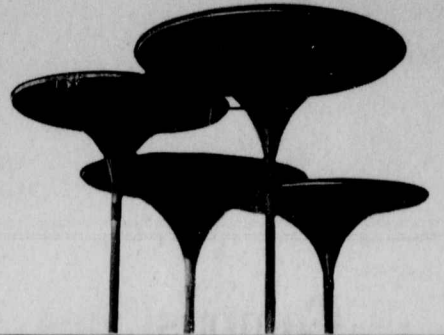


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NATIONAL NEWS

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ST. LOUIS — Police on Tuesday recaptured a murder defendant who had been mistakenly released from jail after he switched identities with another inmate.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

NEW DELHI, India — India is building a closer military relationship with the United States after the Sept. 11 terror attacks, easing a chill that dated to the Cold War.

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OnCampus

UC-Berkeley male sex ed class put on hold

BERKELEY, Calif. (U-WIRE)—The University of California-Berkeley male sexuality class has been suspended by administrators while an investigation into reports of illicit class activities is conducted.

The class's female counterpart is also under review but has not been suspended, officials said.

An instructors meeting of the student-run classes was scheduled for Friday, but when instructors of the male sexuality class failed to show up, the class was pulled, said George Breslauer, dean of social sciences at UC-Berkeley.

Students and instructors of the class said they took trips to strip clubs and "sex exchanges" and watched an instructor strip. Some also said a party at an instructor's house included group sex and a "party game" that had students photographing their genitalia and then trying to match the pictures to the correct body.

Those activities came as a surprise to Caren Kaplan, chairwoman of the women's studies department who oversees the course. She said she does not "police the content."

But, now she is heading the investigation into the reports, Breslauer said.

Kim Brodsky, an instructor of a female sexuality class said, "the male and female sexuality classes are two separate classes and are in no way affiliated. We support and defend the curriculum of our course."

Instructors of the male sexuality class likewise defended their curriculum. Drew Navarro, one instructor, said the classes "provide a much-needed forum" for discussion "of how students really feel about themselves and their bodies."

—Daily Californian

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THURSDAY

High: 65; Low: 34; Partly cloudy

FRIDAY

High: 65; Low: 38; Sunny

LookingBack

1937 — Legendary driver and designer Roger Penske was born on this day. While he drove and designed a variety of racecar models, Penske is most famous for his achievements in Indy car design.

1993 — Ferruccio Lamborghini died on this day in 1993, leaving behind a remarkable life story of a farm boy with big dreams. Born on his family's farm outside of Bologna, Italy, Lamborghini grew up tinkering with tractors.

Assault investigation continues

ANTHONY KIRCHNER
Staff Reporter

A joint investigation between Fort Worth and TCU police continued Tuesday in the sexual assault of a 21-year-old woman who lives in the Bellaire Condominiums on Bellaire Drive, said J.C. Williams, assistant TCU police chief.

Fort Worth police would not comment on the incident because it is an open investigation,

but Don Mills, vice-chancellor for student affairs, confirmed Tuesday that the victim is a TCU student.

According to the police report, the victim was alone in her apartment when she heard a knock on her door at approximately 1 p.m. Monday. The report states that she walked over to the door, looked through the peephole and noticed a Hispanic man standing outside. The victim said in the report that she opened the

door partially, with the safety chain in place.

The man asked her if he could use her telephone and the victim handed her portable phone through the opening in the door, according to the report.

The report continues that after making a call, the man handed the phone back and said, "Their phone is busy, I'll try back later." The man left, and she closed her door, according to

(More on ASSAULT, page 6)

Brachman's first floor to be cleared

BY KAMI LEWIS
Staff Reporter

Brachman Hall's coeducational first floor will be vacated fall 2002 to make space for a potential overflow of students, said Karen Baker, assistant director of Residential Services.

Baker said the move is an attempt to avoid situations like last fall's housing crunch when forty male students were temporarily housed in local hotels and 35 undergraduates were moved to graduate apartments.

Despite the administration's reassurance that enrollment will go down, Baker said the decision concerning Brachman is a proactive approach.

"It's very uncertain to know where we will need the space, and if it will be for males or females in the fall," Baker said. "Even if the enrollment goes down, we're doing everything we can to avoid the situation we had last year." Residents of Brachman were informed of the situation in a notice delivered last week. Residents were told they would be given first choice of rooms in Brachman, said Katy Eckhardt, the first floor resident assistant.

Baker said Brachman was chosen because either sex could be housed there. Eckhardt said the residents in her wing have not expressed any concerns about the notice to her.

"There are lots of non-freshmen on my floor, and most were planning to move out (at the end of the semester) anyway," she said.

Miranda Goodsheller, a first floor resident, said the entire floor had become closer this semester than any other floor.

"This wing has become a community in a very real way, it's our 'home' in a literal sense," said Goodsheller, a sophomore advertising/public relations major.

Goodsheller said that while she had

(More on BRACHMAN, page 6)

Quick interruption



Students, faculty and staff congregate outside Reed Hall Monday afternoon because of a fire alarm that went off in the building. Classes were halted for a short period while authorities accessed the situation.

Erin Munger/SKIFF STAFF

Business, art departments merge to create awareness between students

BY SAM EATON
Staff Reporter

Business students now have some artwork to look at instead of white paint and glass windows.

The artwork recently posted around Tandy Hall and Dan Rogers Hall is the start of a new program that will introduce the fine arts to business students and introduce business to art students, said Ron Watson, chairman of the art department.

Watson said displaying the work of art students in the business building is the first step in integrating the programs.

"This is an opportunity for their work to be seen by a large segment of the TCU students, especially the business students," Watson said.

Kristi Dill, assistant dean in the M.J. Neeley School of Business, said the business school is providing a way for art students to have their work seen by more of the campus.

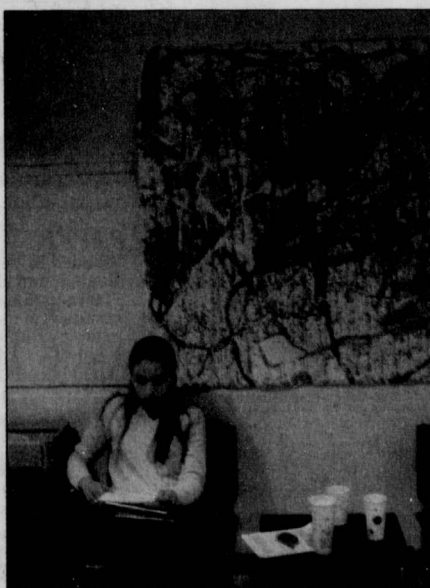
"The idea came about because we want to make sure, as far as our business students are concerned, that we're exposing them not just to the basic principles of a business education, but to the fine arts," Dill said. "A lot of the students, because of the demands of a business degree, don't get the exposure to a wide variety of fine arts."

Watson said having the pictures was for art students because they learn how to market their work.

"It's a good experience for the art students to go through the process of getting their work selected and ready to be exhibited and installed," Watson said. "It's professional training and it's helpful for them."

The business school and art department will sponsor a seminar in April with artist guest speaker Libby Platus.

Dill said Platus would discuss how the art and business worlds could merge and help each other. In addition, information will be given about how an



Bethany McCormack/COPY DESK CHIEF
Mirry Kahn, a junior management major, studies for a class while sitting in front of a painting in Tandy Hall. The paintings have been placed in the to integrate the art and business departments.

artists can introduce themselves to a gallery, how to emerge into the business of being an artist and how to market and price art work, Dill said.

The seminar is open to all TCU art students, the community and nearby universities.

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NPHC to attend first national conference

BY DAVID DUNAI
Staff Reporter

TCU's chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council will be represented for the first time Wednesday at the Mid-American Greek Council Association conference in Chicago, said NPHC president Sheldon Avant.

NPHC, a traditionally African-

American Greek-letter organization that includes three sororities and two fraternities at TCU, will join the delegates of the TCU Interfraternity Council and the Pan-Hellenic Association as an effort to integrate the Greek community on campus, Avant said.

IFC president Bryan Perkins said TCU's delegation will be

unique this year because NPHC is generally not considered of equal significance in other college's Greek communities. As a result they are rarely represented.

"The presence of the NPHC delegates represents a new look at Greek life on the TCU campus

(More on NPHC, page 6)

Pentagon official says strikes by United States could be soon

BY MATT KELLEY
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Pre-emptive strikes by the United States could be on the horizon as the United States fights terrorism, the Pentagon's No. 2 official said Tuesday.

"We've already lost enough Americans. We're not going to lose any more by hesitating," Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz told a group of defense contractors.

Wolfowitz did not offer any details of where or when such a strike could happen, and he did not answer questions during an appearance at a conference of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

Pentagon officials have repeatedly said that no decision has been made on when or where the next U.S. action will be. Speculation in recent days has focused on Iraq, which President Bush named as part of an "axis of evil" with North Korea and Iran last month.

Wolfowitz is widely viewed as one of the strongest voices within the Bush administration in favor of military attacks aimed at toppling Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

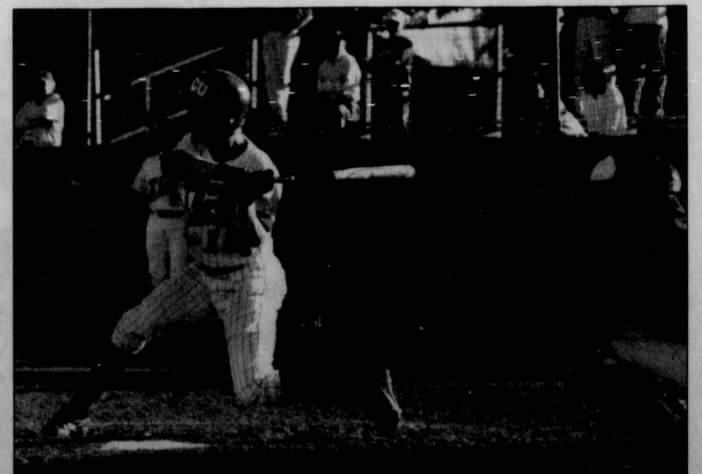
Wolfowitz said he was worried that Americans were beginning to act as if the threat from terrorism is over. Dozens of al Qaeda fighters remain alive within Afghanistan, although the military campaign there has severely disrupted the group, Wolfowitz said.

"The success is only interim success. There is still a great deal of work to be done," Wolfowitz told the conference. "I do fear the country has not absorbed that the conflict is far from over."

Pentagon strategy in Afghanistan relied on the fact that the Taliban rulers that sheltered al Qaeda terrorists were unpopular among Afghans, Wolfowitz said. The lesson, Wolfowitz said, is that key allies against

(More on PENTAGON, page 6)

Swinging slugger



Junior designated hitter Chris Meeks swings at a pitch Tuesday against Texas Tech. Meeks had three hits and one run batted in the Frogs' 14-13 loss. See Sports, Page 8, for the full story.

Erin Munger/Skiff Staff

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Your bulletin board for campus events

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• **TCU Theatre** presents "Red, Hot and Cole" 8 p.m. Feb. 20-23 and 2 p.m. Feb. 23 and 24. The musical, directed by George Brown, celebrates the music of songwriter Cole Porter. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for staff, students and seniors. For reservations call (817) 257-5770.

• **University chapel** service is noon today in Robert Carr Chapel. Brian Young of the Wesley Foundation will preach and there will be a special classical guitar performance by Jackson Grothe.

• **KinoMonda film series** will present the Indian film "Hum Dil De Chuke Sanam" 7 p.m. today in Sid W. Richardson, Lecture Hall 1. For more information call (817) 257-7292.

• **RTVF film series** will present "Mildred Pierce" 7 p.m. Thursday in Moudy Building South, Room 164. The 1945 film stars Joan Crawford and Jack Carson. For more information call (817) 257-7630.

• **SuperFrog's birthday party** will be noon to 6 p.m. Thursday at Frog Fountain. The festivities will include music and food. For more information call (817) 257-5233.

• **MBA Information Session** will be 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in Tandy Hall. The session will provide information about the TCU MBA Program, an evening-only program that can be completed in 28 months. For more information go to (www.mba.tcu.edu/visit/openhouse.htm) or call (817) 257-7531.

• **Miss Texas 2001 Stacy James** will speak 7 p.m. Sunday in Sid W. Richardson Building, Lecture Hall 2. The event, sponsored by Sigma Kappa, is open to everyone and admission is free. James will speak on her platform, Alzheimer's awareness.

• **The Neeley Student Resource Center** is advising for summer and fall classes. To make an appointment call (817) 257-6772 or come during walk-in times, 8 to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

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Campus/State Roundup

Career coach encourages students to "Major in Success"

Patrick Combs, author of "Major in Success," started his lecture Tuesday night about career guidance with giant green and yellow balloons bouncing among audience members in the Student Center Ballroom to create a fun atmosphere.

He gave suggestions to students on how to get a good job and how to pick an enjoyable career.

Combs said if you do something you have passion for then that is what will make you rich in your life, happiness and pay. He said to do work that you love and pick things that are fun.

Fahad Khan, TCU graduate and intern for Student Development Services, said Combs' lecture was eye opening because it made him realize it is more important to be in a job he enjoys. He said Combs had advice everyone needs to hear.

Heather Olsen, a sophomore psychology major, said Combs' speech didn't change her life but his lecture emphasized how important it is to get involved and take a chance.

—Kelly Howard

Stuck Austin floodgate spills millions of gallons of water

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A new floodgate in a dam got stuck open during tests, spilling millions of gallons of water and dropping a reservoir level by 2 feet in just hours.

Authorities rushed to close Lake Marble Falls to boaters on Monday but said the water pouring downstream created no danger to residents downstream, including the Austin area.

Drinking water supplies for the central Texas cities of Marble Falls and Meadowlakes were not affected, officials said.

The \$1.7 million floodgate got stuck for six hours when a malfunctioning valve shut off a hydraulic line that operates the mechanism, said John Williams, a spokesman for the Lower Colorado River Authority.

Water poured out at a rate of 4,000 cubic feet per second.

The authority said the water was expected to raise downstream lakes Travis and Buchanan by only a few inches.

Samedan Oil Corp. to drill around Nederland school

PORT ARTHUR (AP) — An oil company is going back to school hoping to tap not knowledge but black gold. Samedan Oil Corp. is drilling toward a "substantial pool of oil" located around and under C.O. Wilson Middle School in Nederland.

"We're a poor school district. We were pleased there might be the possibility of oil," said Gail Krohn, superintendent of the Nederland Independent School District.

The company isn't working from the site but hoping to reach the oil by drilling horizontally from a 365-square-foot piece of land at Southeast Texas Regional Airport, located about half a mile away.

The drilling is expected to take up to three years, the Port Arthur News reported Tuesday.

Jefferson County Commissioner Mark Domingue, whose precinct includes the airport and Nederland, said he has been told about 48 property owners near the school have retained their mineral rights. The school district signed a contract with Samedan in November 2001 allowing the company to drill.

The drilling will not affect operations at the 800-student middle school as all work and equipment are located on the airport property, she said.

Police officer testifies in Yates murder trial Tuesday

HOUSTON (AP) — When Russell Yates learned his five children had been killed, he fell to the ground and then threw a chair across the yard, a police officer testified Tuesday.

Houston Police Sgt. David Svahn testified at the trial of Yates' wife, Andrea Yates, 37, who is charged with two counts of capital murder for the June 20 drownings and faces the death penalty. She has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

Svahn said he was the first to encounter the father after taking Andrea Yates into custody.

He said Russell Yates suddenly came running up to the house.

"He was screaming and hollering," Svahn testified. "He was saying, 'What did she do to my kids? What did she do to my kids?'"

Svahn said he asked the man what was going on.

"He said his wife had called him at work and told him it was time to come home," Svahn said. "His wife told him she had hurt all five of the kids and that she finally did it."

The officer said he then had the grim task of informing Russell Yates that his children were dead.

"At that point he fell to the ground and began hitting his hand on the ground," Svahn said. He then picked up a plastic chair from the yard and threw it, the officer said, (already in the lead).

On Monday, the first day of the trial, Officer David Knapp said he followed Andrea Yates into the house after she summoned police, and in the bedroom he saw a child's arm protruding from under a wet sheet. Knapp lifted it and saw the lifeless bodies of Mary, 6 months, Luke, 2, Paul, 3, and John, 5. Noah, 7, was floating face down in the bathtub.

Knapp said Yates answered his questions in a monotone voice and followed his instructions to sit down and show identification.

Frank Stumpo, the second Houston police officer who arrived at the house, testified that he asked Yates if she realized what she had done.

"Yes, I do," was Yates' response, the officer testified.

Search for escaped convict continues with few leads

ABILENE (AP) — The manhunt for convicted killer John William Roland III continued Tuesday, nearly three days after he assaulted a corrections officer and escaped from a North Texas maximum-security facility.

Authorities have few leads in the search for Roland. The Texas Department of Public Safety used a helicopter to scan counties surrounding the Robertson Unit on Monday but halted the effort at dusk.

Maj. Joe Grimes at the Robertson Unit said authorities have extended the search to a 25- to 50-mile radius around the prison.

The Robertson Unit is in Jones County, about 170 miles west of Dallas and home to nearly 3,000 inmates.

Roland is described as white, 5-foot-8, 182 pounds, with hazel eyes, brown hair and a ruddy complexion.

Dartmouth professors killed in robbery, indictment states

HAVERHILL, N.H. (AP) — The teens accused of stabbing two Dartmouth College professors to death talked their way into the couple's home and killed them in a plot to steal their ATM cards and PIN numbers, an indictment unsealed Tuesday charges.

In the six months before the murders in Hanover on Jan. 27, 2001, Robert Tulloch and James Parker went to four other randomly chosen homes but did not get in, the indictment says.

It says they finally succeeded by telling professor Half Zantop they were students conducting an environmental survey. Zantop and his wife, Susanne, were found slain later that day.

The last of those failed attempts was the same day the Zantops were murdered, the indictment alleged.

Tulloch, 18, is charged with first-degree murder. He has indicated he will use an insanity defense at his trial, which is scheduled to start in April.

Parker, 17, has pleaded guilty to reduced charges and agreed to testify against Tulloch. The Grafton County Superior Court indictment dated Friday and unsealed Tuesday does not say whether the details came from Parker.

It is the first time authorities have clearly stated a theory for the killings, which rocked Hanover. Previously, authorities had said only that the motive was robbery.

Ohio University revamps historic movie theater

ATHENS, Ohio (AP) — When this college town's only movie theater was poised to become a Chinese restaurant, an unexpected party stepped in to save the piece of history.

Ohio University spent \$2.5 million in buying and overhauling the nearly 90-year-old Athena Cinemas, a deal that has been heralded as a boon for the community and the school.

Complete with a new mint-and-chrome marquee and a matching outdoor ticket booth and an indoor concession stand, the three-screen theater has re-opened after renovations that included sound and picture upgrades, as well as a pastel decor reminiscent of the 1940s.

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The Skiff View

WAKE UP

Campus not as safe as it may seem

TCU has an image to uphold. It's one of manicured lawns, glistening buildings and students carefree and smiling. It's a picture on the TCU Web site, on a billboard or on a brochure. The TCU image has no hint of darkness or trouble.

However, there is more to this university than the image created by a picture on a brochure. Sometimes it takes a tragedy to remind people that TCU is not a perfect place. This reminder came Monday when a female student was sexually assaulted at knife-point in her apartment one block from campus.

The TCU community that seems so safe and secure is part of a larger community where violence and crime are all too common. The "TCU bubble" we are so familiar with exists only in our minds and in the way we view our campus. There are no barriers or walls separating TCU from the rest of the world.

It is easy to forget that TCU is not a perfect, protected environment. The university administration does what it can to ensure a safe campus, but it cannot protect everyone 100 percent of the time.

While we can't prevent all crimes, we also can't take our safety for granted. Jogging alone at midnight, leaving a residence hall or apartment door unlocked, leaving a backpack unattended—all seem harmless enough but can invite an unwanted situation.

There are programs put in place to help keep students safe and these programs should be taken advantage of. If a student needs to walk across campus late at night, he or she has the option of calling for an escort. Emergency phones located throughout campus are another security measure.

One incident does not mean it is time to panic. However, this assault does mean we should open our eyes. No one is immune to crime or violence. There is no way to ensure safety, but by being aware of possible dangers, you can help prevent them.



Hypocrisy part of bigger problem in society

Jessica Simpson is on the cover of this month's Maxim magazine (the pics are probably already all over the Delt's chapter room).

Previously, I drew, perhaps unfairly, a comparison between her own brand of hypocrisy, abortion protesters, murdering doctors and nurses, and U2 performing at the Super Bowl halftime show.



Tim Dragga

Now much like one of my own personal heroes, Dennis Miller, I don't wanna get off on a rant, but it seems like we've got more people hedging their bets than Enron staffers filing for unemployment.

I am not meaning to have any problem with liberal or conservative ideology, it's just the hypocrisy espoused by affiliates on both that really makes me think some people should be locked in a porta potty, lit on fire and sent careening down a mountain side.

When you've got someone like Bono appearing at the World Health Organization to talk about how globalization and corporations are responsible for Third World debt only to turn around and perform at the corporate conglomerate meele that has become the Super Bowl, you can't help but scratch your head and wonder if

the joke's really on you. I haven't seen any information to suggest that any of the more than \$110 million they've taken in on tour is being sent to a Third World debt charity.

It's not that hypocrisy doesn't have its place in the world. If hypocrisy didn't exist, those in the religious right wouldn't have anything to do.

Hypocrisy often works out to create hilarity and occasionally leads a person into the right thing, if for the wrong reason. We can all appreciate a little intrinsic hypocrisy in the people who support abortion rights but are against the death penalty.

And hey, it's okay. I'm the first to admit I fall into that category, but at least it's something I have to find a way to reconcile within myself.

What seems to be increasing is that now hypocrisy arises because it's purchased. People are willing to turn their convictions aside when the stack of cash gets high enough. Of course, that's not a new revelation. It's why special interest lobbyists exist and we've got politicians whose motives are more bought than a call girl's enthusiasm.

Maybe it's just the inevitable evolution of our capitalist society but it seems that there's no point in having a conviction if it's only on loan to the highest bidder.

Muhammad Ali was a true hero because he refused the draft

and stood firm on what he believed to be right. He did it despite the fact that it was going to not only cost him money, but what would have been the three best years of his career. Regardless of whether you might disagree with his ideas you have to at least respect the fact that he held to his convictions even when it was inconvenient.

Now whether hypocrisy is motivated by economic reasons, or because it's easier than logically accounting for two seemingly contradictory viewpoints, becomes largely irrelevant when it comes down to the result.

The increase in hypocrisy is indicative of a larger problem that's been mounting in our culture's political climate. That is, people are letting their stance on specific issues define their world view and ideology instead of having their world view designate their stance on specific issues.

When only specific issues become the focus, a person is left trying to explain some sort of world philosophy out of the arising contradictions. The effect is akin to building a house from the roof down instead of the ground up.

But then again, I'm a guy who supports abortion rights and not the death penalty.

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Violence, weapons do not equal power

Let me state first that my particular dislike for Israel has nothing to do with the people who populate the country or their religion, but rather toward the government and the state that use violence in the name of Israel.

COMMENTARY



Chris Dobson

All Semites should be treated equally with all the other people of the world, which is why I find the existence of Israel an abomination in this world.

Few people admit this but Jews and Palestinians are both historically derived from the seed of Abraham. To treat either of them as second-class peoples is to be anti-Semitic. Adolf Hitler should no more be allowed to create his Aryan homeland, then to allow the Jews to create their Judaic homeland.

The simple fact is both of these attempts required the removal of the people who lived in the area who did not meet the specific genetic makeup required.

Hitler was an incredibly evil man bent on world domination and willing to systematically imprison and kill those he felt were not real humans. But when Theodore Herzl, founder of Zionism, stated the Jews sought "a land without people for a people without land," his conception mimicked something popular among the rulers of our country, a complete disregard for the lifestyle of other people.

Our country was stolen from the Native Americans and not discovered by Columbus as our textbooks would like us to believe. Similarly, many Israeli leaders have pointed out there were no "Palestinians" before 1948, but were there "Indians" before Columbus?

There were no "Indians" before Columbus because the term "Indian" was a label applied by Columbus, as "Palestinian" was applied to the Arabs living in the area now occupied by Israel. Just as our "Manifest Destiny" justified the subjugation of the native populations, Abraham's covenant is manipulated to justify an "apartheid-like system," in the words of former Secretary of State George Schultz.

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The Other View

Opinions from around the country

Capitalism begets craziness. At least in the case of kitties.

With funding from an entrepreneurial firm, Texas A&M University has successfully cloned a cat in an event that could be the precursor to a new industry that would refabricate pets for the nation's elite.

Genetic Savings and Clone of College Station and Sausalito, Calif., will soon be offering its cat-cloning services to the general public and will store pet DNA for animals that have not yet been successfully cloned.

The nation's elite with recent pet departures are giddy. The nation's animal activists are indignant and completely unwilling to compromise.

The Humane Society of the United States claims in a release that cat cloning is unethical when there are millions of cats in pet shelters across the country. While unclaimed animals are a tragedy, the Humane Society assertion doesn't address a few logical points.

Pet cloning won't likely be the next Hula-Hoop. The procedure will be so cost prohibitive that only the most zealous pet owner will be able to have Garfield reconstructed. Projections for cost have been in the four to five figure range, and even that's after years of technological improvement.

Another issue that the Humane Society release misses is that this type of research has potential to be useful beyond the prospect of pet cloning. Feline immunodeficiency syndrome is very similar to its human counterpart, HIV, which opens doors to AIDS research.

Eventually, this line of study could lead to greater insight into human cloning if that can of worms is opened in the near future, which is looking more and more likely.

The Humane Society's criticism that the procedure "serves no compelling social purpose" is not unfounded, but it is irrelevant. In this country of pet rocks, cell phones and other objects that seem to serve no "compelling social purpose," the end justifies the means.

This shouldn't be thought of as an ethical issue. It's an intelligence issue. If some people are confused, wealthy and selfish enough to try and bring back a dead pet, then they deserve to do their part in reinvigorating the economy.

If others wish to do a good deed and save an animal's life, then they should go to their local animal shelter.

This editorial comes from the Daily Texan at the University of Texas-Austin. This column was distributed by U-Wire.

Nutrasweet is not so sweet

There's a sick trend invading the lives of those around us. It has weaseled its way into all regions of our campus. It may even be as close to you as your own best friend.

No, it's not the awful new Britney Spears movie or the newest crappy Backstreet Boys song. It's something much more disgusting, revolting and completely devoid of taste.

You guessed it. It's diet soft drinks.

The popularity of diet soft drinks among seemingly normal individuals is a topic that should inspire fear in all of us. Right beside world hunger and the fight against terrorism, this horrible trend is something that has needed to be addressed for a long time.

I prefer to think of these lost souls as individuals who woke up one morning without taste buds and decided to go the more health-conscious, diet route of enjoying a Coke. A lack of taste buds and pure delusion are the only rational explanations for such a phenomenon.

What upsets me the most is the fact that diet soft drinks are not just like normal soft drinks. For those who claim otherwise, you my friends, are victims of a Diet Dr. Pepper advertising ploy that has obviously rendered your thinking capabilities useless. Who knew advertising could be so effective?

Diet soft drinks are flat-tasting, sugarless, aspartame-ridden, carbonated nastiness in a can.

This aspartame stuff doesn't sound like something I would like to ingest on a regular basis. Apparently aspartame, when stored at room temperature, is capable of breaking down into chemical formaldehyde and can cause cancer and birth defects.

Now I do know about formaldehyde, and only within the context of keeping dead organs smelling nicely. Mmmm.... drinking the stuff that makes rotting carcasses stay fresh. Sounds refreshing.

So what are the real benefits of opting for diet over regular soda alternative? About ten grams of sodium and 140 less calories.

If you really feel that an extra 140 calories is going to tip you over the brink and into obesity, why don't you skip the Big Mac

and fries you're probably eating with that diet soft drink. Or you could visit our state of the art workout shack provided by TCU, otherwise known as the Cokesbury Bookstore. You could even drink your normal Coke while working out at the workout shack. The possibilities are endless.

Whether you've been deluded into thinking that diet drinks are as good as regular ones, or you're trying to achieve weight loss goals, these are not very substantial reasons to give up the taste of that oh-so-refreshing, calorie filled normal soft drink.

Some kind of support group should be started to help you people out. Maybe the government should control this kind of thing, as well as fight off Osama. Maybe some kind of patch technology should be researched to gradually wean hooked drinkers from the diet substance.

I know I'm spending many a sleepless night trying to rid the world of such a monstrosity. Regardless, let it be known that next time I'm offered a diet drink, I'll pass.

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National/International Roundup

Young German man kills three in shooting rampage

FREISING, Germany (AP) — A young German in army camouflage gunned down his former boss and a foreman at the factory from which he was fired then went to his old high school where he set off homemade pipe bombs and shot wildly Tuesday, killing the principal.

The assailant, believed to be about 20 years old, ended the rampage by killing himself, making the death toll in the rampage four, police said.

Several other people were wounded, including a teacher who was hospitalized with a gunshot wound to the cheek. No students were hurt, police said.

Police commandos who combed the school discovered the suspected assailant's body several hours later. He had killed himself, Bavarian police spokesman Armin Ganserer said.

The rampage began when the assailant walked into a small factory that makes home furnishings in the town of Eching at about 8 a.m. and shot his former boss and a foreman, ages 38 and 40, with a "heavy-caliber gun," police spokesman Hans-Peter Kammerer said. One man died on the spot, the other shortly afterward.

The company had fired the young man in the last few weeks, police said, though the reasons were unclear.

Cross-examinations begin in Milosevic trial

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Slobodan Milosevic cross-examined the first witness in his war crimes trial Tuesday, seeking to discredit a Kosovo Albanian politician who accused the Yugoslav government of imposing a system of apartheid in Kosovo.

At times sarcastic and patronizing, Milosevic read from a stack of handwritten notes as he vigorously questioned the former head of the Communist Party in Kosovo, Mahmut Bakalli.

The two engaged in a fierce po-

litical wrangle that lasted for nearly four hours. They tussled at length as Milosevic pointed out contradictions in the witnesses' testimony over alleged atrocities in Kosovo, a province of Serbia.

Trial spectators commended Milosevic, saying his efforts appeared serious and legally relevant. The former Yugoslav president studied law, but Tuesday's cross-examination was the first time he performed as a trial lawyer. He has refused to appoint a defense attorney, calling his trial illegitimate.

After a week of opening statements from the defense and the prosecution, Bakalli's testimony and cross-examination initiated the evidentiary stage of the trial, which could last up to two years.

U.S., India take first steps toward closer relations

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — India is building a closer military relationship with the United States after the Sept. 11 terror attacks, easing a chill that dated to the Cold War, India's defense minister said Tuesday.

Defense Minister George Fernandes' comments came a day after Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, said India intends to buy U.S. surveillance radar — its first major military purchase from the United States.

The radar would be used to help fight Islamic militants in the disputed province of Kashmir, an Indian Defense Ministry source said. U.S. officials have not indicated that the radar would be used in Kashmir, and Washington has often said that it would not interfere in the dispute.

"It is unprecedented, since our cooperation was at such a low level," Fernandes told a news conference Tuesday. "Where there was a certain standoffishness, it went away."

"Post-Sept. 11, a different relationship was developed. Military-to-military cooperation has been worked out," he said.

India has traditionally bought

most of its weapons from Moscow, but is now considering purchases from Washington as well. Indian officials say they need a strong defense against Pakistan and China.

American woman to pursue final chance for pardon

LIMA, Peru (AP) — An American woman will seek a pardon from Peru's president after a court ordered her to serve out a 20-year prison sentence for collaborating with leftist rebels in a failed bid to seize Congress.

Peru's Justice Minister Fernando Olivera ruled out a pardon on Tuesday for New York-native Lori Berenson a day after the Supreme Court confirmed her sentence.

"She is a proven terrorist, sentenced by the Supreme Court," Olivera said. "There is simply nothing more to discuss about the matter ... a presidential pardon is not under consideration."

Olivera did not say whether he had discussed the matter with President Alejandro Toledo, who would grant the pardon.

The Supreme Court was Berenson's last recourse through Peru's justice system.

Berenson's lawyer and parents said she will pursue the remaining options for being released from prison: a presidential pardon or a favorable ruling by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

Berenson, 32, has already been jailed for six years and must now serve out the sentence that ends in 2015.

Queen visits Jamaica as it seeks to part with monarchy

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — Greeted by schoolchildren waving Jamaican flags, Queen Elizabeth II visited Parliament on Tuesday, where many legislators want to throw out an oath of allegiance to her and other trappings of the island's colonial past.

Schoolchildren lined the streets outside, waving Jamaican flags —

not the British flags that often are displayed during royal visits to other former colonies.

Elizabeth remains the titular monarch in this former British colony, but her visit here has highlighted questions many have over whether the ties to the crown are still relevant for the struggling island.

Accompanied by her husband, Prince Philip, the queen is on a journey marking 50 years on the throne, 15 days of travel that also will take her to the former colonies of Canada and Australia.

The visit follows the death of her sister Princess Margaret, whose funeral was Friday.

During the three-day visit here, the queen likely will hear from all sides in the discussion over Jamaica's links to the crown. Many consider the symbolic ties an outdated colonial hangover. The island remained British until independence in 1962.

Mistakenly released prisoner recaptured Tuesday

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Police on Tuesday recaptured a murder defendant who had been mistakenly released from jail after he switched identities with another inmate.

Derrick Boothe was captured without incident at the home of his 18-year-old girlfriend, who was arrested and expected to be charged with harboring a fugitive, police spokesman Richard Wilkes said.

Boothe, 25, was mistakenly released from a medium-security city jail on Friday after he switched identities with a teen-age drug suspect, authorities said. His release came just a day after he was arrested on charges of first-degree murder and armed criminal action in the April killings of a St. Louis police officer's son and another man.

Authorities alleged that Boothe and 17-year-old Antonio Harris, also arrested Thursday, exchanged their jail ID wrist bands and then gave each other's birth dates and Social Security numbers.

Bush begins two day visit to S. Korea

President to tone down "axis of evil" rhetoric

BY SANDRA SOBIERAJ
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Facing protests in Seoul's streets and a combative new message from North Korea, President Bush opened a two-day visit to South Korea Tuesday that will take him to the dividing line between what he has called good and evil.

The president, whose provocative labeling of North Korea as part of an "axis of evil" has stirred Asian unease, arrived here with first lady Laura Bush from Tokyo.

Landing on a tightly secured U.S. military base in downtown Seoul,

Bush saw none of the anti-American protests that have marred the run-up to his first visit to Korea. He indulged cheering U.S. military families with handshakes and autographs.

On the streets of Seoul itself, police in riot gear stood watch over Koreans who went about their routine with barely a passing glance at Bush's motorcade.

In a speech earlier Tuesday to the Japanese Diet, Bush toned down talk that many in the region have perceived as troublesome saber-rattling and spoke of "a fellowship of free Pacific nations."

He is expected to continue the somewhat muted tone on Wednesday when he rallies U.S. troops patrolling the hostile and heavily armored Demilitarized Zone dividing Koreans into communist North and democratic South.

A nearly final draft of the president's speech does not contain the words "axis of evil," president counselor Karen Hughes said.

Still, North Korea's Radio Pyongyang continued to hold up the phrase as evidence the United States is trying to incite war.

"If the U.S. imperialists and Japanese reactionaries should provoke the second Korean War, to the end, our military and people will attack them with 100 times to 1,000 times of revenge," the state-controlled Radio Pyongyang said in a commentary monitored by the Radiopress agency in Tokyo.

The president was bringing to the DMZ an unclassified satellite photo of visible light on the Korean peninsula, showing the highly developed South awash in blots of light and only two or three pinpricks of white in the North, the largest in the Pyongyang capital.

Bush sees the photo as proof of the "light and opportunity that comes with freedom and the dark that comes with a regime that's repressive and holds its own people back," Hughes said.

She denied that the omission of "axis of evil" from his speech is any kind of sign Bush was backing off his hard line and said that, as he stands just yards from the border, Bush will forcefully reiterate his contention that North Korea is one of the world's most dangerous and repressive regimes.

Without mentioning North Korea or the weapons trafficking there that has drawn his ire, Bush earlier assured the Japanese Diet he seeks an Asia "where military force is not used to resolve political disputes."

S. Court upholds paper-swapping grading in schools

BY ANNE GEARAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court upheld the common school-room practice of having one student grade another's work, ruling Tuesday that such paper-swapping does not violate federal privacy law.

The 9-0 ruling ends a challenge filed by a mother whose learning-disabled son was ridiculed as a "dummy" when his poor grades were read aloud to classmates.

Teachers nationwide commonly tell students to swap homework, quizzes or other schoolwork and then correct one another's work as the teacher goes over it aloud. Sometimes the teacher then has students call out the results, and the teacher records them.

"Correcting a classmate's work

can be as much a part of the assignment as taking the test itself," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for himself and seven colleagues. Justice Antonin Scalia filed a separate concurring opinion.

"It is a way to teach material again in a new context, and it helps show students how to assist and respect fellow pupils," wrote Kennedy, a former law professor who still teaches several classes a year.

Kristja Falvo won a lower court decision that banned classroom grading aloud as a violation of a 1974 law that gave parents veto power over the release of student "education records."

At issue for the Supreme Court was whether the result of a pop quiz or other classwork is considered a record under the law. The Owasso, Okla., school district Falvo's chil-

dren attend argued that such a broad interpretation could outlaw the school honor roll, or even the practice of working out a math problem on the blackboard. The Bush administration backed the school district.

Falvo's lawsuit became an ideological contest between the rights of parents and the rights of teachers to run their classrooms, and between social conservatives and teachers' unions.

Falvo said Tuesday she has been contacted by parents throughout the country who object to the grading practice, and she still hopes to see it end. Congress could ban the practice, or schools could discontinue it on their own, she said.

"Maybe they won't use it, because sometimes something legal isn't healthy," she said.

"This is a practice that has gone

on forever and does not disadvantage children," said Bruce Hunter, director of public policy for the American Association of School Administrators, which represents the nation's school superintendents.

"It gives them instant feedback," Hunter said. "While they're looking at someone else's paper, they're thinking about the answers." Falvo's 1998 lawsuit claimed that paper-swapping violated students' civil rights. A federal judge threw out the case, but the Denver-based appeals court reinstated it in a ruling that focused on a 1974 educational privacy law.

The Bush administration argued that in passing the law, Congress was concerned with preserving the privacy of final, institutional records of a school, not the results of one day's classroom.

Fort Worth and U.S. History Presentations

First Ladies, a talk about Texans who have served as first ladies, will be presented on Thursday, February 21, by Dr. Paul Boller, a TCU professor emeritus and author.


The Religious Beliefs of Civil War Soldiers will be presented by Dr. Steven E. Woodworth, a TCU history professor, on Thursday, February 28.

The History of Philanthropy in Fort Worth will be presented by Bart Pointer, who is completing his doctorate at TCU, on Thursday, March 14.

The History of Education in Fort Worth will be presented by Dalton Hoffman, CPA, on Tuesday, March 26. Mr. Hoffman is the financial officer of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and a local history enthusiast.

All Presentations will be at 7p.m. at the church.

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A QUIZ, BY GEORGE!

From George Washington to George W. Bush, the 42 men who have held the nation's highest office have some of the most familiar names and faces in American history. You see them every day on U.S. currency and coins, attend schools that bear their names, and drive on streets and highways named in their honor. But how well do you really know the American presidents? Do you know which man owned a haberdashery before ascending to the presidency? (Harry S. Truman) Do you know who survived an assassination attempt when a metal eyeglass case deflected the bullet? (Theodore Roosevelt) Do you know who used the words "I affirm" instead of "I swear" when taking his oath of office? (Franklin Pierce) Here's your chance to meet the men behind the office.

1 This president — our nation's first — was the only one inaugurated in two cities: New York and Philadelphia.

2 After losing his re-election bid, this president spent 17 years serving in the House of Representatives.

3 He died July 4, 1826, the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, which he wrote.

4 He became president when William Henry Harrison died. Because he was the first president not actually elected to the office, he was referred to as "His Accidency."

5 The first president to live in the White House, he said of it, "May none but honest and wise men ever rule under the roof."

6 This president, credited with writing the Bill of Rights, helped found the University of Virginia.

7 Three of our first five presidents died on July 4. This man, our fifth president, died on that date in 1831.

8 On a trip to England in 1855, this president turned down an honorary degree from Oxford University, which was written in Latin. He said one shouldn't accept a degree one couldn't read.

9 Under this president, the Mexican War ended with the annexation of California.

10 Our seventh president was the first to be born in a log cabin — though not the last to make that claim.

11 As the extremely influential vice president under Andrew Jackson, this eighth president was called the Little Magician.

12 After giving the longest inaugural address in history (105 minutes), this president caught pneumonia and died exactly one month later.

13 This president was the only one who was never married. His niece served as White House hostess.

14 Our 20th president was shot by Charles Guiteau on July 2, 1881, just a few months after he took office in March. He died Sept. 19, the second president to be killed in office.

15 The initial "B" stands for Birchard in this president's name.

16 Called "Old Rough and Ready," he had never voted in a presidential election when he ran for the office.

17 He supported the controversial Kansas-Nebraska Act, which left the question of slavery in those two territories to popular vote.

18 His given name was Hiram Ulysses, but when he entered West Point in 1839, it was put down as Ulysses Simpson, and he adopted it.

19 The only president to serve two non-consecutive terms. According to a State Department ruling, he should be counted as the 22nd and 24th presidents.

20 He had received all his political jobs prior to the presidency because of his loyalty to the Republican Party. But to his party's surprise, this president signed major civil service reform legislation.

21 His son, Tad, sold refreshments to White House visitors to raise money for Civil War charities.

22 He was the first president to be impeached, but he was spared removal from office by one vote.

23 A portrait of our 25th president is on the front of the \$500 bill.

24 "Silent Cal" liked to sit on the front porch of the White House after dinner and watch people go by.

25 This president was obsessed with germs and wore gloves when shaking hands. He was so cold on a personal level that he was nicknamed the "Human Iceberg."

26 In 1919, this president was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his work on the League of Nations.

27 He was the only president to serve as chief justice of the United States.

28 A strong believer in racial equality, he was the first president to dine with an African-American in the White House when educator Booker T. Washington joined him for dinner.

29 He was the first president to ride to his inauguration in an automobile.

30 His family argued whether his middle name should be Shippe or Solomon, after his two grandfathers, so he used only the middle initial "S."

31 He was the last president inaugurated on March 4 (1933), and the first inaugurated Jan. 20 (1937).

32 This president was the first to be born west of the Mississippi River — in West Branch, Iowa.

33 He lived in 27 different homes during his 38 years in the U.S. Army.

34 This president served exactly 1,000 days in office before he was assassinated in 1963.

35 He is the only president not to have been elected to either the presidency or the vice presidency.

36 This president was the first to visit all 50 states.

37 His wife's real name was Claudia Alta Taylor, but she was known as Lady Bird.

38 He was sworn into the presidency using his nickname, "Jimmy," instead of his full name, James Earl.

39 This president changed his last name from Blythe when he was 16.

40 In November 1958 — 22 years before he was elected president — he had a role in an episode of "General Electric Theater" called "A Turkey for the President."

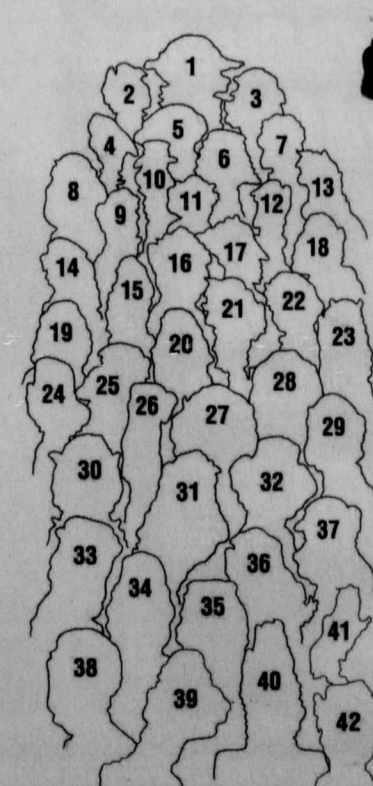
41 He lost two bids for a seat in the U.S. Senate — in 1964 and 1970.

42 This president and his father became the second father and son to hold the nation's highest office — preceded only by John Adams and John Quincy Adams.

— Compiled by Becky Sher, Knight Ridder/Tribune

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1. George Washington
2. John Quincy Adams
3. Thomas Jefferson
4. John Tyler
5. James Monroe
6. James Madison
7. James Madison
8. Andrew Jackson
9. James K. Polk
10. Andrew Jackson
11. Martin Van Buren
12. William Henry Harrison
13. James Buchanan
14. James Buchanan
15. Rutherford B. Hayes
16. Zachary Taylor
17. Franklin Pierce
18. U.S. Grant
19. Ulysses S. Grant
20. Chester A. Arthur
21. Abraham Lincoln
22. Andrew Johnson
23. William McKinley
24. Calvin Coolidge
25. Benjamin Harrison
26. Woodrow Wilson
27. William Howard Taft
28. Theodore Roosevelt
29. Warren G. Harding
30. Franklin D. Roosevelt
31. Franklin D. Roosevelt
32. Dwight D. Eisenhower
33. John F. Kennedy
34. Lyndon B. Johnson
35. Gerald R. Ford
36. Richard M. Nixon
37. Jimmy Carter
38. Jimmy Carter
39. Jimmy Carter
40. Ronald Reagan
41. George H. W. Bush
42. George W. Bush

Forensic teams find 149 bodies

Crematory operator charged with 11 counts of theft-by-deception

BY BILL POOVEY
Associated Press

NOBLE, Ga. — As the ground around Tri-State Crematory yielded more corpses, residents in three states faced the horror of planning funerals for loved ones they had long believed were resting in peace.

Forensics teams on Tuesday had recovered 149 bodies left to rot outside the northwest Georgia crematory, finding skeletons sealed in vaults and bodies that had been dragged into a shed.

"I feel like I'm in a horror movie," said Leatha Shropshire, a mother of three, whose own mother died Jan. 30 and was found dumped in the 16-acre area behind the crematory.

Ray Brent Marsh, operator of the crematory in this rural town 20 miles south of Chattanooga, Tenn., was arrested for a second time and authorities filed 11 new theft-by-deception charges against him, bringing the total to 16.

Officials examined the contents of 51 urns that had been sent to relatives — some contained powdered cement or potting soil rather than human remains, officials said. Other urns appeared to contain human remains, but it was not clear whose.

Investigators have said Marsh told them the bodies were not cremated because the incinerator was broken. Authorities said they were unsure how long the incinerator was broken, but evidence shows some dumped bodies have been there for 15 years or more.

A federal disaster mortuary team began arriving late Monday to open a mass morgue to sort the bodies. More than 400 people were involved in the investigation.

In almost all cases, Tri-State Crematory picked up the bodies from up to 30 funeral homes in Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama, delivering ashes later in return, said Walker County coroner Dewayne Wilson, who is not related to the sheriff.

The Georgia Emergency Management Agency has said the state would pay the cost of identifying the bodies. Gov. Roy Barnes has declared a state of emergency in Walker County.

Twenty-seven bodies have been identified and about nine have been returned to relatives. Officials said they expected to find as many as 200 bodies.

Texas A&M tactic to attract males

BY LINDA K. WERTHEIMER
KRT Campus

DALLAS — The 14 students gathered around a table at Skyline High School in Dallas are the kind Texas A&M University wants but has had little luck attracting.

They're near the top of their class, they're college-bound, and most are black or Hispanic.

And not one has applied to Texas A&M.

"The perception is A&M is a white school . . . and (that) they won't fit in," said Diane Hranicky, who advises student leaders at Skyline.

Like flagship universities across the country, Texas A&M in College Station has struggled to attract top minority students like those at Skyline since courts began eliminating affirmative-action admissions in the late 1990s.

Texas has led the way in devising a system that instead guarantees admissions to the top 10 percent of high school graduates. Other states have enacted similar plans, all with little or no success at luring minorities.

But now, Texas A&M has come up with a new plan it hopes will withstand legal scrutiny and make the school more diverse. Whether the plan will do either is debatable, with universities across the country eager to see how it turns out.

Under a plan tentatively approved by regents in December, the school would pursue the top 20 percent of students at about 250 high schools deemed low-performing or disadvantaged. Special emphasis also will be placed on schools that send few or no students to Texas A&M; Skyline is likely to make the list on that basis, officials say. The

students would be admitted if they score 920 on the SAT and took the right high school courses.

The goal is to tap into schools that don't normally send students to Texas A&M, which, like the University of Texas in Austin, draws from less than half the state's 1,900 private and public high schools. Officials, who have not released the list, say the plan would draw students of all races from rural and urban schools.

But opponents of the policy already have appeared to say that giving an edge to students at selected schools, even if they aren't all minorities, amounts to affirmative action.

"If they are legitimately using criteria without regard to race, then they're not violating the law," said Roger Clegg, vice president and general counsel of the Center for Equal Opportunity in Washington, D.C. "But I don't believe them, and I think it's hard to believe them."

David C. Rushing, 21, a student at A&M and state vice chairman for the Young Conservatives of Texas, was more direct.

"By allowing certain high schools to be more favored than others, that's discrimination," he said. "We want to make sure the most-qualified students continue to get admitted."

Texas A&M has asked Texas Attorney General John Cornyn to assess the proposal's constitutionality before it proceeds, officials said. With approval, the university would admit up to 500 students from targeted high schools in the fall of 2003.

Joe Estrada, Texas A&M's associate provost of enrollment, said the plan is a reaction to a stark fact: The

1997 law that provides automatic admission to all high school students in the top 10 percent of their class has not provided diversity.

In 1996, 80.4 percent of Texas A&M incoming freshmen were white, 11.2 percent Hispanic and 3.6 percent black. Last fall, 82 percent were white, 9.9 percent Hispanic and 2.9 percent black. The pattern was similar, though not as dramatic, at UT.

"It's working for everybody equally as a bill of merit, but by no means are we seeing the great numbers of African-Americans and Hispanics enrolling at the university," Estrada said.

Michael Olivias, a University of Houston law professor who helped design the top 10 percent law, said Texas A&M's

proposal makes use of some little-known parts of the law.

According to the law, universities are allowed to have a more

elaborate admissions policy than simply admitting the top 10 percent. They may also consider students in the top 25 percent of high school classes, and they may consider certain conditions when doing so. The law says, for example, that colleges may give consideration on the basis of family income, whether a student is from an urban or rural school, or how that school fared in the state accountability ratings.

The conditions that may be considered match many of the factors Texas A&M is using to identify high schools on its list, Olivias said.

Texas has remained the state to watch for admissions policies since the so-called Hopwood case, the 1992 lawsuit by four white University of Texas Law School applicants who said they lost spots to less-qualified minority students.

The case resulted in Texas' top 10 percent law, the nation's first admissions policy based on class rank. In recent years, Florida and California came up with similar policies. Florida has a top 20 percent law, and California grants admission to the top 4 percent. Neither policy has had much success with regard to diversity.

Other states have come up with their own methods to deal with the question while awaiting guidance from the U.S. Supreme Court,

which refused to hear an appeal in the Hopwood case last year. Cases that started at the University of Michigan are expected to be the first to reach the high court.

At the University of Florida at Gainesville, the percentage of minorities has decreased since the state adopted its 20 percent plan, said Bill Kolb, the college's admissions director. He said the Texas A&M experiment would give states another strategy to consider.

Estrada said two years' worth of data at A&M shows that top 20 percent students fare as well as students of higher class rank.

"They're bright kids," Estrada said. "Just because they're from low-performing schools doesn't mean they're low-performing students."

BRACHMAN

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made plans to move off campus this fall, the decision to move the residents was still difficult to take.

"It makes sense, but it's not making people happy," she said. "Because we're all so close in such a small wing, and because it's coed, it's tough to know we won't be able to come back to this."

Baker said the move to clear out the residents will probably be a one time occasion, and that Residential Services does not intend to vacate Brachman every year.

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PENTAGON

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governments that support terrorism include the people who must live under those governments.

About 60 percent of the U.S. weaponry used in Afghanistan has been precision-guided, steered to their targets by lasers or satellites, Wolfowitz said. A technological development that's just as important is the communications system that allows soldiers on the ground to describe targets to pilots, he said.

During the Gulf War, U.S. soldiers in western Iraq identified Scud missile sites but had no way to tell pilots where to drop their bombs, Wolfowitz said. As a result, American bombs didn't destroy any Scuds, he said.

ASSAULT

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the report.

Approximately 10 minutes later, the victim heard another knock and walked over to the door realizing it was the same man standing outside, the report states. She said in the report that she opened her door, and before she could speak, the suspect pushed his way into her apartment, closed the door behind him and then took a three-inch knife out of his pocket. The victim reported the suspect placed the knife to her throat and said, "Do as I ask, and you will not get hurt."

At this time, the victim complied and was taken into a back room where she was sexually assaulted, the report states.

After the assault, the victim reported that she sat in the kitchen for several hours where she realized that the sus-

pect had taken two portable phones and her wallet from the kitchen table, according to the report. At approximately 4 p.m., the victim called a friend for help and the friend called Fort Worth Police Department after learning about the incident, according to the report.

At 4:47 p.m. Fort Worth police officers arrived at the scene, collected evidence, processed the crime scene and took the victim to John Peter Smith Hospital for a rape examination, the report stated.

According to a flyer distributed around campus by TCU Police, the suspect is a 5-foot-7-inch Hispanic male, approximately 35 years old and has black hair that is parted on one side. The suspect is described in the flier as wearing a blue and yellow shirt with blue jeans.

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NPHC

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that supports diversity and cultural interaction and raises the Greek experience above racial divides," said Perkins.

Although NPHC organizations have a smaller membership than other fraternities and sororities, their significance is based on the outstanding voluntary service they provide toward the local community, said Tom Sullivan, director of fraternity and sorority affairs.

"You have to look beyond the numbers," Sullivan said.

Sullivan said NPHC organizations shouldn't be considered minority organizations,

but groups where people gather to celebrate their own cultural background and identity.

Avant said that a communication committee has been established in the Greek community during the annual president retreat to build stronger relations among members of NPHC, IFC and PHC.

Perkins said the efforts of the fraternities and sororities last year led the TCU Greek organizations to apply for the Jelison award, which honors the best overall performance by a Greek council. The winner of the award will be announced at the conference.

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- Vegetable sauté
- Pecan chicken breast
- Baked stuffed zucchini
- Rice pilaf
- Onion rings
- Hot wings
- Carved turkey with gravy
- Steamed cauliflower

DINNER

- Taste of Jamaica/Black History
- Curry chicken
- Plantain chips
- Southern fried chicken
- Vegetable Hopin John
- Candied sweet potatoes
- Baked macaroni and cheese
- Fried okra
- Saucy oven-baked ribs
- Field peas and okra
- Cabbage and collard greens
- Cheese grit Soufflé
- Corn muffins

Tomorrow's menu

LUNCH

- Moscato/linguine
- Vegetable sauté
- Chicken fried chicken
- Barley casserole
- Mashed potatoes
- Onion rings
- Popcorn chicken
- Carved brisket
- Au gratin potatoes
- Corn bread

DINNER

- Spaghetti/rotini
- Vegetable sauté
- Asian station
- General Tso pork
- Vegetable stir fry
- Popcorn chicken
- Rotisserie chicken
- Confetti rice
- Harvard beets

Today's Funnies

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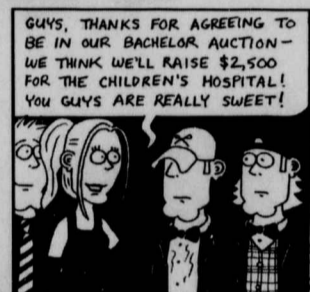
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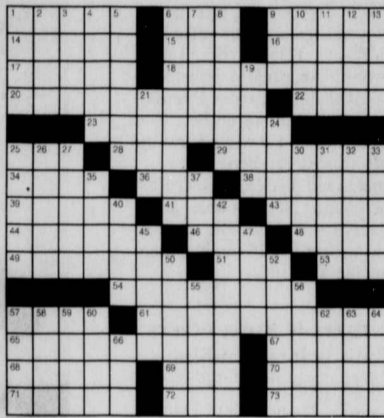
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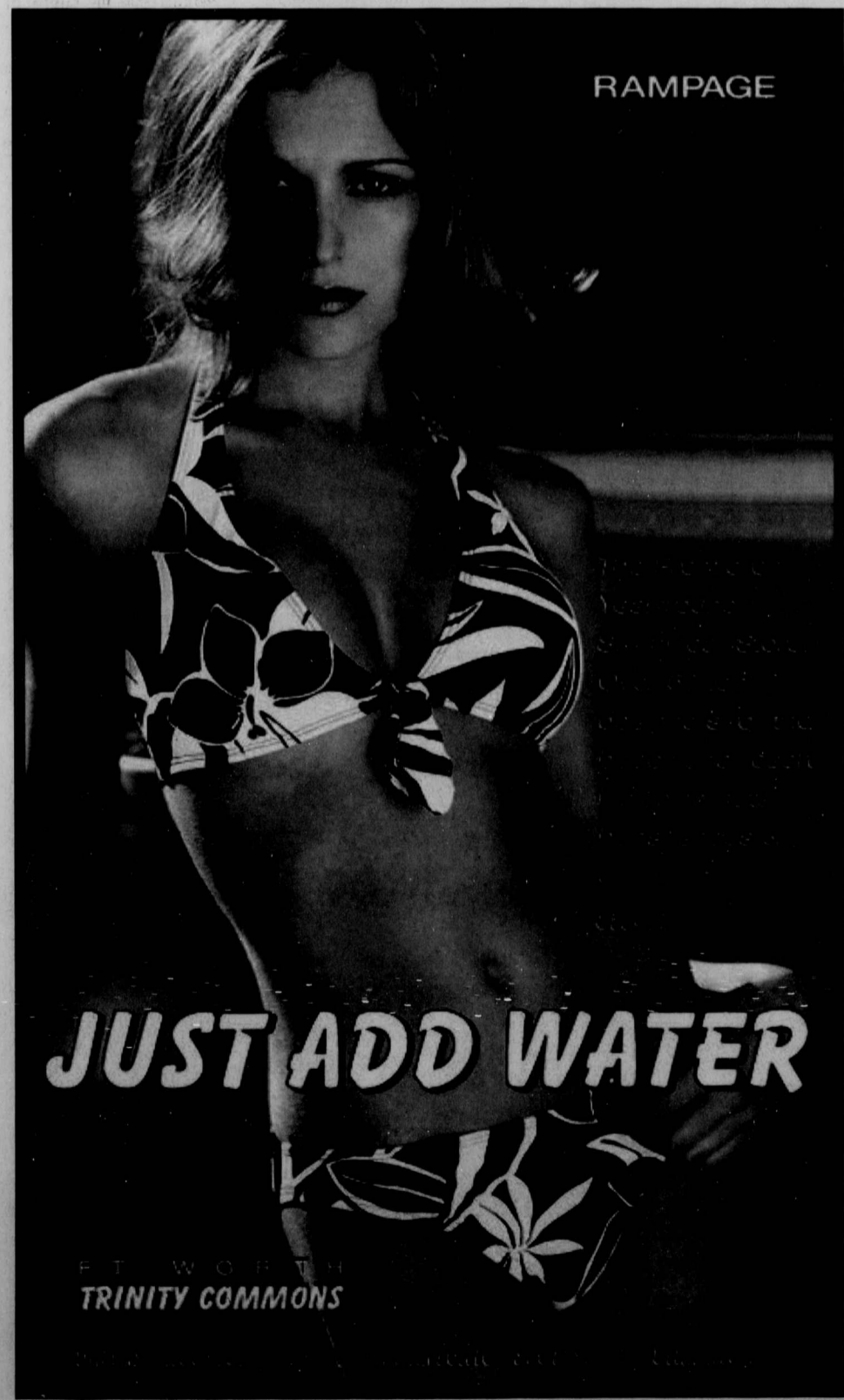
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The Sideline

Aburto earns C-USA tennis player of the week honors

Sophomore women's tennis player Paty Aburto was named Conference USA player of the week for her performance the past three dual matches at the Texas Tech Invitational in Lubbock.

Aburto, ranked No. 98 by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, upset two higher ranked singles opponents during the tournament at the No. 1 singles spot. Her first upset came against 29th-ranked Katja Kovac of Baylor, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 on Feb. 12. Aburto also defeated No. 94 Anneliese Rose of Florida International, 6-2, 6-4 on Feb. 17 as a part of TCU's 4-0 win against the No. 26 Golden Panthers.

Aburto and doubles partner Rosa Perez, playing No. 1 doubles and ranked No. 46 by the ITA, earned two wins over top-20 doubles teams during the weekend.

Pacers trade Rose, others to Bulls before deadline

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indiana Pacers president Donnie Walsh insisted he wasn't shopping Jalen Rose, but he would listen to offers.

He heard one he liked Tuesday. The Pacers traded Rose, Travis Best, rookie Norm Richardson and a conditional second-round draft pick to the Chicago Bulls for Brad Miller, Ron Mercer, Ron Artest and Kevin Ollie, two days before the NBA trading deadline.

"We're better along," Walsh said. "We have some parts we didn't have and are hard to get. That's why it calls for a Jalen Rose."

Walsh said the Bulls general manager, Jerry Krause, called him right before he left for the All-Star break and made an offer for Rose. Walsh discussed a potential trade with Chicago later in the week and the deal was tentatively made Sunday.

Some hang-ups developed — the Bulls substituted Mercer for forward Charles Oakley — before Walsh agreed to the deal Tuesday morning.

Walsh said he wanted Oakley in the deal but the Bulls pulled him off the table because of salary-cap issues.

"He would have been a good player to have here," Walsh said. "They felt they needed his mentoring for their two young big guys."

Kansas regains No. 1 ranking after Duke loss

NEW YORK (AP) — Kansas, the only team besides Duke to be ranked No. 1 in The Associated Press men's college basketball poll this season, moved back into the top spot Monday.

The Jayhawks (23-2) took advantage of Duke's loss at Maryland on Sunday to reclaim the top ranking, receiving 48 first-place votes and 1,745 points from the national media panel.

Maryland (21-3) moved up one place to second following the 87-73 victory over Duke.

The Blue Devils had been No. 1 for all but one week this season, including nine when they were a unanimous choice.

The Terrapins were No. 1 on 19 ballots and had 1,713 points, 61 more than Duke (23-2), which still received four No. 1 votes.

Kansas moved into the No. 1 spot following Duke's only other loss, Jan. 6 at Florida State, but the Jayhawks held it for just the one week as they lost at UCLA that weekend.

They have won 10 straight since, all in the Big 12.

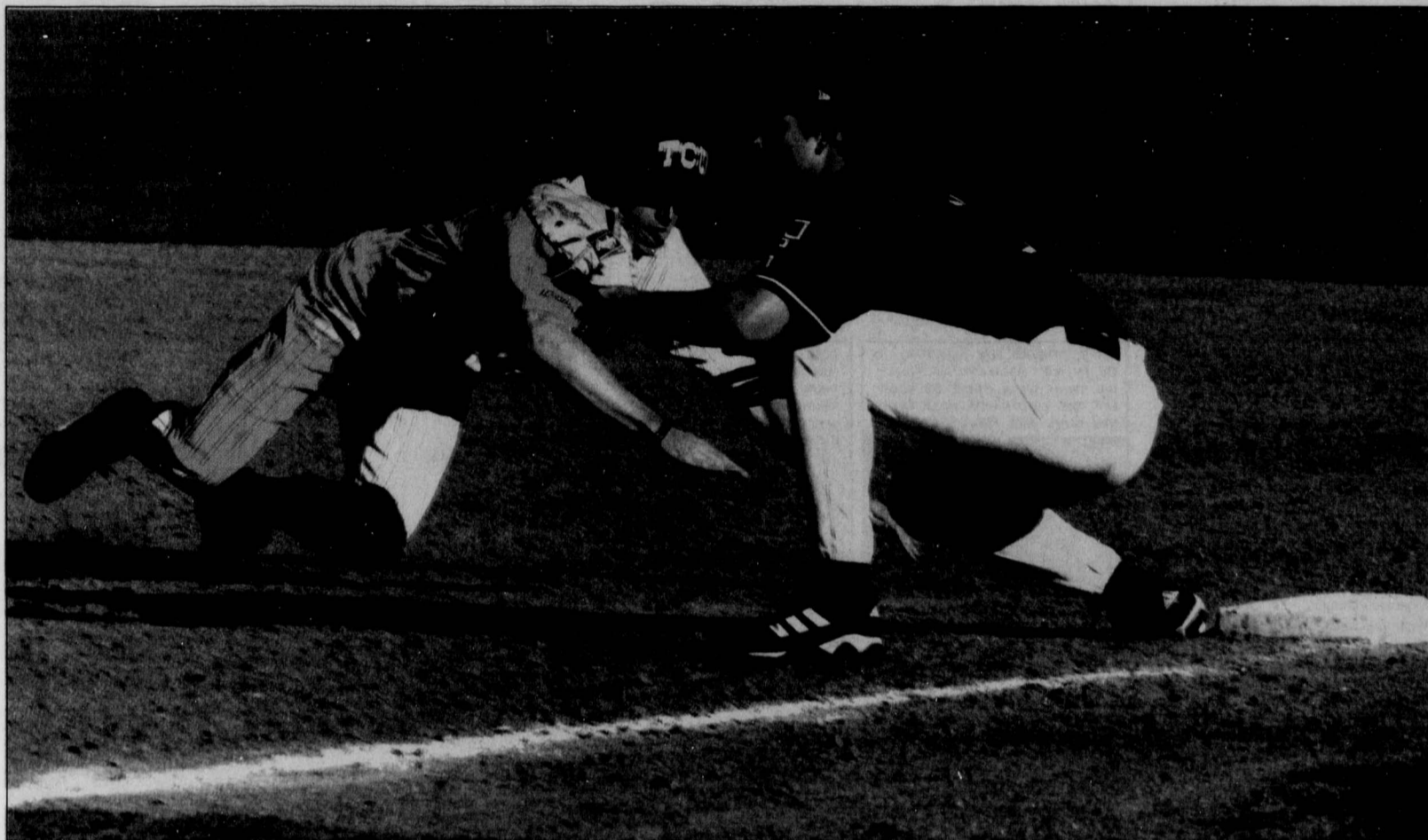
"Being No. 1 later in the season is much better than earlier and it should mean a little more because you have already accomplished something," Kansas coach Roy Williams said Monday. "If you're there the first week it's what people expected. After a couple of weeks it's about your nonconference wins."

"College basketball is so different than college football where the polls mean so much. Everybody has the goals you set as a team, that drive the team, but I can't remember a time I ever said one was to be No. 1 on Feb. 18."

Maryland's No. 2 ranking is its third of the season. The Terrapins have held that position more than any other school without ever reaching No. 1 — 21 weeks. Louisville is second on that list with 15 weeks.

This is the first week of the season that Duke isn't ranked No. 1 or 2, and the Blue Devils haven't been below fourth since the middle of the 1999-2000 season.

Frogs ninth inning rally falls short



Erin Munger/SKIFF STAFF

The Horned Frogs lost Tuesday 14-13 against Texas Tech. This is the second TCU loss to Tech. TCU plays Tech again today at 2:05 p.m. at TCU Diamond.

Pitching contributes to loss More fans needed at baseball games

BY NATHAN LOEWEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Frogs went into the ninth inning with the score tied against Texas Tech but then gave up eight runs in the top of the ninth. TCU (3-5) came back in the bottom of the ninth but fell short, losing 14-13 to the Red Raiders (9-4).

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Sophomore outfielder Jake Duncan said stuff like this happens in the ninth inning.

"We came back with some clutch hits," said Duncan. "Even the last hit was a hard hit to end the game."

Texas Tech tied the game in the top of the eighth inning when sophomore pitcher Aaron Tims threw a pick-off to first base into the TCU dugout.

Head coach Lance Brown said they had a chance to win the game leading 6-5 heading into the eighth inning.

"We just had to get a couple of outs to get out of the inning," said Brown. "Then we brought (Tims) in who couldn't get the job done."

The Frogs allowed eight batters to score in the top of the ninth inning. Brown questioned the defensive play in the ninth inning.

"How can you not field a bunt?" said Brown at the end of the game.

Brown said the position players have been playing well, but the pitching still lacks.

"The position players have played well all year," said Brown. "Whether we can get pitching to go along with that is the question mark."

Freshman pitcher Clint Morky started the game for the Frogs. Morky allowed five runs on five hits in the first two innings.

"The pitching is pathetic at this point of the season," said Brown. Junior pitcher Ryan Grafe came in the third inning for relief. Grafe pitched five and 1/3 innings allowing only one unearned run due to the error by Tims in the eighth. Grafe threw 72 pitches 45 of which were strikes.

Brown pulled Grafe in the eighth inning and put in Tims. Tims was replaced in the ninth by junior pitcher Chris Osentowski.

The Horned Frogs committed four errors on the day, two of which came in the ninth inning. "We made two or three errors in the ninth," said Brown. "We couldn't throw strikes, and

we couldn't pick up a ball." Brown made the decision to keep Osentowski in the game during the eight-run onslaught.

"I think it was a good decision," said Duncan. "You can't help it when they get hit after hit."

Brown said he left Osentowski in the ninth because once you are down by four or five, it is almost impossible to comeback. "Coming back four or five runs against (Tech) isn't something that is done very often," said Brown.

The Frogs are now 0-2 against Tech. The Frogs will face Tech again today at 2:05 p.m. at the TCU Diamond.

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Top Frog Junior Pitcher Ryan Grafe



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| 5 Hits allowed |
| 1 Run allowed |
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| 1 Base on balls |
| 2 Strikeouts |
| 22 batters faced |
| 72 pitches thrown |

Grafe came in the third inning for relief of freshman starter Clint Morky. Grafe did not allow a run while he was on the mound.

Campaign highlights Irvin's statistics

BY SAM EATON
Staff Reporter

The TCU women's basketball team has proved their worth this season by winning 20 games, holding first place in the Conference USA standings and becoming the first Lady Frogs squad in school history to be ranked in the national Top 25 poll.

Besides the team's recognition, individuals are also gaining national notoriety.

Freshman forward Sandora Irvin is the centerpiece of a marketing campaign for national Freshman of the Year and for a spot on the freshman All-America team. These national awards will be announced at the end of the season in March.

The Athletics Department and the women's basketball team have been sending out postcards to all media outlets in the nation that vote for national player honors since January. The postcards encompass Irvin's updated statistics and accolades from the current season.

Drew Harris, associate director of athletics media relations, said

the entire promotion has cost less than a \$1,000.

Harris said TCU looked at how other schools promoted their players for various honors, to help them decide what to do with the promotion of Irvin.

"She has great scoring and rebounding numbers, as well as blocked shots," Harris said. "As the season progressed we decided she had a great shot at some of these types of awards."

The campaign also encompasses exposure from the Internet. Irvin's pictures and statistics are displayed on a link from the Athletics Department official Web site (www.gofrogs.com).

Starting in 24 of 25 games for the Frogs, Irvin has racked up impressive numbers, especially for a first-year player out of high school.

When Irvin chose to attend TCU, she became the first high school All-American to play basketball for the Frogs.

The campaign effort is similar to the "L.T. for Heisman" campaign that made its way through the Metro-

plex and across the nation in 2000.

This time, however, the budget is smaller with the primary Irvin propaganda being postcards with up-to-date statistics.

Harris said statistics play a big part of Irvin's cause. According to the NCAA Web site, she is ranked No.1 among freshman in blocked shots (2.9 bpg), and third among freshman in rebounding (9.2 rpg).

Head coach Jeff Mittie said Irvin has several factors going for her in the race to become a freshman All-American candidate.

"She's still one of the top freshmen in the country, and the statistics bear that," Mittie said. "She's on a team that is recognized. All of these things are factors."

With the impressive statistics, along with being a premier player on a ranked team, Irvin seems to fulfill the requirements for freshman player of the year, Mittie said.

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| USA | 4 | 8 | 7 | 19 |
| Norway | 10 | 6 | 1 | 17 |
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