

**Set to rebuild**

The men's tennis team is set on rebuilding a team that departed three All-Americans from a Final Four team last year.  
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**Bread basket**

From dinner rolls to sourdough baguettes, bread is a staple of the American diet and an obsession of the people.  
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Thursday, October 25, 2001

Fort Worth, Texas

**TCU Police, university continue drug investigation**

By James Zwilling  
STAFF REPORTER

Investigations by Campus Life and TCU Police continued today following the suspensions of three Brachman Hall residents found with drugs in their residence hall rooms Monday, TCU officials said.

TCU Assistant Police Chief J.C. Williams said about four to five ounces of marijuana was obtained as

evidence after an administrative inspection was completed by Campus Life.

Mike Russel, associate dean of campus life, said other drugs were found as well, although they had not yet been identified.

Russel said the male and female residents suspended will face a hearing within two weeks to determine university action against them. Cam-

pus Life did not release their names.

Penalties could range up to expulsion, Russel said.

A Fort Worth Police Department official said possession of four to five ounces of marijuana could carry penalties anywhere from a Class A misdemeanor to a felony with jail time depending on the circumstances in which it was found.

Williams said no criminal charges

have been filed against the students at this time, but the department is conducting an investigation. Williams said he does not expect criminal charges to be filed. Although Campus Life and the TCU Police are conducting independent investigations, Williams said both parties are cooperating with one another.

"We'll examine the information and if it leads to other persons, or to gain

more information, we will pursue charges," he said.

Williams said TCU Police did not participate in the actual search of the rooms because they did not have enough information to obtain a search warrant.

In order to obtain a search warrant for instance, Williams said, officers would either have to witness a drug deal or have drugs sold to a narcotics

officer. Williams said information needed in order to obtain a search warrant in suspected drug cases, could include officers witnessing a drug transaction or narcotics officers participating in a drug sale. TCU Police had no such evidence in this particular case.

Without that evidence, Williams said, it would be unlikely that the district attorney would prosecute.

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**CAMPUS BRIEFS**

**SGA officers must file for election by Oct. 13**

Student Government Association officer candidates have until Oct. 31 to file for an office to run for SGA president or House of Student Representatives vice president.

Programming Council Students will vote in an online election on Nov. 13.

Elections and Regulations committee chairperson John Billingsley held the first informational meeting yesterday and will conduct another Monday, Oct. 29 outlining the election code, which specifies campaign rules and regulations, and informing potential candidates of officer duties and responsibilities.

In order to run for an officer position, a student must have completed 30 or 60 hours with a 2.5 GPA and be a full-time student. Students applying for president do not need to have any past SGA experience.

Positions for parliamentarian, administrative assistant and chaplain are appointed by the new House vice president.

All positions are for a full year, beginning in January.

**COLLEGE BRIEFS**

**Dating abuse common form of student violence**

WASHINGTON (U-WIRE) — Dating abuse is the most common form of violence on campus today, according to the Feminist Majority Foundation, a group focusing on domestic violence awareness during the month of October.

One in three women are victims of dating abuse, not including cases of sexual abuse according to the foundation. On Oct. 17, the group held a forum at George Washington University to open a dialogue about what they consider to be a vast number of college students who are in abusive relationships.

— The Hatchet

**JUST KICKIN' IT**



TCU Soul Steppers show some flavor as they perform a routine in the Student Center lounge Wednesday night.

**FBI continues search for anthrax**

By Karen Gullo  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — No link has been established between the Sept. 11 hijackings and anthrax attacks that were meant to terrorize the nation, FBI Director Robert Mueller said Wednesday.

Mueller assured the nation's mayors the bureau has assigned unprecedented resources — one of every four employees — to the hijacking and anthrax investigations.

"At this point it is not clear if the few confirmed anthrax exposures were motivated by organized terrorism," Mueller told the U.S. Conference of Mayors. "But these attacks were clearly meant to terrorize a country already on the edge."

The director said more than 7,000 FBI personnel are conducting the investigations.

Three anthrax-tainted letters made public Tuesday included the words "Death to America" and the date "09-11-01" at the top, indicating the anthrax incidents were coordinated.

The Justice Department released copies as it sought help from the public in identifying those responsible for the mail attacks that have killed three people and possibly infected more than a dozen others.

The letters have other similarities suggesting anthrax attacks in New York, Washington and Florida were an organized

effort. The strain of anthrax found in two letters and bacteria found at a Florida publishing company were similar. And the three letters were all postmarked from Trenton, N.J.

Letters sent to NBC News anchorman Tom Brokaw and the *New York Post* appeared identical. Both warned recipients to "Take penicillin now," with penicillin misspelled, and also said, "Death to America,"

"Death to Israel" and "Allah is Great."

The envelope that contained the *New York Post* letter was written in the same sort of

block letters, slanted to the right, as two envelopes addressed to Brokaw and Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, released earlier.

The letter to Daschle contained seven lines written in block letters similar to the other two. "You can not stop us. We have this anthrax. You die now. Are you afraid? Death to America. Death to Israel. Allah is great."

Atop all three notes was the date "09-11-01" in identical handwriting. The envelopes to Brokaw and the newspaper were postmarked Sept. 18. The Daschle letter was postmarked Oct. 9.

Attorney General John Ashcroft said investigators hoped to develop new leads by releasing photographs of the

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*Postmaster General  
John F. Potter Wednesday  
urged Americans to wash  
their hands after  
handling their mail.*

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**University makes efforts to clean up trash in Worth Hills pond**

By Sam Eaton  
STAFF REPORTER

Junior pre-major Kevin Brandon looked out his dorm room window last spring and saw a bird at the Worth Hills pond surrounded by trash. The experience inspired Brandon, brotherhood chairman for Delta Tau Delta, to organize a pond clean-up.

What Brandon experienced has become an albatross for TCU. Despite efforts by the Physical Plant, Fort Worth storm drains and TCU fraternities/sororities pile up the trash.

While they may disagree on the source, Physical Plant officials agree the pond needs to be kept clean.

Physical Plant Administrator Will Stallworth said pond maintenance is a continual process.

"We can't keep up with all the trash the fraternities put in there," Stallworth said. "The fraternities throw trash in there at the end of the year. You can find bed frames, grocery carts and furniture. We've taken some brand-new furniture out of there."

Robert Sulak, assistant director for

landscaping and grounds for the Physical Plant, said trash is a problem around the pond and much of it is from TCU.

"(The pond) is a part of the city drainage, so after it rains, a lot of trash comes down to the pond," Sulak said. "The dormitories and the activities around the intramural fields also leave a lot of trash."

Some fraternities said they do not throw trash in the pond. Phi Delta Theta President Jimmy Echols, whose fraternity house sits beside pond, said he has never seen large pieces of trash being

dumped into the pond by students.

"I've seen some littering," Echols said. "However, I've never seen anyone throw furniture or things of that nature into the pond."

Regardless of the cause, along with 30 members of his fraternity, Brandon cleaned up the pond Sunday. He said the fraternity filled up five trash bags full of garbage on Sunday, and also threw away big pieces of trash.

"We got some big, heavy stuff hauled out of there," Brandon said. "There was actually some junk out

there like concrete blocks, boxes, and plastic that looked like it was from TCU."

While Brandon was concerned about trash around the pond, some students are indifferent about the trash.

Not all students think the trash is a problem.

Sophomore business major and Sigma Alpha Epsilon member David Peterson, whose fraternity dorm room overlooks the pond, said he didn't think trash around the lake was a problem.

"The lake is trashy, but not too bad,"

Peterson said. "TCU could spend money on other things besides trying to clean it up."

Jim Weller, Physical Plant director of major projects, said TCU needs to clean up its mess, even if some of the trash comes from off campus.

"That whole drain system is city drainage," Weller said. "It's on our property, and we've got some responsibility to keep it clean."

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**SWEET TREATS**



TCU faculty and staff bring their children to see the sights and collect goodies Wednesday night at the annual Colby Halloween.

**Bear market bites TCU endowment**

Losses may cause decrease in spending, officials confident in recovery

By John-Mark Day  
STAFF REPORTER

A downturn in the stock market that began in Spring 2000 has vaporized \$89 million from the TCU endowment, forcing the university to re-examine investment and spending policies for the coming future.

The most recent economic slump, brought on by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, did little harm to the endowment, university officials said. By that time the endowment had already been moved

into a defensive position, Carol Campbell, vice chancellor for finance and business said Wednesday.

Campbell said 10 percent of the endowment had been moved from the stock market and re-invested to absolute return strategies, such as bonds and other interest-bearing securities, after posting an \$89 million loss in the 2000-2001 business year.

"Absolute return strategies generate positive return no matter what the market does," Campbell

said. The endowment constitutes a trust of financial holdings of the university, both landed and monetary. As a part of each annual budget, TCU spends a portion of the returns generated on the part of the endowment invested.

"You plan never to spend the original body of money," she said. "You generate sufficient returns that you'll be able to cover your spending and cover inflation."

For the June 1999 to June 2000 business year, the endowment was

\$922 million, but by June 2001 it fell to \$839 million, Campbell said. As a result of the losses, more of the endowment was allocated into bonds and other guaranteed investments.

Nationwide, the top 25 university endowments are over \$1 billion, *The Chronicle of Higher Education* reported. Harvard University has the highest endowment (\$18.3 billion, while TCU's endowment of \$839 million puts

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**The Juice is loose**  
A Miami jury acquitted O.J. Simpson Wednesday of a hit and run incident.

**Today in history**  
1955 — The microwave oven was introduced at a price of \$1,200. It cooked eggs in 22 seconds and bacon in 90.

# CAMPUS LINES

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

Programming Council is hosting an information meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Student Center, room 222, for students interested in applying for an executive position. Applications will be available at the Student Center Information Desk starting Friday. 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. This certification is a great addition to your resume. 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.

Complete the online student survey before Halloween and be entered into a drawing for prizes worth \$2,500, credited to your TCU account. A link to the survey was mailed to all student e-mail accounts Wednesday. If you have difficulty with opening the survey, please call the TCU Help Desk (817) 257-6855.

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, Up 'til Dawn director, at (817) 926-2415.

Applications for the Washington Internship Program are now available. The deadline to turn in applications is Nov. 5. For more information, call (817) 257-7395.

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# WORLD DIGEST



## Turkey revising male-dominated civil code gain EU admission

ANKARA, Turkey — Under Turkish law, the man is head of the family and the woman must seek her husband's permission in order to work. But that could be history soon.

Vying for membership of the European Union, Turkey is finally revising its 75-year-old civil code to advance women's rights. Parliament began debating a new code Wednesday and is expected to vote on it later this month.

To join the 15-member EU, a country has to be a democracy and have a free-market economy. It has to reform its legislation using an EU manual of tens of thousands of pages.

Some of the provisions of Turkey's old code — like the one requiring wives to seek their husbands' permission to work — are rarely invoked. But women's groups say the code was influential in shaping attitudes in the judiciary and among the public, especially in poorer rural areas.

"The old code was the husbands' code," said Nukhet Sirman of KADER, a group that aims to promote women in politics. "The new code, at long last, formally recognizes that men and women are equals."

If the changes are passed, they would take effect Jan. 1, 2002, after endorsement by President Ahmet Necdet Sezer.

Although women's groups say the new code can be improved further, they also welcome it for the advances it makes on the old code, which is virtually unchanged since it was adopted in 1926.

Turkey adopted its old code from Swiss family law, replacing the old Ottoman system which, for example, allowed a man to have more than one wife or to repudiate a wife who was no longer in favor.

"It was the most modern code of its time, but it has been eroded with time and no longer meets our social needs," said Kudret Guven, professor of law at Ankara's Gazi University.

The draft of the new code scraps the phrase "the head of the marriage union is the man," giving women the right to have a say in decisions concerning the children or the family home. She no longer needs a husband's consent to go out to work. But a person could ask his or her spouse not to take up a job that would disrupt "calm in the marriage union."

"People and societies change constantly and countries have to pass laws to reflect those changes," said nationalist lawmaker Ismail Kose in opening remarks to the assembly. "It is a significant deficiency that the changes weren't made earlier."

The code also ensures that women are better off if there is a divorce, guaranteeing that all assets accumulated during the union are shared equally. Currently, a divorced woman is only entitled to assets legally registered under her name.

On Wednesday, representatives of a dozen

women's groups lobbied politicians in parliament to ensure that the equal sharing of assets is valid for all divorced couples. The women fear lawmakers could restrict that law to couples who marry after January 2002.

## Ten die in Swiss tunnel fire, death numbers expected to rise

AIROLO, Switzerland — Fire spewed thick black smoke in one of the world's longest road tunnels after two trucks crashed head-on Wednesday, trapping motorists. At least 10 people died, police said.

Intense heat and smoke kept rescuers from reaching the crash site for hours, and the death toll was expected to rise, said Benno Buehlmann, chief of Uri state's chemical department.

Many motorists and truckers managed to reach emergency exits on the more than 10-mile-long Gotthard Tunnel, which cuts through the Swiss Alps and is a key connection between northern and southern Europe.

"Without the safety shelters, we would have many more victims on our hands," Buehlmann said.

The 10 dead included one of the truck drivers, said Mario Ritter, spokesman for Ticino state police.

The surviving driver, Bruno Saba, told reporters he was heading south when he saw the other truck veer out of control, smash into his vehicle and then slam into the tunnel wall, trapping the driver in his cab a mile from the southern exit.

"I was able to climb out and help other people escape," Saba said.

Rescue workers were deployed within a minute of the Wednesday morning crash as thick smoke fueled by a load of tires on one of the trucks billowed out of the tunnel, officials said.

"Suddenly there was smoke and I couldn't see anything," truck driver Marco Frischknecht told Swiss television from his hospital bed. "I tried to reverse, but there were so many people I had to give up."

Frischknecht, who drives through the tunnel every day, said he abandoned his car immediately. "I felt my way along the wall until I got to the emergency exit," he said through an oxygen mask.

Some died trying to reach the shelters or in their cars, authorities said. But "many people were able to escape," Swiss President Moritz Leuenberger said, thanks to the tunnel's ventilation system and emergency exits and shelters positioned every 250 yards.

Others were able to turn their cars around and drive out of the single-bore, two-lane tunnel, police said. Once the cars were cleared, a number of trucks were able to back out.

Six people were treated for smoke inhalation, officials said.

Officials said it would take days before they

could reopen the tunnel.

Built in 1980, the Gotthard has had increased traffic since a 1999 fire forced the closure of the Mont Blanc tunnel between France and Italy. That tunnel blaze killed 39 people. Repair work on the Mont Blanc Tunnel began last year, and it could be open again within months.

In May 1999, two months after the Mont Blanc accident, 12 people died in the Tauern Tunnel near Salzburg, Austria, after a truck plowed into the back of a car, setting off a chain of explosions.

Gotthard was the longest road tunnel in the world until Norway opened its 15-mile Laerdal Tunnel last year. More than 1.2 million trucks and millions more vacationers passed through the Gotthard last year.

## Ukraine fires defense minister, over Oct. 4 missile incident

KIEV, Ukraine — Ukraine's defense minister was fired Wednesday over the downing of a Russian jetliner by a Ukrainian missile.

President Leonid Kuchma announced the dismissal of Oleksandr Kuzmuk and two of his top aides in a speech on national television.

The Tu-154 airliner crashed into the Black Sea on Oct. 4 on its way from Israel to the Siberian city of Novosibirsk, killing all 78 people aboard.

Russian authorities at first suspected terrorism, but U.S. military officials said shortly after the crash they believed the plane was accidentally hit by a Ukrainian missile fired during training exercises.

Ukrainian military officials at first denied responsibility. But later Kuzmuk admitted that he never had any doubts the plane was hit by a S-200 missile and said he submitted his resignation quickly after the accident.

Kuchma had said he was waiting for the final results of a government commission investigating the crash before making a decision on Kuzmuk.

Other officials dismissed include Kuzmuk's deputy and chief of air defenses Volodymyr Tkachov and Volodymyr Diakov, commander of the military training ground, where the missile was launched.

Kuzmuk is popular in Ukraine but had been under some pressure to resign ever since a separate missile accident. In April 2000, a defective missile fired during exercises slammed into an apartment building near Kiev, killing three people.

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### Our views

## LOUD & CLEAR

### Candidates need to focus on issues

Thanksgiving break is around the corner, and soon after that there will be finals and Winter break. But before we can look forward to the welcomed respite from classes, students need to focus on electing Student Government Association officers for the new year.

For the past few years, SGA elections have been met with complete student apathy. This profound lack of interest stretches beyond the pathetic response from the students on voting day. In some positions, only one candidate seeks office, limiting the quality of that office. Despite a limited pool of possible officers, students rarely know what the candidates want to accomplish during their term in office.

The students willing to take up the noble goal of running for a position have another goal they need to accomplish during the process of the campaign: State your goals loud and clear.

Rhetoric comes with game of politics, but the student body needs to know what platforms the candidates are supporting.

Every candidate should be interested in students' concerns and that needs to continue throughout the term, but it is not a good enough reason to run for office. Candidates need to start their campaign having already listened to their constituents and must be ready to fight for them. It should not work the other way around.

A solid stance on issues will create a better campaign and will make for a more successful term in office. Support should be given to candidates who are sure of what they want to accomplish, not based on popularity alone.

Students want officers who will be proactive and notice problems before they grow bigger. They do not want officers to face a problem after being swamped with complaints because they waited until students talked to them.

Prospective candidates should already be listening to what concerns students. SGA should always be aware of other concerns besides Sodexo shortcomings, parking problems and visitation hours.

So if you've got what it takes, SGA is accepting applications until Wednesday. But remember that it takes more than a good listener to be a campus leader.

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## Policies drove attacks, U.S. needs to learn

**O**ver the past weeks, Americans have almost unanimously approved of President George W. Bush's bombing of Afghanistan. This strong reaction to the terror of Sept. 11 is both natural and justified. But there has been a disturbing tendency in the past several weeks to avoid any discussion of the direction of America's foreign policy before this generation lost its innocence.

**Commentary**  
**David M. DeBartolo**

Any attempt to explore the source of anger that drives many in the Arab world to condemn our military action as "terror" is immediately decry as a perverse attempt to justify the acts of those fanatical, suicidal pilots. Indeed, nothing can justify the wholesale slaughter of thousands of innocent civilians. No one killed in the attack was responsible for whatever these terrorists hated about America, yet they were held accountable — we were all held accountable. But this tragedy must not prevent

us from examining the way America has treated the world, and the way the world sees us, in the post-Cold War era. Terrorists are filled with uncompromising, blind rage, but their hate does not spring groundless from the sand of the desert.

To a lesser degree, many other Arabs share this hate for Americans. It can be seen every time President Bush is burned in effigy, every time thousands of people take to the streets to support Osama bin Laden or to protest the bombing in Afghanistan.

This widespread anger stems from several sources. The sanctions on Iraq since the Gulf War are seen as crimes, causing the deaths of countless Iraqi children, who themselves bore no responsibility for Saddam Hussein's evil actions or his refusal to trade oil for food.

But whether we like it or not, America's support of Israel is the overriding factor in the minds of most Arabs.

America, of course, holds a great deal of leverage over Israel, and the planes and helicopters that maintain Israel's military advantage were made in the USA. Congress gives

over \$2.8 billion to Israel every year. To young Palestinians growing up in squalid refugee camps, the injustice must seem unbearable.

And of course the argument isn't one-sided; it never is. Palestinian acts of terror in past years, including the assassination of Israeli politician Rehavam Ze'evi last Tuesday, are reprehensible. Americans now know the fear in which Israelis live on a daily basis.

Israel has not known a single act so terrible as that which occurred Sept. 11, but the constant, omnipresent fear of a lone man in a marketplace killing himself to annihilate anyone nearby may be even more terrifying.

There is a limited amount that the United States can do to help resolve this apparently insoluble problem. But as one of the few countries that does have significant leverage — especially with the Israelis — we have a duty and obligation to try. When the Bush administration declared earlier this year that it would not actively try to bring Israel and the Palestinian Authority to the bargaining table, many Arabs took that as an indica-

tion that the United States did not care about the Palestinians' plight.

Regardless of all that has happened in the past, the Palestinians are now undeniably in a position of weakness. Without American intervention, they cannot hope to win significant concessions from Israel. Though former President Clinton's efforts to find a compromise narrowly failed, at least he gave it his best shot.

Without studying the background of these issues, we can never hope to understand the feelings of both Israelis and Arabs. And without understanding those emotions, we can never formulate a just policy toward both Israelis and Palestinians.

This all-encompassing hatred of America came from somewhere. Now, more than ever, we must try to understand that anger, even if we strongly disagree with its premises.

After all, a terrorist isn't born; he's made.

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## TCU agencies bail out students

**I**t's Friday night at TCU. Every residence hall is bursting at the seams with students ready to take on the town, or just kick back and drink a little. Every student is searching for ways to blur out the week. No parents. No limits. No rules (or at least none we care to follow) and no classes in the morning. The college experience is about pushing the envelope, testing ourselves and living on the edge.

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**Jaime Walker**

No matter how well prepared we think we are for everything college has to offer, we are never quite ready for the freedom or the sensory overload. On the mundane end of the scale, we play our music too loudly or stay up way too late. Those students who walk the tightrope at the other end of the spectrum attempt dangerous stunts, drive too fast without wearing seat belts, often drink to excess, dabble in drugs or generally party into oblivion. Thank goodness our campus has established a few safety nets for our adventurous natures — the TCU Police Department, the Office of Campus Life, and the Alcohol and Drug Education Center. These agencies are in place for a number of reasons. They protect us from ourselves and from the price we would pay for our stupidity if

we act irrationally outside the bounds of TCU. They exist to protect the university from the ridicule it might face if the community understood our alcohol problems, our overwhelming social ignorance or our propensity for disorderly, sometimes violent conduct. And most importantly, the officials in these offices exert just enough parental-like influence over our on-campus time here.

If it wasn't for the fact the TCU Police are responsible for handling on-campus alcohol violations, the 223 people who were cited in 1999 and the 218 people who were cited in 2000 would have had to deal with the Fort Worth Police Department and maybe the Texas Alcohol and Beverage Commission.

Better to get a ticket and be ordered to perform community service than get booked in the city jail. No Friday night beverage extravaganza is worth a trip downtown.

That's not to say students shouldn't take the fact they are breaking the rules seriously. Underage drinking and providing alcohol to minors are both very serious offenses. We all know most college students drink. But if TCU students are going to get caught, it's better to get caught at TCU. Getting caught doing something wrong on campus usually means you get a slap on the wrist, as opposed to having someone slap on some cuffs. If you're going to push the limit a little too far, this is the place to make your mistakes. Just having an Alcohol and Drug Education Center is proof enough that TCU officials understand we

have a problem. Whether we deal well with the few hundred reported cases and the hundreds of unreported cases of alcohol and drug abuse adequately is another issue. If the "Just Say No" campaign didn't work for us growing up, what amount of education is going to help us now, when we are even more convinced we're invincible?

Regardless of whether their efforts are noticeably successful or not, the work these offices do is important. The Alcohol and Drug Education Center does valuable work to combat our negative and often reckless behavior. If their efforts make even a slight difference in one life, then it's worth it.

I'm also glad that Campus Life officials helps students cope not only with drug and alcohol issues, but also with some of the hard-hitting problems students face — death of parents, depression, roommates with dangerous habits, personal illness and others.

Attending college can be more fun than you ever imagined. But from time to time our own enjoyment gets the best of us. Students should be thankful not just for the liberation college offers but for the protection TCU offers.

We often gripe about the police, the rules and the bubble. However, when it comes down to it, in those moments we'd rather forget and the ones we can't remember anyway, we should be grateful for all three.

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## TCU should not coddle students

**I**t's not negotiable — if you're under 21 and caught with alcohol, you're in trouble.

But TCU officials want to bend the rules. They soften punishment if students are caught on campus, and in the end that only teach students to avoid responsibility.

First, let's avoid the argument of whether or not the drinking age should be 21. It's there, it's set, we're living with it. Given that fact, the issue is why TCU finds it necessary to bend the rules.

Texas state law clearly states that anyone underage caught drinking for the first time will pay a fine assessed by the court, perform between eight and 12 hours of community service and attend an alcohol awareness program.

For the second offense, and those thereafter, the fine is anywhere from \$250 to \$2,000 and the community service requirement shoots upward to 20 to 40 hours.

However, TCU wants to send a

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**Jonathan Sampson**

slightly different message. For a first offense on campus, students are fined only \$75 and told to attend an alcohol education program provided by TCU. On a second offense, the fine is raised to \$150, the alcohol education program remains and 20 hours of community service and a letter home is tacked on to the sentence.

Why does TCU choose to baby its students and hide them from the true consequences of their actions? Why do we have a set of rules that is similar to Texas laws, but less severe? Is it necessary? Is it beneficial?

If you're old enough to vote, get a job and fight in a war, then you're old enough to make decisions and accept the consequences.

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Students may be fond of the reduced penalties now, but it's because they feel they can get away with more this way. Different rules don't teach students life lessons in a sheltered setting; they show students they can practice potentially harmful behavior with the protection of a learning environment.

Resident Assistants on campus

write up students for alcohol violations almost every weekend, with the number of write-ups increasing around times like homecoming and the end of the semester. Most students just send the \$75 fine home and move on with life. Is this teaching true responsibility?

According to TCU's Bill of Student Rights and Responsibilities, "TCU has the responsibility of maintaining an educational environment conducive to academic achievement and at the same time helping young people grow into mature and responsible adults."

By sheltering them? The Bill of Student Rights is clear, but words are only as strong as the actions that back them up.

If TCU officials truly believe the words they put to paper, then they need to treat students like adults, allow them to make their own decisions and teach them to accept the consequences.

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# Miami jury sets loose the Juice as Simpson acquitted of hit and run

By Catherine Wilson  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI — O.J. Simpson was acquitted of all charges Wednesday after another motorist accused him of snatching his glasses and scratching his face during a roadside confrontation last year.

Simpson put his hand to his chest and mouthed 'thank you' as he nodded his head toward the jury. He then hugged his attorneys.

The 54-year-old Simpson had faced up to 16 years in jail had he been convicted of auto burglary and battery for the dispute with Jeffrey Pattinson in their suburban Miami neighborhood. The jury deliberated for about 90 minutes.

The two men offered vastly different accounts of what happened. Pattinson testified that Simpson ran a stop sign, then acted like "a madman" after Pattinson got him to pull

over by flashing his lights and honking his horn.

Simpson accused the other man of "sitting on his horn" and said he thought Pattinson was seeking an autograph or was trying to tell him about a problem with his car.

He denied reaching into Pattinson's car and said the two men confronted each other outside their vehicles.

He said Pattinson lied about stay-

ing in his car, which prompted the prosecutor to ask whether Simpson would ever lie. Simpson responded, "I've never been put in that position to have to lie with my life on the line."

During closing arguments, prosecutor Abbe Rifkin did everything but call Simpson a liar, saying the actor came out in him as he testified.

"He is a figment of his own imagination. He's a legend in his own mind," she said. "Mr. Simp-

son's story changes and evolves with time."

Defense attorney Yale Galanter said Pattinson had chased down Simpson to provoke a confrontation after Simpson turned in front of him at a stop sign.

"Pattinson became a vigilante," Galanter said. "He wants to play cop instead of calling a cop."

Simpson offered no explanation for the scratch on Pattinson's face

but explained his thumbprint on the glasses by saying it must have happened when he brushed them away as he broke off the 30-second, profanity-laced confrontation.

Simpson was cleared of criminal charges in the 1994 slayings of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman, but a civil jury later ordered him to pay \$33.5 million for their deaths. He moved to Florida last year.

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Williams said even if the TCU Police had conducted the search, charges may never have been filed.

"Prosecution has not been very strong for marijuana charges in Fort Worth," Williams said. "I think the overriding concern for safety was more important here. That's why Campus Life is handling the students involved. Our main priority is to create a safe, drug-free environment."

Russel said it was his office's goal to maintain student safety and therefore followed the guidelines of the Administrative Inspection

Policy which allows university officials to search on-campus housing.

Russel said his office was tipped off to the students' rooms by another TCU student and acted quickly to protect the safety of other students on campus.

"We were concerned that they would have amounts that would be (distributed)," he said.

Russel said the amount found is what his office considers an amount that could be distributed and it was important that these individuals were unable to distribute it.

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# Powell: No nation can dictate postwar govt.

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WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Colin Powell is ruling out a dominant role for Pakistan or any other nation in Afghanistan's postwar government.

Even the United States cannot run the South Asian country, Powell told the House International Relations Committee on Wednesday. "It won't work if any one country dictates what the future of the government will look like," Powell said.

Pakistan, next door to Taliban-ruled Afghanistan, has played a role in the U.S. conflict with the Taliban and the al-Qaida terrorism network. In the past, it has asserted its influence over its neighbor.

"The next government of Afghanistan cannot be dictated into being by Pakistan," he said. Rather, with the United Nations taking the lead, all of Afghanistan's neighbors, and also such countries as China and Russia, must be consulted, Powell said.

Before going to Capitol Hill, Powell plotted a postwar government in Afghanistan with chief ally Britain, while Canada sought to persuade the White House to streamline border security.

As Powell met with British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, he told reporters the aim was to put in place in Kabul "a broad-based government" and help the people of Afghanistan "get on a path of a better life in a post-Taliban regime."

Straw, in turn, said, "We've done a great deal of thinking on both sides of the Atlantic about the future of Afghanistan."

While its precise form is not clear, "I think we can see the building blocks that are necessary to secure a stable and safe future for that country," Straw said.

In an aside, the foreign secretary said it was instinctive for Britain to fight alongside the United States. On two occasions, he said, referring to World Wars I and II, "the United States came to our aid."

If the United States had not responded in a time of need, "we would not enjoy the freedoms which we do in the United Kingdom and elsewhere in Europe and throughout the rest of the world," Straw said.

After their meeting at the State Department, Powell planned to brief the House International Relations Committee.

At the White House, Canadian Foreign Minister John Manley asked for a resumption of initiatives to streamline border security that were put on hold after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

In a private meeting attended by top officials of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Manley also told Tom Ridge, director of President Bush's homeland security office, that Canada sympathized with American fears about anthrax-tainted letters and is bracing for the same.

"There's no reason to believe we would not be a target as well," Manley told reporters in the White House driveway.

Manley said he spoke with Ridge about proposals to expedite traffic across the border by jump-starting a frequent-traveler program that was stalled after suicide hijackers attacked the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

At a time of tightened budgets, it makes sense to shift resources away from checking regular travelers who are well known to border patrols as having legitimate cross-border business, Manley said.

"If we can take the frequent travelers ... out of that mix, then the resources that are left can be dedicated to those who are more likely to cause problems," he said.

The next government of Afghanistan cannot be dictated into being by Pakistan.

Colin Powell,  
Secretary of State

# House approves anti-terrorist bill

## Compromise between House and Senate may lead to heightened security

By Jesse J. Holland  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The House approved legislation Wednesday to give police new search powers in response to last month's terrorist attacks, including the ability to secretly search homes, tap phones and track people's use of the Internet.

The Senate plans to move the measure on for President Bush's signature before the end of the week.

"I expect a pretty overwhelming vote, and that's how it should be," Senate Majority Leader Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., said.

The president praised the quick passage of the legislation by the House, saying in a statement, "I look forward to signing this strong bipartisan plan into law so that we can combat terrorism and prevent future attacks."

Bush and Attorney General John Ashcroft have been calling for legislation to expand the FBI's wiretapping and electronic surveillance authority, impose stronger penalties

on those who harbor or finance terrorists and increase punishments of terrorists since the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

The GOP-controlled House gave strong support to the bill, passing it by 357-66 despite critics' concerns about compromising civil liberties.

In order to get a deal with the Senate, House leaders dumped the House Judiciary Committee's GOP-Democratic compromise with more civil liberties and privacy provisions for a modified Senate version negotiated with the Justice Department and the White House.

"This legislation is not perfect, and the process is not one that all will embrace," House Judiciary Chairman Jim Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., said Tuesday. "However, these are difficult times. ... This legislation is desperately needed."

But the new legislation is "not just limited to terrorism," argued Rep. Robert Scott, D-Va. "Had it been limited to terrorism, this bill could have

passed three or four weeks ago without much discussion."

The legislation expands the federal government's power to inspect educational records, wiretap telephones, track e-mails, seize voice mails, and detain immigrants suspected of being terrorists. Critics say it goes too far.

"This legislation is based on the faulty assumption that safety must come at the expense of civil liberties," said Laura Murphy, head of the American Civil Liberty Union's Washington office.

But senators say the House-Senate compromise is a good one.

"It's a good bill and I am very pleased with the work product here," Daschle said.

The Senate will take up the bill after the completion of the foreign aid spending bill, Daschle said.

It may hit a snag in the Senate, with Oregon Sens. Ron Wyden, a Democrat, and Gordon Smith, a Republican, threatening to block final approval.

The two senators want to use the anti-terrorism bill to fix a law that pre-

vents federal prosecutors from using certain investigative techniques labeled "deceit." Such techniques are allowed by federal law but banned under ethics rules enforced by state bar associations.

In Oregon, Wyden and Smith's home state, ethics rules prohibit attorneys from using deceit. Federal prosecutors say that means wiretaps and other covert methods cannot be used in that state.

Wyden said Wednesday he is considering a filibuster to force the point. "If the terrorists have sanctuaries anywhere, even one place, then in effect you are at risk everywhere," he said.

Sensenbrenner, one of the leading opponents of fixing the Oregon problem with the anti-terrorism bill, criticized using the legislation to "press parochial issues."

"This is time to dispense with business as usual," he said.

Daschle told reporters he expects the Senate to pass the legislation before the end of the week.

# House narrowly passes tax relief legislation

By Curt Anderson  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Republican-led House narrowly passed tax relief legislation Wednesday that would provide a \$100 billion jolt to the staggering economy. Democrats protested it would mainly help big companies, but President Bush urged quick Senate action on the bill.

"Part of the war we fight is to make sure our economy continues to grow," Bush said during an appearance at a Maryland printing plant shortly before the House vote.

The close 216-214 vote, largely along party lines, came after hours of noisy debate reflecting the deep political divide on economic policy, a departure from the unity on some other matters on Capitol Hill since the Sept. 11 terror attacks. Seven Republicans voted against the bill; three Democrats voted for it.

"It officially shatters the myth of bipartisanship," said Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y.

Undeterred, Republicans said the

legislation was the ideal way to encourage renewed business investment, stop job layoffs and boost consumer confidence in time for the holiday shopping season.

"Investment is the driving engine in the economy," said House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas. "This bill provides a reward for the risk-takers who create jobs in America."

Democrats sharply disagreed, accusing Republicans of assembling a package that favors the wealthy and big corporations over laid-off workers and threatens to trigger deep future budget deficits. Senate Democrats are certain to make major changes, most likely giving greater aid to the unemployed and fewer business tax cuts.

"The workers who have lost their jobs get bread crumbs from this bill," said House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo.

Bush praised four main elements in the House bill, which costs \$99.5 billion in 2002 and \$159 billion over 10 years. They include a new round of tax rebates for people who didn't

get a check earlier this year; repeal of the corporate alternative minimum tax; enhanced expensing write-offs for business capital assets; and acceleration of the cut in the 27 percent individual income tax rate so it falls to 25 percent in 2002, four years earlier than under current law.

Other key items in the bill would effectively cut long-term capital gains tax rates from 20 percent to 18 percent for most taxpayers, give major corporations refunds of alternative minimum taxes they paid up to 15 years ago and allow companies to deduct current operating losses from taxes they paid up to five years earlier.

House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Thomas, R-Calif., said tax breaks for business would oil "the machines that create jobs .... They're not the enemy of working families. They're the source of hundreds of millions of paychecks."

But Rep. Corinne Brown, D-Fla., succinctly summarized the Democrats' dim view of the corporate tax

cuts: "Why does the big dog always get to eat first?"

Even though there is still considerable bipartisan support for some of the tax items, Democrats said the measure's \$12 billion in grants to states was far too little to tackle the growing unemployment problem.

They proposed an alternative that would have added 26 weeks of unemployment benefits and provided a 75 percent federal match for COBRA health insurance available to laid-off workers, but it was defeated on a 261-166 vote.

Bush echoed House Republicans in repeating that the \$60 billion in spending already approved by Congress for recovery and war efforts was enough. "I strongly believe it's time to balance this amount of spending with additional tax relief," the president said.

Even so, the president dispatched Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill to Capitol Hill to continue negotiating Wednesday with Senate Republicans and Democrats on a compromise package.

## ANTHRAX

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letters and to warn Americans of mail to be wary of.

"All of these ... we hope will alert citizens and others to the kind of thing to look for," said Ashcroft.

Despite the dates on the letters, Ashcroft said authorities can't prove a link to the men who carried out the airliner attacks last month.

Experts in profiling criminals viewed the release of the letters and the identical dates as indications that investigators believe they are dealing with a domestic terrorist capitalizing on the Sept. 11 attacks.

They noted that authorities caught Theodore Kaczynski, the so-called Unabomber, after releasing his 35,000-word "manifesto," which was recognized by Kaczynski's brother.

"The key is access to the bacteria," said Robert K. Ressler, a former FBI criminal profiler.

Investigators have questioned researchers at labs and universities that may have access to anthrax.

They are also questioning labs that have supplies of anthrax available for researchers about who has obtained the bacteria.

Meanwhile, Ashcroft said a terrorist cell operating in Hamburg, Germany, and the United States since at least 1999 included three of the hijackers and three accomplices who helped them plan and carry out the Sept. 11 attacks.

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## A slice of heaven

By Kristin Campbell  
STAFF REPORTER

The Israelites ate a version of it every day for 40 years while they journeyed through the desert. It has formed the main part of the average person's diet for centuries. Baking companies are solely devoted to its production.

Bread has been a staple food for years and its popularity will never die for several reasons. To name a few, bread is the base of the food pyramid and is available in seemingly endless varieties.

### History

According to www.PageWise.com, bread dates back at least 4,000 years. Egyptian workers were often paid in loaves of bread and paintings in the pyramids show the dead were buried with loaves of bread to provide sustenance in the afterlife.

Greek merchants brought Egyptian flour to Greece, and bread-baking flourished. After Rome conquered Greece and took over the bread industry, the first Baker's Guild was formed in 150 B.C.

According to www.history-magazine.com, bread was subject to special laws because it was so vital to peoples' lives. The site reported that as early as medieval times, bakers were subject to regulations in order to protect the consumer.

Bread took another variation during America. Cornbread was invented in the early days of colonial America as an easy substitute for more traditional bread, since corn was easy to grow and harvest, but wheat and millers were

not readily available.

Flour mills became popular in the 1800s, which led to an increase of highly-processed flour and the production of white bread, which is less nutritious, PageWise.com reported.

### Baking Process

Different types of bread undergo specific baking procedures.

Breadworks Flour Mill and Baking Company, on 5837 Camp Bowie Boulevard, specializes in soft-crust American hearth breads and offers a variety of breads, cookies, muffins, cinnamon rolls and sandwiches.

Renay Roark, Breadworks owner, said he makes bread the old-fashioned way by starting with commercial yeast, which is not powdered. First he crumbles the yeast into water, which turns the mixture into a sponge. After it sits for one hour, fresh-ground grains from a stone mill are added by hand until the sponge reaches the right consistency.

Roark said the dough is then hand-rolled, kneaded and broken into two-pound sections. Yeast makes dough rise during a time called "proofing."

"We use a sophisticated eyeball to get the bread just right," Roark said. "We make the bread all by hand and eyesight, very much like your grandmother would," he said.

The dough is placed in pans and baked in 330-degree ovens. Roark said he sprays water on French bread, which is baked at 450 degrees, to make the crust crunchy.

Bread made without preservatives should stay fresh for about a week if stored at room temperature, he said. Refrigerating dries the bread out faster.

Kevin Brown, executive director at Panera Bread, said total preparation and baking time for bread exceeds 24 hours.

To make sourdough, the dough sits for at least 20 hours, he said. The dough is placed in molds and sits for at least three hours to allow the yeast to rise. The dough is then baked for an hour at 350 to 420 degrees.

Brown described baking as an enjoyable art. "I can't bake nearly as well as my bakers can," Brown said. "Timing, feel and knowing how your oven bakes are constant vari-

ables."

### Nutritional Value

Contrary to a popular myth, bread is not fattening.

According to the Web site www.Woolworth.com, this idea developed as a result of recent diets that told people to avoid carbohydrate foods, especially bread. Without carbohydrates, the body temporarily loses some of its normal water and results in weight loss, the site said. However, when the body's normal water supply is replenished, the weight also returns.

Jessica Moore, a junior history and political science major, said she eats what she wants and exercises to prevent weight gain. Everyone ought to allow themselves to eat food they enjoy, she said.

"People who are on no-carb diets annoy me," Moore said. "I don't know how they can survive without bread."

Woolworth.com also reported that bread is a source of starch, complex carbohydrates, B vitamins and dietary fiber.

Mary Anne Gorman, a professor of nutrition and dietetics, said that although bread is a low-fat food, the butter, oils and toppings people add make it fatty.

"Whole grain breads are the best sources for nutrients and produce numerous health benefits," Gorman said.

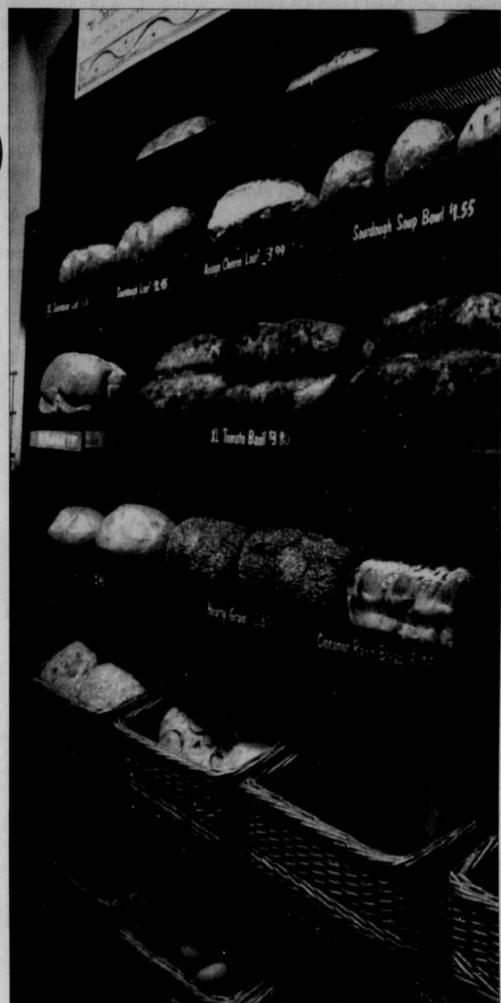
She said carbohydrates should comprise 58 percent of your daily food intake.

The American Dietetics Association advises that at least six to 11 daily servings of grains be from whole grains.

Mrs. Baird's Web site reported that the whole wheat bread is comprised of the entire kernel — the bran, germ and endosperm. White bread is milled from only the endosperm. Whole wheat bread contains four times as much fiber as white bread, the site said.

Since nutrients are removed when the husk falls off, Roark said, white bread is not good for you.

"Bleached, enriched white bread might as well be ground cardboard," Roark said. "It's easy to make bread look good but it's harder to make it taste good."



Kristin Campbell/SKIFF STAFF

Panera Bread offers many varieties of bread that are baked fresh daily in-house.

Brown said sourdough, which is the base for 80 percent of Panera's breads, has no added fat.

Rye and nine-grain breads are also very low in fat, but cinnamon raisin bread has the highest fat content.

### Varieties and Popularity

Moore, a server at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen, said she has customers who get cranky when she forgets to bring the complimentary bread to their table before the meal arrived.

"They complained because I forgot to ask if they wanted bread," she said.

Moore said she loves bread, especially cinnamon raisin.

"I'm a carb addict," Moore said. "God gave me the taste buds for bread."

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## Good bread often influences restaurant choice

If it's possible to have a genetic appreciation for what quality bread adds to the dining experience, I'm sure I got that gene. I blame my grandmother.

Bless her heart, my grandma might hate me for sharing the story we laugh about almost every time we are together, but I'm going to do it anyway.

A few years ago my family treated my grandparents to a steak dinner at one of our favorite Atlanta restaurants. Grandma thought the steak was fine. She raved about the tiny loaf of wheat bread served before the meal. She was so certain she might

never be able to recreate the warm, hearty bread in her own kitchen that she asked our server to get the manager. When he arrived, she asked if she could take a loaf or two home in her purse.

My father particularly likes to recount the event with the same fervor as his fishing stories — each time it grows. In his most recent version Grandma went back into the restaurant's kitchen to make her request. But the point is always the same: We love bread.

I often find myself basing restaurant selections on what kind of bread or appetizer a restaurant serves.

When I crave cheese bread, I head to Red Lobster. When I'm dying for garlic breadsticks, I go to The Olive Garden. When I want to feel like I'm getting a home-cooked meal, I have dinner at The Black-Eyed Pea. Sometimes I eat more rolls than I do chicken fried steak. When I want a killer bagel or muffin, I drive to The Corner Bakery. After all, how can you not love an establishment whose slogan is "The Corner Bakery: You knead it?"

Most of the time, I rely on those restaurants unique to Fort Worth when I want to satisfy my hunger for bread my grandmother would con-

sider take-home-worthy — places where the food and atmosphere would inspire even a palate dulled by too much Main food.

### Ruffino's Italian Restaurant

2455 Forest Park Boulevard  
The garlic bread could be a meal by itself, but each dish will make your mouth water. The pasta sauces are rich and the meats are tender.

The soft lighting, tiny tables and amazing Italian cuisine make Ruffino's perfect for a date. During the lunch hour, it's just right for those quiet "We-haven't-talked-in-forever" meetings.

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— Jaime Walker

## ENDOWMENT

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it above most schools listed by the *Chronicle*, including the University of California at Los Angeles (\$460 million) and Saint Louis University (\$825 million). Most university endowments are projected to lose money this year, the *Chronicle* reported.

Chancellor Michael Ferrari said TCU is operating without the optimism a strong economy had provided.

"This is a time to be much more cautious," Ferrari said.

Economic forecasts for the next six to 12 months are not good, he said.

While \$89 million is a large loss, Campbell said it is not a reason for concern.

"In 1995, the endowment was \$475 million," she said. "We have a long way to go to fall back."

Campbell said the endowment increased during several years be-

cause of aggressive investment strategies. While bonds and securities pose less of a risk, they also are not as high-yield, she said.

"The market was booming there for years and years," she said. "Had we been poised too defensively, we wouldn't have ridden it up."

An endowment operates on a longer time span than individual investments, a fact Campbell said helps to smooth out any changes.

"Unlike a retirement fund which has to be there by 2004, we have an infinite amount of time to lose money and then gain it back," she said.

Even with the loss, Campbell said she does not expect endowment spending to change dramatically.

"We won't see any sharp declines in endowment spending. We just won't be going up," Campbell said.

Last year's tuition increase helped lessen the university's dependence on endowment spending. Campbell said tuition will probably increase again this year.

"We felt very strongly we were

somewhat overly-reliant on the endowment," she said.

The loss will alter projected growth, especially in capital improvement, she said.

"As we're looking at what we can do in the future, (the loss) pushes plans out," she said.

Campbell said the administration had been looking at beginning to spend \$10 million a year on buildings and maintenance. Now that budget is closer to \$5 million, she said.

This change does not affect projects already planned, such as the renovation of teaching labs, she said.

Campbell said she expects the market to re-gather and begin to increase again in time. Until that happens, the university will be more cautious with its spending, she said.

"(The decline) means the belt gets notched in," she said. "But it's only one notch."

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## Staff Assembly starts reading program in elementary schools

By Piper Huddleston  
STAFF REPORTER

TCU students, faculty and staff can volunteer to read to students at any of nine elementary Fort Worth Independent School District participating in Reading Frogs, a Staff Assembly service program designed to encourage Fort Worth ISD elementary students to read, said Mary Lane, Staff Assembly community service committee chairwoman.

Sign-up sheets will be available at an informational meeting at noon Friday in the library, Lane said.

"Volunteers will have the opportunity to actually go out to the schools and interact with students one on one", she said.

Reading Frogs is the first community service program established by the assembly. Lane said the program was chosen because a survey conducted last year indicated that staff wanted to volunteer in educational areas.

A part of an existing year-long

program called Score a Goal in the Classroom, Reading Frogs is designed to give elementary students a head start on reading through mentoring and tutoring, Lane said.

The assembly is in the preliminary stages of composing a proposal that would give staff members paid leave to do community service, Lane said.

"We are hoping that staff will enjoy and commit to community service opportunities and want time off to become involved," she said.

Assembly Chairman Bob Seal, also the university librarian, said his goal for the Staff Assembly this year is to encourage, promote and support community service by TCU

staff. Seal said motivating participation in Reading Frogs is one way involve staff members in community service activities.

Corey Steele, TCU relations coordinator, said it is important for the elementary students to have someone read to them besides their parents or teachers.

"Reading is more enjoyable for students when they see someone else excited about it," Steele

said. Volunteers who sign up Friday will be able to mentor as soon as Oct. 31 at Storybook Parade, an activity at Westcliff Elementary School.

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—Mary Lane,  
Staff Assembly community service  
chairwoman

## Postmaster suggests handwashing

By Randolph E. Schmid  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Postmaster General John F. Potter said Wednesday he can't guarantee the safety of the mail, and he and other postal officials began suggesting Americans wash their hands after handling letters.

Improved safety gloves and masks are being sent to mail workers as the Postal Service awaits next week's delivery of its first high-technology equipment to sanitize mail.

Worries have mounted about mail safety because of anthrax cases in Florida, New York, Washington and New Jersey, at least some of them stemming from mailed items.

Deborah Willhite, a senior vice president of the Postal Service, said the agency is simply urging people to use common sense.

"We believe that people should wash their hands in soap and water after they handle their mail every day, just to make sure that if anything is on the envelope, that they're clean," she said in an interview.

"We have no reason to believe that there would be anything on them, but what's the problem with clean hands?"

Later, Willhite urged organizations that send bulk mail through a contaminated Washington post office to have their employees tested for anthrax.

The tests have focused on postal workers so far, but she said that should be extended by up to 200 more people, including employees of operations like the International Monetary Fund and Humane Society of the United States, who collect large volumes of mail at the center.

Potter stressed the agency has delivered more than 20 billion pieces of mail since Sept. 11, and that only a handful of anthrax cases have been reported. However, he admitted that he could not guarantee the safety of all mail.

The post office is scrambling to tighten its health and safety systems after two workers died of anthrax and others became ill.

"We are taking concrete steps immediately to protect employees and the public through education, investigation, intervention and prevention," Potter said Wednesday.

But Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, questioned whether the Postal

Service and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did enough to protect postal workers — and the mail still being delivered in the Washington area. The agencies have been criticized for waiting several days before testing people for anthrax at the contaminated Washington distribution center.

"It is critical that your agencies retrace your steps to ensure that no one else dies from this scourge," Grassley wrote to Potter and CDC director Dr. Jeffrey Koplan. "It is up to public health authorities and the U.S. Postal Service to demonstrate that mail delivered in Washington, DC is not dangerous."

The Postal Service is at war, Potter has said, insisting that the agency will continue to deliver the mail.

Willhite said the post office is expected to deliver universal mail service. "We are going to provide safe and secure mail service everywhere in the United States," she said.

Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said Wednesday that he wouldn't recommend shutting down the mail system but would consider suggesting closings in targeted areas.

President Bush released \$175 million to help the agency, and the postal governing board authorized an additional \$200 million in emergency spending to help pay for equipment and other measures.

The high-tech sanitizing equipment coming next week uses an electron beam to kill bacteria and spores and is similar to technology used to sterilize medical equipment and sanitize foods.

Willhite said has not yet determined where to locate the equipment.

Mail sent to Congress already is being held for screening, she said, and there is no plan to destroy mail.

"Even as we speak we are taking tractor-trailers of mail to be sanitized as a demonstration project to see how that process would work," Willhite said.

"We need to make sure that while we are sanitizing the mail we are not destroying people's keepsakes. If it's going to ruin your grandma's homemade cookies, we want to let you know. So far, that doesn't seem to be the case," she added.

The post office also reported that it has bought a 90-day supply of gloves made of Nitrile, a high-grade plastic, for use by postal workers

sorting the mail.

The agency also is in the process of obtaining advanced face masks for workers that can screen out 95 percent of bacteria including anthrax spores, officials said.

Some federal mailroom workers already have received protective masks.

Ken Vaughan, president of Neoterik, a maker of breathing masks, said his company provided masks last week to the mail room of a federal department, which he would not name. The masks can cost as much as \$300 each.

Postal officials also said the agency has started using a vacuum cleaning system on its machines — instead of blowers — and switched to anti-bacterial cleaning solutions.

Mail delivery is not being restricted, Willhite said, but she added: "I think we're having a little bit of a shakedown cruise in moving mail from Brentwood to the other facilities."

Brentwood, Washington's main mail sorting and distribution center, was closed Sunday because of anthrax contamination, and its work is being done at facilities in suburban Maryland.

Anthrax didn't seem to worry Washington-area residents who bustled in and out of neighborhood post offices Wednesday.

"Look, we have to go on with our lives, you know?" said Julia Delisboa, who stopped in the post office of the wealthy Palisades district of Washington. "I don't know why, but I'm really not scared yet. It doesn't seem like a widespread thing."

At the Ross Veterinary Hospital one door down from the Cleveland Park station, an office manager who identified herself only as Liz said she hadn't thought twice about using the post office next door.

"I don't think anybody's worried about their little neighborhood post office," she said.

The Postal Service is part of the government but normally is expected to pay its own way from postage and related charges.

Even before the Sept. 11 terror attacks, the agency was looking at a potential loss of \$1.6 billion this year and has requested permission to raise rates to compensate. Mail volume has fallen since the attacks, which is causing further declines in income.

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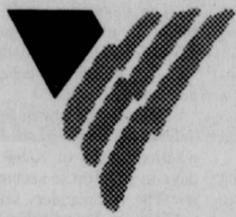
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# U.S. airstrike on Kabul brings highest death toll for Taliban

By Steven Gutkin  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KORAK DANA, Afghanistan — Taliban gunners fired missiles Wednesday at U.S. jets pounding the front line north of Kabul, the heaviest onslaught in four days of attacks there. Opposition commanders said they were bringing up fresh troops for a possible assault on the capital.

An American airstrike in Kabul, meanwhile, reportedly killed 22 Pakistani militants linked to Osama bin Laden, prime suspect in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in the United States. It was the highest reported death toll suffered by bin Laden's allies since the air assault began Oct. 7.

In neighboring Pakistan, border guards reported five powerful explosions Wednesday near a region in Afghanistan's Paktia province where bin Laden is thought to run a tunnel complex. The concussions near the Gor Way Tangi area were so powerful that Pakistani officials said they believed 5,000-pound bombs were being used to collapse mountainsides and close tunnel entrances.

Pakistani authorities said Wednesday that six Muslims from Somalia and Sudan — countries where bin Laden recruits fighters — were arrested leaving Afghanistan last weekend. An inquiry was under way to determine whether they were members of bin Laden's al-Qaida terror network trying to flee American attacks.

Amid the roar of jets and the crackle of gunfire north of Kabul, opposition commander Haji Bari told The Associated Press that the northern alliance was bringing in thousands of new troops and weapons in anticipation of a green

light from alliance leaders to march on the capital.

"We're waiting for the order," said Bari, deputy brigade commander in the Rabat district.

So far, U.S. strikes north of the capital have not brought an opposition advance. The northern alliance is also fighting to dislodge the Taliban from Mazar-e-Sharif, a key northern city.

The opposition claimed to have killed 35 Taliban fighters and captured 140 others — including Arabs and Chechens — in a battle Wednesday near the town of Kashandeh, about 60 miles south of Mazar-e-Sharif. The report could not be independently confirmed.

In other developments: Secretary of State Colin Powell said he hopes the anti-terrorism war in Afghanistan can be concluded quickly but the Bush administration is prepared to keep up the fight during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan if necessary.

The House of Representatives gave overwhelming approval to an anti-terrorism bill giving police in the United States new power to secretly search the homes of terrorism suspects, tap all their phones and track their use of the Internet.

President Bush ordered airstrikes against Afghanistan after the ruling Taliban repeatedly refused to hand over bin Laden and his followers.

Since the campaign was launched, hundreds of Pakistani militants sympathetic with the Taliban and bin Laden have entered Afghanistan vowing to fight the United States.

Among them were the 22 Pakistanis killed by a U.S. strike. The militants — members of the banned group Harakat ul-Mujahedeen —

died when a U.S. bomb hit a house in Kabul where they were meeting Tuesday, said Muzamal Shah, a Harakat leader in Pakistan.

Shah said the men went to Afghanistan to help the Taliban "devise a plan for fighting against America."

Pakistani border guards at Torkham refused Wednesday to allow 11 of the bodies to be brought into Pakistan for burial. Sources close to the Harakat ul-Mujahedeen said the bodies later were smuggled in.

The Pakistani group, which is fighting Indian soldiers in Kashmir, has been declared a terrorist organization by the United States.

U.S. attacks this week have focused on al-Qaida and Taliban positions facing Kabul and on Mazar-e-Sharif, in hopes that the anti-Taliban northern alliance can advance on those cities.

For the fourth straight day, U.S. jets streaked across the skies near the village of Korak Dana about 30 miles north of Kabul, pounding Taliban positions with bombs and missiles.

Taliban fighters unleashed several surface-to-air missiles, which failed to bring down the planes. They also bombarded northern alliance positions with artillery and mortar fire.

Saeed Mir Shah, a 24-year-old fighter with the northern alliance, said he counted 10 bombs over a 2 1/2 hour period at midafternoon. "All the houses were shaking," he said.

Pakistan, a key Muslim ally in the anti-terror campaign, has opposed allowing the northern alliance to seize Kabul. There are widespread doubts over the alliance's ability to govern. Its fac-



RIOBI SALANG, AFGHANISTAN — Comander Saydol of the United Front, also known as the Northern Alliance, walks down the trenches leading to his post just 100 meters from the front line positions of the Taliban strongholds across the Goorband River.

tions — made up largely of members of Tajik and Uzbek ethnic minorities — fought each other when they last controlled Kabul between 1992 and 1996 and in the process largely destroyed the city, costing some 50,000 lives.

In Peshawar, Pakistan, representatives of Afghan tribes began a two-day meeting to discuss formation of a broad-based government to replace the Taliban.

"This is the beginning, a turning point. I hope this will be the key to change in the government in Afghanistan," said Pir Sayed Ahmed Gailani, an Afghan spiritual leader and longtime supporter of the exiled Afghan King Mohammad

Zaher Shah.

Gailani said the meeting would ask the Afghan people "to revolt against the Taliban dictatorship."

The sluggish pace of efforts to form an alternative government have prompted the United States to step up action on behalf of the northern alliance.

Opposition commanders say the Taliban have strengthened front-line positions north of Kabul in recent days in an effort to secure the capital. The commanders said Taliban soldiers are heavily dug in against airstrikes and called for more U.S. attacks to break the front line.

"These U.S. airstrikes are not enough," Bari, the alliance officer,

said. "Our attacks are stronger than the Americans'."

Even as the commanders called for tougher action, an alliance spokesman said the United States should be careful not to kill civilians.

"We have to express our concern in that regard," the spokesman, Abdullah, who uses one name, said in the northern Afghan city of Khwaja Bahaudin. "There is no justification for civilian casualties."

Bari said the alliance expected to launch offensives soon against Mazar-e-Sharif and Taloqan, a former alliance headquarters. Control of those cities would give the opposition key supply lines for arms from Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

# Cincinnati protesters rally, support affirmative action

By Megan Kuhn & Kim Smith

CINCINNATI (U-WIRE) — A new generation of civil rights activists took their message of education integration to Cincinnati streets Tuesday.

"We're gonna fight until hell freezes over," said Robert Richardson, University of Cincinnati student body president. "Then we're gonna fight on ice."

Two groups, The Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action and Integration, and Fight for Equality By Any Means Necessary, organized the rally in response to two affirmative action lawsuits, said Tanya Troy, BAMN outreach coordinator. The court cases, Gratz v. Bollinger and Grutter v. Bollinger, initially scheduled for a hearing on Oct. 23 in the Sixth Circuit Court in Cincinnati, were postponed until Dec. 6.

The cases question the constitutionality of affirmative action. In a

1997 case, Jennifer Gratz brought a lawsuit against the University of Michigan President Lee Bollinger. Gratz, a white student, claimed that less-qualified minority students were given preferential treatment in the admissions process.

When the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rules, the judgment will bind all states within the circuit, including Ohio. Ohio University will have to comply with the precedent that follows, said Curt Levy, director of legal and public affairs at the Center for Individual Rights, which is the law firm representing Gratz, as well as Barbara Grutter, who is the other person challenging the University of Michigan's policies.

Among the crowd of more than 100 minority and white protesters, Ohio University junior Stephanie Burrows marched from the UC campus to downtown's Fountain Square, which is where the march culminated into an affirmative ac-

tion rally.

She said she was surprised by how many people came to protest that the cases had been pushed back.

"I felt like it was a really positive experience because of the number of people there. I was kind of disappointed that it was an un-diverse crowd," Burrows said. "It was mostly minorities."

Burrows is one of many on the OU campus watching the cases closely.

If the court rules to support affirmative action, no change in OU's admission guidelines will be needed. But if the rulings favor the plaintiffs, OU will have to review its admission guidelines to determine if any changes need to be made.

"If the outcome of the case supports the notion that race is not an appropriate consideration in admission to institutions of higher education, the university would

have to find other ways to achieve its diversity goals," said William Y. Smith, OU executive assistant to the president for institutional equity. "The goal would be to craft programs that achieve diversity without being illegal."

"It's important for higher education to be equally accessible to all of the population," Smith said.

"The senior administration is not satisfied with the numerical level of diversity we've attained and are constantly engaged in an effort to address this issue."

The elimination of affirmative action hurt diversity in other districts in the short-run, Smith said.

After the 1996 Hopwood v. Texas ruling, colleges in Texas could not use race as an admis-

sions guideline. Although the University of Texas enacted new programs that do not use affirmative action to expand minority recruitment, the general enrollment of minority students still is below

pre-Hopwood numbers, said Monty Jones, associate director for public affairs for the UT system.

Jones said UT is at a competitive disadvantage with universities able to offer financial aid based on ethnicity. Consequentially, UT has lost many minority students to other states.

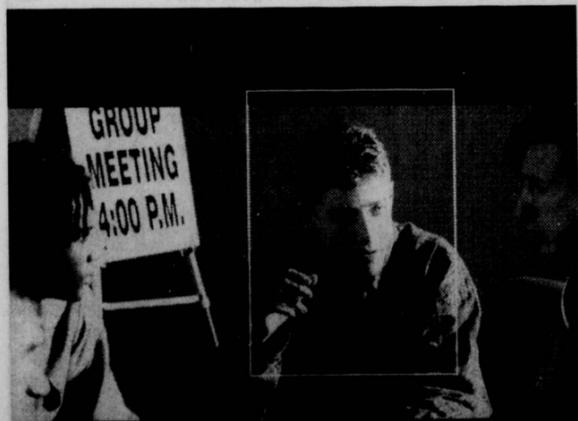
Unlike schools, such as UT-Austin, which turn away many academically qualified applicants, OU's admission guidelines allow some latitude.

"The University of Michigan

has more students applying than spots available and is having to turn away a lot of students who would seemingly be admissible," said Kip Howard, director of undergraduate admissions. "We're not turning away lots of people who are capable of doing the work here."

Some say the use of affirmative action is not the real concern.

"The problem is that we're reaching a point in time where we use 'reverse discrimination' as a rationalization," said Jessie Roberson, OU associate professor of business law. "We attack affirmative action as a remedy and never get to the problem affirmative action tried to address. Worse yet, that skewed approach to dealing with problems of race has legitimized some really ugly extreme positions. You're not a bigot or a racist, you're a conservative and that makes you more legitimate."



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## Horoscopes

**♈ Aries (March 21-April 19)** - Teamwork is still your key to success. You have the courage and the enthusiasm. Get somebody who can solve technical puzzles and fix things. Somebody who has deep pockets would be good to have on board, too.

**♉ Taurus (April 20-May 20)** - You're a good negotiator because you're patient. You can wait to get what you want. You can figure out what the other guy wants, too. If you find a way to solve his problem, you can write your own ticket.

**♊ Gemini (May 21-June 21)** - Work and play make a good mix. Go off on a quest. Take an advanced-level course in something you can put to use as you amass your next fortune. The money's out there. Rake it in.

**♋ Cancer (June 22-July 22)** - You may notice you have less tolerance for minor irritants. You want things to be the way you like. It's OK to insist that certain standards be met.

**♌ Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** - You're a pretty good strate-

**♍ gist, but you can get even better. Carefully draw up the plans for your next project. Make your mistakes on paper, then have an expert catch them before you start working with metal and wood. Be the best.**

**♎ Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** - Kick yourself into overdrive while performing a routine you've performed a thousand times before. See if you can shave a few minutes off your previous record. Maybe you can push yourself to a whole new level.

**♏ Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22)** - You can make the big bucks, and it doesn't have to require more work. Once you make up your mind that you're worth it, the rest is easy.

**♐ Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - Continue to upgrade your tools and appliances. Get rid of the energy guzzlers and make your life easier. This is difficult, but things get easier once you're finished.

**♑ Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** - Make time to read. You may

**♒ be most interested in technical manuals, and they take longer. Are you installing a computer program or fixing something for a friend? If not, you might give something like that a try. It's a good day for it.**

**♓ Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - Abundance can be yours. It could come from a familiar source, or in a way you never imagined. You won't have to steal to get it, and you may get to provide a service. Start by offering to do just that.

**♈ Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** - Continue to hold out for what you want. It may be tomorrow or the next day before you get it, but that's OK. You've got vision, good facts to support you, and friends who believe you can win. You're set.

**♉ Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** - You're not quite finished yet, but almost. Just a few more details to check off your lists. Go over your work again just to make sure. Big day comin' tomorrow. Clear the decks.

## Purple Poll Q: Do you think drugs are easily accessible on campus?

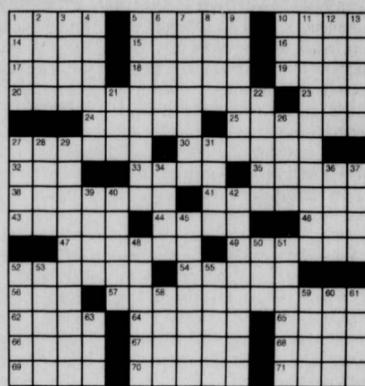


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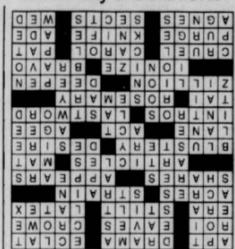
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## Swimmers splash into new season Friday against A&M

By Quinten Boyd  
SKIFF STAFF

In a season that will see all of their home events completed by Nov. 10 and will include a change of practice venues, the swimming and diving team intends to add to the successes of the recent past, including last year when the Frogs broke nine school records and sent four swimmers to the NCAA Championships.

The Frogs take on Texas A&M at 4 p.m. Friday in the Rickel Building for their season-opening meet.

Although the remodeling of the Rickel will soon force the team to change practice venues, head coach Richard Sybesma said the team can, and will, succeed.

Of the ten matches remaining in the fall, six are at home. Because of the remodeling, all seven spring meets will be on the road.

"We're playing the hand we've been dealt this year," Sybesma said. "We'd love to have more meets at home over the season, but we can't control that. We just have to go out and perform."

The Frogs' performance begins against Texas A&M, whose men's

team is ranked No. 11 in the nation and is coming off a win at Missouri. The Aggies' women's team comes in at 0-1 in the dual meet season.

Sybesma said the meet will give the team a chance to identify its weaknesses.

"We've worked on conditioning and specialization for this meet," Sybesma said. "Friday's meet will be a measuring stick on what we need to do to get better."

The Frogs' strength was fortified with the signings of 18 swimmers and divers this past summer. These signees join a team that features NCAA qualifiers Jamie MacCurdy, Jamie Robinson, Aaron Ewert and Scott Adkins. In another attempt to build on last season's success, the Frogs will swim against competition nationally-ranked last season by the College Swim Coaches Association of America, including Texas, Southern Methodist and Notre Dame.

"These are some of the best teams in the country," Sybesma said. "We have to swim against the best to become the best, and these meets will help us tremendously."

The success has already begun for

the women's swimming team as they were named Academic All-Americans for the 18th straight semester by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA). To qualify, a team must have a combined average of 2.8. The Frogs' average was 3.02, considered "excellent" by the CSCAA.

"The ladies are very competitive in the water and studious in the classroom," Sybesma said. "In both teams, we signed good swimmers that are good students and good people as well."

The Frogs' hope to make the first ever swimming season in Conference USA a season in which they attain their goals.

"Our goal this year is to have a better record in the dual meets, break nine school records, compete for the conference title and score in the NCAA Championships," Sybesma said.

Sybesma's optimism for this season has spread to his team as well.

"The team is very close, and our camaraderie should make for a good season," Strawn said.

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FILE PHOTO

Sophomore Collin Sandifer works on his butterfly technique during practice last season. The swimming and diving team faces Texas A&M 4 p.m. Saturday in the Rickel Building.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Former track star arrested on drug possession

LOS ANGELES — Former TCU track standout and Olympic gold medalist Jon Drummond was arrested for investigation of transporting marijuana through Los Angeles International Airport.

Drummond, a member of the United States' 400-meter relay team in the 2000 Sydney Olympics, was booked for transporting a controlled substance, a felony offense, said Deputy Roberta Granek of the county Sheriff's Department. He was held in lieu of \$20,000 bail pending an arraignment Thursday morning, Granek said.

#### Nowitzki signs six-year contract with Mavericks

DALLAS — The Mavericks signed forward Dirk Nowitzki to a maximum contract extension worth roughly \$90 million over six years.

Nowitzki is coming off a breakout season in which he led Dallas in scoring (21.8 points) and rebounding (9.2), while helping the team win 53 games and reach the second round of the playoffs. It was Dallas' best season in 12 years.

### ComingNext

For the first time since their 1999 GMAC Mobile Alabama Bowl win, the Frogs will take on the East Carolina Pirates at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Amon Carter Stadium.



#### East Carolina Pirates

On offense, the Pirates are led by quarterback David Garrard and tailback Leonard Henry. Garrard is third in the conference in passing yards with 1,384 on the season and is third with nine touchdowns. Henry ranks third in C-USA with 943 yards and eight touchdowns. The Pirates lead the conference with an average of 34.3 points per game and average 423.3 yards of offense.

The Frogs' offensive line will have to keep Griffin out of their backfield while the defensive line keeps Garrard and Henry pinned in theirs.

### today in sports history

1987 — The World Series began in a dome for the first time. The St. Louis Cardinals were pounded in the Game One, but fought back and forced the series to seven games before the Minnesota Twins claimed their first Series title.

1990 — James 'Buster' Douglas, who had knocked out the undefeated Mike Tyson on Feb. 10, 1990 to win the undisputed heavyweight title, was floored by Evander Holyfield in the third round this day in Las Vegas. This was Douglas' only defense of the title.

## Men's tennis team rebuilding

### Players face tough competition in weekend tournament

By Jennifer Kaminske  
SKIFF STAFF

Nearing the end of the fall season, the men's tennis team is still searching for long term solutions to the loss of six seniors, including two-time All-American Esteban Carril, as it enters the Omni Hotels Regional Championships.

"Hopefully, we can get a good core of young and talented guys that we can develop in place of (the graduated players)," head coach Joey Rive said.

The tournament begins Friday and continues through Monday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center. The opening round is 8:30 a.m. Friday.

The singles finalists and the doubles champions of this tournament will travel to the Brookhaven Country Club in Farmer's Branch, Nov. 8-11 for the Omni Hotels National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships.

"I hope we can make an impact (in the tournament), and send one, if not a few players, through the rounds," Rive said.

Rive is unsure of how the team

will be this season with the loss of last season's Omni Hotels champion Carril, who was ranked as the No. 11 singles player in the nation at the end of his TCU career. Rive said the team, ranked No. 5 last season, is in rebuilding mode.

Although the Frogs are competing without many of their top players this season, two returners have played well.

Both senior Daniel Wajnberg and junior Toni Gordon made it to the qualifying round of the ITA All-American Championships in Stone Mountain, Ga. Oct. 9.

Rive said Wajnberg and Gordon should help out a lot this season with their talent and experience.

Rive said he hopes the two will help the team against some of the toughest schools in the state, such

as Texas, Texas A&M and Baylor, at the tournament.

Texas A&M's Jarin Skube was the doubles champion in the tournament last year, and singles champion of last weekend's USTA Fall Invitational. Baylor's doubles team, Mike Garcia and Nathan McGregor, defeated Skube and his partner, Khaled El Dorry, in the USTA Fall Invitational.

"Every school in the tournament has three or four really good guys," Rive said.

A strong showing at the tournament would be a great way to

finish the fall season, Rive said.

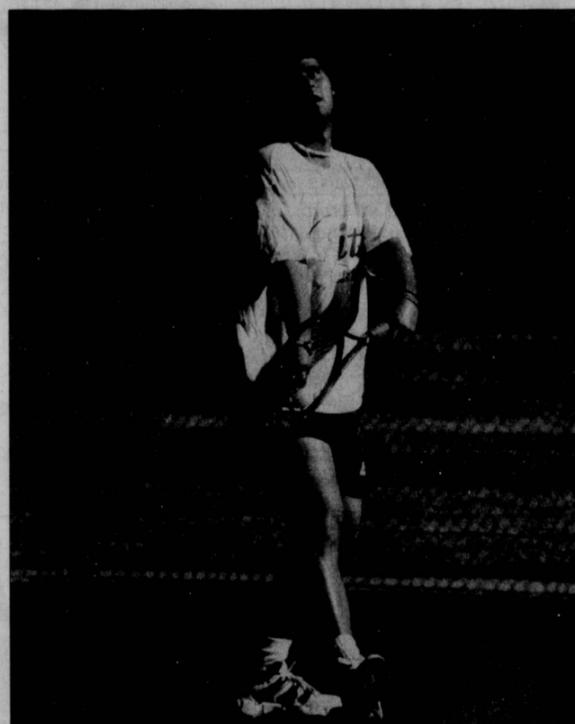
"We had an okay fall season," said Rive. "It would be nice to end it with some great results in this tournament."

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—Joey Rive,  
men's head tennis coach



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Junior Toni Gordon prepares to serve Wednesday during practice. The men's tennis team competes in the Omni Hotels Regional Championships starting Friday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.

## Manning, Holtz head a football season full of surprises

By Andrew Bagnato  
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

CHICAGO — It seems like it was only yesterday that the Oregon State Beavers could demand respect and some publication — *Sports Illustrated*, say — would give it to them.

And it was only yesterday that every player in the nation was all-conference and every team was

undefeated. As Hayden Fry once said at a preseason Big Ten coaches banquet, "We're all smiling because ain't none of us done got beat yet."

Midseason always brings a dose of reality to campus, and this year is no different, though midseason has come a bit later than usual because of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Halfway through another zany year, a review:

Team of the half-season: Any one have a three-headed coin? It's a toss-up among Oklahoma, UCLA and Miami. But Nebraska may have something to say on this subject Saturday.

Player of the half-season: UCLA tailback DeShaun Foster. After watching Foster romp for 301 yards in a 35-13 victory over Washington, California's coaching staff decided to put 10 defenders on the line. It worked in the first half, with the Bears limiting Foster to 38 yards in 12 carries. But he found enough room to finish with 117 rushing yards, and he also got free for two catches for another 61 yards. He ran for two touchdowns and caught a pass for another score in UCLA's 56-17 rout.

Brightest new star: Mississippi quarterback Eli Manning. The sophomore from New Orleans has led the Rebels to a 5-1 record, including their first victory over hated Alabama in a decade. If Manning keeps flinging it the way he has so far, he might get picked ahead of brother Peyton when the Manning clan chooses up sides for backyard touch football next winter.

Coach of the half-season: Lou Holtz. The man has worked a miracle at South Carolina. Two years ago, when the Gamecocks went 0-11, it looked as if the lisp-leprechaun had made a disastrous decision to return to the sidelines. But he has led South Carolina to the second bowl victory in school history and has the Gamecocks in hot pursuit of the second conference title in school history.

Honorable mention: Michigan's

Lloyd Carr, who is one bad hop away from being undefeated; Maryland's Ralph Friedgen, who has made his alma mater respectable again; and Fresno State's Pat Hill, who won't earn a BCS berth but did pull off profile-raising victories at Boulder and Madison.

He hated attention anyway:

Kansas State has lost four straight games for the first time since 1992, and to commemorate the occasion the Wildcats football office sent out a press release: "ESPNNEWS, the 24-hour news channel that is part of the ESPN family of networks, has changed its lineup of Tuesday football coaches' news conferences. The network announced late last week that it would no longer carry Kansas State head coach Bill Snyder as part of its live broadcasts on Tuesdays."

Biggest bust: The Big Ten. When they descended on Chicago for their August kickoff media event, Big Ten coaches dismissed reports that the once-feared conference had gone soft.

—Andrew Bagnato,  
Chicago Tribune

in Columbus, Buckeyes coach Jim Tressel called it "important for the Big Ten."

When statistics lie: Only two teams have yet to throw an interception this season. That has been a good thing for 6-0 UCLA, but perhaps not so good for 1-5 Ohio University.

Where did they come from?

Washington State (7-0), which has won one Pac-10 title since 1930, leads the nation's toughest league.

Maryland (7-0), whose last Atlantic Coast Conference flag came in 1985, leads the ACC.

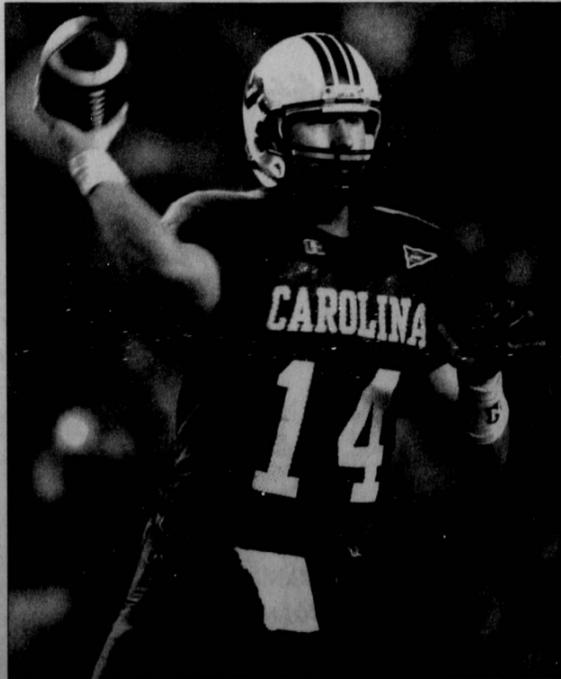
South Carolina (6-1), whose only conference title was an ACC championship in 1969, leads the Southeastern Conference's Eastern Division.

And Rice (6-1) leads the Western Athletic Conference. The Owls are off to their best start since 1949, when they finished fifth in the AP poll.

How 'bout these? Bowls we would love to see-and could happen: Northwestern vs. Colorado in the Alamo. Pregame party at the Evanston restaurant previously known as Gary Barnett's.

Oklahoma vs. Florida in the Cotton. Bob Stoops meets his mentor, Steve Spurrier.

Rice vs. Notre Dame in the Humanitarian. Irish fans may find convenient flights to Boise through Denver and Calgary.



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COLUMBIA, SC — South Carolina quarterback Phil Petty completes a pass to Brian Scott during the second quarter of Saturday's 46-14 win over Vanderbilt. The 6-1 Gamecocks are one of the surprise teams this year, leading the SEC Eastern Division.