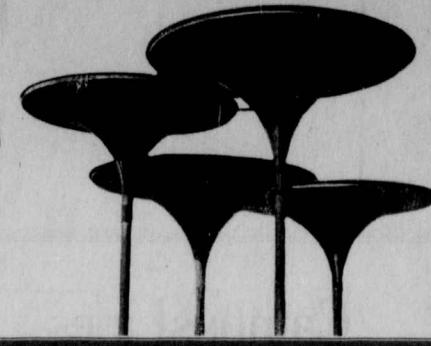


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Today's News

STATE NEWS

FORT WORTH, Texas — A 24-year-old Houston area woman fell to her death from the third floor of a parking garage in downtown Fort Worth.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

VATICAN CITY — American church leaders who arrived in Rome on Monday for meetings with the pope and Vatican officials said they will take whatever steps are needed to assure American Catholics that a sex abuse scandal is under control.

News Digest on Page 4

OnCampus

Second person arrested in connection with assault

Police arrested a second person in connection with a March 22 on-campus baseball bat assault.

William Collins, 19, was arrested at his home Wednesday by Officer Jaime Johnson and Detective D.P. Henderson with the Fort Worth Police Department.

Johnson said he was able to identify Collins by doing in-depth research of the first suspect's, Phillip McCarthy III, friends and associates. The assault victim, a TCU student, was then able to identify Collins through a photo spread.

Collins had three warrants against him including aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, criminal mischief and evading arrest or detention. He was being held at the Mansfield Law Enforcement Center Monday night.

Johnson said he does not believe there are any more suspects directly involved in the assault.

— Anthony Kirchner

RHA president becomes newest Intercom member

Intercom members voted to extend membership to the Residential Hall Association president Wednesday.

Intercom is a student organization made up of the leaders of 14 different campus organizations who represent the student body twice a year at the Board of Trustees meeting.

Intercom members felt RHA represents a large number of students involved on campus who need to have their voices heard, said Intercom member and Student Government Association President Chelsea Hudson.

RHA represents all the residential halls on campus. They voice concerns for each residence hall.

The last member voted in represented the Leadership Council Chair, Hudson said.

— Raul Martinez IV

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the Weather

WEDNESDAY

High: 81; Low: 55; Mostly cloudy

THURSDAY

High: 72; Low: 58; Showers

Looking Back

1564 — According to tradition, the great English dramatist and poet William Shakespeare is born in Stratford-on-Avon. He died on this same day in 1616.

1956 — Elvis makes his first appearance in Las Vegas on this day. The audience, mostly middle-aged, was so unimpressed with the rock and roll star that his two-week run was canceled after only a week.

Exhibition showcases graduating talent

Art students pour time, money into more 'professional' show

BY DAVID DUNAI
Staff Reporter

After viewing the works of graduating seniors at the 2002 Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition, one may be captivated by the elegance, power and beauty of the pieces.

However, some of the exhibiting students say the support of the Department of Art and Art History towards the or-

ganization of the show is less grandiose than the art displayed.

Nick Kirk, a sculptor and painter exhibiting in the show, said the department didn't provide enough support financially or aesthetically in organizing the exhibition.

"The department is taking the show lightly, but we want people to see that it is very serious," Kirk said.

But not all of the exhibiting seniors agree. Amy Sowards, a painter and one of the four students exhibiting, said she found the professors of the department good mentors, and she had no problems preparing for the show independently.

"They are treating us like adults,"

Sowards said. "We got to learn to do it by ourselves."

Ronald Watson, chairman of the department of art and art history, said the BFA exhibition is an important indicator of student's development and to some extent it also reflects on the academic program.

Watson said the other 16 exhibitions held throughout the academic year at the J.M. Moudy Exhibition Hall are equally important for the department.

Eve Palu, a photographer and ceramist exhibiting in the show, said the four people participating in the exhibition put a serious effort and \$200 each into organizing

(More on EXHIBITION, page 6)



Molly Beuerman/SKIFF STAFF
Iva Palu, a senior studio arts major talks with family friends Mike Kirk, Rachel Johnson and Ada Chandler about her art work in the Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition Monday in the J.M. Moudy Exhibition Hall.

DRUMROLL, PLEASE . . .



Molly Beuerman/SKIFF STAFF
Local high school and community college students perform in the spring percussion concert Monday at Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. The students are a part of winter drum line, a program that joins them with the percussion section of the TCU marching band for advanced instruction and a chance to play at the college level.

Winter program mixes local talent, TCU students

BY KAMI LEWIS
Staff Reporter

Cody White, a senior at Martin High School in Arlington, will decide this week where he will go to college in the fall. He said Monday he is leaning towards TCU, mostly because of the winter drum line he participated in for the past four months.

Every Thursday night for the past semester, 35 students from 13 metroplex high schools and community colleges met at TCU for a program called the winter drum line. They joined the percussion section of the TCU marching band for advanced instruction and a chance to play at the college level.

Monday night they performed as a group for the last time at the spring percussion concert at Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium.

White said the opportunity to play at TCU has been very influential in determining his college path.

"The program has been a great opportunity to sharpen my skills as a percussionist and to get to know the percussion instructor at TCU before making the decision for next year," he said.

The second year of the winter drum line has been a successful educational tool for both local students and TCU students, said Brian West, TCU percussion instructor.

John Angeles, a sophomore music education major said the processes of both learning and teaching impacted him this semester.

Everyone brought different skill levels to the group initially, which made the process more

(More on DRUMS, page 6)

Portion of University Drive closed briefly due to gas leak

Traffic redirected for three hours after gas line was punctured

BY KAMI LEWIS
Staff Reporter

The only thing that kept the leaking gas on University Drive from accumulating and catching fire Friday was high wind that blew the gas fumes toward the cultural district, Jim Burnett, a shift technician with the Fort Worth Fire Department, said Friday.

University Drive was closed from I-30 to the Trinity River for approximately three hours after a gas line was punctured at the entrance of University Park Village shopping center around 11 a.m., officials said.

Fire fighters responded to the scene and evacuated the nearby Chili's Restaurant and a Texaco gas station and redirected traffic as TXU safety officials worked to crimp the gas line closed, Burnett said.

"We evacuated approximately 30 people from Chili's almost immediately, he said. "It was just the beginning of the lunch rush, and we were worried about heavy fumes blowing in that direction."

Double Eagle Foundation

Drilling Company was contracted to expand the entrance of the shopping center and called TXU three times for the location of underground gas mains, said safety director David Decker.

Each time, he said, he received reports there were no gas lines where their crews were drilling holes for foundation supports.

As a result, Decker said they drilled through a plastic, four-inch feeder line that supplies the entire shopping center with natural gas.

No one was hurt in the accident, Decker said, although the man operating the drilling rig leapt from the truck, leaving behind his hard hat, and the spewing fumes knocked another man backwards.

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Traffic backed up at both ends of the blocked off section quickly, with motorists in long lines honking their horns intermittently.

Megan Buxton, a sophomore speech communications major, said she left campus around 1:40 p.m. and was going to have lunch on Camp Bowie Drive until she got stuck in the traffic. By the time she wound her way through University Park Village, she said she had been driving 20 minutes and still wasn't sure how she would get past the blocked area.

"I couldn't tell what was going on," she said. "It's frustrating to be stuck in line and not know what's happening, but I'm just glad no one was hurt."

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David Dunai/STAFF REPORTER
Firefighters and utility professionals work on a broken gas line Friday on South University Drive. The strong winds prevented the gas from forming a flammable cloud that could have exploded and caused serious damage.

Forum focuses on communities in extreme poverty within U.S. borders

BY KELLY MARIA HOWARD

Staff Reporter

TCU students participated in a forum Monday in the Student Center Lounge with Miguel C. Leatham, an assistant professor of anthropology, who shared his thoughts on south Texas communities where he says the residents live in third world conditions.

Cathy Coglian, a lecturer in sociology, said her Social Inequality class decided they would set up a forum to hear Leatham talk about American colonias after they saw the movie "The Forgotten Americans," a PBS documentary about poverty stricken areas in the United States known as "las colonias."

"Colonias are areas primarily along the U.S./Mexico border where families live in conditions that are substandard, sometimes without running water, utilities and things of that nature," Coglian said.

Leatham, who has visited colonias, said there are approximately 1,500 areas in Texas classified as colonias settlements and it is estimated that as many as 500,000 people live in these communities with the help of volunteers.

Leatham said these communities started in the mid-1800s due to land laws, that made Mexican origin land owners prove their ownership of land, tax codes, and Anglo-Americans who took over the land by squatting, invading and coercing the people off the land.

"By about 1886 (or) 1885, something around the area of about 80 percent of the land base that had been in Mexican hands had switched to Anglo-American hands," Leatham said. "It was accompa-

nied by political displacement. Having land is having power and in the 19th century the loss of the land went along with the loss of political authority."

Leatham said the Mexican people of the area began to work on the land that once belonged to their family and had to pay rent for the substandard living provided on the land. He said the people who live in these communities were born in the United States and are citizens.

Leatham said the people in these areas live in homes made out of cardboard and other inferior material, have no electricity, no running water and no sewage system. He said the homes are like those found on squatter settlements in Mexico, the water is tainted with chemicals and there are feces from overflowing septic tanks in standing water throughout the communities.

"In 1993, the Texas Legislature passed a law that prohibits the selling of a subdivided piece of land where this can happen," Leatham said.

People still live in this condition but there is a movement to help them improve their lives, Leatham said. There are Rio Grande Valley organizations and county governments that are providing improvements for the residents of these areas with the help of volunteers.

Leatham said he will be going into more depth over this subject in his Mexican/American Folklore class offered in the spring 2003 semester through the anthropology department.

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THE PULSE

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Your bulletin board for campus events

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• **Mildred** is a workshop production of a new musical based on "Mildred Pierce" by James M. Cain, with book and lyrics by Richard J. Allen and music by Tim Georgeff. Performances are 8 p.m. today and Wednesday at Stage West. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and admission is free. For more information call (817)706-6909.

• **Miss Juneteenth Pageant Informational Meeting** will be 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Downtown Fort Worth Public Library in the Teen Center, 500 W. 3rd St. Scholarships and prizes will be awarded to the winners. For more information contact Thenisha Smith at (817)480-2974.

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• **Radio-TV-Film series** presents "Witness for the Prosecution" 7 p.m. Thursday in Moody Building South, Room 164. The movie stars Tyrone Power and Marlene Dietrich. For more information call (817)257-7630.

• **The Muslim Student Association** is organizing a peaceful demonstration for human rights in Palestine 3-7 p.m. Thursday in front of Sadler Hall. There will also be a discussion 12:30-2 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center Lounge.

• **Helping Skill Workshop** will be 2 to 4 p.m. Friday in the Counseling Center. The workshop is sponsored by Mental Health Services. To register, call Megan Botte at (817)257-8611 or e-mail (m.botte@student.tcu.edu).

• **Third annual TCU Student Art Sale** will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Moody Building North, Room 133. Ceramics, photography, paintings, sculpture and jewelry will be for sale. There will be various art demonstrations also. For more information contact Russell Matthews at (griffenram@hotmail.com).

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Campus/State Roundup

Flagship of Texas museum damaged in collision

HOUSTON (AP) — The flagship of the Texas Seaport Museum suffered minor damage in a weekend collision with a tanker in the Houston Ship Channel.

Neither the Elissa, a 19th Century sailing ship, or the tanker was severely damaged in the collision on Saturday, Coast Guard officials said.

"In just a couple of minutes, everything was fine," Coast Guard officials said.

A witness said the Elissa got caught by the current of the tanker and struck its stern. The accident occurred about 11:30 a.m. in the channel near Morgan's Point.

There were no injuries on the Elissa or the tanker, the Eagle Augusta.

The Elissa, usually docked at Pier 21 in Galveston, is maintained by the Galveston Historical Foundation and hundreds of volunteers.

Study finds warm weather may affect dating

PROVO, Utah (U-WIRE) — Spring isn't the only thing heating up; the mercury in the love thermometer is also on the rise on Brigham Young University's campus.

Besides tulips, new couples are popping up like daisies.

"The warm weather, sunny skies and new life are some aspects of spring that make many people crave a spring relationship," said Jennifer Starling, a graduate student at Northwestern University.

Starling recently completed a study in the field of biopsychology on how weather affects relationships.

The study states sunshine and

warmer temperatures positively affect the human psyche resulting in a more open and outgoing personality.

"A lot of people forget humans are animals, and we have an animalistic instinct to look for a mate in the spring," Starling said.

Robert E. Thayer, a professor of psychology at California State University, Long Beach, has also conducted biopsychological studies that have parallel findings.

Students have mixed emotions about Web cameras

WASHINGTON (U-WIRE) — Two semesters after the launch of (www.my.american.edu) and (webcam.american.edu), students have mixed reactions about the access to Web camera shots of the main quad and Glover Gate.

There are two Web cameras installed on campus that create streaming video available for viewing by current and prospective American University students. One camera is located in an office inside Bender Library and another in a Student Services office in Butler Pavilion. Rick Hink, Web developer for e-Operations, said. With a click of the mouse, activity on the quad is available to anyone.

"In theory, it is a cute idea for me to be able to sit in my room and see the quad, but why do I want to see the quad? I live 15 seconds from it," sophomore Courtney Williams said.

Other students argue that the quad cams are an interesting way to see activity on the quad or to check the weather. It can also serve as a public relations tool for activities taking place on the quad.

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The Skiff View

POP QUIZ

Test your knowledge of current events

As the school year draws to an end, now is the time to look back at the notable news of this semester. History was shaped by world events such as the continued hunt for Osama bin Laden and increased violence in the Middle East. The death of Britain's Queen Mother saddened many, while the Winter Olympics set new records. Test your knowledge of the events of this semester with the following quiz.

1. What does the CUE stand for?
2. What is the name of the new TCU men's basketball coach?
3. What is the name of the current TCU soap opera?
4. What country is Benazir Bhutto from?
5. Who won the recent presidential primary in France?
6. What is the controversy brewing in the Roman Catholic Church?
7. Why was the Best Actress winner at this year's Academy Awards significant?
8. Who coined the phrase "Let's roll?"
9. What NFL team drafted TCU tight end Matt Schobel?
10. In the business school, what does EIF stand for?
11. In what Olympic sport did the United States win all three medals?
12. What is the name of the animal cloned at Texas A&M University?

Investment Fund (11) men's basketball (snowboarding) (12) Copy Cat
best lead actress (8) Todd Beamer (9) Cincinnati Bengals (10) Educational
bests (7) Halle Berry was the first African American to win an Oscar for
legal (4) Pakistan (5) Jean-Marie Le Pen (6) Charges of child sex abuse by
Common Undergraduate Experience (2) Neil Dougherty (3) Almost
Leaves (1) This year's Best Actress winner at the Academy Awards was Halle Berry, who played the lead role in the movie "Monster's Ball". She beat out five other actresses for the award, including Julia Roberts, Helen Mirren, and Meryl Streep.

The Other View

Opinions from around the country

One does not necessarily promote the use of marijuana by supporting its legalization, just as one does not necessarily promote the use of alcohol by favoring similar policies. One simply recognizes reality.

Sure, many who support legalization do so to justify their own habitual use, and many students do so to look radical without actually being a radical. The problem with both is that they usually disregard the seriousness of drug use, no matter the form of drug.

One of the main arguments against decriminalization is that marijuana is a gateway drug that leads to harder drugs such as acid and cocaine. Yet, the evidence in support of this theory is based solely on anecdotal reasoning — because someone uses two separate drugs doesn't inherently imply one led to the other.

And while the majority of, say, cocaine users once smoked marijuana, most of those same people used alcohol or tobacco products even before that. A report by the Institute of Medicine says, "Because underage smoking and alcohol use typically precede marijuana use, marijuana is not the most common, and is rarely the first, 'gateway' to illicit drug use."

Of course, even if marijuana

were to be decriminalized, use by minors should still be actively discouraged, and stiff penalties should result from selling such products to children.

No, legalization is not a utopian answer for drug use. In fact, marijuana use might actually rise. But it has continued to rise over the past 20 years, despite billions of dollars spent to the contrary. And just as prohibition and subsequent repeal brought about a surge and drop in hard liquor sales, so too might the legalization of marijuana reduce the demand for other, more illicit substances.

But the overriding concern with the war on drugs has been the government's goal to eradicate drug use altogether, which itself is impossible. Instead, limited resources would be better spent protecting rights, namely arresting people who hurt other people. Government should legalize marijuana and ensure that those who abuse the substance to the detriment of others suffer the consequences of their actions.

It is not an ideal solution, but we would certainly be better off.

This editorial comes from the Kentucky Kernel at the University of Kentucky. This column was distributed by U-Wire.

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Spring semester's end provides time for reflection

It seems finals have quickly come upon us once again.

The years go by faster and faster the older I get.

For freshmen, the end of the spring semester is a time to reflect on how you have changed as a person over the last nine months. Your new environment has no doubt

COMMENTARY

Jeff Dennis

changed your life in some way. Many of you have grown immensely as people and have learned to understand differences in the world. Hopefully, you have also at least begun to learn how your opinions fit in with these different viewpoints.

Many of you also may have picked up bad habits and lost focus of the things that you once found important. It is not necessarily a bad thing to change your goals, but it can be bad if you lose track of what you really want because of negative influences.

For seniors such as myself, along with sophomores, we can look back and see the great changes in our life over the last few years, yet we can also rest easy knowing our time is not quite up.

For seniors, however, this is it. There is no more summer vacation for many of you. It is time to become part of this "real world" that you've heard mentioned around campus from time to time.

Whether you are going back to your hometown for the summer, or becoming the newest member of the work force, try to keep in mind what you have learned in your time at TCU. After a year or more at TCU, you may have settled into the relaxed college environment in which prejudices are not nearly as pronounced as they are in the rest of the world.

You have learned about many of the problems of the world while at TCU concerning the environment, race, gender or any of the other innumerable issues facing our world. But now is the time when you must apply what you have learned.

sure you didn't like when your freshman composition teacher made you apply abstract concepts to the real world in your paper, but now is the time when you must.

It is undoubtedly a privilege to attend an institution such as TCU, and you should keep in mind that a large majority of the population has not had such an opportunity.

Certainly, you never signed anything that said you owe anything to the world because you get to attend a private university, but just take a minute to realize how truly lucky you are. TCU is not perfect, but it does give you the chance to learn your place in the world a little bit better.

So when you reflect on the past year or years, take something you learned and use that knowledge to make a difference in the life of someone who has not had the same opportunities as you.

You owe it to yourself.

Jeff Dennis is a junior sociology major from Gail. He can be contacted at j.a.dennis@student.tcu.edu.

Government's attitude toward drugs makes Constitution illegal

The government has taken a bold step by declaring the illegality of hemp in all its forms, a queer byproduct of which is to make our very Constitution illegal. As per the ways of our respected founding fathers, hemp and its cousin cannabis were grown throughout the colonies enjoying many meaningful uses, such as textiles, parchment and relaxation.

COMMENTARY

Chris Dobson

Hemp, being the strongest of natural fibers, was praised for its durability and was the natural choice for sails, clothing and papers destined for longevity. For this reason our very own Constitution was written upon hemp paper, making it literally the fabric of the Constitution.

Attorney General John Ashcroft, who previously seemed satiated simply shredding the Constitution, has now criminalized its very existence. While exceeding the metaphorical level, this instance is indicative of the level of respect and lack of foresight that permeates this administration.

This is all well and good and I too respect our civil liberties, like driving and voting, but the steps our government has taken as of late have not affected these liberties, instead focusing upon our civil rights. These rights are the very ones enumerated in the Bill of Rights, also drafted on hemp paper.

Good-bye Fourth Amendment. Police can imprison you for fineable offenses and federal officers no longer have to even notify you

that they have searched your residence, and all electronic communications can be monitored. Furthermore, Ashcroft has declared that one of the most prized parts of due process, attorney-client privilege, is no longer an absolute principle of fairness but another source of leads for intelligence agencies and a Justice Department without any real clue.

Meanwhile, where are the anthrax mailers who most certainly were in America and more than likely still walk among us and into areas containing weaponized anthrax? Perhaps we'll catch them by moving to security level "green" and waiting for him to mail his next performance. Or maybe if we shift to level "orange" we will scare him back into his governmental offices.

By the way, quite a few people consider these attacks America's first attack by biological weapons. However, white people and mainly Anglo-Saxon at that, have been using biological weapons since our arrival as guests in the "New World". Sir Jeffrey Amherst first urged the use of biological weapons in 1647 by exposing recalcitrant Indian tribes to blankets from a small pox quarantined hospice. Sir Amherst wrote, "You will do well as to try to inoculate the Indians by means of blankets as well as to try every other method that can serve to extirpate (exterminate, up root) this exorable (pitiful) race."

Pot-smoking and euthanasia are choices made by individuals that should be outside the purview of government officials. These are choices made by people to affect their lives and no one else's. Having our government waste manpower and resources while people are sending biological weapons through our mail makes me question the intent of those officials.

Public safety must come before the particular pet peeves of appointed officials.

However, Ashcroft seems to belong to one of those religions where only they know God's will and they must carry it out. All right I'll say it, John Ashcroft is a radical Christian fundamentalist.

He's willing to prevent sick patients from, first administering natural medicines to prevent pain and encourage appetite, and then to tell them they can not die with dignity at their choice.

Few things in life require more of a personal decision than choosing your time to pass, yet Ashcroft says doctors may not assist you, but he'll still seek the death penalty for certain crimes.

His contempt for the many people he detained incommunicado in "the land of free," shows how he leads his flock to greener pastures. Of course he may still carry ill feelings toward the deceased, seeing as how he lost to one in Missouri's senatorial race.

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Comedy captures evolution of women

"Those were the days. And you knew who you were then. Girls were girls, and men were men."

These are the great opening lines to the classic

1970s sitcom "All In The Family,"

COMMENTARY

Rachel Miller

which relied on comedy to address serious stereotypes and discrimination. Using humor was not a new concept then, and it continues today. Margaret Cho, in her lecture April 15 at the Indiana University Auditorium, said laughter can save us, helping us to rise above our current situations.

One direct way comedy has saved society is by promoting the evolution of female roles in each generation. For instance, women have moved even faster on comedic television sitcoms in terms of transforming from typical housewives to fully independent working women.

But every battle against oppression has opened the door to more open debate, often giving way to satire. Without this outlet the key issue of sexism might never be addressed in mainstream media. Laughter is the greatest method of bringing virtually taboo issues and controversies into the homes of middle America.

In America, the liberation movement of the 1960s fought social and economic control that tied wives to husbands as property. Despite how far the movement has come, women around the world still have reason to unite. Now, women seem to be holding down their sisters by promoting ideal standards and continuing labels.

Based on genetics, girls are placed into an oversimplified category. The broadness of this group is often underestimated, because no two females are exactly alike.

Our society seems to be promoting cut and dry stereotypes, with each person fitting nicely in a group. Cho realized the need to resist classification. After having sex with a woman, she couldn't decide on the status of being gay or straight.

"Then I realized I'm just slutty ... where is my paradise?" she said.

It is this underlying anger that Hollywood often lacks.

Comics, writers, actors and other artists shape the images of a typical woman. It is by environment, not biology, that masculinity and femininity traits are defined — leading to differences in many cultures.

But the examples in television and film obviously fall short of accurately portraying the average woman. Each year the "perfect" image changes, causing a continuous cycle of new faces, eliminating great talent. Older veteran actresses are shamelessly trying to keep current with the new style (breasts are out this season, but hips are back, thank you Jennifer Lopez).

The sad reality is female consumers shell out millions of dollars, contributing to these ridiculous images thrust upon us through movies and magazine covers. Stars are willing participants of the oppression, not seeming to mind being objectified simply as products. Opinionated and powerful female personalities are often silenced in the entertainment business. In order to have a voice, you must have a certain body, causing many great minds to be doped up to maintain a "healthy" weight.

"It mattered more to me to be thin than to be alive," Cho said.

The major heartache is having the value of a woman based on her attractiveness to someone else. Differences in bodies, from full-figured to petite, should all be enjoyed and seen as beautiful. No changes are required to be happy being you. Your genetics, history and individuality are the essence of you.

Andrea Dworkin wrote in the essay, "Biology Superiority," about the horrible pressure of body image:

"On a pedestal, immobile like waxen statues, or in the gutter, failed icons degraded because our biological traits are what they are."

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Accused terrorist refuses to comply with lawyers

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — The only man accused of conspiracy to commit terrorism in connection with the Sept. 11 attacks declared Monday he will not cooperate with his lawyers and prayed to Allah for the destruction of the United States and Israel.

A hearing on Zacarias Moussaoui's conditions of imprisonment took a sudden turn when Moussaoui, who could face the death penalty, raised his hand at the outset and said the government and his court-appointed attorneys were part of a plan to execute him.

"What they've done is a sophisticated version of the kiss of death," Moussaoui, speaking in heavily accented English, told U.S. District Judge Leonie Brinkema. He noted the judge, prosecutors and his court-appointed

lawyers all are federal employees.

Brinkema ordered a mental examination to ensure that Moussaoui would be able to represent himself. She also refused to fire the court-appointed lawyers, saying Moussaoui would not have to cooperate with them but that he would need competent counsel present in the courtroom.

She said Moussaoui, who wants to hire a Muslim lawyer, would have to follow U.S. law, which she told him is extremely complicated.

Moussaoui said he has more than \$30,000 but has been unable to hire his own attorney because the money has been frozen by presidential order.

Cheney makes fundraising rounds on crutches

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Dick Cheney was on crutches Monday as he made the

fund-raising rounds in Florida with an inflamed Achilles tendon.

Spokeswoman Jennifer Millerwise said Cheney banged his heel on the corner of a table at the vice presidential residence on Saturday. After walking around on it all day, he asked his military doctor about lingering discomfort in his foot, Millerwise said.

The doctor advised Cheney to stay off his foot, keep it elevated and iced, and take Tylenol plus a prescription anti-inflammatory, the spokeswoman said. "He feels fine and is keeping to his regular schedule but, obviously, his foot is uncomfortable."

Pope will meet with U.S. church leaders in Rome

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Ameri-

can church leaders who arrived in Rome on Monday for meetings with the pope and Vatican officials said they will take whatever steps are needed to assure American Catholics that a sex abuse scandal is under control.

Asked about a report that prelates would push the Vatican to ask Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston to resign, some said they knew of no public effort to force him out.

"If some felt very strongly, they would speak to him privately. I can't see a cabal," said Cardinal Theodore McCarrick of Washington. He said he didn't think Law should step down.

"The trouble began on his watch and he wants to fix it. Give him a chance," McCarrick told reporters gathered near St. Peter's Square.

Bishop Wilton Gregory of Belleville, Ill., president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops,

said if there were any discussions about Law he felt it was "not appropriate" to talk to the media about it.

The cardinals planned to meet privately later in the day with Pope John Paul II before two days of formal talks begin Tuesday.

FBI warns of possible attacks on Northeast banks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI said Monday its warning about possible terrorist attacks on banks in the Northeast remains in effect although the government has no new information that would substantiate reports of any specific threats or plots.

The public alert was being "constantly evaluated" and FBI agents were investigating any potential leads before senior U.S. officials will decide whether to cancel the warning, FBI

spokesman Bill Carter said. He could not say how long that might take.

The FBI on Friday urged more than 1,200 banks in 12 Northeastern states onto heightened security. Authorities said the unconfirmed information that prompted the alert came in part from a high-ranking al Qaeda leader in U.S. custody.

Children fatalities in car crashes at an all-time low

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of children killed in auto crashes last year was the lowest since the government started tracking traffic deaths 36 years ago, according to figures released Monday.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported 2,658 children under 16 died in 2001, down 5.4 percent from the previous record low of 2,811 set the previous year.

Gates testifies proposal will harm Windows

By D. IAN HOPPER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Microsoft founder Bill Gates took the stand Monday for the first time in his company's epic antitrust case, testifying the penalties being sought by nine states would undermine the Windows software used by millions of Americans.

With his wife, Melinda, in the audience, Gates opened his long-awaited courtroom appearance with a computer-generated slideshow. He demonstrated how the Windows operating system would stop functioning if components such as the Microsoft Explorer Web browser are removed as the states have proposed.

"This shows that if you remove this block of code, other functions are degraded in the most extreme way. They no longer work," Gates said, referring to the removal of the Explorer software.

Gates took pains to explain the

most common technical terms.

In a surprise, the states prosecuting Microsoft chose Steven Kuney, an antitrust expert, rather than their chief lawyer, Brendan Sullivan, to cross-examine Gates.

Gates showed in another demonstration Microsoft's fear that the states' requirements that the company translate its Office business software and give away Internet Explorer would let companies create Windows clones.

To show the companies that could create clones, Gates named five companies that have helped the states' suit: AOL Time Warner, Sun, Gateway, Novell and Oracle.

Kuney questioned Gates' reference to Gateway, a company that builds computers, as a viable operating system maker.

"They're one of the people who would change Windows ... if they had the ability to do so," Gates said.

In written testimony submitted after he was sworn in, Gates argued the penalties the states have proposed would give Microsoft's competitors an unfair advantage.

The penalties include requiring Microsoft to divulge blueprints and technical information about how some of company's products work.

Such penalties would cause a "a massive transfer of Microsoft's intellectual property rights" to competitors, Gates said.

The Justice Department and nine other states have already settled the case and their deal with Microsoft is awaiting court approval. The nine states remaining in the case want tougher penalties than those in the settlement.

Gates said the additional penalties would devalue the Windows operating system, reduce its ability to handle thousands of pieces of computer hardware and software in

the marketplace and frustrate Microsoft's incentive to innovate.

The states' proposals "would undermine all three elements of Microsoft's success, causing great damage to Microsoft, other companies that build upon Microsoft's products, and the businesses and consumers that use PC (personal computer) software," Gates testified.

The states say they want Microsoft to disclose some of its blueprints to ensure that software developers can create products that work as well with Windows as Microsoft's own software, reducing the company's advantage over competitors.

"As I understand it, providing Microsoft's technology to its competitors so they can build 'functional equivalents' of our products now, and match all our future innovations for 10 years, is in fact one of the central objectives," Gates said of the states' plan.

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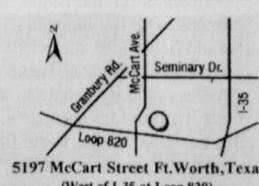
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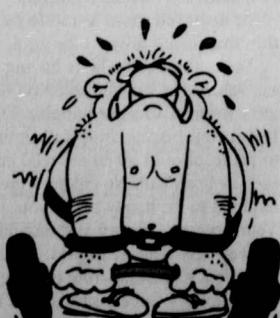


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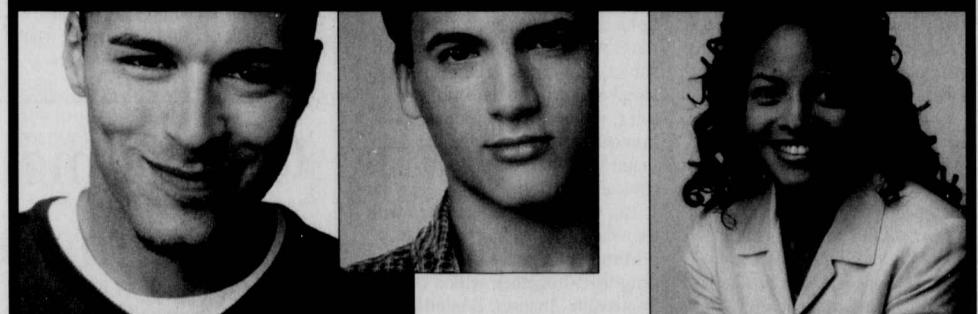


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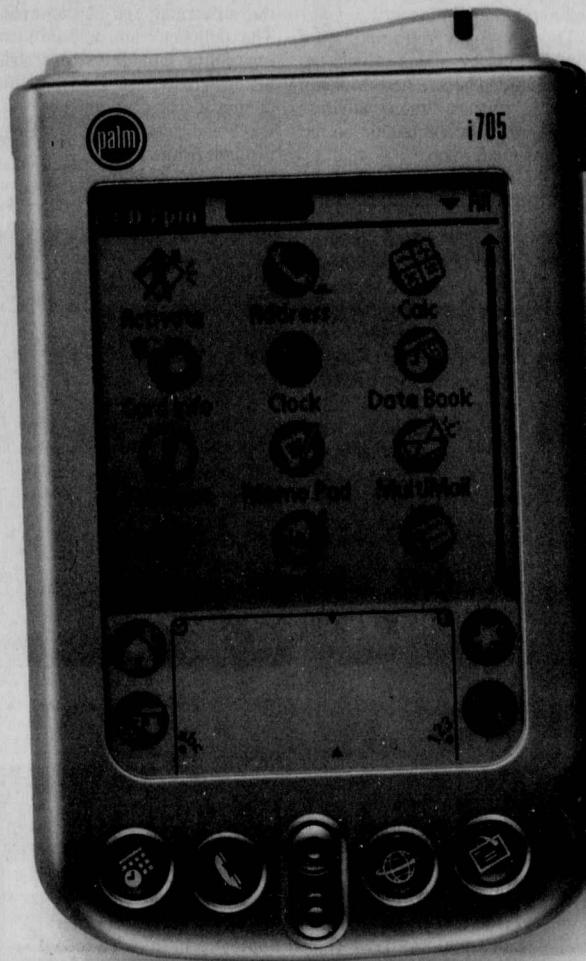
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Becoming increasingly accepted PDAs for public display



KRT Campus

BY ERIN LAMOURIE
Features Editor

They are everywhere. Students and faculty are trading in the traditional paper planners for the high-tech Personal Digital Assistants. The handheld computers provide a way to organize and share files with a personal computer, and of course, a way to play games. They can even be a hybrid cell phone and PDA.

But what are they besides a really expensive planner?

For Angela Nolen, a senior biology major, her PDA became a high-tech address book and provided a way to pass time with games.

Nolen said she bought a PDA her freshman year of college, hoping it would help her become organized.

But, she said, the PDA was difficult to use.

"It was really hard to input information quickly," she said. "I was used to just writing notes here and there."

Scott McCray, a senior finance and accounting major, said he tried a traditional planner, but then purchased a PDA in hope of being more organized.

McCray said it was worth the cost. The PDAs start at about \$100 and increase in cost based on features.

Nolen said she thought the price was worth it if the PDA was used.

"When I bought (the PDA) I paid about \$150," she said. "For the price, it worked OK, but it was not worth it for my purposes. It would be a good deal for someone who would use it."

Bob Seal, TCU librarian, said PDAs can also be used for a note pad, to-do lists, e-mail, e-books, dictionaries and downloading text from The Web.

It can also be used as a word processor and full-size keyboards can be added to make typing easier.

"It is not as easy to use, but it is useful if you

are away from your computer, in class, and need to take notes," Seal said.

McCray said PDAs provide more portability than laptops.

"They are not a substitute for a computer but are very useful in addition to it," he said.

The chemistry department may try to use PDAs in labs to help assist in grading and to save paper, said Jeff Coffer, professor of chemistry. Coffer said students usually write data on two to three pages torn out of lab books, which are sloppy and often hard to grade.

"I would like to get away from (paper) and use spreadsheets on hand-helds," he said.

Students would receive PDAs and record their data on spreadsheets. At the end of lab, data would be synchronized and downloaded to laptops for grading.

Coffer said he would prefer laptops for students, but because of space and cost issues, the PDAs are more practical.

But the PDAs are not the perfect solution. The screens on PDAs are small and it is impossible to view the entire spreadsheet at once. It is also important to be sure students' spreadsheets can be downloaded in efficient time.

Coffer said his goal is to test the program in a large scale, a freshman lab of about 40 students in spring 2003.

Seal said PDAs could also offer students handheld forms, class schedules, Frog Calls and campus calendars.

Seal said the library is hoping to use the technology to send messages to students' PDAs about when books are due.

He said it may even be possible to access the library catalogue with the hand-held devices and said students can use PDAs to access information needed in their major.

Seal said he hopes the university will provide

support for PDAs just as Information Services and the Help Desk provide for computers.

Bill Senter, manager of technical services, said TCU's Commission on the Future included plans to support PDAs, but it was not yet a high priority.

He said support will happen at some point, but he is not sure when.

"If (PDAs) started being used in academic sectors, in the classrooms and labs, I could see (the issue) being more aggressively supported," Senter said.

Senter said the process would be gradual, requiring software costing from \$20,000 to \$30,000 and additional training of staff.

He said faculty and staff can currently link to their e-mail accounts.

If the TCU Help Desk provided support, consultants could assist students in linking to their e-mail.

Seal said that though TCU does not provide support for PDAs, a hand-held users forum meets in the library monthly to discuss the latest developments in technology and share tips.

Seal said as the popularity of PDAs spreads, they have the potential to help students, faculty and staff to become more organized.

"For a lot of people, it's worth the money just for the calendar," he said. "If a person really wants to be organized it can be valuable."

McCray said he is happy with his investment and has seen it successfully help his organization skills.

Nolen said she finally decided to sell her PDA to someone who would make use of it. She said she is still struggling to be organized, but realizes for her life, a spiral notebook is easier and works just as well.

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As DVDs abound, start clearing storage space for your VCR

BY JULIE HINDS
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It's no use hitting the pause button. Your VCR is on the fast-forward track to becoming obsolete.

Everywhere you look, the writing is on the wall. At video rental stores, VHS tapes are being crowded off the shelves by DVDs. Home electronics stores are scaling back on VCRs and giving DVD players the prime display space.

The week before last, a Detroit grocery chain unloaded a limited number of name-brand VCRs for \$39.99.

How the mighty have fallen. Not so long ago, VCRs were still a respected luxury item. In a 1997 survey, they were named the No. 1 invention that has made life easier for Americans.

And today? They're a few aisles over from the dog food and paper towels.

Here we go again. Whenever a new technology emerges as a must-have item, an old technology must take a slow, sad journey to history's junkpile. It's a trail littered with the carcasses of Victrolas, black-and-white TVs, eight-track tapes and Beta-max recorders.

For the humans who own the machines, the trip isn't always easy. For each person who rushes to buy the latest gizmo, there's someone else who holds off and harbors twinges of sorrow and resentment over having to make a change.

Already, some consumers are experiencing the technoversion of the textbook stages of grief as they prepare for the VCR's demise.

First comes the anxiety. Symptoms include feeling like a loser because you don't have a DVD player and fretting over the fate of the dozens of home movies and entire seasons of "Star Trek" you've amassed on videotape.

"People are concerned about it," says Gary Reichel, co-owner of Thomas Video in Clawson, Mich., which stocks mainstream films and cult favorites. "They'll come in and go, 'Oh, DVD, I hear it's really good, but I've got all these movies on VHS. I don't know what to do.' They're obviously a little worried."

Then comes denial. Judy Dery, an actor from Detroit, tapes programs on her VCR because she works evenings at a local theater. When she comes home, she unwinds with dinner and a tape.

Who needs DVD? Not her.

"I'm not about to switch, nuh-uh," says Dery. "I'm not spending \$100 on a DVD player, because I'd have to buy a new TV. My TV is 25 years old and doesn't have a plug for a DVD. I don't need high-quality this and that. I'm fine with my VCR."

Then comes acceptance. You purchase the DVD player. Finally, you see the light.

"I'd like to talk to those people who are hanging on to their VCRs, because I need to straighten them out," says Paul Cook of Bloomfield Township, Mich., a portfolio manager for Munder Capital Management's NetJet Fund who made the switch to DVD early on and has given away most of his movies on VHS. "I look at a VCR machine as somebody else would look at a record player. I have no use for them."

Don Heth, a DVD devotee who lives in Birmingham, Mich., urges all VCR owners to visit a friend with a DVD player and spend two hours watching what they're missing.

"Some people are very happy driving a Pinto," he says, reaching for a comparison to VCRs. "But if you can get a bigger engine and better brakes, you should. It's an enhancement to your lifestyle."

Heth is sold on the superior picture and sound quality of DVDs and the extras that movies on DVD contain, such as alternate soundtracks and scenes from the cutting-room floor.

He's not sentimental about life with VCRs.

"We're the generation that has '12:00' blinking across the country, because we don't know how to work them. If we do manage to tape a TV show, we forget about it and tape over it three weeks later. I must have a million tapes where I have no idea what I put on them."

If you have warmer feelings toward your VCR, that's perfectly normal too. People often stay attached to a technology that has peaked.

"We're profoundly technonostalgic," says Jerry Herron, director of American Studies at Wayne State University. "We love to tinker with old cars and restore old radios. We buy vintage TV sets to signify our cool, ironic stance. We built the Henry Ford Museum to celebrate old machines."

Ten years from now, aging hipsters may relive the past by throwing VCR parties, Herron predicts. "Everyone would dress up in clothes from the '80s, play John Hughes movies and eat microwave popcorn."

Ten years is also how long the VCR is expected to stick around. Until recordable DVD technology permeates the mass market, the VCR's ability to tape TV programs will help it stay viable. Its life span also could be stretched by consumers who are reluctant to try new systems and those who want to avoid the hassle of converting their tape collections to DVD.

"I usually tell people to relax when the future of VCRs comes up," says Reichel. "For now, if you've got a great VHS collection, you might as well hang on to it."

To get a sense of the fate of VCRs, think back to the lingering decline of turntables and vinyl records, says Stephen Jacobs, an assistant professor of information technology at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

"We've gone through this before and survived," jokes Jacobs.

Jacobs says two types of people will have the hardest time making the adjustment: VCR diehards, who'll keep insisting their technology is better even as it's kicked to the curb, and videotape collectors, who've compiled vast quantities of stuff that's meaningful to them.

"These are people who've taped every episode of 'Friends' or 'This Old House,' whatever," says Jacobs. "To have to rebuild that collection is daunting, just as it was to go from vinyl to cassettes to CDs. You've invested all this time and a significant chunk of money."

One day, older-model VCRs may be treated like vintage cars, since a few aficionados already are collecting and repairing them.

"A lot of those machines were built like tanks," says Reichel. "The motors in them, they were so heavy. The ones they make now are light as a feather. Those old models, you could run them forever."

But don't start a classic VCR club yet. Not for a few more



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**What else could become obsolete besides VCRs?
Take a look around. With technology moving faster than ever, all sorts of everyday objects are feeling the pinch.**

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Cell phones are making them seem as ancient as rotary dials and party lines. But they'll always have a place in history as Superman's changing room.

Cash.

Are dollar bills and coins going the way of bartering with chickens and goats? If so, the tooth fairy will have to switch to debit cards.

Free TV and radio.

For those who grew up with rabbit ears and roof antennas, it was hard enough learning to pay for cable. Soon, broadcast may be out and every show may come with a price tag.

Day planners.

Old enough to remember when "PDA" meant "public display of affection?" If so, you might still be lugging around a bulky appointment book.

The printed word.

Ouch, this one hurts. But don't count information on paper out yet. Would you want to go home and curl up with a good PC?

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Peaceful protesters march to Capitol Hill Monday

BY DAVID HO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Protesters marched to the Capitol on Monday, proclaiming their opposition to U.S. military aid to Colombia and their commitment to nonviolence. They sang, hugged and mingled under a heavy police presence that kept streets mostly clear for the morning commute.

Scores of police on horseback, motorcycles, bicycles and foot flanked the demonstrators, keeping them from tying up intersections for long on their march from the Washington Monument. Commuters appeared to face little more than the usual traffic snarls.

The protesters did not have a permit for their march to Capitol Hill and more than 30 were arrested in a crowd that police officials estimated at 1,000 to 3,000 at its height.

Demonstrators defended their right to make their case.

"Civil disobedience is part of this

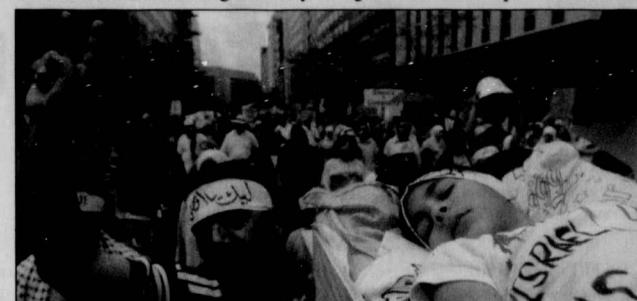
movement," said Glenn Fiscella, 47, of Newport News, Va. "It's like a democratic tool that you use like voting or writing a letter to the editor. You can be forceful, you can be militant, without being violent ... and that's where this movement's at."

The 37 protesters arrested Monday morning were charged with obstructing traffic on Capitol grounds, a misdemeanor that carries a maximum penalty of six months in jail and a \$500 fine, according to Capitol Police spokesman Dan Nichols.

At their destination, dozens kneeled on the Senate side of the Capitol grounds, singing. Police let them sing for 10 minutes before telling them they

were breaking the law by obstructing a roadway, and those who were not arrested moved on.

The protesters concerned with Colombia object to a proposal by the Bush administration to let U.S. aid now tied to the drug war be used to fight guerrillas in that country. U.S. Special Forces have been training Colombian troops.



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One of four men named as "Palestine" carries eight-year-old "Palestine Freedom" on a mock death bed through the streets of Washington during the Palestinian Solidarity March, Saturday. Protesters have flooded the nation's capitol over the past few weeks.

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interesting, he said.

"It was a challenge to come together as a group and sometimes the students would ask questions or get help from the TCU students before or after class," Angeles said. "It was neat to be able to help them out and spend extra time after rehearsals just messing around with them."

West said 50 local students au-

ditioned for the group, some of them students at community colleges whose schools do not have percussion programs.

"We started out last year part time and this year we've really been able to take off," West said. "I've been amazed at the dedication of the local students who come to play with us every week, and it has worked as a great outreach program to local schools."

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the opening reception to give a professional impression to the audience.

Palu said they organized to serve quality food instead of chips and salsa, and printed napkins with the logo of the show, but didn't receive funds from the department.

"Besides the work exhibited, we also wanted to focus on the details and the presentation of the show to create a sophisticated atmosphere at the gallery," Palu said.

Watson said the \$9,000 annual budget for the gallery, which is located in Moody Building North, is only enough to cover advertising, postage for invitations and wages

for gallery attendants.

"We have a very small budget compared to other universities in North Texas, where the average funding is \$25,000 for a gallery similar to ours," Watson said.

Sowards said, that it would have been nice to get some financial help from the department, but she understands that the budget didn't allow for more.

"I would be disappointed if I won't get a scholarship to study abroad because the money was given for fancy sandwiches for an opening of a show," Sowards said.



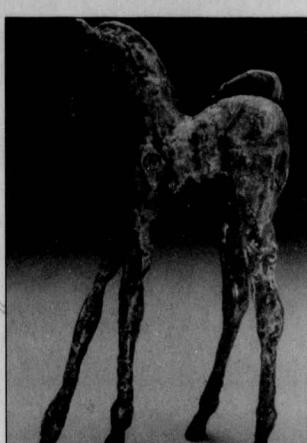
SPECIAL TO THE SKIFF
Amy Sowards, Untitled, oil on canvas.

Jim Woodson, professor of painting, said every graduating studio art major has to take the one-credit hour class that focuses on the BFA exhibition at the end of the semester.

During this class, students have the chance to ask for suggestions and discuss the upcoming exhibition in detail, Woodson said.

Since there are eight graduating seniors this semester, there will be a second BFA show May 6-10, Woodson said.

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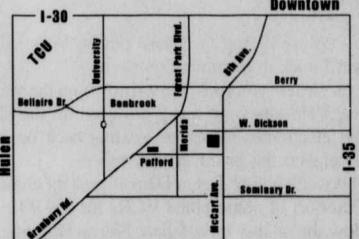
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The Sideline

Schobel drafted by Cincinnati Bengals

Matt Schobel may have been drafted a little later than he would have liked, but at least he felt popular when the time finally came.

With the Carolina Panthers off the clock with the second pick of the third round of the NFL Draft, Schobel was on the phone with Detroit Lions officials saying they would pick him with the next selection. Just then the Cincinnati Bengals exchanged a third and fifth round pick with the Panthers to select him.

"It was pretty strange how that worked out," Schobel said. "I didn't know what to tell (Lions' officials), but I was just excited to be drafted, and I didn't care where I went at that point."

Schobel was rated as the third or fourth top tight end by most draft prognosticators but was the fifth selected. However, Schobel said he was happy with how the draft played out and is ready to start contributing to Cincinnati.

When the Seattle Seahawks, a team that had expressed interest in him, selected Washington tight end Jerramy Stevens late in the first round, Schobel admitted disappointment that a player rated below him was drafted so high.

"That was pretty surprising," he said. "I didn't expect to go in the first round, but one side of me is saying, 'Why can't I get drafted higher than expected?' but the other side is just happy I was drafted about where I was supposed to be."

Coincidentally though, the Bengals will open the season against the Buffalo Bills and Matt's older brother, Aaron. If both are on the field at the same time, they could even line up against each other at tight end and defensive end.

"There's a pretty good chance of that, and it'd be pretty cool," he said. "But I'm not worried about that yet. I'm just looking forward to mini-camp next Friday."

— Jordan Blum

Safaritova passed over by WNBA; chance as free agent

Senior forward Kati Safaritova went unpicked in Friday's WNBA Draft, but associate head coach Larry Tidwell said Monday that she still had a chance of making a career in professional basketball.

"There's been a lot of interest picking up on her about signing as a free agent," Tidwell said. "You can't draft everybody, and you have a lot of people who come in as free agents and they get a real good look."

Safaritova participated in several WNBA combines but was passed during all four rounds of the draft.

Tidwell said he thought Safaritova's good team play at the combines affected her draft status.

"She was very unselfish," Tidwell said. "Sometimes in those things you have to be a little bit selfish and shoot a little bit more."

Tidwell also said that in the event Safaritova went unsigned, she could always play professionally overseas.

Safaritova led the Frogs with 13.9 points a game during last season.

— Sam Eaton

Frogs takes on Mavericks following losing streak

The TCU baseball team will try to snap a four-game losing streak when they take on the Mavericks of Texas-Arlington today.

The Frogs were knocked out of first place after being swept by Tulane in a three-game series. TCU fell all the way to fourth in the Conference USA standings.

The Frogs (20-21, 11-7 C-USA) play Texas-Arlington (20-21) at 3:05 p.m. today at the TCU Diamond. This is the fourth meeting between the two teams, with UTA holding a 2-1 advantage for the season.

— Danny Gillham

Frogs net C-USA championship title

BY QUINTEN BOYD

Skiff Staff

The men's and women's tennis teams made a strong impression in year one in their new conference. Both teams had an undefeated conference record in the regular season, and both notched No. 1 seeds in the Conference USA Tennis Tournament.

But only one can boast the title of conference champion.

The women's netters (20-4) won the conference championship on Sunday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center, winning their third consecutive conference championship and their fourth overall. The men (11-11) dropped the third-place match against Louisville at the Bass-Rudd Tennis Center on the Louisville campus.

The women's tennis team defeated all three of their tournament opponents by a combined score of 12-1. However, head women's tennis coach Roland Ingram is quick to mention that scores can be misleading.

"There are a lot of good teams in this conference," Ingram said. "We had a lot more depth than any of the other teams in the tournament, and it's hard to win when players get injured. A lot of teams had that happen to them, and they didn't have anyone else to take over."

The women's tennis team started the tournament with momentum after defeating No. 21 Arkansas and gaining the No. 1 seed. However, the Frogs fell short in tournament play, finishing fourth.

In the finals, the women's tennis team defeated Marquette, 4-1. The Golden Eagles defaulted the

match at six singles when their No. 1 singles player, Gen Charon, was injured. Ingram said the Golden Eagles were well prepared for his team.

"They came out fired up and prepared for us," Ingram said. "It's tough to lose your No. 1 singles player. The match would have been more interesting if she (Charon) were there. I believe we still would have won, but some matches would have been pushed to three sets."

The men's team entered the tournament with momentum after defeating No. 21 Arkansas and gaining the No. 1 seed. However, the Frogs fell short in tournament play, finishing fourth.

"We didn't play that well," men's head coach Joey Rive said. "We went into the tournament

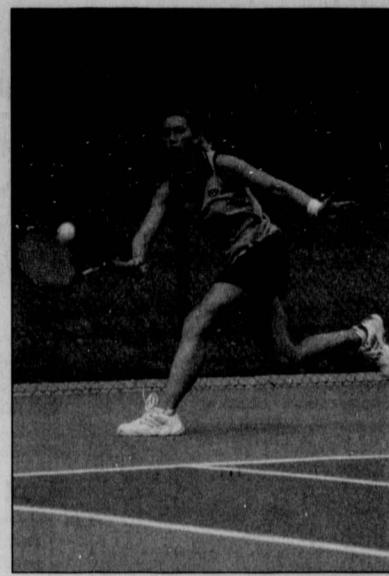
looking to win it, not to finish third or fourth."

The Frogs started the tournament off by winning their quarter-final match against Southern Miss, 4-1. In the semifinals, they fell to South Florida, 4-1. In the third-place match, the Frogs fell to Louisville, 4-2, in a four hour, 45 minute marathon.

"We were able to set the tempo against Southern Miss," Rive said. "However, South Florida played well and they took control against us. After losing to them, it was hard to get excited about the third-place match, and we came out flat."

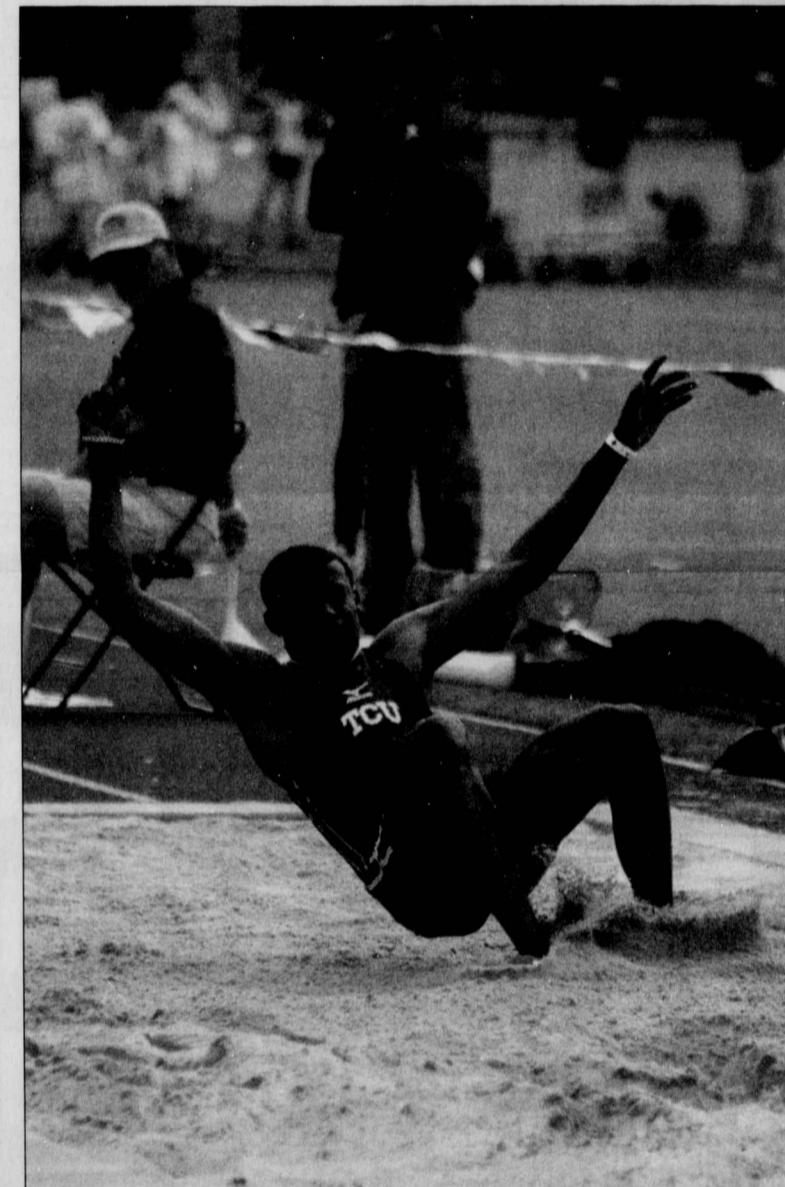
The NCAA Regional Championships start May 11 at a location to be announced.

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David Dunai/STAFF REPORTER

Senior Katrin Gaber hits a forehand Saturday at the 2002 C-USA Tournament. Gaber won 6-1, 7-6 (4) over Eva Trujillo to help her team capture the title.



David Dunai/STAFF REPORTER

Freshman Cleavon Dillon competes in the long jump at the TCU Invitational Saturday. Dillon jumped a seasonal best 8.01 meters in the event.

Men's, women's track teams fly for a home crowd

BY DANNY GILLHAM

Skiff Staff

Just like in the Wizard of Oz, there really is no place like home for the TCU track and field team.

At the third annual TCU Invitational, the team turned in one of their best performances of the season, said head coach Monte Stratton.

In front of full stands at the Lowdown Track & Field Complex, the Flyin' Frogs did not disappoint the home crowd, turning in 12 NCAA qualifying times (four automatic, eight provisional).

Stratton said he was extremely pleased with the team's performance, and the crowd turnout for the team's only home meet of the season.

"I was delighted with everything," Stratton said. "We had an appreciative and supportive crowd, and I know the coaching staff and athletes appreciate that. Overall it was a tremendously good day, and I feel that we have positioned ourselves to make a big push for conference and even nationals, even with our injuries."

While the team had standouts all day, the highlights came in the jumping. Freshman Cleavon Dillon jumped a seasonal best 8.01 meters (26 feet, 3 1/2 inches), narrowly edging sophomore teammate Aundre Edwards, who jumped a distance of 8.00 meters (26 feet, 3 inches).

Former TCU athlete Doc Patton jumped a phenomenal 8.40 meters (27 feet, 6 3/4 inches), the second-longest jump in the world this season. Patton was allowed to participate since the TCU Invitational was open to athletes who are not on teams. His results did not impact TCU's overall score.

Junior Brandal Lawrence also took first in the triple jump, notching a distance of 15.76 meters (51 feet, 8 1/2 inches).

The Frogs also made their presence felt in the sprints.

In the men's 100 and 200 meters, the Frogs took 1-2-3. Junior Monica Twum and fresh-

man La' Toya White finished first and second respectively in the women's 100 meters. TCU also won both 4x100 meter relays, with the men clocking at 39.79, and the women coming in with a 44.63.

Other first place finishers for TCU were junior Terrance McBryde in the men's 400 (46.83m), men's 4x400 meter relay (3:08.61),

sophomore Larissa Bakasa in the women's 400 meters (55.07), senior Perona Tomlin in the 800 meters (2:11.55) and the women's 4x4 relay (3:40.85).

With the momentum of their performance, the team will head to Philadelphia for the 108th Annual Penn Relays.

"Penn is one of our four major focal points," Stratton said. "This is a great springboard into the Penn Relays."

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Junior Shannon McKinney runs distance Saturday at the track team's lone track meet of the year.

Women's golf team sets new C-USA record, claims championship

BY DANNY GILLHAM

Skiff Staff

the C-USA championships with a conference record 886 in 54-holes.

"She played amazingly well," head coach Angie Ravaoli-Larkin said of Tull, who overcame a three-shot deficit of her own to win the individual title by a single shot.

"She played so steady and has been playing solid all semester. It was just a matter of her being patient, and being in that situation enough times. She knew how to handle it, and she did this time."

Tull, who was named C-USA player of the year, said that the championship brings a wonderful feeling.

"It feels really good," Tull said. "It's great that we pulled through. We knew that we could do it all year, so it's great to finally do it."

The rest of the team also turned in solid performances. Junior Shannon Barr and freshman D'Rae Wared tied for eighth with a 233, senior Lori Sutherland placed 15th

with a 227 and senior Jennifer Patterson finished 26th with a 232.

Ravaoli-Larkin said the Frogs are now focused on advancing to the national meet.

"We're now preparing for the NCAA Regionals," Ravaoli-Larkin said. "We talked about celebrating the victory for 24 hours, but starting the next day, getting ready for regionals. We'll have to put this behind us and be able to move forward."

Tull said the momentum from this victory should help the team at the regional tournament.

"I think it shows us that we can win," Tull said, "and that we can shoot the scores it takes to win a national championship."

The NCAA West Regionals are May 9-11 at the Stanford Golf Course in Stanford, Calif.

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