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## Student recovering after venomous spider bite

Ashley Earnest, a Jarvis resident, plans to return to school after being bit by a brown recluse spider.

BY ANTOINETTE VEGA  
Staff Reporter

A student who was bitten by a venomous spider said Monday she expects to return to classes this week, but on crutches and with intravenous fluids pumping into her arm.

Sophomore business major Ashley Earnest said she was bitten on her left shin by a brown recluse spider somewhere on campus Sept. 19, but didn't know exactly where. She has undergone two surgeries after contracting a severe skin infection, and was in a Houston hospital Monday night.

A brown recluse spider ranges in size from a dime to a quarter, and feeds on insects and other spiders. Its bite is rarely fatal for adults, but can usually take more than month to heal.

Earnest said she refused to go to the emergency room initially because she had an accounting test the next day. But as the pain became too much for her to handle, she was convinced to go to a Fort Worth emergency room on Sept. 22.

"The mark turned purple and grew the size of a golf ball," Earnest said in a telephone interview. "My calf got as big as my thigh."

Earnest obtained a staph infection from the bite and underwent two surgeries Sept. 23 at John Peter Smith Hospital. She was released Sept. 25 to Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

A PICC Line, an I.V. inserted into her arm, was placed to fight off the infection. The line will be removed in two weeks, Earnest said, after which she will have to take antibiotics every eight hours. She will see a physical therapist and in-home nurse when she returns to campus.

"The antibiotics are an extra precaution because if the infection comes back it comes back with a vengeance," Earnest said. "My leg will eventually heal and I will be able to do things as normal."

Earnest said she does not plan to move out of the residence hall. An exterminator sprayed her room in Jarvis Hall and set insect traps.

"All precautions were taken just in case Earnest was bitten in the residence hall," said Roger Fisher, director of residential services.

Residential Services sent out an e-mail to Jarvis residents Sept. 26 informing them of the incident and detailing information from health professionals about brown recluse spiders.

"We wanted to be sure students were aware of what happened," Fisher said.

Some students were appreciative of the e-mail.

"It is good to know TCU is acknowledging what is going on," said Kristen Green, a sophomore business and marketing major. "Now students can

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### Brown recluse spider

- Medium sized, light tan to brown color with a violin-shaped mark on its back
- Range from as small as a dime to as large as a quarter with its legs extended
- Prefer secluded areas, such as attics and storage areas
- Feeds on insects and other spiders
- More active in night or summertime
- Bite does not cause pain at first, but appears as a bruise-like area on the skin

Source: Dermatology Nursing, University of Kentucky College of Agriculture

## Sexual assault education offered by campus police

The Rape Aggression Defense class, the Assault Prevention Theatre, the Victims Advocate Program and the 1 N 4 Men's Program are just some of the resources offered at TCU to make students, faculty and staff aware of precautions they can take to prevent a sexual assault.

BY JILL MENINGER  
Staff Reporter

Programs like the Rape Aggression Defense, Assault Prevention Theatre, Victims Advocate Program and the 1 N 4 Men's Program are a collaborative effort between the departments, students, faculty and staff to educate the university about sexual assault prevention, treatment and intervention.

Many of these programs were already in place before the off-campus sexual assaults this semester and last. They inform participants of ways to prevent some sexual assaults or what to do if one has already occurred, said Glory Robinson, the assistant dean of Campus Life.

Pamela Christian, the TCU crime prevention officer, said 78 percent of all sexual assaults are by an acquaintance.

Christian said the best way women can protect themselves is to take Rape Aggression Defense, a free self-defense class offered by campus police intended to teach women how to make educated decisions about resistance.

"To be able to best protect yourself during a violent assault, training in a self-defense course would be most advisable," Christian said.

She said the free class is open to all female faculty, staff and students.

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## Students LEAP to community service



Bolu Odelusi, a sophomore criminal justice major, paints a door at Eastside Ministries during TCU LEAPS Saturday with the Word of Truth Gospel Choir.

Photographer/Joi Harris

LEAPS completed its fourth year on Saturday and more than 600 students donated their time to making the program successful.

BY JOI HARRIS  
Staff Reporter

Homecoming got an early start Saturday morning as more than 600 students donated approximately 1,200 hours of community service to the Fort Worth community.

In its fourth year, TCU LEAPS,

leaders encouraging all people to serve, participants and organizers alike say the experience was more fulfilling and less chaotic than years past.

Participants said transportation was less organized in the past and led to less work getting done.

"I spent more time riding a bus, than actually doing work last year," said Kelly Cowdery, a senior early childhood education major.

Rebecca Whitesell, a senior biology major said having check-in at the

Daniel-Meyer Coliseum this year instead of the Rickel Building made the transition a lot smoother. It enabled people to find their groups easier and made bus dismissal quicker, she said.

TCU LEAPS director Brad Thompson, a senior religion major, said in the past, the people at the sites were not fully aware of their responsibility in the process.

"They are not only responsible for providing enough work, but also allowing time for volunteers to reflect on

the days activity and its meaning," Thompson said.

To alleviate the problem, Thompson said, the planning committee contacted sites much earlier in the process instead of giving them until the week of TCU LEAPS to commit. As a result, all but a few of this year's sites were previous participants, he said.

Jaye Lycan, executive director of Eastside Ministries, has participated in TCU LEAPS for the past three years. Each year he said he looks forward to

the event because he always has a big project for students to do. Having people come who are really motivated about working also helps, he said.

"I'm very excited that students are aware of volunteering and what it does," Lycan said.

With hundreds of participants it is impossible to please everyone, but the committee tried to place students in areas closest to their preference as possible, said Robin Williamson,

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## Houston braces for Hurricane Lili as it nears coast

Houston is preparing for the first hurricane since Hurricane Jerry, in 1989, to hit Texas in October. Since 1837, Texas has only had seven October-November hurricanes hit the coast.

BY MARK BABINECK  
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Emergency management officials began preparing Monday for the threat of Hurricane Lili, which is predicted to intensify as it steams toward the Gulf Coast. Texas hasn't endured an October

hurricane since Jerry in 1989, which killed three in southeast Texas and rendered Texas Highway 87 permanently undrivable between High Island and Sabine Pass.

Only seven October-November hurricanes are recorded to have struck the Texas coast since 1837, but state emergency management coordinator Jack Colley said the threat of severe weather often exists this time of year.

Lili was upgraded to a minimal hurricane Monday as it moved to-

ward the Gulf of Mexico off the south Cuban coast. The National Hurricane Center predicted that it would cross the island's western tip and make a beeline for the Texas-Louisiana coast.

"Lili appears poised for some fairly significant strengthening," hurricane center forecaster James Franklin advised Monday. "The waters in the northwestern gulf are high-octane."

Colley said the state will prepare for a Category 3 or 4 on the Saffir-

Simpson Scale, meaning winds greater than 110 mph and a storm surge of greater than 9 feet.

The Texas Department of Emergency Management will raise its alert status to level 2 this morning, Colley said. Only a level 1 is a higher state of alert on the four-level system.

Lili comes a week after the Texas coast was on alert for Isidore, which also appeared poised to become a major storm until it stalled over the Yucatan Peninsula and weakened before coming ashore as a wet tropical

storm in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Unlike Isidore, which had an erratic and unpredictable track, the hurricane center appears more confident about its forecast for Lili, which has it approximately 200 miles east-southeast of Galveston by Thursday morning.

While Texas is most susceptible to tropical storms in July, August and early September, October storms have been detected back to an Oct. 21, 1631, hurricane that killed more than 300 sailors in the gulf.

## NewsBrief

### Trial date for Montgomery may not be set for year

A trial date for former football player Frank Montgomery may not be set for another year, a criminal investigator for the Tarrant County District Attorney's office said Monday.

Montgomery, 22, was charged in September in connection with the death of a 16-month-old girl left under his supervision.

Investigator Dennis Timmons said the time lapse is due to the heavy amount of cases in the criminal district court. Timmons said in about a month or two, Assistant District Attorney Jay Lapham, who heads crimes against children, will help determine if the district attorney's office will seek the death penalty. Lapham could not be reached for comment.

Montgomery was arrested July 24 for injuring his girlfriend's daughter, Savannah Koiner. Montgomery was indicted for capital murder Sept. 20. He is accused of striking Koiner on the head with an unknown object while she was under his care July 2.

Montgomery's lawyer, Donald Gandy, could not be reached for comment.

— Jill Meninger

### The Weather

**TUESDAY**  
High: 92; Low: 60; Mostly sunny

**WEDNESDAY**  
High: 89; Low: 67; Partly cloudy

**THURSDAY**  
High: 90; Low: 65; Partly cloudy

### LookingBack

**1940** — The Pennsylvania Turnpike, America's first example of a toll superhighway, officially opened for service on this day.

**1955** — "The Honeyymooners" debuts on CBS.

**1993** — Polly Klaas was abducted at knifepoint by an intruder from her home in California during a slumber party with two friends.

### WatchFor

Check Friday's edition of the Skiff for a preview of TCU's Homecoming matchup against conference foe Houston. Check the edge, key matchups and three keys to see has the upper hand in Saturday's contest.

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## The Skiff View

### DAYCARE

Official excuses aren't good enough

From a university that prides itself on equality of education, it is surprising that a penalty is imposed upon those members of the student body, faculty and staff that happen to have children.

Many prospective members of the TCU body are unable to pay daycare in order to work or study at our university. It is a sad reflection on today's society that those who have chosen to have children must also be impeded by that very fact. Other private institutions provide some form of daycare for their faculty, staff and students, even if the cost is subsidized.

We know this is a time of economic recession, but by putting daycare on the second tier of our core academic mission is to lose out on the potential of students and employees with children who are unable to afford daycare for their children.

It is easy to put new facilities, stadiums and recreation centers at the forefront of TCU's impending needs. But the sacrifice of a shiny new facility is well worth the added benefits of students and faculty who hitherto have been unable to attend TCU.

If more than 150 children could be served daily by a daycare, it is apparent that a facility is much needed. It is time that TCU finalized a proposal that has been put on the backburner for 25 years because of what the university deemed as more pressing matters. Liability and fund-raising excuses seem insignificant when the greater good is concerned.

"Proposals have never been denied, they have been ignored," said Linda Moore, associate dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences on the topic of TCU daycare. This is an example of the lackluster attitude with which daycare proposals have been met.

A proposal for a daycare center has a lot to compete with, but if the TCU mission strives to provide the best education and employment opportunities for its members, is such a proposal asking too much?

With sponsors or subsidized cost, the feasibility of a daycare center seems more rational than in previous years. Regardless, after 25 years of discussion, it can be certain that advocates for daycare will "keep on trucking."

## The Other View

Opinions from around the country

Massachusetts students are now being asked to take and pass an exit exam before receiving high-school diplomas.

The exam consists of two sections: English and math. Beginning in their sophomore year, the students are given five chances to pass the exam.

Technically, as sophomores, the students should have the knowledge and skills to pass the test. However, only 37 percent of the class of 2003 passed the exam the first time. On the second try the percentage only rose to 53 percent. All of this just for a high-school diploma.

Most students expect that after passing all their classes and fulfilling their requirements that they will receive a diploma. With this new test, students can no longer make that assumption.

The new stipulation that the Massachusetts Education Department imposes on high-school students is unfair and discriminates against students who are receiving a less-than-adequate education.

As of Sept. 19, six students had filed suit against the state Board of Education, the state Department of Education, and Holyoke city schools (four of the students who are listed as plaintiffs attended Holyoke schools).

According to these six students and their attorneys, the reason the suit is being brought is because not only does the exit exam dis-

criminate against the poor students of Massachusetts, the state's educational system is not providing equal and quality education to all students.

Ethnicity and economic issues aside, this test is altogether ill-conceived.

If schools are passing students to the next grade while not providing them with the skills to pass a basic academic examination, that is the fault of the schools, not of the students. In effect, the Massachusetts Educational Board is using the exam as a way to test its own ability to educate and then punishing the students when the school system has failed. If students have failed to meet the credit or grade-point average requirement of a particular school, they should not graduate; but forcing a test on students who have not been given the skills to pass it is unfair.

High school is a time to learn. However, if the only choice for students is an inadequate facility, whose fault is that? Students should not be punished for a system that has failed them. The idea of an exit exam may seem logical and beneficial on paper, but in practice, the exam is only providing evidence that Massachusetts schools have failed and will continue to fail.

*This is a staff editorial from The Daily Iowan at the University of Iowa. This editorial was distributed by U-Wire.*

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## People need to consider their server's feelings

Not tipping, making inappropriate comments and ignoring your server are all ways to make him or her feel uncomfortable.

Nothing is more frustrating than being on your feet, working like a Middle Ages serving wench for hours, lifting trays, filling drinks and consoling crying children for people who are rude to you while you do it.

Some nights, the cash in the restaurant business makes up for the bad shifts. But even one inconsiderate patron can ruin a server's night.

I have been working as a server in a popular chain restaurant for almost a year and a half, and have encountered more rude people than I knew existed.

Some thoughtless things restaurant patrons do — that they perhaps may not even realize are irritating — include: drinking 10 glasses of tea in 30 minutes (How is that even physically possible?); snapping their fingers to call servers to their table; or answering, "two margaritas" when a server approaches the table and asks how they're doing today.

And some behaviors are blatantly (and purposely) mean.

Some people exaggerate the enunciation of their orders as if their food came out wrong the last time they were there or as if their server is too stupid to com-

prehend English. Some people complain to a manager if their glass is half-empty for only a few minutes.

Some people roll their eyes at servers when asked how things taste and if they need anything. Some people leave less than a 10 percent tip. That's an insult. Some people — and this is one of the worst things — just ignore servers unless they need something. What can make someone feel smaller than being ignored?

Sometimes the behavior is so bad that new waitresses spend part of a shift crying in the kitchen. Sometimes the behavior is sleazy — something you might expect in a strip club, not a family restaurant.

Kristin Campbell, a senior broadcast journalism major who has been a server, said men will "hit on you relentlessly to the point of making you uncomfortable. I'm not going to give them my number, but then I know I'm going to get screwed on the tip. If you want a decent tip, you have to flirt back."

Among the behaviors that make servers uneasy: physical touching (Never, ever, do that); inappropriate conversation ("What color are your underwear?"); leaving phone numbers and hotel room numbers on the table (I always love the occasional rendezvous with a possible serial killer); repeatedly asking for a server's phone number (How stupid do they think we are?); and, most

scary of all ... waiting at the restaurant until someone's shift ends (Can you say, "restraining order?").

Do people act like this elsewhere?

Do they drink pitcher upon pitcher of liquids at home? Do they slap the bottom of the person who delivers their mail or walks by at a coffee shop? Do they demand things every time one of their employees walks by? Do they ignore their wives or husbands when they ask how their day was? Do they treat their work colleagues like they're stupid? Do they sexually harass gas station attendants?

Or does this just happen in restaurants?

Maybe people just don't think about these things.

Maybe they think they have a right to treat someone they're going to tip — or who thinks they're going to tip — as less than human. Maybe restaurants are an outlet for them to release anger

*"Maybe they think they have a right to treat someone they're going to tip — or who thinks they're going to tip — as less than human."*

or stress. Regardless of the reason, thoughtlessness is unbecoming.

Servers are just people working a difficult and tiring job and just trying to get by. Sometimes they are students just trying to pay rent and living expenses while taking classes.

Just think about what you are doing. And always tip 20 percent.

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## INS wrongly discriminates against men of Middle Eastern descent

New plan to keep track of possible "terrorists" does nothing other than limit rights.

Last week, the Immigration and Naturalization Service announced that it would fingerprint all male Middle-Eastern immigrants that enter the country starting today.

Another part of this security measure will require these men to give detailed accounts of their plans in the United States along with several photos of themselves. The purpose of the measure — to strip the men of any right to privacy while making it easier for the government to track them down anywhere they would go for the rest of their lives.

In an act of open discrimination, the INS has labeled Middle-Eastern men as guilty until proven innocent. Terrorists can come in all colors, races and

sexes. For instance, females have been known to act as suicide bombers in Israel. Also, as many might recall, terrorists can be U.S. citizens as Timothy McVeigh illustrated in the Oklahoma City bombing. To further emphasize my point, McVeigh was not only a middle-class Caucasian male, but was also an Army veteran that had once been invited to join the Green Berets.

Increased security measures should be expected after the terrorists attacks on the World Trade Center. Yet it has been more than a year since the attacks and the government is still willing to pass flagrantly discriminatory acts to prevent future attacks.

As I recall, there was a certain group in history that forced those of Jewish descent to wear yellow patches of the Star of David to identify themselves. This group justified this act by claiming that these people were a threat to the German economy. Most today would say the stars were a way to victimize a certain ethnic group for something they had no

control over.

The American government also has a history of paranoia during times of war. Shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Japanese-Americans across the country were victimized by government officials. Hundreds of Japanese families were forced to pack up their belongings, leave their homes and go to concentration camps. This all occurred on U.S. soil and was legalized by the president. All the Japanese detained were assumed to be conspiring against the United States — even those that were citizens — and many were not released until the war ended.

What the government is doing now is much less severe than what was accepted in the past. However, if the this INS measure had been announced in the year 2000, it would have caused an outcry among equal rights groups. Today the act did not give way to even a whisper.

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## Gore's speech yet another bad choice

Al Gore's arguments in last week's speech bashing the Bush administration were inaccurate and unwarranted, prompted solely by his intent to run in the 2004 presidential election.

Days before the 2000 Presidential election, Joe Lieberman said when he thought "of a solitary figure standing in the Oval Office, weighing life and death decisions that can affect the security of our country and the stability of the world," he saw Al Gore. Given the content of the speech Gore made Monday at the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco, we should all give thanks that Lieberman's vision did not become a reality.

Gore spent 55 minutes on Sept. 23 bashing the Bush administration, mainly for its plans to oust Saddam Hussein and its handling and politicizing of the war on terror. An examination of some of his comments should make one grateful that he is unemployed.

When Gore began by claiming to be concerned that the Bush administration's Iraq policy could "seriously damage our ability to win the war against terrorism," he showed the key flaw in his argument — an unfair distinction between the war on terror and a potential war with Iraq.

President George W. Bush has continually described the war on terror as a war against evil people who threaten American security. And given Saddam Hussein's track record, inclusion in the "Axis of Evil" and the fact that Hrynek Kmonicek, the Czech envoy to the United Nations, has confirmed that Mohamed Atta met with Iraqi diplomat Ahmed Khalil Ibrahim Samir Al-Anin in April 2001, it is clear that he should be one of our biggest targets.

In order to support his argument that the United States cannot partake in additional military actions, Gore calls the war on terror unsuccessful. He says Americans should not be "distracted from this urgent task simply because it is proving to be more difficult and lengthy than predicted."

The problem with this argument is that the war on terror has only proved to be difficult and lengthy, not more difficult and lengthy than predicted. It is less than a year old, and the president has said from day one that it will be difficult, likely outlasting his time in office. Gore's characterization of it is therefore as inaccurate as it is inappropriate.

Gore also argues that America should not "jump from one unfinished task to another." Forget for a moment that the two are the same task. Such a comment still shows that Gore wishes to handcuff the administration. Since the war on terror is a war against evil people who pose danger to Americans, it likely will never be completely finished. For Gore to use its incompleteness as reason to not partake in another task is akin to banning all other future military actions.

The war on terror has not been a failure. A regime has been overthrown and a gender liberated. Numerous terrorist training camps have been destroyed. And hundreds of terrorists have been brought to justice while others are scurrying from cave to cave, constantly looking over their shoulders.

On Sept. 23, Gore underscored the war's impact and claimed that we should not target one of the most evil, irrational and dangerous men in the world.

He then had the audacity to condemn the president for being political.

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COMMENTARY  
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## National/International Roundup

### Former army chief, two others charged with spying

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Military prosecutors on Monday formally charged a former Yugoslav army chief with spying for the United States.

Gen. Momcilo Perisic, who served under Slobodan Milosevic before joining the pro-democracy forces that ousted the Yugoslav president, was arrested in March for allegedly passing military secrets to a U.S. diplomat.

Perisic denied the allegations and said he was the victim of a power struggle among Yugoslav leaders. Just days after being briefly detained, he resigned as deputy prime minister of Serbia, the dominant Yugoslav republic.

On Monday, Perisic and two others were charged with espionage, the state-run Tanjug news agency reported, citing a statement released by military prosecutors. If convicted, the three face between three and 15 years in jail.

Perisic's spokesman, Nebojsa Mandic, said the arrests were political and that Perisic was the innocent victim of a feud between Yugoslav President Vojislav Kostunica and Serbian Prime Minister Zoran Djindjic.

The three charged were arrested in March in a motel near Belgrade along with the then first secretary of the U.S. Embassy in Belgrade, John Neighbor.

Washington denied the spying allegations and protested Neighbor's detention. The diplomat left the country shortly after being released.

No date has been set for the trial.

### \$75 million in food deals struck in agribusiness shows

HAVANA (AP) — New Ameri-

can food sales to communist Cuba reached nearly \$75 million at an agribusiness fair aimed at whetting the island's appetite for U.S. farm products and chipping away at the 40-year trade embargo.

Cuban officials said Monday they had struck deals to buy \$74.8 million in American food. More deals were being announced as the five-day fair drew to a close Monday.

Authorities initially had said they had expected \$50 million in contracts during the fair, which featured 288 exhibitions from 33 American states displaying products including cheese, chicken, tropical drinks, even chili sauce.

Contracts for \$16 million were signed on Sunday alone, said Pedro Alvarez, head of Cuba's food import concern Alimport.

President Fidel Castro showed up at the fair on Sunday morning to witness the signing of two contracts: one for \$5 million in soybeans and corn from F.C. Stone of Iowa, and a second to buy 25 million eggs worth \$1 million from Dolphin Shipping & Trading of Georgia.

Other deals were under consideration, including a co-marketing agreement between Cuba's Havana Club rum production company and Splash Tropical Drinks of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

### Ozone hole over Antarctica has shrunk, split in two

WASHINGTON (AP) — The ozone hole over Antarctica is markedly smaller this year than in the last few years and has split in two, government scientists reported Monday.

The so-called "hole," actually an area of thinner than normal ozone, was measured at 6 million square

miles in September. That compares with around 9 million square miles on September measurements over the last six years, according to researchers at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and National Aeronautics and Space Agency.

While ozone at ground level is considered a pollutant, the layer of ozone high in the stratosphere is vital to life because it blocks dangerous radiation coming from the sun. Thinning of the ozone layer could lead to a rise in skin cancer, experts warn. Aerosols and other chemicals are blamed for the thinning, and treaties banning those ingredients are expected to help the layer recover over time.

This year's improvement was attributed to warmer than normal temperatures around the edge of the polar vortex, or circular wind pattern that forms annually in the stratosphere over Antarctica, according to Paul Newman, a lead ozone researcher at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

Craig Long, a meteorologist at the NOAA Climate Prediction Center, said the stratosphere over the southern hemisphere was unusually disturbed this year by the wind, causing the hole to split into two separate holes.

In 2001 the Antarctic ozone hole reached a maximum size of more than 10.2 million square miles, larger than the entire area of North America, including the United States, Canada and Mexico combined. In the year 2000, it briefly approached 11.5 million square miles. The last time the ozone hole was as small as it is this year was in 1988, and that was also due to warm temperatures.

## U.S. economy endangered by closing of West Coast ports

Ports along the West Coast are at a standstill as shipping lines remain closed in an effort to make longshoremen extend their contracts. At the same time, the dock workers contest that they will not agree to extend their contracts until ports reopen.

BY JUSTIN PRITCHARD  
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Cargo ships lay at anchor offshore, waiting to be unloaded, and trucks with fresh produce lined up outside West Coast ports Monday after dockworkers were locked out in a dispute that could cost the U.S. economy \$1 billion a day.

West Coast shipping lines said they will keep the ports closed until the longshoremen agree to extend their expired contract. But the 10,500-member union said it will not budge until the lockout is ended.

The Bush administration said that it is concerned about the effect on the struggling U.S. economy but that it has no immediate plans to break the impasse by declaring a national emergency.

The bulk of the nation's imports from China and Japan come through the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, the nation's busiest. The labor crisis comes as importers scramble to bring in merchandise for the Christmas shopping season.

Representatives of the shipping lines and dockworkers planned to meet on Monday afternoon. The shipping lines have also agreed to meet with a federal mediator Thursday in Washington, D.C., but the union said it was leaning against such a move.

A frail labor peace between the

shipping lines and the longshoremen collapsed Sunday when the dockworkers were ordered off their jobs indefinitely at all 29 of the nation's major West Coast ports.

The two sides are at odds over pensions and other benefits, as well as cargo-handling technology that the union fears would wipe out jobs.

West Coast ports handled more than \$300 billion in cargo over the past year. Major imports include industrial machinery, furniture, clothing, toys, computers, automotive goods and electronics. The biggest imports include meat and poultry, industrial equipment, animal feed, automotive parts, chemicals and fruit and vegetables.

Over the weekend, about 30 ships waiting to be unloaded dropped anchor outside the ports of Los Angeles, Oakland, Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., according to the Pacific Maritime Association said. Seventy other vessels already in port waited to be loaded or unloaded.

Economists warned that a drawn-out work stoppage will ripple through the U.S. economy. Stores will not have the merchandise they need. Produce could rot on the docks. Assembly lines may come to a halt for lack of parts.

Hawaii relies on shipping for about 90 percent of its goods.

For truckers such as Salvador Nunez, the effect was more immediate. He drove to the Port of Los Angeles from a small town near the Mexican border with a load of alfalfa sprouts and hay. Unable to unload, he waited several hours before turning around for the six-hour ride home.

Nunez was out \$125 in transportation costs and could not collect his usual \$400 for the load. If the work stoppage goes on for more than a week, "it will be too long," said Nunez, who supports a wife and two children. "I'll be out of money."

Pacific Maritime Association president Joseph Miniace, representing shipping lines and sea terminal operators, ordered the lockout Sunday and accused the union of disrupting work by understaffing operations and dispatching workers not skilled for specific jobs. He demanded the dockworkers agree to extend their contract.

Jim Spinoso, president and chief negotiator for the International Longshore and Warehouse Union, said: "The ILWU will not be intimidated. We will not extend the contract."

The last time an economic emergency was declared and the U.S. government intervened in a work stoppage under the Taft-Hartley Act was 1978, when President Carter unsuccessfully tried to end a national coal strike. No such action is planned yet by the Bush administration.

"If it goes on for even a short period of time, it's a problem for the economy," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said. "We're monitoring it closely."

The Bush administration is working to get both sides to the bargaining table with federal mediators. But Spinoso said: "We don't need outside people to come in."

Under the last contract, a full-time longshoreman makes an average of \$80,000 a year, while the most experienced foremen average \$167,000.

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# File sharing draws recording industry's wrath

Several recording industry officials have threatened to take action against the University of Florida because of illegal activity filtering through its bandwidth.

BY APRIL SIMPSON  
Independent Florida Alligator

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (U-Wire) — While University of Florida students can connect to the world with the touch of a button, Internet access on campuses has brought much legal debate.

Although file sharing provides a quick and cheap alternative to purchasing music and videos from a student perspective, legal complications could mean hearty lawsuits against the university.

"I download at least five songs at a time," freshman Christina Maynard said. "Since I've come here I've been downloading a lot of music. Ethernet is so fast."

Florida State University Provost Larry Abele recently expressed concern that the entertainment in-

dustry may bring suit against the Tallahassee campus because illegal activity is filtering the university's bandwidth.

But with an almost unlimited number of file-sharing programs available, the university faces a challenge in distinguishing recreational and educational content and uses.

"As long as the recreation doesn't infringe upon the academic purposes we will try to be as accommodating as we can," said Rob Holland, UF coordinator for residential judicial programs.

According to Holland, UF has acted on "cease and desist letters" where recording industry officials have threatened to take action against the school. The letters have come from movie and music entities, including a Steven Spielberg movie company and Sony music.

When Michael Jackson released his latest music, a team of Jackson's "very assertive" lawyers contacted UF, Holland said.

"They don't threaten to go after

the individual, but the university network," Holland said.

Fifteen students were caught illegally sharing Jackson's music and judicial affairs dealt with them appropriately.

Periodically UF runs an active scan of its network. The last time this occurred was Spring of 2000. Several hundred violators were caught around campus.

"I haven't downloaded music this semester," occupational therapy senior Rhonda Davis said.

"It's a hassle to get through the firewall." The consequences of living on-campus and file sharing are just as costly.

"If we detect a student doing something illegal or improper on their computer we will turn their Internet port off," Holland said.

The network services staff will contact the student to determine whether the illegal activity was intentional. Often a student does not realize that their file-sharing program is enabled.

If this is the case the network services staff will talk the student through a fix and turn their Internet port back on.

Because all Internet-using information is logged, the network services staff can easily tell when a student is purposefully doing something illegal.

A first-time offender will incur a university-written reprimand printed on their judicial record. A second-time offender will be put on conduct probation and have their Internet service port turned off indefinitely.

Depending on the severity of the case a student could even be forced to move off campus.

*"As long as the recreation doesn't infringe upon the academic purposes we will try to be as accommodating as we can"*

— Rob Holland  
UF coordinator

# New laser visas helping border inspectors identify criminals

Laser visas make crossing borders easier and safer for travelers.

BY CHRIS ROBERTS  
Associated Press

EL PASO, Texas — High-tech laser visas that officially replace the old border crossing cards on Tuesday already have made life more difficult for some criminals.

In the last 12 months, the laser cards helped border inspectors in El Paso nab more than 400 suspects, including five wanted for murder, two for kidnapping and 13 for sex offenses, authorities said Monday.

The old border crossing cards have been around since the 1950s but no longer will be accepted. The new laser visas can be swiped through a machine that checks the visa holder's name against various national crime databases.

"Now everybody is being screened," Immigration and Naturalization Service spokesman Araceli Aguayo said.

She said the number of people us-

ing the old cards dropped as the deadline approached.

"We think the majority of them (the laser visas) have been issued" to the people who will need them, she said. The laser visas were first issued in 1998.

Residents of Juarez, Mexico, using the Paso del Norte bridge's busy pedestrian crossing to enter El Paso on Monday said they liked the new cards.

"For me it's better," Juan Lorenzo Romo said in Spanish. "The old Mexican passports were easily pirated. They would steal them a lot." As of Tuesday, Aguayo said anyone who is not a U.S. citizen must have a new laser visa.

However, other border crossing documents, such as Mexican passports with valid student visas and certain State Department documents, still will be honored, as long as they are up-to-date. Congress mandated the border-crossing cards be replaced with the newer visas when it passed the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996.

# Gov. Jeb Bush issues stays of two executions

The governor questioned the mental competence of two inmates who dropped their appeals.

BY JACKIE HALLIFAX  
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Gov. Jeb Bush issued a temporary stay of execution Monday for one of the nation's only female serial killers because of questions about whether Aileen Wuornos was mentally competent to drop her appeals.

Bush also issued a similar stay for a second inmate who also dropped his appeals, triple killer Rigoberto Sanchez-Velasco. He had been scheduled to die by lethal in-

jection Wednesday, and Wuornos, convicted a decade ago in a widely publicized series of killings, was scheduled to die Oct. 9.

Under Florida law, the standard for competency is understanding that execution will result in death and why the sentence is being imposed.

"If they're competent, the executions will go forward," Bush told reporters.

Wuornos, 44, was convicted of fa-

tally shooting six middle-aged men along Florida highways in 1989 and 1990. Her story has been portrayed in two movies, three books and an opera.

A self-described prostitute, she had initially said the killings were in self-defense after she was assaulted by clients who

picked her up while she was hitchhiking. But she later said the self-defense claim was a lie and she intended to rob and kill the men.

At a hearing in July, Wuornos

told the judge she was "sick of hearing this 'she's crazy' stuff. I'm competent, sane and I'm telling the truth."

Attorney Raag Singhal was appointed this summer to represent Wuornos in a lawsuit in which she accuses prison guards of trying to harass her "to death" and drive her to suicide. In her 25-page handwritten court filing, Wuornos also accuses prison staff of tainting her food.

Sanchez-Velasco, 43, came to Miami from Cuba in the 1980 Mariel boatlift. He was sentenced to death for the Dec. 12, 1986, slaying of Kathy Encenarro, the 11-year-old daughter of his live-in girlfriend.

*"I'm sick of hearing this 'she's crazy' stuff. I'm competent, sane and I'm telling the truth."*

— Aileen Wuornos  
Death row inmate



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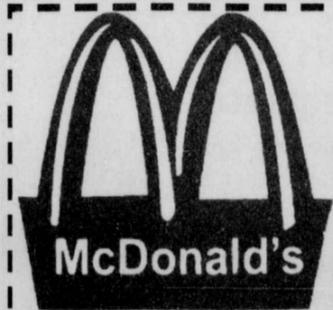
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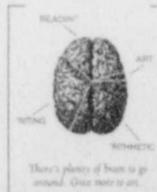
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# Professors work on possible anthrax cure

Two professors who have been working since 1997 to produce a cure for anthrax have developed a possible remedy.

BY JOSH PARRISH  
University Daily

LUBBOCK (U-Wire)— They may not sound too familiar right now, but the names Georgiou and Iverson may soon be commonplace terms in the war on terror. Since 1997, the pair has worked on possible anthrax cures through assistance by the Department of Defense.

Dr. George Georgiou, a professor of biomedical and chemical engineering at the University of Texas at Austin, and Dr. Brent Iverson, a professor of chemistry and a member of the Institute for Cellular and Molecular Biology, have developed a likely cure for anthrax through the injection of antibodies to an individual exposed to anthrax.

"We've created an antibody,"

Iverson said, "that neutralizes the toxins in anthrax."

According to the Texas Society for Biomedical Research, the antibodies have not been fully tested for the best treatment methods and their effectiveness on people, but the shot would be administered to a person infected with anthrax and would eliminate the damaging and fatal effects of the anthrax's toxins.

Iverson said the antibody injection would be in addition to antibiotics, not a complete replacement for antibiotics.

According to the Society, anthrax spores include three separate toxins: PA, edema factor and lethal factor. The PA toxin attaches itself to an infected individual's immune cells and creates a hole in the immune cell. The other two toxins then move into

the cell in an attempt to disrupt the body's immune defenses.

Anthrax is the result of the associated airborne bacteria being introduced into the body through either an open wound becoming infected with the anthrax spores or by an individual being exposed to anthrax by breathing in the spores,

*"We've created an antibody that neutralizes the toxins in anthrax."*

— Dr. Brent Iverson  
University of Texas-Austin

according to the Society. Anthrax culminates in flu-like symptoms a week after the initial exposure to the bacteria, and if it is not treated quickly, it becomes difficult to kill the bacteria and impossible to eliminate the toxins. Respiratory distress accompanies the flu-like symptoms in the final stages of the disease.

The biochemical research team at Texas that created these antibodies disrupts the anthrax bacte-

ria's process at the stage in which it would administer the lethal toxin to the immune cells, Iverson said. The antibodies arrange themselves in a way to allow the PA toxin to bind to them rather than to the immune cells, which render the PA toxins harmless.

The antibody, which the researchers refer to as "IH," has been found to stick to the PA toxin 50 times better than any other antibodies currently known, Iverson said.

Jennifer Maynard, who at the time was a doctoral candidate in chemical engineering at Texas, said they will be able to have an available source for these IH antibodies because the cells that produce this particular antibody can both be grown in large quantities and grown inexpensively.

Maynard said by having the antibody hold the toxins 50 times as well, the entire bacterial strain could be flushed from an individual's system before the PA removes itself from the antibody.

# Einhorn defense says he fled out of fear

BY JOANN LOVIGLIO  
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Former hippie guru Ira Einhorn did not kill his girlfriend more than 20 years ago, and he fled the country only because he was "plain scared," his lawyer said Monday. But the prosecutor said evidence against him was strong.

As opening statements in Einhorn's murder trial got under way, prosecutor Joel Rosen said he had a history of violence against women, reading a poem from Einhorn's personal journals, in which the defendant allegedly described how he had beaten and choked another ex-lover. The poem's closing lines were, "In such violence, there may be freedom."

"He had his own little bizarre philosophy of violence," Rosen said. "It was OK to him."

Rosen promised to present overwhelming evidence that Einhorn,

taking notes and closely watching jurors.

Maddux's three sisters and her brother were in the gallery. "This to me is the final chapter. It's here," one of the sisters, Buffy Hall, said last week. "We trusted the system would work and it ultimately did, even against astronomical odds."

The jury was chosen in just a few days last week — quicker than expected. Lawyers on both sides had thought the media frenzy that has surrounded Einhorn would make it hard to find people without an opinion on the case.

Maddux's mummified remains were found two years after she disappeared when neighbors complained about an odor coming from Einhorn's apartment. Einhorn had told police that Maddux went to the store and never returned.

Einhorn was arrested, but released on bail after several prominent

*"He was scared about the prospect of injustice, the kind of injustice that takes place when the prosecutor's office is not playing with a fair deck."*

— William T. Cannon  
Defense Attorney

Philadelphians vouched for his character. After he disappeared on the eve of trial, he was convicted in absentia in 1993, and he was arrested in 1997 living with his wife in a converted windmill in southern France.

He was returned to the United States in July 2001 only after prosecutors agreed to a French request not to seek the death penalty and the Legislature passed a law allowing the original conviction to be vacated. France does not extradite foreign nationals based on trials in absentia.

Einhorn has said he was framed for Maddux's murder by the CIA because of his knowledge of their secret mind-control weapon experiments.

Einhorn will take the stand and will testify that he never physically assaulted Maddux, Cannon said.

Einhorn appeared attentive as the trial opened Monday, alternately

# Judge tosses lawsuit alleging cell phones cause tumors

Dr. Christopher Newman's attorneys argued his analog phone caused his brain tumor, but a U.S. District Judge found there was not enough substantial evidence to warrant a trial.

BY GRETCHEN PARKER  
Associated Press

BALTIMORE — A federal judge Monday tossed out an \$800 million lawsuit filed by a Maryland doctor who claims cell phones caused his brain tumor.

U.S. District Judge Catherine Blake said none of the evidence submitted by Dr. Christopher Newman was substantial enough to warrant a trial against cell phone manufacturer Motorola and several major cell phone carriers.

The \$45 billion wireless industry has been watching the case closely because it could have opened the

door to other lawsuits if allowed to proceed. No other such claims have succeeded so far.

Newman, a neurologist, claims the older, analog cell phone he used from 1992 to 1998 caused his brain cancer.

Newman's attorneys presented scientific evidence showing that analog phones may cause tumors, but Blake ruled it was overwhelmed by evidence showing no relationship between cell phone radiation and cancer.

By rejecting Newman's testimony, the judge cleared the way for Motorola to move to dismiss the case.

Newman's attorney, John Angelos, said he told Newman of the decision.

"He is disappointed, as we are. We didn't pass the standard," Angelos said, adding that his firm may appeal.

Newman's tumor was removed, but his lawyers said he is blind in one eye, suffers memory loss and slowed speech, and can no longer work.

Cell phones are used by 137 million Americans. Digital phones emit radiation in pulses; older analog varieties emit continuous waves. By the time cell phones exploded in popularity in the late 1990s, most

of those sold used digital technology.

Three major studies published since December 2000, including one by the National Cancer Institute, found no harmful health effects from cell phones.

Newman's attorneys pegged much of their suit on research by Swedish oncologist Lennart Hardell, who published a study in this month's European Journal of Cancer Prevention that found long-term users of analog cell phones were at least 30 percent more likely than nonusers to develop brain tumors.

But Blake questioned Hardell's methodology and said the study hasn't been "replicated or validated" by other scientists. She also cited several studies that rejected the findings.

*"(My client) is disappointed as we are. We didn't pass the standard."*

— John Angelos  
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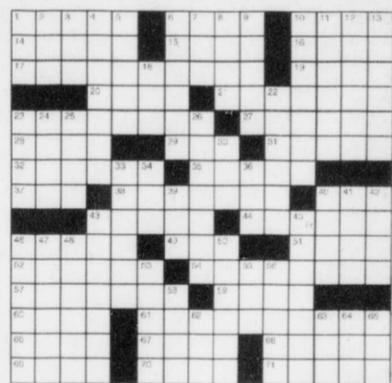


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## The Sideline

### Rifle team receives honors at two meets over weekend

Led by its second-straight individual school-record performance, the rifle team took first place Saturday afternoon at the University of Memphis. It was their second tournament of the day as the Frogs opened with a second-place finish at Ole Miss.

Senior Stacy Hughes won the individual title at Memphis with a TCU-record 391 air rifle score. This broke the previous school-best mark of 387 set by freshman Celeste Green.

TCU's freshmen Sherri Gallagher and Green placed third and fourth individually with scores of 381 and 380, respectively, to seal the win over the Tigers.

In the morning meet at Ole Miss, Hughes, Gallagher and Green placed second through fourth, respectively, as the Frogs took second. The Rebels won the meet with 1,520 points, 10 ahead of TCU's 1,510.

Sophomore Alisha Fields led TCU's white team with scores of 365 at Ole Miss and 363 at Memphis.

The Frogs will return to host the annual Horned Frog Invitational October Friday through Sunday and Oct. 11 to 13 at the TCU Rifle Range.

— Danny Gillham

## Coach puts Central Market into a 'Purple Haze'

Head Football Coach Gary Patterson cooked up a storm this weekend at Central Market's "Purple Haze," a celebration of the TCU spirit.

BY DANNY GILLHAM  
Sports Editor

Whether it's recruiting, extra game-planning or getting the team back to fundamentals, an off-week from games allows coaches to accomplish many different tasks.

In the case of TCU head coach Gary Patterson, it was a few extra hours to show off his cooking abilities.

The Frogs' coach volunteered at Central Market in Fort Worth Saturday, to take part in "Purple Haze," a week-long celebration of TCU.

Armed with his entourage of SuperFrog and the TCU Showgirls, Patterson kept the black shirt reserved for Saturday contests in the closet, instead electing to go with the more traditional TCU purple and white.

He also cooked in front of a crowd that included athletic director Eric Hyman and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William Koehler.

Patterson said he was pleased with the outcome.

"This was fun," Patterson said. "It was nice to see people come out to this."

Patterson entertained the crowd from noon to 1 p.m. as he cooked

catfish po-boys with purple coleslaw, purple potato salad and his own chips, which were of course purple. He also had a jar of spices, in which he jokingly labeled his own brand of purple haze.

Patterson said that cooking is something he can do, but that he does it differently when at the house.

"I love to cook in the spring and the summer time," he said. "I'm actually a pretty good cook." "Usually if I was cooking for myself, I'd be eating while I cooked," he added. Then by the time it's time for everybody else to eat, he said there's nothing left for the cook.

Patterson, approached to do the demonstration six months ago, said he was happy to comply.

"Central Market is somebody that has actually represented TCU on game day with sponsorships," Patterson said. "We love to give back, completing the circle. Everybody believes that athletes don't do that — that they always just want, want, want. One of the things we try to do at TCU is to be able to enjoy the community, because it's a great group of people."

Patterson said he has already agreed to come back again to do the event next year.

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Frogs head football coach Gary Patterson shows his cooking talents at Central Market Saturday.

Photo editor/Sarah McClellan

## Volleyball team eclipses total wins from last season

After only seven victories in 2001, the volleyball team won its seventh and eighth after two weekend matches against Texas opponents.

BY JAY ARMSTRONG  
Skiff Staff

The volleyball team ended its four-match losing streak with a 3-2 victory over Texas-Pan American Friday night.

The team looked certain to drop its fifth straight game as the Lady Broncs took the first two games. However, the team began to rally in game three. Freshman Erin Estep led the rally, ripping off six straight points from the service line to give the Frogs a 30-19 game three victory.

The Frogs owned the fourth game, leading by as many as 13 before Texas-Pan American rallied back to pull within eight at 29-21. Estep however sealed Texas-Pan American fate with her kill to give the Frogs game four. This sent the Frogs into uncharted territory facing their first five-game match of the season.

Game five belonged to the Frogs, as they jumped out to a commanding 7-0 lead. Estep and freshman Jackie Choi sealed the match with a 15-7 victory for the game and the 3-2 win for the match.

The victory over Texas-Pan American gave the team its seventh win, which equaled the entire win total from 2001.

The Frogs used the energy from their come-from-behind victory on Saturday night to defeat Texas A&M-Corpus Christi three games

to zero. "We knew our hard work from two-a-days, and time in the weight room would pay off," said junior outside hitter Courtney Beach.

This eighth win serves as a stepping stone for a team with lofty goals. "We are going to stay above .500 and finish in the top of the conference," Beach said.

Sophomore outside hitter Dominika Szabo said the eight wins comes as no surprise to the team, because it's not last year's team.

"You can't even compare this year to last year," Szabo said. "We are a completely new team with a new program. We are going to win a lot of games."

The Frogs return home to begin Conference USA play against Southern Mississippi on Friday and Tulane University on Saturday.

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The Frog volleyball team won its eighth match of the season Saturday, defeating Texas A&M-Corpus Christi in three sets. The eight wins surpasses last season's total, and is the third-fastest a TCU volleyball team has achieved at least eight wins for a season:

Year	Match	Record
1996	none	4-30
1997	11	13-18
1998	none	7-23
1999	22	11-19
2000	14	15-18
2001	none	7-21
2002	16	—

## Men's soccer team goes 1-1 during weekend with victory over Cincinnati, loss to College of Charleston

The Frogs had an up and down weekend, winning their first conference game Friday, and losing to College of Charleston Sunday.

BY OLGA BOGRAD  
Skiff Staff

With an impressive first conference win followed by a frustrating loss, the men's soccer team showed its best and worst in two games this weekend.

The Frogs were able to hold on to beat Cincinnati 1-0 Friday, with senior goalie Michael Lahoud coming back and playing in his first full game since his groin injury earlier in the season. Lahoud did not allow a single goal and made eight saves.

The game started slow for the Frogs, not getting a shot on goal off for the first 34 minutes of the first half. However, they broke through with 31 seconds left in the half, when freshman forward Chris Carman headed the ball into the goal to take a 1-0 lead.

During the second half, the Bearcats struggled to catch up but were unable to penetrate the Frogs' defense and never caught up on the scoreboard. Senior midfielder and co-captain Carrington Brown was very impressed with the win.

"Friday we withstood a pretty good onslaught from Cincinnati," Brown said. "We went up there last year and got routed pretty bad for a number of reasons. Friday we

played their weaknesses very well and that was just kind of spreading the ball really well and moving.

"This is a lot bigger field than they are used to and it's a lot harder than they're used to playing," he said. "I thought we did pretty well just kind of wearing them down and taking advantage of the chances that we had."

However, Sunday's match against College of Charleston was a completely different story.

Playing without senior defender Jon Meyers and junior forward Aaron Miranda due to injuries, the Frogs were weak on both offense and defense, losing 3-0.

In the first half, the Frogs had two shots on goal, while the Cougars took nine. At the end of the game, the Frogs had the same number of shots on goal as the Cougars had goals scored.

Coach Blake Amos said he wasn't expecting a lot of goals scored by the Frogs, but the three goals scored on them were also very unnecessary.

"Everybody had kind of a nice day off it looked like," Amos said. "We're not producing a lot of goals. That's a known fact. We're not going score 10 goals a game but we're not going give up three goals a game either."

"Losing a game 3-0 isn't an option," he said. "Look at Friday; we didn't score many goals but our defense held. We scored the one chance



Teammates watch as senior midfielder Dustin Sitar (No. 6) battles for a ball in Sunday's game. The Frogs were 1-1 on the weekend.

Photographer/Simon Lopez

we got. Same thing could have happened today but our defense didn't hold together."

Lahoud was also not impressed with Sunday's game.

"I don't know if it was just because we were worn out from Friday's game, but we just made a lot

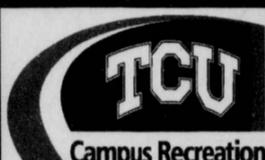
of stupid mistakes," Lahoud said. "Every goal came from one of our mistakes. Our game Friday, we didn't have any of those mistakes and we were able to win."

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