. Francesco Grossi of the National Institute for Research on Cancer in Genoa, Italy, said the rankings do not mean the United States produces fifth-rate research, but that the proportion of its total output that is influential is lower than that of the countries that ranked above it.

One explanation for that was offered by Dr. Davide Mauri, a cancer researcher at St. Savvas Hospital in Athens.

"The Americans produce a lot of papers. They need to publish a lot to keep getting research money or jobs and it is very competitive to get into the top journals," Mauri said. "They may be publishing in newer journals that are not so prestigious because it's quicker and easier."

Dr. Mark Thomas, a cancer specialist in Columbus, Ohio, said publishing in lesser-known journals was often part of the process of establishing a reputation in research.

"There are a huge number of research papers produced and they can't all be published in the top journals," Thomas said. "If you are a young faculty member and you don't have the experience and reputation to get published in the best journals, (publishing in less prestigious journals) is part of the process of becoming recognized."

Grossi measured impact, or influence and importance of the findings of a nation's research, by the prestige of the journal it appeared in — the gold standard indicator of quality.

lators are concerned about the Swiss government's plan to create a new national airline out of the remnants of Swissair and will scrutinize it under EU regulations limiting state subsidies, a spokesman said Tuesday.

In a statement, the European Commission said the aid package should be examined under EU law, even though Switzerland is not an EU member and an agreement setting out cooperation in air transport regulation has not yet come into force.

"The decisions in favor of Swissair and (its subsidiary) Crossair have direct and immediate repercussions on air transport in Europe," the Commission said. "These companies are in direct competition with their EU counterparts who are facing the same crisis situation."

Gilles Gantelet, the Commission's transport spokesman, also warned France it would face legal action over its "open skies" agreement initiated Friday with the United States, which should lead to closer links between Delta Air Lines and Air France.

The Commission says such agreements give unfair advantages to national airlines, infringing EU rules creating an open market for companies within the-15 nation bloc.

Switzerland's government and private investors agreed Monday to spend \$2.65 billion to create a new national airline on the ruins of Swissair, which was wrecked by bad investments and the turmoil in air travel after the terror attacks on the United States.

The EU's legal reach over Swissair is unclear. Under agreements signed in 1999, Swissair would be subjected to EU regulations banning most state subsidies to airlines. However, those accords have not yet formally taken effect due to lengthy ratification procedures.

The EU says Switzerland should still abide by EU state aid rules because of an international agreement calling on nations to respect treaties between their signing and ratification.

## Croatia accepts health minister's resignation after dialysis deaths

ZAGREB, Croatia — Croatia's prime minister on Tuesday accepted the health minister's resignation over the deaths of 23 dialysis patients, but said products made by a U.S. company were most likely to blame.

Ana Stavljenic-Rukavina offered her resignation Oct. 14, a day after her ministry acknowledged the deaths over two day in hospitals across Croatia.

Stavljenic-Rukavina and other government officials blamed filters, or dialyzers produced by Baxter International Inc., of Deerfield, Ill., for the deaths.

At the time, Prime Minister Ivica Racan rejected Stavljenic-Rukavina's resignation, but the government accepted it Tuesday "as a moral act," Racan said.

He said further investigations again showed that "most probably, the Baxter-made dialyzers caused the death" of the patients. He offered no details.

In accusing the U.S. firm, Croatian officials said that all 23 patients who died were treated with the Baxter-made filters and that others survived when their filters were replaced with other brands.

Health experts participating in the investigation said last week that a suspicious "substance" was found on Baxter filters, but that it could not be immediately identified. Dialyzers filter waste from the blood before it is returned to kidney patients.

While calling the accusations premature, Baxter last week issued a worldwide recall of the type of filters used in Croatia.

The same type was used in Spain, where 10 kidney patients died over a relatively short period last summer and in Texas, where two kidney patients died Oct.16 and two were hospitalized with complications.

## India close to developing engine to launch high-altitude satellites

MADRAS, India — India is on the verge of developing an engine that would enable it to launch high-altitude communications satellites, a top space research official said. The technology could also be used to build intercontinental ballistic missiles.

The cryogenic engine, which uses liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen, would let India launch high-altitude satellites into a geosynchronous orbit that keeps them stationary relative to a fixed point on Earth.

Such satellites are used mainly for broadcasting and communications, and the engine would boost India's bid to become a major player in their commercial launch. Currently, only the United States, Russia, France, Japan and China can build cryogenic engines.

"We are ready with the engine. We will test it within two or three months. But commissioning it in our launch vehicles could take considerable time," said N. Vedachalam, director of Liquid Propulsion Systems Center, a wing of the Indian Space Research Organization.

Vedachalam spoke Monday as India launched German, Belgian and Indian satellites designed to conduct scientific experiments in space and spot forest fires and volcanic activity on Earth.

The engine could give India the capability to build intercontinental ballistic missiles by modifying the launch vehicle and replacing the satellite with a bomb. India conducted nuclear tests in May 1998.

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## CREDIT DUE

### SGA legal service merits recognition

Several things are certain at TCU. The Main will always serve chicken strips, unlucky freshman will always be stuck with 8 a.m. classes and students will always complain that the Student Government Association takes their money and then fails to really accomplish anything with it.

But at the same time, those students fail to take advantage of the services SGA does provide — like the lawyer who gives free legal advice to students every week in the SGA office.

Most students don't even know the lawyer exists. Of the 600 students who filled out an online House of Student Representatives survey last week, only 8.3 percent were aware of the legal services provided by SGA, House Vice President Amy Render said. SGA spends about \$3,000 each semester for the legal service.

The attorney, who helps students with legal concerns ranging from rent disputes to alcohol violations, is not a recent addition to the list of things SGA provides to the campus community. SGA Advisor Larry Markley said SGA has been paying for an attorney to give advice to students for at least 10 years.

This semester, the attorney is in the SGA office Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Students may also choose to visit him at his Fort Worth office for advice.

Certainly, a service such as this is only useful in unique circumstances. Not every student will need to seek legal counsel, but for those who do require advice, SGA has provided a free, convenient method to receive it.

As with any governing association, SGA is not without its faults and definitely is not without its fair share of criticism.

But keep in mind that the organization has daunting limits — administrative approval is required for just about each proposal the group puts forward.

So when SGA successfully develops ideas that directly benefit the student body, the organization deserves credit for their worthwhile accomplishments.

SGA, thanks for providing students with a much-needed service.

## More to self-worth than body image

Before I came to college, most of my good friends were guys. We played basketball and video games, watched wrestling on TV, rented movies like "Booby Call" and made fun of each other a lot. Last semester when I shared a room with three girls, things were a little different. We watched "Return to Me" over and over again, talked about boys, wasted time trying to memorize the lyrics to "Pour Some Sugar on Me" and shared clothes.

Commentary  
Erin Walsh

Male and female friends are great for different reasons, but there's something girls do that bothers me. Sorry to ruin your fantasy, guys — we don't have naked pillow fights or take showers together. When girls get together, we complain and obsess about our bodies.

I'm sure that at some point, all of you have been unwitting recipients of the dreaded four-word question: Do I look fat? It's the worst question to be asked because there's no good way to answer it. And while "Do I look fat?"

takes the cake as the most annoying way girls obsess about weight, we certainly don't limit ourselves to that. We count calories, pop diet pills and try fad diets, dab the grease off our pizza with paper towels, guzzle Diet Coke to suppress our appetites and dip our forks in salad dressing instead of pouring it over the lettuce. Basically we strive for an impossible ideal and beat ourselves up when we can't reach it.

For the girls who have never done these things, good for you. But sadly, most girls I know are insecure about their bodies. They're not alone — while girls are trying to get thinner, guys are worried about bulking up — but the difference is that guys don't seem to show their insecurities as much.

Let's be honest; it's not often that you hear a guy asking his friends, "Do my biceps look scrawny?" I never thought I'd say this, but girls, we need to take a lesson in confidence from our male counterparts.

My grandma, who yells at me for not being more confident, always tells me the story of her Aunt Helen to show me the wrongs of my ways. Apparently Helen was never the prettiest or the thinnest

gal. But somehow she ended up marrying Bud, a great guy who far exceeded her on the attractiveness scale. Helen's explanation: "Honey, I never let him know it for one minute. I made him think I was a catch."

I've never met her, but it sounds like Helen was a pretty cool lady in her day. She didn't waste her life feeling sorry for herself because she wasn't better looking. She found self worth in her sense of humor, intelligence and strength, and people were drawn to her because of it.

I'm not saying we should be arrogant; Helen certainly wasn't. But we shouldn't put ourselves down, either. Sure, it's fun to commiserate with girl friends over our shared hatred for our thighs once in a while, but after a certain point, complaining becomes counterproductive.

Unfortunately, we can't blame the male gender for our obsession with weight — at least not completely. True, they aren't hanging up posters of Rosie O'Donnell and Camryn Manheim on their walls. But I also don't think they expect real women to have bodies like Kate Moss.

My male friends get annoyed

when girls always order salads at restaurants, and they don't find a girl with the figure of a 12-year-old boy attractive. Who are we kidding? We want to be thin to impress other girls. We're doing this to ourselves. We're giving ourselves eating disorders and inferiority complexes and competing with each other instead of supporting each other.

There's no easy solution, especially because the pressure to be thin is so imbedded in our culture. But maybe the first step is to project confidence even when we don't feel it. If we make other people believe we have a positive body image, eventually we'll start to believe it ourselves.

And for the love of God, let's stop whining about our weight. If you want to eat a cheeseburger, just eat one. Don't feel guilty the whole time and tell everyone that you shouldn't be eating it. If you think you need to lose five pounds, go running. Take a lesson from Aunt Helen, and don't complain. Because the harsh truth is that everyone's sick of hearing it.

Erin Walsh is a columnist for the Daily Illini at the University of Illinois. This column was distributed by U-Wire.

## War-related topics generate mixed opinions

Presented below is a brief list of some of the war-related topics that have gained national attention after the Sept. 11 attacks.

**The Emmys**  
The Emmys are on again, but I say the planners of the Emmys should just hang it up this year and mail everyone their awards. Our country does not need its displays of overindulgence and scandalously bad fashion at this time, which often portray the United States at its shallow and materialistic worst.

Awards presentations such as the Oscars and the Emmys have become representative in recent years of how gaudy and hedonistic our society has become as well as being freak shows for celebrities' social and psychological shortcomings. It really is time for a change, and I hope that awards shows from here on become more subdued.

**Bi-partisanship**  
Just before the Sept. 11 terrorist

attack, yet another newspaper had come out with yet another study of the Florida election recounts, how they were done wrong and why Gore should have been declared the winner. Gag me.

Fortunately, all parties have been able to pull together since the attacks, and the word "bipartisan" has taken on its intended meaning. It has really been heartening to see. The country needed its elected officials to be working together, and they have.

It is unfortunate that it took such a tragic event of monumental proportions to shake our elected officials out of their partisan rancor, but at least they are working together now. How long will this last? I hope for the duration of the war, and beyond.

**The War**  
There are many opinions on this topic, and they range from bombing Afghanistan back to the Stone Age to reparation payments for anyone in the world that the United States may have offended. With such a wide discrepancy of viewpoints, it's a wonder we are able to do anything at all. Most of us, including myself, fall somewhere in the middle of these two extremes. There have been anti-war

protests taking place in various parts of the country, and some say this is not the time for such actions. I say that the protesters actually help send an underlying message of what our country is about, and that would be freedom — including the freedom of speech. There is no better time to demonstrate that particular freedom than now.

**"God Bless America"**  
Speaking of free speech, ask yourself how many times you have heard the phrase "God Bless America" since Sept. 11. Who could possibly have a problem with that phrase, you ask? Ironically, one of the protectors of free speech, the American Civil Liberties Union, does.

The ACLU is suing the Rocklin, Calif. school district for putting "God Bless America" on one of its elementary school marquees. A lawyer for the ACLU in California cites that the marquee displays a "hurtful, divisive message." The lawyer further states: "By displaying a religious message, the Breen Elementary is dividing its young students along religious lines."

This is an ill-timed, ill-considered and insensitive lawsuit for the ACLU to file while the nation is

struggling to be united, and it will be even worse if the ACLU wins this suit. The ACLU is demonstrating a great deal of rigid inflexibility and gross insensitivity with this suit, and I hope the expected backlash will wake them up to their own, hurtful, divisive messages that their actions are sending.

**Anthrax attacks**  
The worst part of these anthrax attacks is the fear of the unknown. We don't know who is doing this. We don't know how they can be doing this for so long and over such a large area of the country and still not be caught. And we don't know when it will end.

The worst thing we can do, however, is panic. Panic never helped any situation get better or resolved. We should take the necessary steps to protect ourselves, but we also need to demonstrate to those who perform these evil acts (they can't be called anything else) that they can't intimidate us. They want us to cower in fear, and we should deny them that satisfaction. Let's not give them what they want the most from us.

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## Students are responsible to learn from coursework

Every once in a while I hear students complain they are not being challenged enough in their classes. Most of the time, the blame is put on the professor, or the tests, or something else that seems to be outside the student's control. These students are not getting to the real issue.

The issue is not how the course is being taught, but rather what courses students are taking and how they are learning in those courses.

In every course, there are two important elements: the teacher and the student. It is true that some professors are better teachers than others and that there are more challenging courses than others.

However, what teachers and courses are taken is entirely up to the student. (Don't blame UCRs and required classes in your major either. There are a wide variety of UCRs available, and if you honestly aren't challenged in your major after taking the most difficult courses there, perhaps you should be looking for another one.)

The responsibilities of the student do not end with course selection. It is also the student's responsibility to learn in a course. No professor is putting a gun to a student's head and forcing the student to simply read and regurgitate on a test.

Whether a student is studying to simply memorize for a test or is actually learning to apply these skills later on in

life is also the student's responsibility.

I know, it's easy to cram for tomorrow's test instead of actually learning the material for application in the real world. It is also easy to ask around and learn about the least challenging courses in the easiest majors. The professors will still get paid no matter what the motivations of their students are.

However, college tuition is too expensive to waste on poor study habits and blow-off courses. When you graduate and start paying off your loans, do you really want to stare at your bill and realize you wasted your valuable time and money, or do you want to look at your bill and think that your education is worth the money that you owe?

I've heard more than one professor say the best students are often the ones who are paying for their own education. These students want to get their money's worth, and they are learning in courses that interest and challenge them. These students are looking for more than a college degree or a high GPA. They actually want an education, and they are willing to put in the effort to earn one.

No matter what your financial situation is, college can still be a valuable learning experience if you want it to be one. This requires the maturity of not blaming others for your problems and the responsibility of solving problems yourself.

As in any worthwhile endeavor, if you see a problem, the best way of solving the problem is deciding to solve it yourself.

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Commentary



Morgan Landry

# THE ANTHRAX SCARE: — In Perspective —

Each year, thousands more die from inhaling this...

...than from inhaling this:



So if you really want to stop an epidemic, stop smoking.

# Anthrax spores found in mail room near White House

By David Espo  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The nation's anthrax scare hit the White House Tuesday with the discovery of a small concentration of spores at an off-site mail processing center. "We're working hard at finding out who's doing this," President Bush said as bioterrorism claimed fresh victims along the East Coast.

Bush said the executive mansion was safe — and twice said "I don't have anthrax" — despite the discovery of spores on a machine at the mail site a few miles from the White House. Spokesman Ari Fleischer said all employees at the site as well as mailroom workers in the White House itself were being "swabbed and tested" for the disease.

The startling disclosure capped a rapidly unfolding series of events in which officials announced additional confirmed and suspected cases of inhalation anthrax. Congress returned to work, and the administration pledged a more aggressive testing and treatment program if additional tainted letters are discovered.

Before the current outbreak, "We had had no cases of inhalation anthrax in a mail sorting facility," said Jeffrey Koplan, head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "There was no reason to think this was a possibility."

For his part, Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson pushed Bayer Corp. to lower its price for Cipro, a front-line anti-anthrax drug.

Outside the White House, House

Democratic Leader Dick Gephardt said "weapons-grade material" was responsible for spreading infections. And overseas, the State Department issued a worldwide alert warning U.S. citizens to be mindful of the risk of anthrax or other biological or chemical agents.

Six weeks after terrorists killed thousands in Washington and New York, administration officials drew a rhetorical connection to the outbreak of anthrax. The FBI released the text of three anthrax-tainted letters — each of them dated Sept. 11, the date that hijackers flew planes into the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon.

Bush believes the spread of anthrax "is another example of how this is a two-front war: that there are people who would seek to do evil to this country; that there are people who mean us harm," Fleischer said. "And they have mailed letters, obviously, to high impact places — the news media, to Majority Leader (Tom) Daschle, perhaps, in this case, to the White House."

The administration has been buffeted by criticism for waiting several days after the discovery of the letter addressed to Daschle before ordering testing at the central postal facility for the nation's capital. Without acknowledging any shortcomings, several officials pointed to changes in their outlook.

"We're going to err on the side of caution in making sure people are protected," said Thompson.

"When a case of anthrax does emerge we will immediately move in at any and all postal facilities that might have handled that piece of

mail," he said. He spoke as the U.S. Postal Service offered antibiotics as a precaution to 7,000 employees of six Manhattan post offices that may have been in the path of anthrax-contaminated letters.

Koplan, appearing before a separate panel, said, "the public health system of the United States is severely challenged at this moment."

The latest evidence of that was in the Washington area and New Jersey, at postal facilities known to have processed one or more anthrax-tainted letters in the past few weeks. Both were closed after the presence of anthrax was detected.

Postal Service Vice President Deborah Willhite said of the Washington facility: "It's a crime scene because someone has been murdered."

There, officials confirmed two postal worker deaths due to anthrax, and said the disease had sent more to the hospital. Thousands more mail employees were undergoing tests and taking antibiotics.

Large amounts of government mail were being quarantined in trailers, waiting to be decontaminated before delivery in Washington, a senior postal official said Tuesday, speaking only on condition of anonymity.

District of Columbia Mayor Anthony Williams said final laboratory results confirmed inhalation anthrax as the cause of death of two men who worked at the city's main Brentwood postal facility. Other officials said two more employees remain hospitalized with the disease, and said anthrax was suspected in an additional four cases. Anthrax-laced mail delivered last

week to Daschle's office was post-marked in Trenton, N.J., and went through the Brentwood facility.

"We do not need further testing," said Dr. Ivan Walks, the city's top health official. "But we need to treat. And we need to treat quickly." He urged anyone who visited the back area of the central mail facility to come in for antibiotics.

Earlier, New Jersey officials announced that a woman had been hospitalized in the Trenton area and was presumed to be suffering from the inhalation form of the disease. "She's holding her own," said Dr. Eddy Bresnitz, the state epidemiologist.

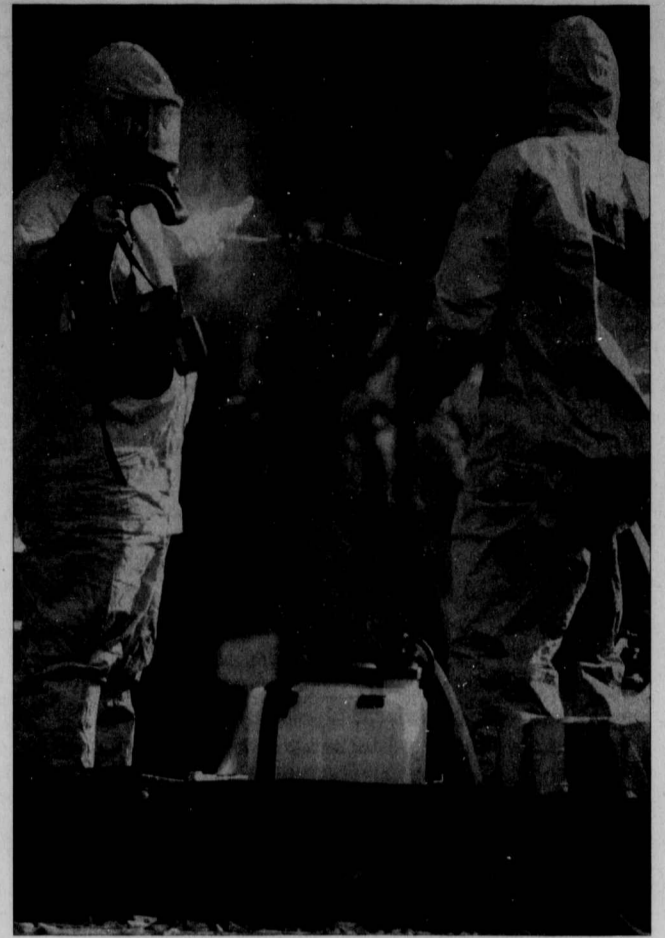
The woman, whose name was not released, works at a Trenton-area postal facility believed to have processed at least three anthrax-laced letters — one to Daschle, the second to NBC News anchor Tom Brokaw and the third to the New York Post.

Still later, officials in Montgomery County, Md., said they were checking three postal workers from Brentwood for possible anthrax symptoms at a local hospital. And state officials in Towson, Md., said one patient at a separate hospital is suspected to have the disease.

The FBI released copies of the spiked letters mailed to Daschle, Brokaw and the New York Post. All three contained anti-American and anti-Israeli messages.

"You can not stop us. We have this anthrax. You die now. Are you afraid? Death to America. Death to Israel. Allah is great," said the letter to Daschle.

The discovery of that letter last week touched off the anthrax scare on Capitol Hill that has yet to abate.



Hazardous materials crew wash off following anthrax investigations in the Longworth House Office Building in Washington, D.C. Tuesday. Chuck Kennedy/KRT Campus

## CELL

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planning of the Sept. 11 attack," Ashcroft said.

But he added that the fugitives were part of a network that also operated in the United States.

Bahaji, Binalshibh and Essabar "are all wanted for membership in a terrorist organization that has existed since at least 1999 in both Germany and the United States," said Ashcroft.

Schily declined to provide information about evidence developed in Germany that the three fugitives planned the Sept. 11 attacks, citing the investigation. Ashcroft said others probably also helped plot the attacks.

U.S. authorities have arrested or detained over 900 people in connection with the Sept. 11 attacks, but so far no one has been charged directly with plotting or participating in the attacks.

Asked why there have been no charges brought in the United States when German authorities have pinpointed three fugitives responsible for planning the attacks, Justice Department spokeswoman

Mindy Tucker said, "When we feel it's appropriate to bring charges against individuals, we will do so."

Ashcroft said 12 FBI agents have been assigned to various locations in Germany to assist in the investigation.

Ashcroft also said the Justice Department will release copies of anthrax-contaminated letters mailed to NBC's Tom Brokaw and Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, as well as the envelope used to mail another anthrax letter to the *New York Post*. But he said authorities don't have the evidence to link the anthrax letters to the Sept. 11 attacks.

"We must say we failed to see it" beforehand, Schily, the German minister, said of the attacks on New York and Washington. "But to be very open-minded" about it, "we altogether failed. ... We have to re-examine our security system."

Schily said Monday that foreign exchange companies operating globally could have been used by terrorists. He would not name specific companies but urged money exchange firms to cooperate.

"I don't want to mention some names, but it also includes the role of some companies doing the ex-

change of money and delivering money. Maybe they are situated in the United States," said Schily, who oversees interior security in Germany, where several suspected hijackers lived and may have plotted the Sept. 11 hijackings. He was in Washington on Monday to meet with Bush administration officials.

A Saudi man who apparently holds a student pilot's license was arrested in Missouri on a bank fraud charge. The FBI has not tied Adel F. Badri to last month's attacks in which terrorists crashed airliners in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania.

In New Jersey a man detained following the attacks has been charged with lying to an FBI agent about checks he wrote and deposited into his bank account.

Mohammad Pervez lived with two other detainees, Mohammed Jaweed Azmath and Ayub Ali Khan. Investigators have taken particular interest in those two men since they were detained in Fort Worth, Texas, the day after the attacks, carrying hair dye, about \$5,000 in cash and box-cutting knives.

Pervez was accused of lying when he said he didn't know about certain checks and money orders

that moved in and out of his bank account, according to an Oct. 16 complaint filed in U.S. District Court in New York City by the FBI.

Badri was charged with bank fraud for cashing allegedly forged checks worth \$10,000, according to an FBI affidavit released by the Justice Department.

The checks were written on an account at Chevy Chase Bank in Maryland that had been closed. According to the FBI, the closed account's holder was Fatmah Ibrahim, a woman who Badri said lives in Virginia and works for a "specific organization in Washington, D.C." Badri denied writing the check for himself.

Authorities tracked down the organization and found no record of the woman, and a forgery expert said Badri wrote the checks, the FBI said.

Badri deposited the checks on Oct. 4 and 5. By Oct. 11 various checks and debit card charges totaling more than \$10,000 were incurred on his account, including a \$603 debit card purchase of a US Airways plane ticket, more than \$700 in cash withdrawals, a \$20 car rental charge and \$200 in payments for cellular phone service.

## DRILLING

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Whitley said, because drilling in existing areas would be a distraction.

Barr said the meeting was designed not to debate the issue, but instead to inform citizens about the processes of oil and natural gas drilling and its effects on a community. The meeting also discussed the importance of the oil and gas industry to Texas.

"As Texans, all of us have seen wells," Barr said. "Oil and gas drilling is part of our culture and heritage."

Assistant City Attorney Sarah Fullwider said the proposal is the city's way of making sure the best interests of all the parties involved are served. "The way we help protect everybody's interests is by creating guidelines," she said. "That is what this proposal will do."

The purpose of the proposal is to set limits and regulations for the safe use of operations involving oil and natural gas,

while protecting the public and utilizing mineral resources.

Fullwider said it is important to remember that the current proposal is just a draft.

"You have to realize this is not the proposal that will likely be adopted," she said. "The reason we are holding these meetings is so that we can come to some agreement on what needs to be done to meet everyone's needs."

The legal department will now take into consideration the questions and concerns raised Monday to aid in writing a final proposal for the city council to consider. The city attorney's office expects to have the revisions completed by Nov. 13.

Public hearings on the proposed oil and gas ordinance will be held Nov. 20 and Nov. 27 and Dec. 4 if needed, Fullwider said. The times and locations for the hearings have not been decided.

The legal department expects an oil and gas ordinance to be adopted by the city council at its Dec. 4 meeting.

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## TALIBAN

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the ruling Taliban regime's air defenses and communications. As a result, he said, the Taliban and al-Qaeda are dispersing what's left of their forces "to save them."

Stufflebeem also cast doubt on the possibility of ending the air campaign before winter.

"We don't think that's realistic," he said.

U.S. officials have said repeatedly through 17 days of bombing in Afghanistan that care is taken to avoid striking targets that may result in in-

advertent civilian casualties. But on Tuesday the Pentagon acknowledged two instances over the weekend in which errant bombs apparently hit civilian areas.

On Sunday morning Afghanistan time, a Navy F-14 Tomcat dropped two 500-pound bombs that mistakenly hit a residential area northwest of Kabul, the Afghan capital, Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke told a news conference. The intended targets were military vehicles parked about one-half mile away. She said she did not know how many people may have been hurt or killed.

In the second instance late Sunday afternoon, a Navy F/A-18 Hornet

dropped a 1,000-pound bomb in an open field near a senior citizens home outside the western city of Herat, Clarke said. The intended target was a vehicle storage building at an army barracks approximately 300 feet from the facility. Preliminary indications are that the weapon's guidance system malfunctioned, she said.

Clarke said she was not certain whether the second incident corresponded to one reported by the United Nations, which said U.S. bombs hit a military hospital near Herat. The Taliban had said a strike Monday hit a Herat hospital and killed at least 100 people. U.N. spokeswoman Stephanie Bunker said it was not clear whether

the military hospital was in use and she had no information on casualties.

"As we always say, we regret any loss of civilian life," she said. "U.S. forces are intentionally striking only military and terrorist targets. We take great care in our targeting process to avoid civilian casualties."

The Pentagon also disclosed new details about a mishap during Saturday's commando raids into Afghanistan, in which an airfield was seized and documents taken from a Taliban compound that included a residence of Taliban leader Mullah Mohammed Omar.

An Army MH-47 special operations helicopter struck an unknown barrier

while it was taking off from Afghanistan after the raid, shearing off its front landing gear, Clarke said. It continued the flight without incident and returned safely to an undisclosed base. No one aboard was injured, she said.

The chopper's wheels were displayed on television by the Taliban, which claimed to have shot down an American helicopter and foiled Saturday's raid.

MH-47 helicopters are flown by the Army's 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, which specializes in low-level night operations in support of Army Rangers and Special Forces soldiers. The Pentagon acknowledged that Rangers and other special opera-

tions forces were involved in Saturday's raids, but it had not specifically mentioned the 160th, whose soldiers call themselves "night stalkers."

The Pentagon also disclosed that on Saturday a U.S. helicopter that had picked up a crippled Army Black Hawk helicopter that had crashed hours earlier in Pakistan came under hostile fire while refueling at a Pakistani airfield. Clarke would not say where the chopper was when it met gunfire. She said it aborted the refueling, returned fire and left the area. There were no U.S. casualties, she said.

Clarke said a subsequent effort to recover the crippled Black Hawk was under way on Tuesday.

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# Republicans hold up appropriation bill

By Jesse J. Holland  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Republicans have again blocked a major appropriations bill, looking for Democratic assurances that more of President Bush's judicial nominees will be confirmed before the end of the year.

Senate Majority Leader Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., tried to force GOP senators to move forward with the foreign aid appropriation bill Tuesday but could not find the 60 votes. Democrats hold a 50-49-1 edge.

Republicans say Democrats are deliberately holding up Bush's nominees this year, a charge that Democrats made against the GOP-controlled Senate last year under former President Clinton.

The Senate has approved eight judges this year, with more than 50 nominees still pending. There are 110 vacancies in the federal judiciary system, including 39 positions that have been open so long the courts have classified them as "judicial emergencies."

To pressure Democrats to approve more judges, Republicans have been holding up the Senate's consideration of the foreign aid bill. It is one of the 13 spending bills that were supposed to be finished by Oct. 1, the beginning of the government's fiscal year, but were not.

The government is operating in the meantime under the same priorities established by Clinton and lawmakers a year ago.

"We have to fulfill our responsibilities as the United States Senate and take action on these nominees," said Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., a leader of the Republican blockade. "And until we're able to do that, it is our view that we should call a time-out on other certain portions of the Senate business so that we have the ability to take those nominations up and bring them to the floor."

Democrats say they're moving as fast as they can. Four more U.S. District judge nominees were to be voted on Tuesday and two U.S. Appeals Court nominees are pending in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Senior Democrats have criticized Republicans for linking the foreign

aid bill to more judicial confirmations. "I don't see why appropriations should be held up because of nominations," said Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., who chairs the Appropriations Committee. "What does the one have to do with the other?"

Democrats say holding up the foreign aid appropriations bill could hurt America's efforts to fight terrorism overseas.

The foreign aid bill has "hundreds of millions of dollars to reduce poverty for basic education, housing and other efforts in the poorest countries, which helps eradicate breeding grounds for terrorists," said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev. "For them to tell us that we can do it later is pure poppycock."

# Pillsbury merges with General Mills

By Frederic J. Frommer  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A business marriage of the Pillsbury Doughboy and Betty Crocker moved ahead Tuesday when the Federal Trade Commission deadlocked on approving General Mills Inc.'s \$11.4 billion purchase of Pillsbury Co.

A government source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the FTC vote was 2-2. Typically, a merger proceeds unless the FTC votes to block it, the source said.

The purchase of Pillsbury from Diageo PLC, a London-based food and drinks conglomerate, creates the world's fifth-largest packaged food company.

Pillsbury, symbolized worldwide by the Pillsbury Doughboy, is the No. 1 producer of refrigerated doughs in the United States. It also makes Green Giant vegetables, Haagen-Dazs ice cream, Old El Paso Mexican foods and Progresso soups.

General Mills is the nation's No. 1 cereal maker, including Cheerios, Lucky Charms, Trix and Wheaties. It also makes Yoplait and Columbo yogurt, Betty Crocker dessert mixes, Hamburger Helper, Bisquick and snacks such as Chex Mix and Pop Secret popcorn.

Under the deal, General Mills would nearly double its annual sales to about \$13 billion, but still would

be dwarfed by Nestle SA, which at \$50 billion is the packaged food industry's largest company.

Shares of General Mills closed Tuesday up 5 cents to \$43.20 in trading on the New York Stock Exchange. U.S. shares of Diageo fell \$1 to \$39.20 in trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

"The Pillsbury brands really take General Mills into other areas of the grocery store," said Leonard Teitlebaum, a food analyst with Merrill Lynch & Co. in New York.

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—Leonard Teitlebaum, food analyst with Merrill Lynch & Co.

# O.J. Simpson testifies in his road rage trial

By Catherine Wilson  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI — O.J. Simpson testified in his road rage trial Tuesday that the other driver lied about the confrontation, prompting the prosecutor to ask the former football star whether he has ever lied or been aggressive.

The defense rested after Simpson, the sole defense witness, ended about three hours of cross-examination over two days in his trial on auto burglary and battery charges. He could get up to 16 years in prison if convicted.

The prosecution rested after calling a detective who took Simpson's statement the night after the encounter, and the judge told jurors to return for closing arguments Wednesday.

In response to prosecution questions about his believability, Simpson said he can be convincing but filled

the courtroom with laughter when he said: "I don't think I've ever been accused of being an actor."

Prosecutor Abbe Rifkin asked if Simpson ever called himself a liar or would lie "especially if your life depended on it."

Simpson, 54, responded: "I've never been put in that position to have to lie with my life on the line."

Rifkin also asked Simpson if he's ever been aggressive, but Circuit Judge Dennis Murphy cut off questioning in an area that was getting close to Simpson's relationship with his ex-wife. Simpson was acquitted in his criminal trial of killing Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman but was found liable in a civil trial to pay \$33.5 million for their deaths.

The judge barred a substitute question about whether Simpson has been aggressive "in a situation

with another vehicle on the road."

Aside from being on the same street at the same time on Dec. 4 in their neighborhood in suburban Kendall, the drivers in the road-rage trial gave drastically different accounts of their nighttime encounter.

Simpson said the confrontation began after he rolled through a stop sign while the other driver, Jeffrey Pattinson, was approaching the intersection from another direction. Pattinson said he had to brake hard twice to avoid hitting Simpson.

With both men out of their SUVs, Simpson said Pattinson "just puffed up like a bullfrog, got animated and just went off." Pattinson testified that he stayed in his vehicle, that Simpson stormed at him, shouting, and that he asked Simpson if he was "a madman or something."

Simpson accused Pattinson of ly-

ing about staying in his car with his eyeglasses on. Pattinson said Simpson grabbed his eyeglasses off his head as he sat at his steering wheel. Simpson said both drivers got out and Pattinson had his eyeglasses in his hand.

Simpson's explanation for getting his thumbprint on Pattinson's glasses was that he raised his arms and must have brushed against them as he ended a 30-second, profanity-laced shouting match with Pattinson.

In retrospect, Simpson testified: "I was upset with myself that I stopped. ... It was wrong for me to stop, but the guy made it impossible for me to drive."

Simpson said Pattinson kept his high beams on and laid on his horn. Pattinson said he honked and flashed his lights once, maybe twice, to get Simpson to pull over and stop.

## COUNSEL

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students," Wood said. "He deals with more serious issues than traffic tickets."

Students with legal concerns are often referred to the Campus Life office, where they are notified of the attorney services available, Wood said.

Munford said he has been offering advice to TCU students since 1995,

after he inherited the position when attorney Tom Lowe became a district judge in 1994.

Munford specializes in family law, but was hired by SGA to provide services to students needing legal guidance, Markley said.

"The intent was to allow students to have some legal consult on campus if they were running into problems they needed to deal with," Markley said. "He can do a lot of things to assist students if they are in

a legal bind and it makes it an easier situation for students to have access to it."

Markley said Munford is often busy for the full hour and a half he is available.

Munford said he deals primarily with issues involving rent, traffic violations, minors in possession and the Texas Alcohol and Beverage Commission.

"I will spend whatever time a student needs to explain whatever prob-

lems they have or what their rights may be," Munford said. "It gives students the opportunity to talk to a lawyer and understand the legal system."

Munford said he will also meet with students in his east Fort Worth office. "This environment (SGA office) is not as conducive to the one-on-one conference that you can get at the office, although it is just as confidential and private," Munford said.

Munford said students can also

hire him for legal purposes.

Freshman speech communication major Kristin Wallner fully supports the service.

"It allows students to get advice from a professional that they would normally have to pay for," Wallner said. "Also, you can receive the service without having to tell your parents."

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## Horoscopes

**♈** **Aries** (March 21-April 19) - A grandiose scheme you and your friends put together needs work. It needs money, too. Luckily, you're creative. If you put your heads together, you can solve any problem, but it may take until tomorrow.

**♉** **Taurus** (April 20-May 20) - Take a moment to reflect on what you've achieved and what you'd like to accomplish next. Would you like to take on more responsibility? Get rid of some? Formulate your plan.

**♊** **Gemini** (May 21-June 21) - A distant contact can help you make a dream come true. You can learn something you've always wanted to know but were afraid to ask about. Something that was unintelligible is about to start making sense. Keep pestering one who knows.

**♋** **Cancer** (June 22-July 22) - Hustle and bustle around. Fix what you can and throw out what you can't. Go shopping and buy new stuff. You've put up with enough over the years. Wherever possible, stop putting up with it.

**♌** **Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) - You'd like to do everything just to make sure it's done right. However, this noble aspiration is impractical. It's much wiser to find an experienced person to take over some of your tasks - now.

**♍** **Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Looks like your workload is increasing. Did you take on a new assignment? Does it sound like fun? How about that raise you were promised? If it doesn't show up on its own, ask. Same goes for the extra work.

**♎** **Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - You're cruising at top speed again. Watch out, world! Romance could temporarily clash with your business objectives, though. Just remember not to be late returning from breaks and lunch, and you'll continue to win in both business and pleasure.

**♏** **Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Keep a low profile. Take care of domestic issues, with the objective of settling into a workable routine. If something at home needs fixing, get it done. If a roommate has a complaint, listen. You might find a way to fix that, too.

**♐** **Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Did you know that Sagittarius is one of the signs representing higher education? Another is Aquarius, which is where the moon is now. That might explain your growing curiosity. The problem you're trying to solve is beyond your old capabilities, so stretch yourself.

**♑** **Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Now is the time to increase your wealth. You've done the groundwork already. Just ask.

**♒** **Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Your loved ones have faith that you'll succeed, but you may wonder at times. Sometimes each person's greatest talent can also be the area where he or she has the most difficulty. The key to success isn't talent; it's persistence. You have a double dose of that, and you will prevail.

**♓** **Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) - Time to wrap up a domestic project. If you push, you can finish tomorrow. Give yourself that much time, because things won't go according to plan.

**Purple Poll** **Q:** Do you know who your SGA representative is?

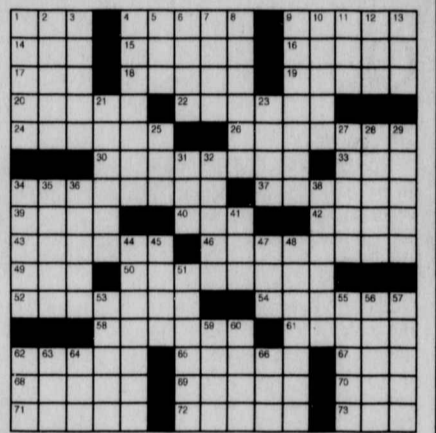


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29 71

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## Crossword

- ACROSS**  
1 Suitable  
4 Serious play  
9 Brilliance  
14 King of France  
15 Roof overhang  
16 "Jerry Maguire" director Cameron  
17 Important time  
18 Wading bird  
19 Rubber base  
20 Farm measures  
22 Muscle woe  
24 Ownership interests  
26 Seems  
30 Elements of a class  
33 Tatami  
34 Windy  
37 Craving  
39 Kent's love  
40 Play part  
42 "A Death in the Family" author  
43 Lead-ins  
46 Amen  
49 Skater Babilonia  
50 Singer Clooney  
52 Immense number  
54 Dig more  
58 Convert into charged particles  
61 Cry of appreciation  
62 Really mean  
65 Seasonal song  
67 Tap gently  
68 Cleanse  
69 Stiletto or dagger  
70 Citrus cooler  
71 "\_\_\_ of God"  
72 Religious factions  
73 Tie the knot



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## Yesterday's Solutions

- DOWN**  
1 Quarters  
2 Veranda  
3 Small crown  
4 Tart or torte  
5 Snitch  
6 Rara  
7 Thaw  
8 Of the stars  
9 Fall into obscurity  
10 Frasier's last  
11 Destiny  
12 Wonderment  
13 John Ritter's dad  
21 Pencil end  
23 Mimicked  
25 Fr. holy woman  
27 Barcelona buddy  
28 Fewer and farther between  
29 Mighty mount  
31 A Gershwin sequence  
32 Periodical campaign  
35 Veranda  
36 Up to the time of  
38 Finn's friend  
41 "o-shanter  
44 Baltimore birds  
45 Anon  
47 Dispirited  
48 Increases from four to 12  
51 Snips  
53 Feudal lord  
55 Yellow-fleshed fruit  
56 Get around  
57 Paid head to  
59 Westerns writer Grey  
60 Stoltz of "Mask"  
62 Figs expert  
63 Obvious toupee  
64 Coffee server  
66 Frequently, in a poem

## Lex



Phil Flickinger

## K Chronicles

Kieth Knight



## Academia Nuts

John P. Araujo and Correy Jefferson



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