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## Series of firsts lead Susan Estrich to Ed Landreth

Susan Estrich, the first woman to manage a presidential campaign, will speak at the Gates of Chai Lectureship tonight.

BY JOI HARRIS  
Staff Reporter

Susan Estrich, a columnist known nationally for her expertise in criminal law, politics, civil rights and gender inequality, will add another first to her résumé today: the first woman speaker of

the Gates of Chai Lectureship. Estrich, the Robert Kingsley Professor of Law and Political Science at the University of Southern California, will present "Power Politics and Social Justice in Contemporary Judaism" at 8 p.m. today in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium.



ESTRICH

David Nelson, Rosenthal assistant professor of Jewish studies at Brite Divinity School, said the speaker selection committee was interested in having a woman speak at the lecture, now in its fifth year.

Nelson said because Estrich is dynamic, intelligent, successful and powerful, she will appeal to a large portion of the student population, which is nearly 60 percent female.

"She is both scholarly and very

politically active," Nelson said. "We wanted someone who was not only interesting but a good role model for students."

Estrich became the first woman president of the Harvard Law Review in 1976 and was the youngest woman ever granted tenure at Harvard University. In 1988, she became the first woman to head a presidential campaign, by managing Michael Dukakis' 1988 bid for the White House after serving as a senior policy advisor to the Mon-

dale/Ferraro ticket in 1984. She also served as director and platform coordinator for Edward Kennedy's failed presidential bid in 1979.

Nelson said Estrich is qualified to speak on contemporary issues in Judaism because she is savvy and an active Jew. She was appointed by former president, Bill Clinton, to the National Holocaust Council and by the Los Angeles

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## Bush signs congressional resolution for Iraqi war

Even though President Bush has gained support from Congress for a war against Iraq, the United Nations has yet to pass a resolution.

BY RON FOURNIER  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Wednesday signed a congressional resolution authorizing war against Iraq, and told Prime Minister Ariel Sharon that Israel has a right to retaliate if Saddam Hussein strikes his nation without provocation.

"If Iraq attacks Israel tomorrow, I would assume the prime minister would respond," Bush said in remarks that created confusion about his expectations for Israel if America goes to war. "He's got a desire to defend himself."

In a flurry of activity, Bush tried to use Sharon's vote of support in Congress to ease opposition at the United Nations for a tough new anti-Iraq resolution. He warned France, Russia, China and other balking allies that Saddam poses a grave threat to their security.

"Those who choose to live in denial may eventually be forced to live in fear," the president said as the United Nations opened two days of contentious debate over his Iraqi plans. In an East Room ceremony to sign the war-making resolution, Bush also said it's time to "fully and finally" disarm Iraq and remove Saddam from power.

After a lengthy meeting with Sharon, the president was asked whether he wanted Israel to refrain from retaliating if Iraq attacks in response to a U.S.-led war. Bush's father persuaded Israel to hold its fire during the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

Sidestepping the question, Bush said: "First of all, I have told the prime minister that my hope is that we could achieve disarmament of the Iraq regime peacefully."

On a follow-up question, Bush said he was discussing the proper response to an immediate, unprovoked attack on Israel. "If Iraq were to attack Israel tomorrow, I'm sure there would be an appropriate response."

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## Students don't fear sniper attack

Students interning in Washington say the sniper attacks have not changed their lives because they don't think they will be attacked within the city.

BY SARAH MCNAMARA  
Staff Reporter

Washington Center student Julie Ann Matonis has been to two of the sniper crime scenes in Maryland as an intern for Tribune Broadcasting, but she isn't letting the shootings change her lifestyle.

"I'm not worried about my safety," said the senior broadcast journalism major, adding that she doesn't have the same emotional standpoint as the public because she's covering the story. "I find myself worrying about other things like getting to work on time or if it's going to rain that day."

Matonis' feelings were echoed by other students interning in Washington, many of whom are trying to keep their lives from being disrupted by the recent shootings and the media frenzy it has created.

The unknown sniper has launched a series of 11 random rifle attacks in the past two weeks, killing nine and seriously injuring two. All but one of the attacks have been in neighboring suburbs in Maryland and Virginia. One was just inside Washington at the Maryland border.

Meanwhile, the approximately 14 students involved with the Washington Center internship program are going along with their normal routines, said Valerie Martinez-Ebers, director of the Washington D.C. Internship Program.

"I have been in contact with my

students and with people at the Washington Center and no one has expressed any concerns," Martinez-Ebers said. "It's really not a big deal."

Martinez-Ebers will travel to Washington today for a routine visit with the students at their internships, she said. But the visit is not related to the recent sniper attacks, she said.

"This is a big story, but the statistics of me being in danger or my students, it's minuscule," Martinez-Ebers said.

Heather Thompson, a senior political science major, also has an internship in the Washington area for the Washington Campus, a non-profit organization.

Like Matonis, Thompson said she feels secure.

"Being in the city, I feel like the threat is lessened," Thompson said. "I feel my chances are greater to win the lottery than to be hit by this sniper."

But Thompson acknowledges that not everyone shares her sense of security. She said that as the shootings have occurred around the Washington area, some residents feel it's kind of like a game: Nobody knows who could be next.

"It's very surreal in that it could be you," Thompson said.

While police from counties where the attacker has struck are participating in a joint investigation as well as both state police forces, Washington's metropolitan police, the FBI and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Matonis and Thompson said they are going to live life normally—regardless of whether the sniper is caught.

This report contains material from The Associated Press.

## Stringing along



Katie Kellogg plays in the Bistro Burnett Wednesday in Mary Coats Burnett Library for a new program "Bistro Unplugged." The program takes place from 3 to 4 p.m. every other Wednesday and 4 to 5 p.m. every other Thursday to promote the library's bistro ambiance.

## Accounts remain unclear, sniper still at large

Rockville residents' descriptions of the sniper still remain cloudy. Police said residents should keep their senses sharp and take notes when needed.

BY ALLEN G. BREED  
Associated Press

ROCKVILLE, Md. — People who saw the Washington-area sniper aim, open fire and flee in a white van were not able to give investigators enough details to create a composite sketch, police said Wednesday.

It was the latest setback in the hunt for the gunman who has killed nine people in two weeks.

"Unfortunately, distance and darkness, and perhaps adrenaline have made them unable to give a clear composite that we can disseminate,"

Montgomery County Police Capt. Nancy Demme said. "I know that's not what the public wants to hear."

Investigators said Monday night's shooting of 47-year-old FBI analyst Linda Franklin outside a Falls Church, Va., Home Depot store was the first time witnesses saw an actual shooting rather than just shadowy figures fleeing.

More than one bystander reported seeing the shooter, but their descriptions were not consistent, investigators said. The gunman was variously described as dark-skinned, olive-skinned, Middle Eastern and Hispanic.

"The only common denominator thus far is male," Demme said. "We don't have a refined description to go by."

Demme said one witness told po-

lice the shooter used an AK-74 rifle. Police said the weapon can fire the .223-caliber round that has been the sniper's bullet of choice.

"The witness firmly believes this is the weapon," Demme said. "But we have to keep in mind that weapons are interchangeable, like vehicles. That may be what he thinks he saw."

So far police have released composite images of a white box truck and white vans — either a Chevrolet Astro or Ford Econoline — that have been seen at more than one shooting.

Demme gave a "how-to" list of tips for potential witnesses in case the sniper strikes again. Among them: Stare in the direction of the bullet noise, carry around a pen to take notes and, if necessary, write down details on your hand. She also

warned witnesses not to "contaminate" their memories by comparing notes with other people or the media.

Since Oct. 2, there have been 11 shootings in Maryland, Virginia and Washington that have left nine people dead and two wounded. The victims were cut down by a single bullet as they went about their everyday activities. A tarot death card left at one scene read: Dear Mister Policeman, I am God."

Law enforcement sources told The Associated Press there was no indication the sniper targeted Franklin because of her job with the FBI's Cyber-Crimes Division, created last year to focus on computer crimes as well as intellectual property cases. Police said Franklin was not assigned to the sniper case.



Angel Arias, a contractor from Aspen Hill, Md., discusses the stigma of driving white vans that match the general description of those sought by police in the sniper killings.

### The Weather

**THURSDAY**  
High: 69; Low: 57; Mostly Sunny

**FRIDAY**  
High: 72; Low: 62; Few Showers

**SATURDAY**  
High: 79; Low: 58; Showers

### Looking Back

1973 — The Arab-dominated Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) announced a decision to cut oil exports to the United States and other nations that provided military aid to Israel in the Yom Kippur War of October 1973.

1989 — The deadliest earthquake to hit the San Francisco area since 1906 struck at 5:04 p.m. and lasts for 15 seconds. The quake measured 7.1 on the Richter scale. The earthquake killed a total of 63 people, while more than 3,000 others were injured and more than 100,000 buildings were damaged.

### Watch For

Check in with Friday's edition of the Skiff for a complete preview of the TCU/Louisville game. We'll have analysis, the edge and our key matchup in the Frogs conference showdown with the Cardinals.

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## CampusLines

Your bulletin board for campus events

• **The TCU Theatre** will present "Two Feet Away and Shouting," a student-written play, at 5 p.m. today through Saturday at the Studio Theatre in the Walsh Center for Performing Arts. Admission is free and tickets are on reserve now. Call (817) 257-5770 from 1 to 6 p.m. today through Friday for tickets.

• **The Ninth Annual Major/Minor Fair** will be from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center Basement. The event is hosted by the Center for Academic Services and provides students an opportunity to speak with representatives from various departments on campus. Students may also sign up for door prizes, which are two first-day enrollment passes for the spring 2003 semester. For more information, call (817) 257-7486.

• **A free GSP preparation workshop** will be at 3 p.m. Oct. 24 in the Student Center Basement, Room B16.

• **The Society of Professional Journalists** will meet at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 24 in Moudy Building South, Room 279. The topic will be sports and local reporters will be on hand to discuss the art of interviewing, asking the tough questions and avoiding cheerleading. Everyone is welcome and free food will be provided. For more information, call (817) 257-6268.

• **The deadline for the annual Creative Writing Contests** will be Nov. 15. Nearly \$3,000 will be awarded to students for essays, fiction and poetry. Rules and entry forms are available from the English department in Reed Hall, Room 314 or from the Writing Center, Student Center Basement, Room 11A.

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

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## Anti-war hero



Photo editor/Sarah McClellan  
Jack Harris-Bonham, a Brite Divinity School student, was dressed as Civil War Confederate General Stonewall Jackson Wednesday because he didn't have time to change after an audition. He auditioned to perform his anti-war one-man show, "Stonewall Jackson and the Reunited States of America," for Young Audiences, a group that performs in area schools.

## Study says amusement park rides don't cause brain injuries

While study says "plopping" into an easy chair can create G-force similar to a roller-coaster, some still hold that roller-coasters do cause brain injuries.

BY MICHAEL RUBINKAM  
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Researchers who looked at the impact of G-force on the head and neck say in a new study that roller coasters aren't as dangerous as previous studies suggest.

Other researchers disputed the findings in Wednesday's *Journal of Neurotrauma* and said more work needs to be done.

The University of Pennsylvania researchers who conducted the latest study looked at data from rides at three parks and developed a mathematical model calculating the effect of gravitational force.

They found that roller coasters don't produce enough "head rotational acceleration" to cause either bleeding or swelling of the brain.

"Looking at the absolute maximum head acceleration, we found that those numbers were nowhere near known thresholds for brain in-

juries," said Dr. Douglas H. Smith, a neuroscientist and co-author of the study.

Politicians and consumer advocates have long questioned the safety of roller coasters, citing more than a dozen reports of brain injuries since 1979, most of them since 1990. One elderly patient died.

Oct. 1, New Jersey became the first state to limit the G-forces of amusement-park rides. Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., proposed legislation that would subject roller coasters to federal oversight.

Smith and colleague David F. Meaney examined data from three rides with high G-forces: the Rock 'n' Roller Coaster at Disney-MGM Studios in Orlando, Fla.; Speed — The Ride at the NASCAR Cafe in Las Vegas; and Face/Off at Paramount's Kings Island near Cincinnati.

They found the coasters produced accelerations to the head that were one-ninth the force required to cause torn blood vessels in the brain and one-eighteenth the force required to cause brain swelling.

G-forces are what coaster riders feel during sudden up-and-down movements and when they are

whipped around corners.

While a coaster such as Face/Off can produce a G-force of five, simply "plopping" into an easy chair can produce a G-force of eight to 10, the study said.

Dr. Robert J. Braksiek, an Iowa physician who co-wrote a study of roller coaster injuries in the January issue of *Annals of Emergency Medicine*, said the new research fails to account for injuries reported in the medical literature.

"Roller coasters do cause brain injury and that fact can't be debated. Although rare, it does happen," he said.

Markey said the researchers based their conclusions on the effect of coasters on "normal healthy individuals" rather than children or adults with pre-existing medical conditions.

Dr. Toshio Fukutake, co-author of a study contending that roller coasters were responsible for four cases of otherwise healthy patients developing bleeding on the brain, said there are much faster coasters than the ones in the Penn study.

"We need more research using a real human model on the bigger and faster machines," he said via e-mail.

## Procter & Gamble to bring back Ivory soap baby ads

After a 30-year hiatus Procter & Gamble is working on bringing back Ivory soap baby ads to a new generation.

BY JOHN NOLAN  
Associated Press

CINCINNATI — The Ivory baby is coming back, 30 years after the little bundle of joy was last seen in American advertising.

Procter & Gamble Co., the maker of Ivory soap, is working on a new ad campaign that will reintroduce the baby to a new generation.

The ads first appeared in 1887 and ran into the 1970s. They included a baby sitting in bed cuddling with a mother, a baby waving from a tub and a crawling infant clutching a bar of Ivory. The babies disappeared when P&G decided to aim Ivory ads at other generations in the family.

But buyers of Ivory kept telling

P&G they liked the babies, so the company is bringing them back next year.

"What the brand is doing is looking back at its heritage, what has resonated consistently with consumers," P&G spokesman Brent Miller said.

The company — also known for Crest toothpaste, Tide detergent and Pampers diapers — will select a child in a nationwide competition. Parents have until May 12 to submit a photo of their child with a bar of soap, along with a 25-word essay. Children as old as 5 are eligible.

The winner will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship and will appear in ads for a year.

"You always hear about the Ivory baby," mother Diane Kehoe said Monday. "It would be an honor to have your child as the Ivory baby."

Kehoe, 39, of Wakefield, Mass., said she expects to enter her son Jackson, 3, and daughter Isabella, 1,

## Judge dismisses Winona Ryder's drug charge, schedules new trial

Charges were dropped after doctor signs a sworn declaration from Ryder's doctors saying he had given her the Oxycodone pills without a prescription.

BY CHRISTINA ALMEIDA  
Associated Press

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — A judge dismissed a drug charge Wednesday against actress Winona Ryder and rescheduled her trial for Thursday on three remaining felony counts from her shoplifting arrest.

Superior Court Judge Elden Fox ruled in favor of a prosecution motion to dismiss the charge that Ryder was illegally carrying painkillers when she was arrested last Dec. 12 outside a Saks Fifth Avenue store in Beverly Hills.

"It's unfortunate it's taken them 10 months to do this," said Mark Geragos, Ryder's attorney. "I applaud them."

Geragos said prosecutors had evidence almost immediately after Ryder's arrest that she had a prescription for the two pills, a generic form of the painkiller Percocet.

"The worst thing you can say is that she was trying to save a couple of bucks," Geragos quipped outside court in reference to the generic pills.

Deputy District Attorney Ann Rundle said the charge was dropped after defense lawyers provided a sworn declaration from Ryder's doctor that he'd given her the Oxycodone pills without a prescription.

"The responsibility for providing the drug would be the doctor's," said Sandi Gibbons, a spokeswoman for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. "Therefore, the criminal responsibility is not (Ryder's)."

Gibbons said there was an on-

going investigation into how the actress obtained the pills, but declined further comment.

Ryder, accused of shoplifting \$6,000 worth of merchandise, will stand trial on the remaining charges of felony grand theft, burglary and vandalism. She faces up to three years in prison if convicted.

The 30-year-old star of such films as "Girl, Interrupted" and "Heathers" smiled at court employees and seemed upbeat as she chatted with the bailiff before the hearing. She said little during the proceedings, only answering "Yes, sir" when asked whether she agreed to the trial date, and offered no comment while leaving the courtroom. The hearing was delayed Tuesday after Geragos was unable to attend because of his involvement in an attempted murder trial in another court.

## CHAI

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mayor to serve on the city's Ethics Commission.

"She knows the scene of American Judaism in the 21st century," he said.

The Gates of Chai Lectureship was established in 1998 by Marcia Kurtz in memory of her husband, Larry Kornbleet, and other family members who died in the Holocaust.

Nelson said the purpose is to help students and the community better understand that Judaism is not only a religion but a whole civilization and way of life.

Tickets for the lecture are \$35 for reserved seating. General admission is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Student admis-

sion is free. For ticket information, call 257-7626.

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## Gates of Chai Lecture

When: 8 p.m. today

Where: Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium

Cost: Reserved seating \$35, general admission \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Faculty and staff admission is \$10 with ID and student admission is free with ID. Tickets can be purchased at the will-call desk at Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. For more information, call (817) 257-7626.

## BUSH

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White House officials hastily tried to clarify Bush's remarks, saying he was not giving Israel a green light to retaliate if Iraq attacks in response to U.S. action.

In a war situation, the United States would consult Israel, spokesman Ari Fleischer said. "That is a separate issue from, if Iraq tomorrow launched an attack unprovoked, whether they would have a right to defend themselves," the spokesman said.

Fleischer would not say whether Bush asked Sharon to hold his fire if attacked by Iraq amid a U.S.-led war.

Flanked by Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of State Colin Powell, Bush signed the resolution giving him power to use force against Saddam, if necessary.



Knight Ridder-Tribune/Steve Deslich  
President Bush signs the joint resolution passed by Congress authorizing the use of force against Iraq, Wednesday at the White House. Behind him (from left to right) are Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.), Rep. Robert Andrews (D-N.J.), Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Mo.), Sen. Joseph Lieberman (D-Conn.) and House Speaker Dennis Hastert (R-Ill.).

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## The Skiff View FINALLY

### Put students courtside

When TCU's new basketball season opens, fans may see something unexpected on the floor: students.

If new men's basketball coach Neil Dougherty has his way, students will now occupy the floor seats that normally went to high-dollar donors. And they'll sit there for free.

It's a psychological thing. Dougherty's theory is that students on the floor will create an atmosphere of fun and function to intimidate the opposing team. Students on the floor, he said, will finally give the Frogs a home-court advantage.

Dougherty's proposal is long overdue. Students lend a level of excitement and immediacy to the crowd that donors usually don't.

TCU fans, led by those up-front students, will get into the game. And as people get into the game, more people will attend. And when more people start attending, the team will get more national attention and play more attention-worthy teams.

So a memo to the athletics department: Put us on the floor.

We'll be loud, we'll be fun, we'll be exciting. It'll be a party. Sure, you'll lose the money people would have paid for those seats, but it's pretty likely more people will start coming to the games, and they'll bring more money with them.

And a memo to those high-dollar donors: Sorry we're taking your seats.

We still want you at the games, but let us (finally) take ownership of our team. We'll show you how to turn an athletic event into a party, and how to intimidate an opposing team.

Coach Dougherty, a final memo to you: Seat us, and we'll show up.

Now give us something to watch.

## The Other View

Opinions from around the country

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Socially liberal Canada's proposal to relax its marijuana laws has made American officials nervous about its ramifications south of the border.

Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien's government's decriminalization plans would make the penalty for pot possession similar to a traffic ticket. The Bush administration has shot back that if such a legislation were ever adopted, it would significantly slow trade between the North American partners, which is worth over \$1 billion a day.

The United States is not in a good state to interfere in the social affairs of a country that has always proudly set itself apart from its more conservative neighbor through its tolerant society. Washington needs to recall the days when the prohibition of alcohol compelled many to cross the border for the freedom to drink, to live!

Initiating stricter border controls will not do because many will simply go to Canada to smoke and come back empty-handed. It is inevitable that the values to which Canadians adhere will find their way into the American mindset.

Americans have always looked

for ways to liberate themselves, and they know very well that their attempts to experiment with such ways are hindered by a government that is so out of step with the rest of the Western world. As with most social issues, the Netherlands remains an exemplar in its progressive and open-minded policies. The nation understands that stifling its citizens causes more harm; letting them breathe free has not done damage to the fabric of its society.

A Canadian Senate committee has already recommended the full legalization of pot, indeed a very sweeping idea. Unfortunately, Canadians, even those who need marijuana for medicinal purposes, will not be able to light a joint yet, due to continued U.S. pressure. Fortunately, Canadians are fiercely independent and will not let themselves be cast as just another American state. Ultimately, trade threats will be futile. Money cannot buy their values.

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## Falwell's remarks hurt peace efforts

The Rev. Jerry Falwell's offensive speech on Muslims decreased understanding of the group while promoting hatred and distrust.

The Rev. Jerry Falwell once again proved his tactlessness earlier this month by declaring the Muslim Prophet Mohammed a "terrorist" on national television.

While such care- COMMENTARY  
less speech was met with the normal condemnation

—from the Middle East—and a subsequent (halfhearted) apology, deadly harm has already been done.

Five people in Kashmir province were killed in riots protesting the remark, and Falwell's words have done nothing but further heighten tensions in one of the world's most explosive places. However, perhaps the most surprising aspect of his remarks is that they have been met with utter silence from the American press.

Falwell's comments were offensive not just for their insensitivity, but because they demonstrated how Falwell—and the religious right in general—has a pattern of making irresponsible statements and then successfully skirting the consequences through recantation.

Like he has done in the past, Falwell immediately apologized and escaped the most scathing criticism. The fact that Falwell consistently apologizes at the first sign of trouble is an indication that he is not willing to stand by his statements when confronted. The fact that Falwell is one of the "spiritual leaders" of the religious right sadly indicates that many people share his outdated views.

It is a problem in itself that so many Americans agree with Falwell's simplistic view of the world, but it makes it far worse that he gets credence from the most important politicians in Washington. This week, Falwell spoke at the Christian Coalition meeting along with Pat Robertson and other leaders of the Christian right. However, so did House Majority Whip Tom DeLeahy and President George Bush (through a videotaped message).

The fact that the religious right is so vocal at the voting booths makes them a political powerhouse and causes Republican leaders to pander heavily to them. It seems that for intolerant religious factions in America to buy political support through votes and dollars brings us closer and closer to what we want to avoid, which is a polity run by religious extremists and not morally guided by responsible religious tenants.

Finally, Falwell and his supporters make it much harder for American policymakers to fight the war on terrorism by infuriating Muslim populations and shrinking the ability of friendly Muslim governments to work with American authorities to stem terror. As the tragic bombings in Indonesia and Kuwait have shown, the new phase in the war on terror may not be fought on American soil at all but instead may take place on the soil of friendly Muslim nations. If foreign governments are too beset by internal political strife to be able to crack down on terror, then it is likely we have already lost.

While some Muslims indeed wish to destroy America and what it stands for, so do some Christians and some Jews. There may be historical roots for some of the terrorists' actions, but the key component to religious development is how religious texts are interpreted by each religion's leaders. At present, it seems that Falwell and the conservative right are doing a poor job of interpreting Islamic texts and indeed their own texts. Consequently, their intolerance is hurting moderate Christians, moderate Republicans, and American interests at the same time. It is the responsibility of Falwell to stop spreading this type of hateful speech and the responsibility of the American people to remind him why he must.

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## Today's shows lacking key to greatness: theme songs

More television shows are foregoing theme songs and those that exist lack creativity. A rebirth of great theme songs is needed.

I don't know about you, but I don't spend much time watching sitcoms anymore. However, there are a few that I still enjoy, one of which is "Everybody Loves Raymond." While I find the show quite amusing, "Everybody Loves Raymond" is the embodiment of a terrible injustice that has swept across television over the past few years. I do not speak of the fact that the man of the house is a bumbling idiot that can never do anything right, although that is a problem with television today and is prevalent in this show. No, I am talking about the show's complete lack of a quality theme song.

When one thinks of television history, one thinks of the great theme songs that used to dominate the airwaves. Shows such as "Mr. Ed," "Bonanza" and "The Beverly Hillbillies" live on because they will forever be linked with their timeless theme songs. Theme song evolution hit its peak in the 1980s, which happened to be the best decade for just about everything, but the world has not seen a truly great theme song since "The Fresh

Prince of Bel-Air" was canceled.

Ever since "Seinfeld" became popular without any real song to associate with, television producers haven't seemed to care. We must not let this continue. We must bring back the era of the TV theme song. But what makes a great theme song? Let's take a look at the 10 best theme songs of all time as picked by a distinguished panel consisting of me, myself and I to find out what makes up a truly excellent theme song.

The title of the greatest American theme song of all time belongs to "The Greatest American Hero." "Green Acres" had the second best theme song of all time followed by "The Andy Griffith Show." The fourth best of all time is "Chip 'n' Dale's Rescue Rangers" and "Raw Hide" rounds out the top five. The sixth and seventh best are "Growing Pains" and "Cheers" respectively, and "M\*A\*S\*H," "Gilligan's Island" and "Happy Days" finish out the top 10.

No two songs on the list have been propelled there by the exact same characteristics. We can analyze the group as a whole and develop some general rules that make

a theme song great. First of all, every one of these shows stayed on the air for at least a few years. A theme song can not be great unless the show it is with is good enough to stick around for a while, though "Green Acres" proves that having a good show is not always necessary.

The type of show is not important, as the list contains a wide range of genres from cartoon to western. Mentioning the name of the show in the song also helps. Only two of the top 10 songs do not have lyrics, which means that words are beneficial but not a necessity for greatness.

Basically, all of these songs capture the essence of what the show is about, whether they explicitly state the plot or not. They are fun to sing—or whistle—along with, and I like them. Most importantly they are good songs. Theme songs today are too short and seem to lack any thought. Maybe some of you aspiring Hollywood-types can help. I know we can never have another "The Greatest American Hero," but another "Charles in Charge" would be nice. Now that's the best recorded music I've ever heard.

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— Christopher Suffron

## Procrastination all too often a way of life for most university students

As they advance in their academic careers, students tend to choose procrastination as a way of life.

Procrastination. That wonderful word so many of us live by. It makes us put off our work until the last possible moment. Often it leads many people to go crazy in the minutes just before a test as they realize they haven't studied enough. In fact, it's also the reason I'm writing this article at 7 a.m. the morning it's due.

What is it that makes us put off our work so long? In my case, part of the reason is that there is always something needing to be done no matter how far ahead I get on schoolwork. Therefore, it seems futile to do anything in advance.

There's a part of me that still thinks I should get my work done early. As a result, I sit around thinking about how I should be doing my schoolwork but still get absolutely nothing accomplished.

As a freshman, school was a much higher priority in life, and often I

found myself doing schoolwork days in advance, and even checking over my work. That mindset is about as ancient as diapers are to me now. It is so much easier to put everything off until the last minute and wake up the morning something is due to finish it up. Working on a deadline can be quite addictive, and once you're hooked, it's certainly hard to work on something that's not due in a matter of hours.

Procrastination does not exactly bring out the best in all of us. Time constraints cause us to forego certain proofreading procedures which could really make our work top of the line. However, after 3 years of college, it seems useless to put that much effort into a paper when you know you can easily pull off a B. By this time in your academic career, schoolwork runs together like chores that need to be done.

It's not necessarily that the professors are less inspiring than they were during freshman year, but it's really hard to become excited about yet another research paper, or some sort of busy work they assign that

won't even be graded. I realize I appear to be taking the easy way out by blaming teachers for my lack of motivation when the problem I speak of clearly points directly at myself.

Many upperclassmen would likely attest to the fact that things other than class work become more important as the years go by. We become involved in organizations and activities that help us to better define goals in our lives, so it might actually be a good thing that some work can be put off in order to pursue other interests.

Nonetheless, many of us still have a lingering feeling that we should get our work done in a little more timely fashion, so the best advice I can give is to start today and put the best effort you can into your schoolwork.

On second thought, why don't you just wait until tomorrow?

"Many upperclassmen would likely attest to the fact that things other than class work become more important as the years go by."

— Jeff Dennis

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## National/International Roundup

### Dell says 'Steven' character will remain in commercials

AUSTIN (AP) — Dude, you can relax.

Despite the rumors, Dell Computer pitchman "Steven" — "Dude, yer gettin' a Dell!" — is going to be around for more Dell commercials, the actor's agent said.

"Dell loves him and he loves Dell," said Bonnie Schumofsky, agent for 21-year-old actor Benjamin Curtis. "The rumors that he was given a pink slip are untrue."

Speculation about Steven's future started when the company, based in Round Rock, began airing commercials featuring other young actors.

The Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday that Curtis was not sure if his contract was going to be renewed. It also quoted Dell group marketing manager Claire Bennett as saying all good things must eventually come to an end.

Dell, which makes most of its money selling to businesses and schools, launched the Steven commercials two years ago to increase its consumer business.

### Two teenagers remain in jail on hate crime charges

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two teenagers were charged with hate crimes in separate baseball bat attacks on men they thought were gay, more than a month after protests over the lack of such charges in an earlier beating.

Investigators determined that Sunday's victims were assaulted because of their perceived sexual orientation. It wasn't revealed whether they were gay. One of the victims said his attackers used anti-gay slurs.

The attacks occurred just east of

West Hollywood, where a Sept. 1 attack on a gay actor is being prosecuted as a robbery and assault.

In the attacks Sunday, a 46-year-old man was struck on the head with a bat by a pair of assailants. Soon after, a 19-year-old man was assaulted, warding off blows from the bat but getting cut by a knife, authorities said.

Ever Wilfredo Rivera and Selvin Orlando Campos, both 19, were charged with two counts each of hate crime, robbery and assault with a deadly weapon by means likely to produce great bodily injury. The hate crime counts can add up to four years on any sentence. Both were remained in jail Wednesday in lieu of bail.

### Vandals destroyed religious articles in Catholic grotto

VILLANUEVA, N.M. (AP) — Vandals destroyed statues and other religious articles in a community grotto in this central New Mexico town.

The Villanueva grotto — an open-air hilltop shrine built in the 1950s by village families — was a place of peace for area Roman Catholics who wanted to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, considered the town patroness.

"Never have we seen such utter vandalism and sheer, utter, hatred," said the Rev. Francis Malley, Catholic pastor for the surrounding parish, as he stood near the wreckage.

Wax from broken devotional candles melted in the sun and rosary beads lay in the dirt as people visited the site Monday to see the damage.

Statues of Our Lady, St. Joseph and the infant Jesus at the shrine were smashed. A small wooden

statue of San Isidro in the grotto appeared undamaged.

State police are investigating the vandalism, discovered Sunday.

The grotto is the focal point for the village's annual Aug. 15 celebration to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe.

### Fraternity charged with providing alcohol to minors

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — A Penn State University fraternity was charged with illegally providing alcohol to a student who was severely injured in a fall from her eighth-floor apartment window.

Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity was charged Tuesday with selling or furnishing alcohol to minors, city police Detective Joe Grego said Wednesday.

Natalie Paglione, 20, had been drinking at a TKE party near campus before the Sept. 8 accident, authorities said. It was unclear how she fell from the window, but police said Paglione had a blood-alcohol level of 0.135 percent, well above the legal limit for driving.

Paglione, suffered back, arm and leg injuries, and one of her kidneys had to be removed. She has been released from a hospital.

TKE president Brad Andrew Nelson did not immediately return a call seeking comment Wednesday. Grego said Nelson was involved in providing the alcohol.

If convicted, the fraternity could be fined, authorities said. No preliminary hearing had been scheduled.

### Indonesia to press ahead with tough anti-terror laws

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Criticized internationally for ignoring demands that it crack down on

terrorism, Indonesia pledged Wednesday to press ahead with tough new anti-terror laws and formed an international investigative team to hunt for the culprits in the Bali nightclub bombing.

Police in Bali said they had detained two Indonesian men for further questioning after an initial round of interrogation following Saturday's blast. The men are a security guard and the brother of a man whose identification card was found at the bomb scene.

U.S. Ambassador Ralph Boyce disclosed that in the month before the Bali attack, he and other American envoys had discussed with Indonesian officials possible attacks against U.S. targets.

But Boyce said the warnings were not specific to Indonesia. They coincided with a temporary closure of embassies in Jakarta and other regional capitals because of terrorist threats during the Sept. 11 anniversary.

### Carpenter leaves more than \$1 million to attack victims

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A self-employed carpenter who bequeathed everything he owned to New York City in honor of the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks left a total of more than \$1.4 million, his attorney said.

Attorney William Wangenstein said Tuesday that he was sending a check to the city for \$1,414,356.46

from the estate of Joe Temeczko, a Polish immigrant who had been a prisoner of war during World War II and lived much of his life like a pauper.

In a will written two weeks before his death on Oct. 14, 2001, Temeczko, 86, directed that his entire estate go "to the city of New York, to honor those who perished in the disaster."

Temeczko had lived alone for many years, fixing and selling toys and furniture retrieved from trash bins, chiding neighbors for being wasteful and sharing day-old bread from discount racks. The extent of his holdings, mostly in securities, startled people who knew him.

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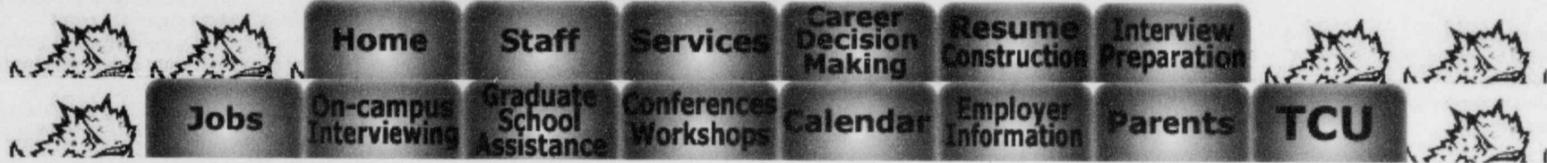
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## eRecruiting makes dreaded job search easier

**eRecruiting gives students a chance to post résumés in an online database.**

**BY NATALIE HOUSTON**  
Skiff Staff

For many anxious seniors, the thought of an upcoming graduation — in the face of a flailing economy and a possible war with Iraq — brings a new urgency to prepare for the dreaded job search. Some are confused about where to start. Some have already printed up their business cards. But seniors, juniors or even ambitious sophomores and freshmen can benefit now from putting their résumé online through Career Services.

Bill Stowe, associate director for the Career Services, said seniors es-

pecially should register in the University Career Center (UCC) to upload their résumé for on-campus interviews which have already begun. Companies are looking for December, May 2003 and August 2003 graduates, Stowe said.

TCU is now using a new software program called eRecruiting for job listings. The old résumé database was outdated and not as secure as the eRecruiting program, Stowe said.

"UCC is very protective because we are concerned about the security of our students," he said. "A résumé has your name, address and phone number on it, and we don't allow everyone to see that. In the spring, as I understand it, employers must contact UCC to receive a password to be

able to view résumés in our database."

As of right now employers cannot view online résumés. They may request that UCC do a search on the database for certain positions and send the employer résumés, he said.

To upload a résumé online through University Career Services it must be a Microsoft Word document.

If a student had a résumé in the old database, it has been deleted and they will have to upload a new one. But registration is simple and not too time consuming.

In order to access registration online, go to the University Career Services Web site at ([www.cpl.tcu.edu](http://www.cpl.tcu.edu)). Then, click on the "Résumé Construction" tab at the top of the page. Under "Résumés & Registration In-

structions for eRecruiting" click on eRecruiting. On the "Welcome to eRecruiting," put in your username (your TCU ID number) and password (the last four digits of that number). Click on "Self-Register" at the bottom left of the page. You will see a second welcome page where you can complete or update your information, by clicking on "Profile," then "Personal Info" and "Academics" on each page.

After a student has completed the Profile sections, they are ready to upload their résumé. Click on "Documents" at the top of the page. On the next page, click "Upload Documents" and "Choose Résumé." The program will prompt you to browse the drive where your résumé is

saved. Pick the résumé that you want and click upload. After uploading your résumé, you will be given a chance to name it if you wish to distinguish it from other résumés that you might upload into the system. You may have multiple résumés in the system, but you must designate one as your default résumé.

In eRecruiting, you must publish your résumé for it to be included in a Résumé Book, the résumé database that employers can search, Stowe said. After a student has uploaded their résumé, they can click "Publish Résumé" and select the Résumé Book titled TCU Employment Candidates.

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- eRecruiting does not overwrite the résumé you have in the system when you make changes. You must upload your updated résumé following the steps above and then delete the old one. The same applies to résumés published to the Résumé Book. You must publish the new résumé and delete the one that is replacing.
- Your résumé must be a Microsoft Word document to be able to upload it into eRecruiting.
- The AOL browser does not work with eRecruiting. You can use AOL as your ISP, but must load either Internet Explorer or Netscape and work through that browser.

## After decade-long odyssey, Silberling strikes gold with 'Moonlight Mile'

**What started out as a way for Brad Silberling to overcome the loss of his girlfriend has turned into a probable award nominee.**

**BY TERRY LAWSON**  
Knight Ridder-Tribune

TORONTO — Brad Silberling is still waiting for the catharsis. He thought it might come when the stalker who had murdered his girlfriend, actress Rebecca Shaeffer, in 1989 was sentenced to life without parole in a case prosecuted by Marcia Clark. He thought it might come when his successful efforts to get an anti-stalking law passed in California became a national model in 1994, and he thought it might come when he fell in love with and wed "Judging Amy" star Amy Brenneman, with whom he has a child.

He even harbored a tiny hope that he would feel it when Shaeffer's father traveled to Toronto with about 60 friends this month to attend the Toronto International Film Festival's world premiere of "Moonlight Mile," written and directed by Silberling and inspired by the feelings he and Shaeffer's parents experienced in the aftermath of her death.

"But you know what?" Silberling asks. "I've finally realized that big moment never really washes over you like that. There's just a lot of little moments along the way that change your sadness and anger into different, less-painful feelings. I think the best one for me was when I sent the first draft of the script to Rebecca's mother, who is a writer herself, after I had finished it, to get her reaction. She called and said, 'Thank you for getting this right.' If she hadn't said that, I don't think I would have gone on."

So Silberling did, starting a nearly decade-long odyssey that finally ends with "Moonlight Mile." Moreover, it

arrives with expectations. It's a film Silberling says many studio executives just couldn't get — "a funny movie about grief? How do we sell that?" — is now being talked about as an Academy Award possibility, with Dustin Hoffman and Susan Sarandon, who play the murdered girl's parents, the most likely nominees.

Silberling is quick to point out the film is not autobiographical.

"I'm a very private person, and I couldn't write that kind of film," he said. "I've been describing it as emotionally autobiographical, but that's just a phrase, really. There's a lot of

truth in it, but its story isn't my story."

Its story has Jake Gyllenhaal, the 21-year-old star of "The Good Girl," returning to the small hometown of his fiancée for her funeral. She was murdered by a man who had come to a diner looking to kill his wife.

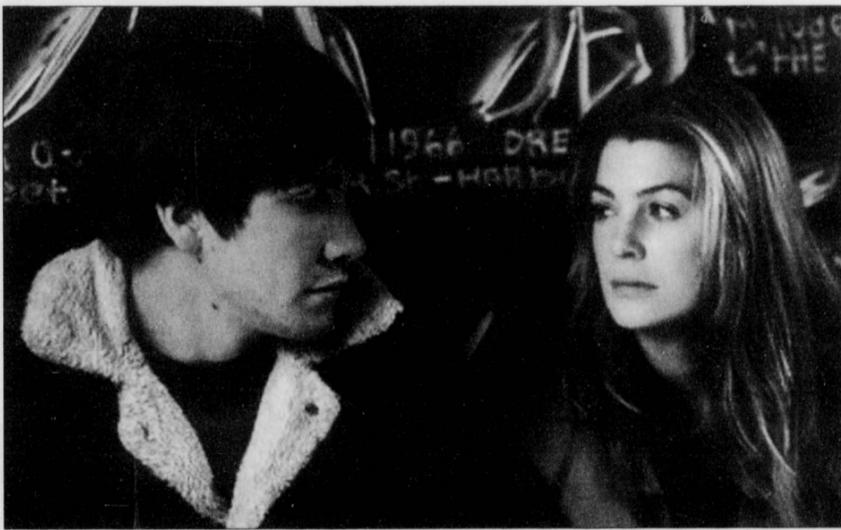
In a state of what Silberling describes as "emotional autism," he finds himself moving in with his fiancée's parents, who are also grasping at ways to cope with the pointlessness of the tragedy. The father figures the best thing to do is get on with life and invites Gyllenhaal to become his business partner; the mother is alter-

nately paralyzed with grief and angry at everyone.

"I was so lucky to get actors who got it," says Silberling, who spent many years dancing with studios who "loved the script but wanted to change everything about it."

One executive assured him he had to change the parents to WASPs, which would have meant abandoning his dream of casting Hoffman in the father's role. Though he won that battle, he had another fight persuading Hoffman to take the part. Though Hoffman is no longer the box-office power he was in the '70s, he still drives directors crazy with his reluctance to commit to a role, and then he drives them crazy once he does; he questions every comma in every scene.

*"There's a lot of truth in it, but its story isn't my story."*  
— Brad Silberling  
Author



Jake Gyllenhaal, left, and Ellen Pompeo star in Touchstone Pictures' "Moonlight Mile."

## Sandler takes 'Punch' from normal acts in comedy

**BY MARK CARO**  
Chicago Tribune

Here's a theory that doesn't particularly apply to "Punch-Drunk Love" director Paul Thomas Anderson, but since we're talking about a

filmmaker who approaches everything from odd angles, you'll just have to roll with it:

Anderson, 32, established a loyal cult following with his first three highly personal films, "Hard Eight"

(1997), "Boogie Nights" (1997) and "Magnolia" (1999), the last being a three-hours-plus mosaic of troubled father-child relationships that supporters found mesmerizing and detractors deemed interminable.

Then he made "Punch-Drunk Love," a 90-minute romantic comedy starring Adam Sandler, the childish, highly marketable star of such popular low-brow comedies as "The Waterboy" and "Big Daddy."

This is where the theory falls flat: "Punch-Drunk Love," which opens Friday, is every bit as idiosyncratic as Anderson's previous films. Sandler fans expecting his typical goofball antics may be surprised to find themselves in an off-kilter world where the actor's nerdiness and repressed anger have a serious edge and most of the humor derives from character and situation rather than broad gags and funny faces.

Sandler plays Barry Egan, an emotionally constipated entrepreneur (he sells novelty plungers) who's

constantly being razed by his seven older sisters and who sporadically releases his rage by smashing glass doors or restaurant bathrooms. Like Anderson, he says "I don't know" a lot.

Barry has devised a scheme to accumulate frequent-flyer miles through pudding purchases (a subplot based on an actual story), and he is transformed by the love of one of his sisters' friends, Lena (Emily Watson), who perhaps has a screw loose herself. The funny part is that at least some elements that annoy some viewers are likely to be the same ones that tickle others, such as Sandler's restraint and the movie's unwillingness to let you settle into a comfort zone. Anderson's work on "Punch-Drunk Love" won him the best director prize at the Cannes Film Festival, which seems fitting because even his critics acknowledge his intuitive command of mixing images and sound.



Adam Sandler stars in "Punch-Drunk Love" directed by Paul Thomas Anderson.

## Silent treatment from spouse can ruin relations, psychologists say

**Psychologists say the silent treatment is one of the most destructive behaviors in a relationship — and women are a lot better at it than men.**

**BY ROSS WERLAND**  
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Receiving the silent treatment from one's spouse, life partner or extended date can be like waking up with a horrible blemish on your face and stepping in front of the mirror for the first time that day.

Whoa! You did not see it coming, and you certainly cannot remember doing anything to deserve it. But there it is, buddy, and you are going to deal with it all day, maybe for several days, whether you like it or not.

Rumor was that Hillary Clinton treated Bill to about eight months of it after the Lewinsky matter. If true, in that special case maybe eight months was a tad lenient.

In extreme cases, though, some people might find the silent treatment preferable to the non-silent treatment. But those are extreme.

Relationship counselors list the silent treatment right alongside other poor behaviors, the most serious being physical abuse. In fact, they consider the silent treatment emotional abuse.

Now, this should not be confused with a cooling-off period of, say, half an hour or maybe even a couple of hours, which is preceded by something like, "Gee, I'm so incredibly upset with you right now because you did (fill in the blank), and if we tried to talk about it at this moment I'd probably just spit on you. So why don't we stay away from each other for an hour or so until I calm down, OK, sweetie?"

To this point we have not differentiated by gender. Certainly the silence technique has been used by men and women, but popular notions would suggest women have honed this sharp stick a bit more vigorously than men have. Or at least, when asked an objective question about the silent treatment, women tend to answer as a hunter would about his choice of weapon, and men tend to answer as a deer would about the last time he got shot.

When asked about their use of the treatment, some of our test women said they have resorted to it rather than say something so dreadful that the spouse might shrivel and die on the spot.

One woman did point out, somewhat legitimately, "With guys, how can you tell you're getting the silent treatment, because they don't talk

anyway?" That aside, clinical psychologist and associate professor Linda Roberts of the University of Wisconsin at Madison has asserted in the *Journal of Marriage and the Family* that such withdrawal can be just as destructive to a relationship as plain old anger, barring actual violence, of course.

And now psychology professor Kip Williams has stumbled on a truth that many victims of the silent treatment have always felt: that it can be damaging to the individual's emotional health.

Those who have been so treated, he explains, report a sense of not belonging, loss of control, lower self-esteem and a feeling of unworthiness.

For the record, Williams works at Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia, where, of course, the non-natives are descended from some of the most severely ostracized people the world has known.

As Williams told the *Northern District Times* earlier this year, family life has developed an officially sanctioned version of ostracism called the "time-out" for children. Many family therapists would argue

that these cooling-off periods are therapeutic but should never be too long.

Looking at the virulent strains, from romantic rela-

tionships to the workplace, Williams uncovered a truth that should prompt a new look at the whole situation.

Williams said he detected differences in the way males and females deal with ostracism, or the silent treatment. He found that ostracized females work very hard to win back the good graces of others and that males do not.

Ta-dah! There we have it. So a woman who uses the silent treatment, figuring she will elicit the behavior she wants, most likely is wrong. She will inflict damage, yes, but the guy most likely will not comply.

In fact, due to the typically competitive male nature, a woman may get something like, "Oh, the silent treatment? You want to do the silent treatment? I'll show you the silent treatment." This would be followed by a day or two of monosyllabic answers and head nods at best.

And if the other part of the equation is true, that once subjected to the death ray of silence, women eventually will fall at the feet of the inflictor, well, argument over.

Girls, you just can't win on this one.  
Girls?  
Hello?

# Security on firefighting planes, bases sub-par, officials say

Despite concern that airtanker planes can possibly be used by terrorists to spread biological or chemical weapons, Forest Service has not upgraded security.

BY LARRY MARGASAK  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Warned seven months ago that its firefighting planes were inviting targets for terrorists, the cash-strapped Forest Service has only reviewed security at fewer than a third of its air tanker bases and fortified just one with extensive upgrades, officials said.

With its staff stretched to the limit by a horrific wildfire season, the Forest Service hired a presidential management intern — a May law school graduate with no aviation or security experience — to coordinate the anti-terrorism response. The management program is for individuals with graduate degrees.

"Some deadlines were not met in the heat of the fire season," said Tom Harbour, deputy director of the agency's fire and aviation management division. "If somebody's really determined, I couldn't guarantee that one of these aircraft wouldn't be hijacked. But I think we're at the point where we have taken all due precaution and more."

Based in some of the most sparsely populated areas of the country, the service's air tanker planes can drop 3,000 gallons of chemicals at one time — about six times the capacity of crop dusters that were an early concern of U.S. officials after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The 51 large air tankers, owned and operated by private companies

and based at Forest Service airfields, "are vulnerable to theft and could be attractive to terrorists wishing to disperse biological or chemical weapons," concluded a March report by the inspector general of the Agriculture Department, the Forest Service's parent agency.

Since the Sept. 11 attacks, the financially strapped agency has only had money and resources to assess the threat at 14 of 52 air tanker bases, said Tim Melchert, 35, the presidential management intern assigned since August to work on the agency's aviation security.

Only the base in Ogden, Utah, has been strengthened with a significant upgrade that includes closed-circuit cameras and listening devices — measures taken in preparation for 2002 Winter Olympic events in the area.

Elsewhere, the Forest Service has tried low-tech deterrents: removing batteries, deflating tires, locking airplane doors and wheels and requiring identification for those entering the base.

The inspector general's report provided an alarming view of security at some remote airfields, concluding: "Four of the seven air tanker bases we visited generally had only a chain link fence around the compound and not all of the gates were secured."

The Forest Service has had formidable problems to overcome, including the 6.7 million acres burned in wildfires this year, compared with an annual average of 3.9 million acres over an eight-year period.

Some of the best security measures are incompatible with the need to get tankers in the air quickly. Locking the planes in a secure hangar, for instance, could waste precious moments in response time and in some cases could jeopardize homes near a spreading fire.

The firefighting industry trade group, the Aerial Firefighting Industry Association, is working voluntarily with the Forest Service, but mandatory security measures won't be written into contracts until next year.

Stephen Dunn, director of training for Forest Service contractor Hawkins and Powers Aviation Inc., of Greybull, Wyo., said his company conducts background checks on its aircrews but said each contractor makes its own decision on security precautions.

Harbour said fewer than 100 pilots fly the large tankers, and agency officials have known most of them personally for years.

"After Sept. 11, we asked people to go from a fairly comfortable security to a much heightened security alert on those aircraft," Harbour said. "We certainly had a much more laid-back sense of security prior to 9/11."

"We're much better than the 10th of September, 2001, but we still have a ways to go," he said.

Defense Department officials have said discoveries in Afghanistan showed al Qaeda was interested in nuclear technologies as well as biological and chemical weapons.

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— Tom Harbour  
Deputy director

# Seven arraigned, one sought for kidnapping, rape, murder of teen

Four men and three women were being held with bail set between \$1 million and \$2 million.

BY JOHN CHRISTOFFERSEN  
Associated Press

LITCHFIELD, Conn. — Seven people, including three women, were arraigned Wednesday in what police say was the orchestrated kidnapping, rape and murder of a 13-year-old girl by a group of friends.

An eighth person was being sought.

The seven, who were arrested Tuesday, face charges including conspiracy to commit murder in the death of Maryann Measles. Two men were charged with capital felony, which potentially carries

the death penalty.

The girl's decomposed body was found wrapped in a blanket and chains at Lake Lillinonah in Bridgewater on July 15, 1998. Her mother had reported her missing nine months earlier.

No pleas were entered at the arraignment. A judge set bail ranging from \$1 million to \$2 million for the defendants.

The eighth person was being sought in Texas, where he was expected to be arrested soon, said Col. Timothy Barry, the state police commander.

Investigators told *The Hartford Courant* they believe the men involved in the killing wanted to silence Measles because she was threatening them with charges of statutory rape. The three arrested

women — who police believe instigated the plot — wanted revenge because Measles had sex with some of their boyfriends, the newspaper reported.

The two men charged with capital felony were Deaneric Dupas, 27, of Waterbury and Alan Walter, 24, of New Milford. Dupas also was charged with first-degree sexual assault.

The five others were June Segar Bates, 22, Maggie Mae Bennett, 23, Keith Foster, 26 and Ronald Rajcok, 29, all of New Milford, and Dorothy Hallas, 22, of Naugatuck. The person being sought in Texas was not identified.

Attorney Scott Chamberlain, representing Rajcok, declined to comment on the charges.

# Committee votes 8-1 to vaccinate hospital workers

A government committee suggests vaccinating hospital employees against smallpox in case terrorists used the virus as a biological weapon.

BY DANIEL YEE  
Associated Press

ATLANTA — A federal committee voted Wednesday to recommend vaccinating about 510,000 hospital workers against smallpox, bringing its earlier proposal closer to the Bush administration's suggestion.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices voted 8-1 for the plan, which amounts to vaccinating about 100 workers at all hospitals in the nation that could handle smallpox patients.

Those receiving shots at the hospitals with "negative pressure

rooms" would include emergency room doctors, nurses, radiology technicians and selected security and housekeeping workers.

The vaccine can cause dangerous side effects, even death, in a fraction of patients. Smallpox has been declared eradicated from the globe, but some experts fear that terrorists have samples of the virus and could use it as a devastating biological weapon.

The recommendation is not binding, and the final decision on vaccines will be made by the CDC, the Department of Health and Human Services and the White House.

Under the recommendation, the 510,000 hospital employees would get the shots first, then it would be made available to other health care and emergency workers, and finally to

the public.

The committee chose the plan over two other proposals:

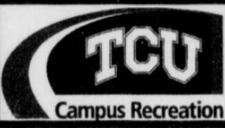
— Its original recommendation, which was to establish regional hospitals that would handle all smallpox cases and vaccinate emergency workers and select staff — about 20,000 people.

— Vaccinating all of the nation's first responders — firefighters, paramedics and police officers who could come in contact with smallpox cases. That would involve inoculating up to 10 million people. This plan is similar to one suggested by Bush administration officials earlier this month.

Committee members said they changed their earlier recommendation after more study and feedback, not because of political pressure.

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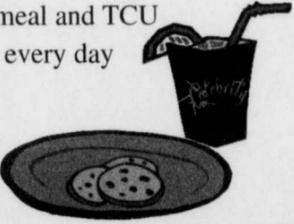
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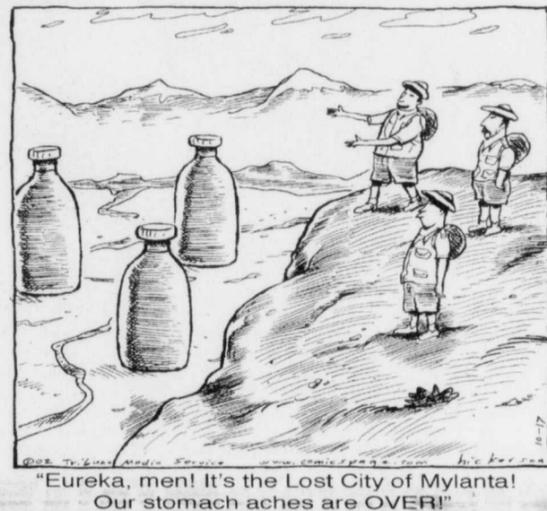
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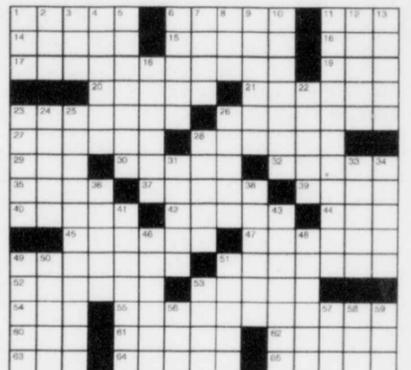
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## SideLine

### Basketball teams to kick off season with Frog Madness

Men's head coach Neil Dougherty and women's head coach Jeff Mittie will be unveiling their 2002-03 basketball teams to the public at the first-ever Frog Madness Basketball Tip-off Event at 7 p.m. Friday in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

As part of the activities, the men's and women's basketball teams will participate in skits with the cheerleaders and showgirls. Each team will also have an intrasquad scrimmage. Following the event, players will sign autographs.

The first 500 fans through the doors receive a free T-shirt, hot dog and a drink. Also, the first 1,000 fans receive a chance to win \$10,000 in a paper airplane throwing contest. There also will be a student dunk contest, and a student skills competition.

— Danny Gillham

### Jaramillo to remain hitting coach for Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rudy Jaramillo will remain the Texas Rangers' hitting coach for new manager Buck Showalter.

While Showalter is still reviewing the rest of the staff, he confirmed that Jaramillo will remain. He has two years left on his contract.

"I told him that whether he had a 17-year contract or was a free agent so to speak, he would still be the hitting coach," Showalter said. "I think he's outstanding. He brings a presence."

Jaramillo has been with the Rangers for eight seasons, the longest tenure of any hitting coach in the majors. Texas again led the majors with 230 homers, including Alex Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro being only the fifth set of teammates to combine for 100 homers.

### Mavs don't match offer, let Wang Zhizhi go

FORT WORTH (AP) — Wang Zhizhi is headed to the Los Angeles Clippers as the Dallas Mavericks decided Wednesday not to match a \$6 million, three-year offer sheet.

The Mavericks had until Thursday to make a decision, but owner Mark Cuban told the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on Wednesday that he'd made up his mind.

"The bottom line is he didn't want to be here," Cuban said. "He wanted to go somewhere where he could get a lot of minutes."

Wang, a 7-foot-1 center with a good outside shot, played 55 games last season and averaged 5.6 points in 10.9 minutes per game.

Wang's role wasn't likely to increase as Dallas plans to get more out of Shawn Bradley and Evan Eschmeyer at center. Raef LaFrentz and Dirk Nowitzki also can play the position.

"It would be good to have him, but we're not going to miss him," Cuban said. "We'll find the two or three points from somewhere else."

Dallas made him the first Asian-born player in the NBA two seasons ago, but relations with the team were strained after he disobeyed orders to join China's national team this summer. He played on Golden State's summer league team.

### Rodriguez selected as union's player of the year

NEW YORK (AP) — Alex Rodriguez was selected player of the year in a vote by members of the players' association and John Smoltz was picked to receive the Marvin Miller Man of the Year Award.

Rodriguez, who led the major leagues with 57 homers and 142 RBIs for Texas, also won the AL outstanding player award for the second straight season and fourth time since 1996.

## Soft-spoken back making loud plays

True freshman running back Lonta Hobbs is making the transition seem smooth from high school 3A football to Division I.

BY DANNY GILLHAM  
Sports Editor

Success has come individually for Lonta Hobbs, but his experience at TCU is one of the firsts where success has come as a team.

The talented true freshman impressed Frog coaches who scouted him at Class 3A Clarksville. As a senior Hobbs ran for 983 yards, and caught the eye of the TCU coaching staff.

"It appeared that when we watched him on film that he great vision and could see some things," offensive coordinator Mike Schultz said. "He scored a lot of touchdowns and made a lot of people miss."

While Hobbs was no stranger to individual glory as a Clarksville Tiger, the same could not be said for the rest of his team. In his four years the team never had a winning season, and finished 1-9 his senior year.

Now playing on a 5-1 Frog team that is right in the thick of a conference title run, the quiet Hobbs said it is a pleasant change being on the other end of the spectrum.

"It's a big change, because confi-

dence was low in Clarksville," Hobbs said. "I think that's one reason why we didn't win. Here it's a big difference. I just like it, I'm having fun really. I mean I had fun in Clarksville, I wouldn't change it for the world. But I'm just having fun here."

Hobbs came to TCU behind juniors Ricky Madison, Corey Connally and Kenny Hayter on the depth chart at tailback. Hobbs began to get more work, however, as the three began to get sidelined with injuries off and on. The young back quickly turned heads and was soon practicing with the first and second teams. For weeks, head coach Gary Patterson spoke of taking the red-shirt off Hobbs and giving him carries in a game.

The opportunity came on Oct. 5 against Houston in the Homecoming game, and Hobbs showed Frog coaches and fans what the hype was all about. Splitting time with Madison, Hobbs carried the ball 12 times for 73 yards. He followed his debut with 84 yards on 10 carries at Army last Saturday. He also had his first two collegiate touchdowns, one off a 62-yard run.

At Clarksville, Hobbs rarely left the field, playing both defensive back and running back.

"Physically its kind of easier," Hobbs said. "Because in high school I played defense and offense, and I was constantly on the field doing stuff. Here I'm basically at one position. I'm getting reps, but I'm getting rest at the same time. I wasn't used to that."

Hobbs doesn't lack confidence, although he comes off as shy: He is soft spoken in his interviews and often wide-eyed.

"He handles it well," Madison said. "He's real shy, and that's what you want. You want somebody that's willing to learn and willing to listen to people. That's Lonta."

While Hobbs is confident, he says one thing he is not is selfish. He gives credit for his transition to his older teammates.

"All three (of the running backs) helped me out," Hobbs said. "Even the fullbacks helped me out. My confidence was getting kind of low because I thought I should know the offense right as soon as I got here. But it's complicated and they helped me through it."

Even the offensive line helped out a little bit, just saying 'Lonta it'll be alright, you'll get it later on.' Everybody has helped out."

While expectations are high, the fact remains he is young. Hobbs has fumbled the ball and missed blocking assignments, and Schultz said it will all just be part of the growing pains.

"He's awful young," Schultz said. "He does some really good things, and makes some really nice things. But he's still growing into it, and we have to bring him along slow. Hopefully he'll keep learning, keep progressing, and turn out to be the type of back we want him to be."

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True freshman running back Lonta Hobbs (shown in his debut against Houston) has impressed Frog coaches and players, running for 157 yards and two touchdowns in his first two college games.

Photographer/Simon Lopez

## First-year receiver plays big for 'Boys

Rookie receiver Antonio Bryant is making the most of his early opportunities, despite the concerns surrounding the second-round draft pick.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING — Antonio Bryant is turning out to be everything the Dallas Cowboys expected, which is mostly a good thing.

Bryant's talent as a receiver is unmistakable, as his game-winning catch this past Sunday proved. His numbers are damn good, too — his 26 catches and 275 yards receiving are tops among NFC rookies.

But Bryant also has shown some of the things that go with being a rookie, such as being late to the last game and expecting every pass to be thrown to him.

The Cowboys were thrilled to get Bryant with a second-round pick. He had first-round talent, but he slid because of questions about his character stemming from incidents while in college at Pittsburgh.

Bryant proved his ability immediately, but also gave coaches enough confidence in him off the field that they were willing to let him wear jersey No. 88, which previously had been worn by the two best receivers in franchise history, Michael Irvin and Drew Pearson.

"He's fully of energy and he just plays hard," said running back Emmitt Smith. "He's got one speed, and that's fast. But he's got a lot to learn."

Bryant got in trouble with teammates for telling reporters about Darren Woodson's tirade to the team, and he angered coaches by throwing his helmet on the sideline after being benched for fumbling against Philadelphia.

The best way for Bryant to get back in everyone's good graces is to make big plays. And he's been right around them the last two games.

Two Sundays ago against the New York Giants, Dallas was trailing 21-17 in the final minutes when quarterback Quincy Carter threw deep to Bryant. The ball was overthrown by a few feet, providing a tantalizing near-miss.

Given a second chance this past Sunday against Carolina, Carter and Bryant connected. Bryant made a rolling, juggling catch on a 24-yard touchdown pass with 56 seconds left, putting the Cowboys ahead 14-13.

"Everybody kept saying you didn't get it last week, but you're going to make the connection today. It came down to the last second for that to happen, but it felt great," said Bryant, who before the drive had told fellow rookie Derek Ross that he was going to make the game-winning catch.

"He's learning by leaps and bounds about making the transition from college to pro football, about accountability and obligations and those type of things," coach Dave Campo said. "I think he's making tremendous progress there."

## Men's soccer team lose to Blazers despite late-half surge

BY CHAD MURRAY  
Skiff Staff

The men's soccer team dropped the first of three straight home matches Wednesday, losing to Conference USA foe Alabama-Birmingham, 4-0.

"It's obviously not what we planned on, but it's what we were dealt," coach Blake Amos said. "(There were) a couple of mistakes and four goals. Thankfully in the second half we stepped up and played a little bit better."

The Frogs (2-11-0, 1-4-0 C-USA) fell behind early via a goal from UAB (6-3-3, 2-1-2) midfielder Jermie Frankson, who also scored in the second half before leaving the game with an injury.

The team made offensive adjustments in the second half, after failing to get a shot on Blazer goalkeeper Clint Baumstark. And while the Frogs did manage to put six shots on goal in the final 45 minutes, they still couldn't score a goal.

"We just tried to organize them a little bit better, getting them higher up on the field to make sure they have better chances to score goals," Amos said. "We had chances finally in the second half. We had no shots at halftime and we ended up with six. At least we created a little more offense out of it."

Said senior midfielder Nick Browne: "We just didn't play good at all today. There's no two ways about it, we didn't play good."

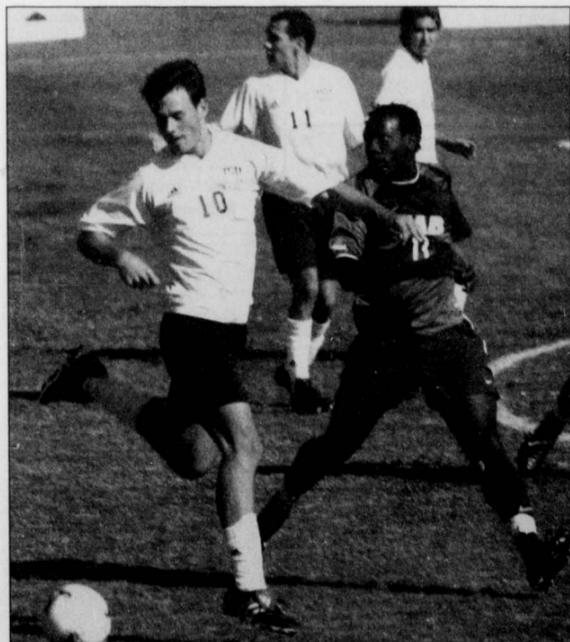
The game against UAB marked the first game of four in a 10-day stretch.

These games are some of the Frogs' final chances of gaining ground in the C-USA standings and gaining a spot in the conference tournament.

The team's next match is against East Carolina at 1 p.m. Sunday at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium. In the Pirates' most recent confer-

ence game, they had their three-game winning streak snapped at the hands of the Memphis Tigers and are right on the bubble for qualifying for the C-USA tournament.

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Junior midfielder Andrew Porteous (left) plays a ball against Alabama-Birmingham Wednesday. The Frogs were shut out by the Blazers 4-0 at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium.

Photographer/Simon Lopez

## Texans looking for the positive in lineman's season ending injury

BY MICHAEL A. LUTZ  
Associated Press

HOUSTON — On first glance, it's hard to call Tony Boselli a mistake first round pick for the Houston Texans in the expansion draft. He's a five-time Pro Bowl offensive tackle and judged by many as a future Hall of Famer.

He would have made a big difference in the development of the offensive line and maybe kept David Carr from leading the NFL

in being sacked.

But what if he never plays again? Then, the Texans might have to acknowledge they miscalculated. They might even wonder if they were misled.

Boselli isn't playing but his \$7.5 million salary cap hit continues, leaving a growing crowd to wonder if the Texans made a mistake.

"This is the sort of thing we're faced with all the time," owner Bob McNair

said. "High quality players are a great value and there is a high price tag. We planned all this in our salary cap and this is where we stand."

Boselli underwent four operations, three on his right shoulder, in the past year since being placed on injured reserve last season by the Jacksonville Jaguars.

He was making progress in getting strong enough to get back on the field. Once he started workouts in Septem-

ber, he had less time for weight lifting to increase his strength.

It finally became obvious to the Texans that Boselli would not be ready to help this season.

"It's a matter now of making the decision what's best for Tony Boselli and moving forward," McNair said. "He needs to get his strength up and to do that it means more time on rehabilitation and no time on the practice field."

The Texans were aware of Boselli's medical history when they chose him to anchor their offensive line in February.

"It's our responsibility to evaluate the information given to us," General Manager Charley Casserly said. "There is an element risk any time you take a player that has not played for you. In my mind we took the information that was given to us and made the best decision available to us."