

Final Preparation

Basketball teams win final exhibition games before season opens Friday.
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Hollywood producers Jonathan Koch (left) and Robert Kosberg critique junior radio-TV-film major Rachael Arnold's ideas for an audience of students at the Dee J. Kelley Alumni and Visitors Center Monday.

Pair pitch their way to success

Duo wins praise from Hollywood producers in pitching competition. The radio-TV-film department hosted the competition for students to get experience and advice from professional pitchers.

BY SARAH MCNAMARA
Staff Reporter

After three hours, 47 pitches and a 30 second deliberation, Emily Moss and Red Sanders were announced the winners of the radio-TV-film department's first ever "Pitching Competition" Monday night.

The sophomore duo wowed Holly-

wood producers, Jonathan Koch and Robert Kosberg, with their original idea for a film which they described as "The Blair Witch Project" meets "The Ring."

Moss and Sanders said they came up with the idea late Sunday night when they were driving back from Louisiana and noticed an old, abandoned house down a country road and wondered what was inside.

After filming what they saw inside, the pair developed a unique concept for a movie that involves four college students that find themselves in a recurring murder mystery.

"We were just looking for an adventure when we filmed the house," Sanders said. "We realized we had a good idea, we just had to develop it more."

Moss said, "We weren't planning on winning, but we wanted to do it well."

Roger Cooper, radio-TV-film professor and coordinator of the event, said the competition provided an opportunity for students to impress the Hollywood judges and a chance to win an all-expenses-paid trip to a national pitching competition, where they will pitch their idea to a panel of studio executives.

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Reed claims spot as VP of House after run-off election

Reed makes plans to restructure the House and to increase communication and visibility on campus.

BY DAVID REESE
News Editor

Andrea Reed, the newly elected vice president of the House of Student Representatives, said her long-term goal for the House is to find a way to restructure representation within the House.

Reed, a senior international business management and social work major, said she has not come to an exact conclusion on how exactly to restructure the organization. She said one idea would be to call in a consultant from Florida that specializes in student governments. The consultant researches the university to find the best way to increase representation across campus, she said.

Reed claimed victory by 32 votes in the run-off election against her roommate, Katie Gordon, Friday evening.

Reed received 302 votes or about 52.8 percent of the vote. Gordon, a senior electrical engineering major, received 270 votes or 47.2 percent during the run-off. There were nine abstentions.

Overall, 581 votes were cast in the run-off election between Reed and Gordon. John Billingsley, current vice president of the House, said the number of votes was substantially lower than in past years.

He said the run-off election for the same position last year between himself and Abby Crawford, a junior speech communication major, had more than 1,300 votes.

Billingsley, a senior accounting major, said the lack of election participation could be attributed to the election's date.

"It was on a Friday, which is tough to get TCU students to do anything on Fridays," he said.

Billingsley also said the time span between the first election and the run-off was too large.

"I prefer elections to happen within 24 hours or at least two days," Billingsley said.

Nick James, elections and regulations chairman and a sophomore political science major, said he was told that there were problems with the election software. He said he scheduled the election to give time for the software to be fixed.

Another goal Reed listed for her term was to increase SGA's communication and visibility to the student body. She said some ideas include updating the SGA Web site and bulletin boards.

She said she plans on creating a community service chairperson and a recruitment and retention chairperson to expand the House's visibility. The ideas are still in the beginning processes.

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GORDON

NewsBriefs

eQ Alliance to present 'Gay, Greek and Proud'

Programming Council has teamed up with eQ Alliance, the student organization for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community on campus, to present "Gay, Greek and Proud" at 1 p.m. today in the Student Center lounge, said Sebastian Moleski, president of eQ.

Moleski said the host, Leif Mitchell, will give a lecture and presentation about his experiences as a gay student in a fraternity, based on a book he co-authored titled "Out on Fraternity Row: Personal Accounts of Gay Men in Fraternities."

"The purpose of the presentation is to address the subject of gay people in fraternities," Moleski, a freshman political science and international economics major, said.

Craig Larson, the secretary of eQ, said he hopes the group can broaden campus awareness of gay and lesbians that might be in fraternities and sororities by bringing more speakers like Mitchell.

— Jill Meninger

Athletics Media Relations not seeking replacement

The Athletics Media Relations has not decided whether it will replace its departed assistant director who was the media contact for men's basketball, cross country and women's golf.

Trey Carmichael, who had worked in the media relations office longer than any current employee, left his job Nov. 8, said Steve Fink, director of athletic media relations.

"He is pursuing other career opportunities," said Fink, who refused to elaborate further.

Other athletic department staff are picking up Carmichael's duties. "Right now we are not looking for anybody," Fink said.

Carmichael had worked in the media relations office for nine years. He was the media contact for football in 2000 when LaDainian Tomlinson made a run for the Heisman Trophy.

Carmichael did not return phone calls Monday.

— Jill Meninger

CORRECTION

More than 300 people attended the "Color of Hate" town hall meeting on race Thursday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. A story on the forum inaccurately stated that attendance was lower than expected.

Reach out and reconnect



"I think it is amazing to learn about the history of TCU. It is good to learn from past leaders so we can see what has already been tried and done and also what has been ignored."

Katie Cosgrove, freshman business major.

Staff reporter/Emily Turner
Students at the University Leadership Retreat participate in a relaxation activity as they massage each other's backs. The retreat was held over the weekend.

Retreat traces school's roots

BY EMILY TURNER
Staff Reporter

Students who attended the University Leadership Retreat last weekend say they learned a lot about school traditions and history while also connecting with the school's past in Granbury and Thorp Springs, where the university was founded.

Administrators and leaders say this is the first time they remember the annual retreat being off-campus and outside of Fort Worth. Student Government Association officials said they wanted to bring students the closest they could to the university's history and origins while emphasizing the theme of the retreat, which was community building, said SGA president Chelsea Hudson.

Jessica Campbell, a junior radio-TV-film major and Waits Hall representative, said she was unaware that Fort Worth was not the founding place of TCU.

"I have learned a lot this weekend and have de-stressed, which is always a good thing," Campbell said.

Before arriving in Granbury, 71 students un-

loaded from the buses in Thorp Springs to explore the remains of the original TCU school buildings. A memorial stone at the site explained that J.A. Clark and his two sons, Addison and Randolph began a private school in Thorp Springs in 1873 under the name of Addran Male and Female Academy, according to the TCU Web site.

The college moved to Waco in 1896 and was re-established in Fort Worth in 1910, by now under the name of Texas Christian University.

Katie Cosgrove, a freshman business major, said attending the retreat helped her recognize the importance of the past and develop a more positive attitude toward TCU.

"I think it is amazing to learn about the history of TCU," Cosgrove said. "It is good to learn from past leaders so we can see what has already been

tried and done and also what has been ignored."

Staff reporter/Emily Turner
CiAnn Ardoin participates in an improvisational activity conducted by motivational speaker Joel Zeff at the University Leadership Retreat.

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Writer defends comments post-Sept 11 looting

Fire department commissioner accuses Langewiesche of tarnishing the memory of firefighters.

BY TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The author of a book accusing firefighters of looting ground zero after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks defended his work Monday against mounting criticism by union officials.

Critics of William Langewiesche's "American Ground: Unbuilding the World Trade Center" have focused on a passage about the discovery of dozens of new jeans from The Gap —

still tagged, folded and stacked — inside the cab of a fire truck pulled from the rubble.

About 150 demonstrators, including off-duty firefighters and widows of firefighters killed in the attack, gathered outside a museum where Langewiesche was holding a book-signing session Monday night.

The demonstrators — some chanting "Liar! Liar!" — distributed a letter from fire department Commissioner Nicholas Scopetta accusing the author of "tarnishing the memory of our city's heroes with foolish, absurd and unfounded accusations."

In a telephone interview, Langewi-

esche defended the accuracy of his book and insisted he was not out to expose looters.

"I have nothing against firefighters," William Langewiesche said. "I'm much in admiration of firefighters."

Among the rubble at the 16-acre site were thousands of items from retail stores, including The Gap, that were in a concourse beneath the twin 110-story towers.

The uproar, Langewiesche added, comes as no surprise.

"This is very, very emotional territory," he said.

A longtime correspondent with The Atlantic Monthly, Langewiesche was

granted full access to the cleanup site over several months. He described a war zone that brought out the best and the worst of those who labored to remove bodies and debris.

One office building near ground zero was "systematically rifled for valuables," Langewiesche wrote. "Whether by errant firemen, policemen or construction workers hardly mattered. All three groups were at various times implicated in a widespread pattern of looting that started even before the towers fell, and was to peak around Christmas with the brazen theft of office computers."

THE PULSE

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CampusLines

Your bulletin board for campus events

eQ Alliance and Programming Council present "Gay, Greek and Proud" at 1 p.m. today in the Student Center Lounge. In his multi-media presentation, Leif Mitchell will draw on his experience and knowledge of gay and lesbian issues as they relate to students to provide concrete ways to make fraternities and sororities more inclusive of gay, lesbian and bisexual people.

Time Management that Works, a brown bag lunch, will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center, Room 207. Brent O'Bannon will talk about effective time management.

The TCU London Centre will have an information session at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Moody Building South, Room 271. Information about classes offered by the journalism, radio-TV-film and theater departments will be discussed. More information is available in the Office of International Education, Sadler Hall, Room 16.

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moody Building South, Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050 or e-mailed to 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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Petersell, Williams to lead Skiff for spring semester

BY ANTOINETTE VEGA
 Staff Reporter

Jacque Petersell, a senior news-editorial journalism major, and Karla Williams, a junior advertising/public relations major, were chosen by the Student Publications Committee Monday as the spring semester's Skiff editor in chief and advertising manager respectively.

Petersell and Williams both said their top goals were to create a fun

atmosphere and more staff interaction. As the new editor in chief, Petersell said she wants the newsroom to be a fun place to work.

Petersell, who is currently the copy desk chief, has worked for the Skiff for 3 1/2 years. She has served three semesters, including this fall's, as



PETERSSELL

copy desk chief. She has also been a copy editor and reporter. She was the managing editor of Image magazine last year.

Petersell said she wants the Skiff to cover more TCU issues and not model itself after other university publications and the Fort Worth Star-



WILLIAMS

Telegram.

"We need to look at the abilities of the editors and reporters and work from that," she said. "The newspaper was voted as the best in Texas two years ago and does not need to image other publications."

Williams, who is currently a sales representative for the Skiff, said she is excited about her new position as advertising manager but admits she still has a lot to learn.

But Williams said she has many

ideas and a goal to create more interaction between the production staff and sales representatives.

"I want to combine the different groups through meetings so that the advertising office will run smoothly," she said.

The rest of the Skiff editorial board will be hired by the end of the semester. Next semester's first issue is scheduled for Jan. 14.

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RETREAT

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tried and done and also what has been ignored."

Students had the opportunity to listen to an address at the Granbury City Hall from Mayor David Southern regarding the importance of giving back to one's community. Southern also expressed his desire to keep Granbury and TCU's connection



staff reporter/Emily Turner
 Student Government Association president Chelsea Hudson accepts a key to the city from Granbury Mayor David Southern following his address to students at the University Leadership Retreat.

strong. "It is so important to keep relations with TCU because this is where its roots are," Southern said. "TCU is important to all of us, we all root for the Frogs."

The mayor presented Hudson with a key to the city following his address. He said the key tradition dates back to the medieval times and represents acceptance.

"It is a token that represents that we are pleased to have you in our city and welcome you back any time," Southern said.

The city of Granbury kept eateries and ice cream parlors open after hours so students could enjoy their time in Granbury.

To show their appreciation, Hudson said students were required to bring one pair of children's shoes to donate to Mission Granbury, an organization that assists women and children in abusive situations.

"It is really good that SGA planned to donate the shoes," Campbell said. "That way we weren't just taking something away, but giving something back to Granbury."

Students used the weekend to meet in small groups and discuss both personal and university goals. SGA also hosted a motivational speaker during the day on Sunday and gave students the chance to hang out around Lake Granbury.

Kathy Katona, a junior religion major and retreat chairwoman, said she wanted students to relax and learn at the same time.

"Our goal was for people to come away and feel like it was a retreat while learning something," Katona said. "I wanted students to be able to sit back, relax and live it up."

All students were welcome on the retreat at a cost of \$25 while SGA students paid \$15 to attend. SGA paid for most of the expenses, which came to a total of \$12,000, Hudson said.

Students stayed at the Lodge of Granbury and ended the retreat with a dinner cruise on the lake before returning to campus around 8 p.m.

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PITCH

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Both Koch, a producer for MTV Productions, and Kosberg, based at Paramount Studios, said they know how difficult pitching can be because they do it for a living.

"The reason Emily and Red won was the great way in which they pitched," Koch said. "They told their idea quickly and succinctly. We got it immediately."

Cooper said each pitch was evaluated in five categories: content, concept, delivery, saleability and structure. Students had two to five minutes to sell their idea, he said.

Kosberg said he was impressed with some of what he saw.

"Most of the pitches are well worked out and well presented," Kosberg said. "The actual content and originality is where there's weakness. There were lots of cute stories, but they're not big enough to make a movie in Hollywood."

While ideas for reality television series seemed to be the most popular pitch of the evening, plots for romantic comedies to psychological thrillers to historical period pieces weren't forgotten.

Cooper, who also pitched his own film idea at the competition, said the art of pitching is a difficult concept, but it's good for students to hear what works and what doesn't in the professional world of pitching.

"You have to tell enough of your story to get their interest, but not too

much to bog them down," Cooper said. "You have to make every word count."

Cooper also said he was generally pleased with how the competition went but it's not likely that the department will host a competition next year.

"It's definitely been worthwhile," he said. "We try to bring a variety of perspectives and experiences into the school, so we'll do something unique, but a little different than this."

As for Moss and Sanders, they said they aren't concerned about having a studio buy their film just yet because they plan to film it themselves.

"We want it to be a student film, conceptualized from nothing," Sanders said. "We can definitely use this as a learning experience."

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Lady in waiting

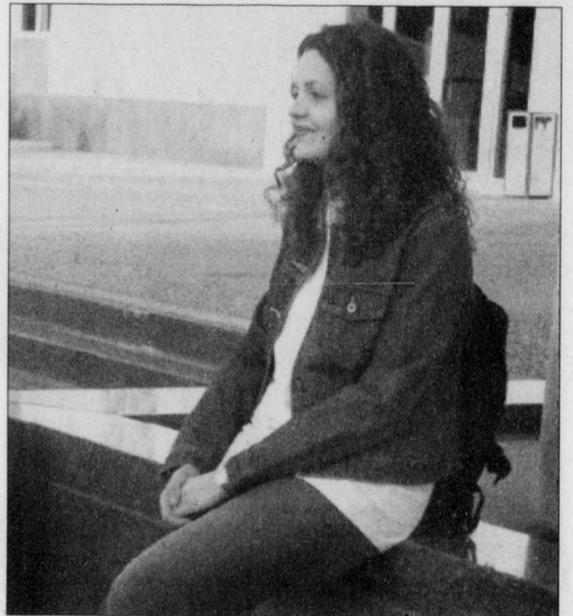


photo editor/Sarah McClellan
 Senior speech communications major Elissa Winder waits outside the Student Center Monday for the bus to take her to Worth Hills.

REED

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Reed said.

Reed had won the majority of the votes with 38.2 percent of the vote during last week's general election in a field of four candidates including Gordon, Bill Morrison, a junior broadcast journalism major and Rodney Thomas, a sophomore religion major. Due to the Student Government Association's bylaws, a candidate has to receive more than 50 percent of the vote to win the election, which neither Reed nor Gordon had done.

Although Reed and Gordon are roommates, they said their friendship will not suffer and that no animosity has developed between them.

Gordon also said she has not decided what her involvement within House will be in the future. She

said she wants to dedicate a lot of time to the honor code, which she said does not necessarily need to be through her House position as academic affairs chairwoman.

"I really want to be part of an honor code drafting committee," Gordon said. "I don't know if the representation in House gives the diverse sampling of students needed for the honor code."

Concerns over the election code were raised by both candidates Sunday. Gordon said she felt during the election that many rules, including those within the residence halls and dining establishments, were not clear to every candidate.

Reed said she already plans for the next elections and regulations chairperson to work on updating the election code.

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HELP

Class registration should be improved

Signing up for the right classes can be a frustrating task. Trying to find the class that best suits requirements is not exactly one of the more fun parts of the college experience. Those 12-18 hours a semester will determine the futures of many, and the current system doesn't always provide a clear path to that future. Steps are being taken. The journalism department is testing a new policy this semester that requires all of its students to visit an advisor before being allowed to sign up for classes. This came about after many of the journalism students were nearing graduation without the proper needs to receive a diploma. To save the confusion for everyone, here are a few suggestions:

- Better training for professors — Pointing out the right direction for students isn't easy. There are those with minors and double majors, whose other degree requirements may be beyond a professor's realm of knowledge. More training would result in students not having to zig-zag across campus from department to department.
- Create an effective online catalogue index — The new online resource is confusing, and lacks an index that is easy to understand. The search option is not always useful. No one wants to read from start to finish to find out what they need to do for themselves.
- Expand advisement period — Trying to find out what you need days before signing up for classes is nerve-racking. Spreading the process out would lessen the burden on all sides.

Despite the possible improvements, the ultimate responsibility falls back on the students. We are in college, and can only have our hands held for so long. With some intuition and a little research, finding the best available classes can be made easier.

The Other View

Opinions from around the country

After this year's midterm elections, voters in San Diego made a surprising, but inspirational move. For the first time in American history, an openly-gay person was elected district attorney. As reported in the New York Times, of the more than 570,000 votes cast in San Diego County, Judge Bonnie Dumanis of the Superior Court won by about 3,500 votes. Although the campaign was marred by typical mudslinging, Dumanis' sexual orientation was not an issue. Voters in the historically-conservative city have become pioneers for everyone in America. Even here, in conservative, rural West Virginia, the time has come to acknowledge ability, not attributes. Dumanis addressed a question about her sexual preference saying, "My orientation doesn't have anything to do with the job and I don't intend it to have anything to do with the job ... It is part of me that I am proud of." We congratulate the prosecutor on her convictions and charge others in the same position to adopt her point of view. Our state has one of the oldest populations in the country, and, we understand old habits die slowly. However, that does not excuse

out-right bigotry. If a candidate for Cabell County prosecutor were openly gay, we think he would not be elected. The idea seems like a cliché, but humans are humans, there should be no question about a homosexual person in a position of authority nor should there be a question about any proclaimed minority population. Maybe this story is a signal that Equal Opportunity Employment laws are working and the labels we impose on people will subside. Soon, the use of the system could be dissolved, not because of prejudice, but because it is no longer needed. At that point college-educated citizens must lead the way in continuing to enact that change. Not because we are better, but because we are supposed to be open-minded, and, like it or not, we are the future. Dumanis' competitor, Paul Pfingst, reportedly resorted to alluding to her "lifestyle" toward the end of the campaign, but in the end, it was not enough. The conclusion to the campaign means the "lifestyle" is blurring and citizens are accepting change. It's not a utopia, but it's a start. *This is a staff editorial from the Parthenon at Marshall University. This editorial was distributed by U-Wire.*

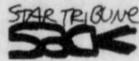
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Idolization of celebrities unhealthy for both parties

We need to stop looking up to celebrities in hero-worship.

Last week there was a special on television about Jennifer Lopez and her boyfriend, Ben Affleck. This relationship was the most talked about relationship in Hollywood history, or something along those lines, and this interview was supposed to enlighten the nation on how the relationship was progressing. In a world of magazines and TV shows dedicated to the personal lives of celebrities, I say "Who cares?" I had never heard anything about the most talked about relationship in the history of Hollywood until I was told that I cared. I actually thought that "J-Lo" was married to or going out with P. Diddy, or Puff Daddy or Diddy Puff or whatever his name is. Apparently that is over or never was, and she is

now in love with someone else. To tell you the truth, I do not keep up with the private lives of movies stars and I don't want to because it has absolutely no bearing on my life and it has no relevance to your life either. Unfortunately, not everyone realizes this. Otherwise the magazines would not sell and the television specials would not air. But what is so unfortunate about that? There is nothing wrong with a person following the lives of his or her favorite celebrity, is there? I think there is. I believe it is not healthy for the celebrity or the citizenry for Hollywood lives to be so watched and idolized. The pressure of living your life under a spotlight cannot possibly be good for a celebrity's marriage and could account, at least in part, for the amount of failed marriages you see come out of that section of the population. However, I believe that the idol

worship that is prevalent in American society is worse for the worshipper than the worshipped. If we as a society continually put these people on pedestals and make them out to be larger than life, we start to think they are better than we are when they are not. Prettier than us, perhaps. More talented than us, possibly. But they are not better than us. You see, when we start to believe that those people are better than we are, we naturally start thinking of ourselves as less than we are. That is where the low self-esteem starts and the constant awareness of how you look and what people think about you. It is these kinds of things that can ruin a person. Celebrity worship is not good for a person and it can end with you not giving a rat's pa-toot that Justin Timberlake broke up with Britney Spears. *Christopher Suffron is a senior accounting major from League City. He can be contacted at (c.r.suffron@tcu.edu).*

Boy Scouts should respect all beliefs, not add atheists to list of exclusion

The Boy Scouts program wrongly adds another group to its list of those to exclude: atheists.

Apparently, the Boy Scouts program has made it official that neither homosexuals nor atheists may partake in its camp-out fun. It has been nationally known for a while that the Boy Scouts do not wish to have any leaders or members who are practicing homosexuals, and it is a decision that the highest courts are still upholding. In June of 2000, the Supreme Court ruled in a 5-4 decision that the Boy Scouts had the right to exclude gays from leadership positions under the First Amendment. The Supreme Court ruling appears to be the final word for homosexuals in the Boy Scouts debate unless the Boy Scout's national office allows individual chapters to decide whether or not they wish to discriminate based on someone's sexual orientation. But what's even worse is that the Boy Scouts organization has recently found another group to exclude: atheists. Boy Scouts are supposed to be "clean," "brave" and "thrifty," according to the 12 Scout Laws, but they must also be "reverent." According to these laws, a scout must

be "reverent toward God" and respect the beliefs of others. This rule seems rather sad when you look at Darrell Lambert's situation. Lambert is an Eagle Scout (the highest level of Boy Scout and a title which only about 4 percent receive), and he does not believe in God. Apparently, his 1,000 hours of community service last year do not make up for his lack of faith in God, so the Boy Scouts organization has given him a week to change his mind. Otherwise, the Chief Seattle Council of the Boy Scouts will terminate his membership with the program. Lambert's beliefs did not matter when he was being questioned prior to becoming an Eagle Scout. He explained his viewpoint to the Eagle Scout reviewing board, and those members actually admired his honesty. It was only when he was at a leadership retreat and talking about his concerns with prayer during camp-outs that some of the organizers found a problem with his lack of reverence. The Boy Scouts organization has publicized on its Web site that it has members from all different faiths, including Catholicism, Buddhism and Protestant faiths, but every member must recognize a supreme being. How this makes a boy a better scout I have no

idea, but it is something that the Scouts require of every member and leader. So, now, Lambert must either lie about his beliefs or forgo the organization that he has been a part of for 10 years. I think the Boy Scouts is creating a place where boys must follow strict moral guidelines to become involved, and its conservative views on membership will create an environment where some parents and children will not feel comfortable. Not everyone believes in God, and there are many people who are homosexual. Private organizations with anti-discrimination policies should not support a group that is willing to exclude upstanding members because it finally discovers something that it does not like. I hope that Lambert will not try to be reinstated into a group that tells him that his beliefs are not "right." I also wish that more families would look at what the Boy Scouts program is expecting of its members and look for better ways to give its children social experiences that do not limit an individual's choices in life. *Michele DeCamp is a columnist for the Technician at North Carolina State University. This column was distributed by U-Wire.*

NCWO has bigger battles than golf

The National Council of Women's Organizations should have more important things to worry about than forcing Augusta to allow women into the private club.

Picture, if you will, a scene that is distinctly spring. The trees are lush with their canopies of green, and the freshly cut greens of Augusta National Golf Course are shimmering from the early morning dew. The Masters Tournament, the biggest golf tournament for the PGA and a national springtime tradition, is set to begin.

But the whoosh of the club and the applause of the crowds are interrupted by the loud chants of protesters at the front gates — protesters who have come to disrupt the tournament because Augusta National is an all-male golf club. This scene could very well happen in April, when the annual tournament is played. The controversy over who Augusta lets into its exclusive club started back in July when Martha Burk, chairwoman of the National Council of Women's Organizations, sent a letter to William "Hootie" Johnson, chairman of Augusta National Golf Club, suggesting that the club invite a woman to join. The reaction was both heated and clear.

Johnson said plainly that Augusta has no legal, moral or social obligation to admit a woman to its elite ranks. In an interview with Johnson, The New York Times wrote that no women will be admitted into the club by the next Masters Tournament in April nor does it have a timetable set for the admission of women. However, in the interview, Johnson stated, "A woman may very well become a member of Augusta ... but that is sometime off in the future, which wouldn't suggest that it's on the horizon. In the meantime, we hold dear our tradition and our constitutional right to choose." According to the Times, Burk was shocked and dismayed. She claims this policy is a "slap in the face to Augusta members who have spoken out (and) ask(ed) for this discrimination to end." Augusta National Golf Club has a history of being an all-male private institution. By that fact, it is entitled to admit whomever it wants. Is it legal what they're doing? Probably. Is it right? No. As Johnson pointed out, it does not have a legal, moral or social obligation to admit women. Is it unfair? Yes, but so is life.

Just because Augusta hosts a national event does not change its private status nor does it obligate the club to admit women. The NCWO can protest all it wants, it can try to sue the club all it wants and it can take the club to the Supreme Court if it wants, but it will not change anything. Public institutions, such as the Citadel and the Virginia Military Institute, have been rightly integrated because they receive public funding from their respective states. It is the government's obligation to make sure the playing field is level for all people, male and female. But the government cannot do anything about private organizations with exclusive membership requirements. The only reason the NCWO is attacking Augusta is because most of its members are CEO's of major American corporations and because it hosts the major golf tournament of the year. The NCWO needs to direct its energies toward other, more important issues concerning women, such as physical and sexual abuse, pay disparities and other workplace issues and the general exploitation of women worldwide — not toward a futile battle against the old boys' club. The average woman that the NCWO supposedly represents has more important things to worry about, I'm sure, than not being able to join the Augusta National Golf Club. *Ben McNeely is a columnist for the Technician at North Carolina State University. This column was distributed by U-Wire.*

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National/International Roundup

New standard requires clearer labeling on tires

WASHINGTON — Federal standards announced Monday will require clearer labeling of tires and their recommended inflation pressure to help clear up some of the confusion that followed the Firestone tire recall.

The tire identification number, which includes information to help identify tires subject to a recall, will have to be on both sides of a tire in type at least one-quarter inch high. Previously, the number was required to be on one side and often was stamped on the side under the car.

Many Firestone owners complained about the problem after the tire maker recalled millions of tires during the last two years. Some of the tires were losing their tread, leading to thousands of accidents and at least 271 deaths in the United States.

The rule, to be phased in beginning next September, also requires that automakers post the recommended pressure on a sticker inside the vehicle doorjamb. Many automobiles already have the sticker there, but it can be found in the glove box, behind the fuel door and just about anywhere else in the car.

Many of the Firestone accidents may have occurred because the tires were not inflated to the recommended pressure.

Officials launch program to help ease holiday air travel

WASHINGTON — Transportation officials are advising travelers against bringing wrapped presents onto airplanes or packing their film in checked bags during the holiday season.

The Transportation Security Administration is implementing a pas-

senger education program to help move people efficiently through crowded airports during the holidays. Passengers may be asked to unwrap their presents during screening, and new baggage screening equipment could ruin camera film.

Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta said on Monday the effort to smooth holiday air travel is one of the agency's next priorities since it will meet the Nov. 19 deadline for a federal screening work force at commercial airports.

Congress also set a year-end deadline to screen all checked passenger baggage for explosives. Many airports said they didn't have enough time to meet the cut-off date without creating long lines and delays.

The House of Representatives on Wednesday extended the deadline for one year as part of the bill creating the Homeland Security Department. The Senate is expected to vote this week on creating the department.

Police arrest babysitter for drunken driving Sunday

COVINGTON, La. — A babysitter with five children in her car was arrested for drunken driving after she passed out at a rest stop and one of her charges, a 7-year-old girl, used a cell phone to call 911.

Linda Hebert, 40, of Picayune, Miss., was found slumped over the steering wheel Sunday and the car was still running, the St. Tammany Parish sheriff's office said. The children were unhurt.

Hebert's blood-alcohol level registered 0.27 on a breath test, well over the 0.10 limit, the report said. Deputies said they had to use pepper spray when Hebert became "combative," and she remained jailed Monday.

Two of the children, ages 5 and 9, were Hebert's. The others, 4, 6 and 7, were left in her care by a woman who expected Hebert to keep them in Picayune, more than 20 miles from the Interstate 12 rest stop near Covington where the car was found.

Teenager holds 19 students, sister hostage in school

HOSPITALET DE LLOBREGAT, Spain — A teenager with a knife took his sister and 19 other children hostage at his former school and held them for hours Monday until a plainclothes officer overpowered him while delivering a pizza, officials said.

None of the students was hurt in the 3 1/2-hour ordeal at the Casal de l'Angel school in this gritty, industrial town just south of Barcelona. All the hostages were 11 or 12 years old.

The Interior Ministry said the attacker had a knife and that his motive appeared to be money, but it could not confirm a report that he had demanded \$1 million.

The attacker was a former pupil of the school, said Interior Minister Angel Acebes, speaking in the central city of Guadalajara. The Education Ministry said he was 16 or 17.

The Interior Ministry, disputing initial accounts, said there were 20 hostages altogether and that 16 were released about two hours into the ordeal. Four remained until the end.

While the youth held the last four, police asked if he was hungry, and he asked for pizza, the Interior Ministry said. A plainclothes policeman came back with a pizza and overpowered the youth when he opened the door to the classroom where he was holding the students, a ministry official said.

Possible jurors questioned for trial of slain officer

SUSAN PARROTT
Associated Press

DALLAS — Nearly two years after Irving police officer Aubrey Hawkins was slain during a Christmas Eve robbery, half of the six men charged in his death await trial.

Prospective jurors were questioned Monday in the trial of Joseph Garcia, the fourth man to be prosecuted by the Dallas County district attorney's office.

Prosecutors again seek jurors with little knowledge of the previous cases, all of which ended in death sentences.

Opening statements are not expected until Feb. 2, because it will take weeks to select a jury panel before the court breaks for the holidays.

Garcia faces lethal injection or life in prison if convicted of capital murder.

Defense attorney Brad Lollar told prospective jurors on Monday that a death sentence is not the automatic penalty if someone is convicted of capital murder.

"They have to show the defendant meant to kill Aubrey Hawkins and knew he was a police officer," Lollar said.

Garcia, serving a 50-year murder sentence for stabbing a man, was one of seven inmates who escaped Dec. 13, 2000, from the Connally

Unit in Kenedy. The escapees are charged with killing Hawkins, who was shot 11 times, while robbing an Oshman's Sporting Goods store.

One escapee committed suicide as his cohorts were captured in Colorado six weeks later.

Gang ring-leader George Rivas and Donald Newbury were convicted and sentenced to lethal injection by Dallas County ju-

ries. Defense attorneys obtained a change of venue for defendant Michael Rodriguez, who also was convicted and sentenced to death in May by an East Texas jury.

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defense attorney

Women gain spots on corporate offices

BY REBECCA GOMEZ
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Despite the recent shocks to corporate America and the faltering economy, women continue to make gains in reaching the upper echelons of Fortune 500 companies, according to a survey to be released today.

The number of female corporate officers at Fortune 500 companies inched up 3.2 percentage points over the past two years, according to the biannual survey by Catalyst, a New York-based women's advocacy group.

"Historically, in down economies, women tend to be hit very hard. We have data showing that this has not

happened, which is a surprise for many," said Sheila Wellington, president of Catalyst.

Women now make up 15.7 percent of the top-ranking executives at America's largest companies — or 2,140 of the 13,673 total — compared with 12.5 percent in 2000 and 8.7 percent in 1995 when Catalyst began keeping track.

Women held 7.9 percent, or 191 of the 2,412 "corporate clout titles," which Catalyst defined as chief executive, chairman, vice chairman, president, chief

operating officer, senior executive vice president and executive vice president.

The number of female chief executives also increased, to six, comprising 1.2 percent of the Fortune 500 CEO population, an increase from two women CEOs in 2000 and one in 1995.

As of March 31 — the survey's cutoff date — 71 Fortune 500 companies had no women corporate officers. Women make up almost 47 percent of the U.S. labor force.

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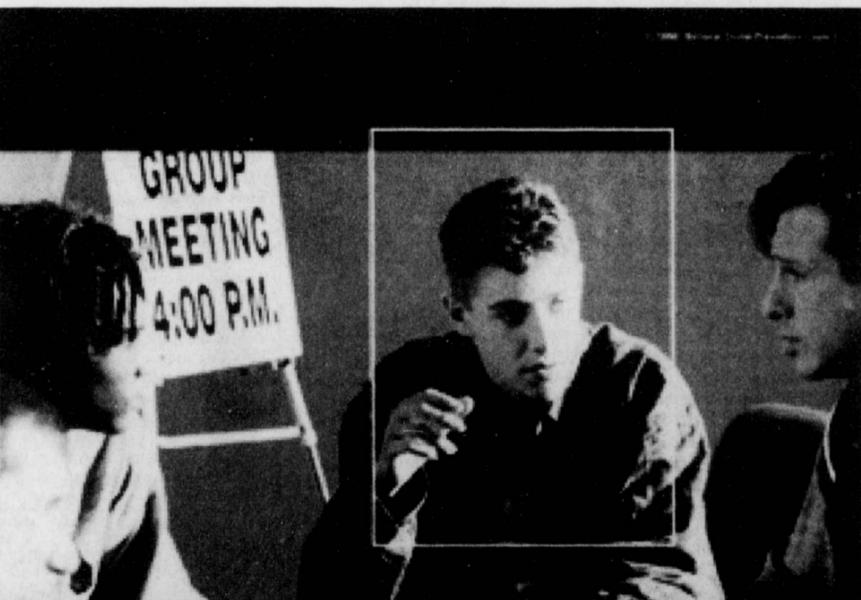
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Icy weather interferes with travel, cuts power on coast

Travel became hazardous and electrical power sparse after a cold front left the Northeast in icy conditions.

BY DAVID SHARP
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine — A northeaster packing a dangerous mix of snow and freezing rain spread a destructive layer of ice across parts of New England, leaving thousands of people without electricity. Brisk wind on Monday caused more power outages as it snapped ice-weakened trees and electrical lines.

Ice-covered pavement and downed trees made travel hazardous. Two highway deaths were blamed on Sunday's icy conditions in Maine.

Tens of thousands of people in the Northeast were still without power

early Monday, including more than 58,000 customers of Connecticut Light & Power.

A new round of harsh weather on Monday reversed the work Massachusetts utility crews had done during the night in restoring service to all but about 1,400 homes and businesses.

Sunday's storm formed along the coast of the Carolinas and rolled northward along a cold front, producing rain from the Carolinas into southern New England, where colder air turned the rain to snow and ice. An earlier storm had soaked large parts of the East on Saturday.

Connecticut residents reported loud cracking sounds as the heavy ice overcame trees.

"Every 15 seconds there were thunder shots and the trees were

snapping in half," Mark Fleming of Burlington told WVIT-TV. "It was like gunshots going off in the backyard. It was quite amazing."

"It is kind of pretty, but the devastation with the trees is just terrible," said Dwayne Aldridge of New Hartford, Conn.

Most parts of Maine had only 3 to 5 inches of snow by the afternoon, but some higher elevations got 10 inches.

An estimated 4,000 Central Maine Power customers were without electricity Monday morning, down from 15,000 on Sunday.

"The problem we're having down there is that the outages are widely scattered," said Gail Rice of Central Maine Power. "There are a lot of small problems scattered about so it tends to be very labor-intensive and

slow-going."

Some 26,000 homes and business were still blacked out Monday in New York state, according to New York State Electric & Gas and Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.

Up to 7 inches of snow fell in the Adirondacks and Catskills, and road conditions hampered some utility repair crews.

The cold front along the East Coast extended all the way into Florida, where temperatures dipped into the freezing range early Monday in some northern counties. Frost was reported in the areas of Jacksonville and Tallahassee, said Al Sandrik, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Jacksonville. That isn't uncommon for this time of year in those areas, he said.

Court overturns wiretap ruling

An appeals court says wiretap guidelines sought to be used to track suspected terrorists and spies are constitutional.

BY CURT ANDERSON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department has broad discretion in the use of wiretaps and other surveillance techniques to track suspected terrorists and spies, a federal appeals court panel ruled Monday.

In a 56-page opinion overturning a May decision by the ultra-secret Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, the three-judge panel said the expanded wiretap guidelines sought by Attorney General John Ashcroft under the new USA Patriot Act law do not violate the Constitution.

The special review court ordered the lower court to issue a new ruling giving the government the powers it seeks. The spy court's restrictions, according to the ruling, "are not required by (the law) or the Constitution."

Ashcroft said the decision "revolutionizes our ability to investigate terrorists and prosecute terrorist acts."

The American Civil Liberties Union and several other groups had argued that Ashcroft's proposed guidelines would unfairly restrict free speech and due process protections by giving the government far greater ability to listen to telephone conversations and read e-mail.

"We're disappointed with the decision, which suggests that (the spy court) exists only to rubber-stamp government decisions," said Jameel Jaffer, an ACLU staff attorney.

Ashcroft said he believes there are adequate safeguards in the act to ensure the government does not overstep its bounds in gathering information.

It was not immediately clear

whether the ACLU or other groups will appeal the case to the Supreme Court. The government has sole right of appeal under the law, but attorneys were exploring other ways of getting the case to the high court.

The intelligence court, created in 1978, is charged with overseeing sensitive law enforcement surveillance by the U.S. government. Its May 17 ruling was the first-ever substantial defeat for the government on a surveillance issue, and its unprecedented, declassified public opinion issued in August documented abuses of surveillance warrants in 75 instances during both the Bush and Clinton administrations.

The Justice Department had argued before the appeals panel that the spy court had "wholly exceeded" its authority and that Congress clearly approved of the greater surveillance authority when it passed the Patriot Act a month after the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The changes permit wiretaps when collecting information about foreign spies or terrorists is "a significant purpose," rather than "the purpose," of an investigation. Critics at the time said they feared the government might use the change as a loophole to employ espionage wiretaps in common criminal investigations.

The spy court had concluded that Ashcroft's proposed rules under that law were "not reasonably designed" to safeguard the privacy of Americans.

The three-judge panel overturned that, saying the new law's provisions on surveillance "certainly come close" to meeting minimal constitutional standards regarding searches and seizures.

The government's proposed use of the Patriot Act, the judges concluded, "is constitutional because the surveillances it authorizes are reasonable."

U.S. officials conclude tape of bin Laden real

After being examined by linguists and translators, an audiotape broadcast was confirmed by U.S. officials to contain the voice of Osama bin Laden.

JOHN J. LUMPKIN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. intelligence have concluded that a new audiotape of Osama bin Laden is an authentic, unaltered and recent recording of the al-Qaida leader, U.S. officials said Monday.

"Intelligence experts do believe that the tape is genuine," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said. "And it is clear that the tape was made in the last several weeks as well."

The audiotape, broadcast on the al-Jazeera Arab language television network, is what it sounds like: bin Laden himself, reading a prepared

statement promising new terrorism against the United States and its allies, a U.S. intelligence official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said earlier Monday.

The analysis of the tape was performed by technical experts, linguists and translators at the CIA and National Security Agency, who compared the message to previous recordings of bin Laden. While no analysis is 100-percent certain, the experts are as certain as they can be that it is genuine, the official said.

Because it mentions recent terrorist attacks, officials concluded the

tape was made in the last few weeks, the official said. It had been a year since U.S. intelligence received any definitive evidence that bin Laden had survived the U.S. attacks on Afghanistan in the months after Sept. 11.

The message also was a determining factor in a new spate of terror alerts in the United States and elsewhere last week. Previous public statements from bin Laden have served as preludes to terrorist attacks, officials said.

The speaker on the tape appears to refer to the killing of a U.S. diplomat in Amman, Jordan, on

Oct. 28, the most recent event noted in the transcript. Whether bin Laden or al-Qaida had a direct hand in the attack is unknown, U.S. officials said.

The speaker also praises several more terrorist attacks by suspected Islamic militants between April and October, including the bombing of a nightclub in Bali, Indonesia, on Oct. 12, that left close to 200 people dead, and the Chechen takeover of a theater in Moscow, in late October.

On Dec. 10, in the Tora Bora area of Afghanistan where bin Laden was believed to be hiding, U.S. personnel intercepted a radio transmission that was believed to have come from the al-Qaida leader. It was not recorded and never matched against his voice-print, U.S. officials have said.

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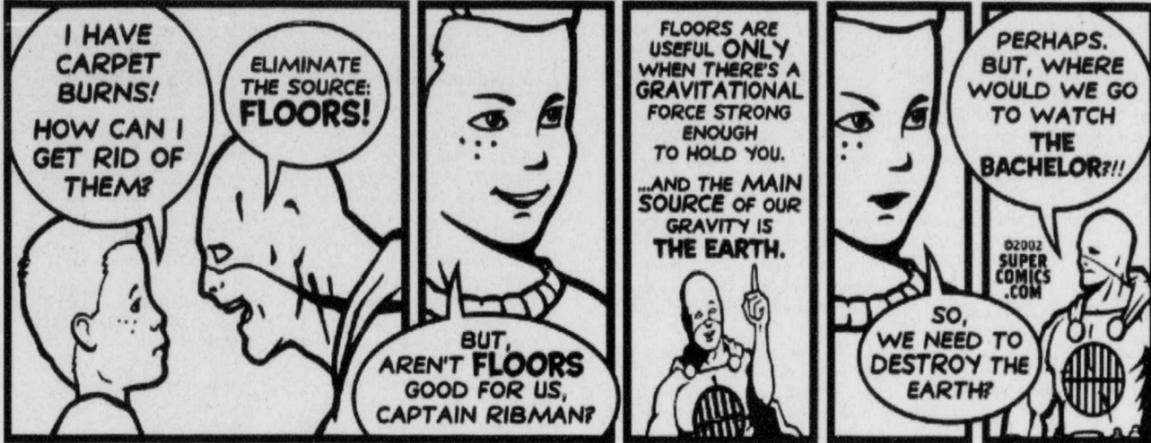
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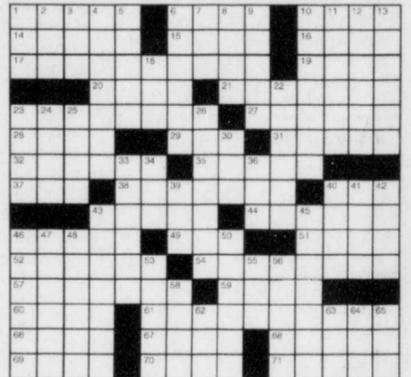


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- 6 Body art
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- 9 Like sonnets and odes
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- 11 Frozen taper
- 12 Four quarters
- 13 Expressions of contempt
- 18 Morsel for Dobbin
- 22 Raised
- 23 Pond growth
- 24 Ooze
- 25 Enticement
- 26 Poollen makers
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- 39 Mimic
- 40 Heap
- 41 Bauxite and galena
- 42 Low grades
- 43 Train crew's car
- 45 Valletta populace
- 46 Curly or Moe
- 47 Suppress
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SideLine

Volleyball team to face Houston in tournament

While finishing out its regular season, the volleyball team is making news off the court as well.

The team split a pair of matches over the weekend. The Frogs (12-17, 4-9 Conference USA) defeated East Carolina in four games Friday night and fell to Charlotte in five Saturday.

The split means the Frogs will enter the C-USA Healthy Choice Volleyball Tournament as the 10th seed, and face No. 7 Houston at 1 p.m. Friday afternoon.

The team fell to Houston twice this season, once at the Crowne Plaza Tournament on Sept. 6 (3-0), and again on Oct. 18 (3-0).

If the Frogs should advance past the Cougars, they would face second-seeded South Florida on Saturday.

Four players were also announced by head coach Prentice Lewis as signing letters of intent with TCU. Emily Allen, a 5-foot-10-inch outside hitter from San Jose, Calif., Stacy M. Dunklau, a 6-foot-1-inch middle blocker from Arlington, Neb., Jenna Miller, a 5-foot-10-inch outside hitter from Centerville, Ohio, and Anna Vaughn, a 6-foot-2-inch middle blocker from Grapevine have all inked with the Frogs.

Senior outside hitter Stephanie Watson was also named to the Verizon Academic All-District VI University Division Women's Volleyball third team.

— Jay Armstrong

Women's cross country team takes ninth place

The women's cross country team took ninth place at the South Central Regional meet held Saturday in Waco.

Freshman Alayne Thompson completed the 6K course in 21:51, 23rd overall. The top 25 finishers earn All-Region status.

Freshman teammates Heather Isbell and Katie Zielinski each finished in 22:27 to place 38th and 39th. Senior Shannon McKinney placed 87th, while freshman Katie Cosgrove rounded out the team, finishing 105th.

On the men's side, TCU sent just three runners to the regional meet and did not compete for the team title. Sophomore Steven Lenney was the Frogs' top finisher, placing 86th overall. He covered the 8K course in 33:46. Brad Maciulewicz and Case Martinec finished 112th and 113th, logging times of 34:39 and 34:41 respectively.

— Danny Gillham

Swimming, diving teams claim victory over weekend

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams took three of four meets this weekend, in competition against Centenary and Notre Dame.

On Friday night, the men defeated Notre Dame 117-105 at Wilkerson Greines Pool. Trailing 103-102 heading into the final race, TCU needed a victory in the 200-yard freestyle relay to win. The Frogs' team of David Tietze, Dana Kizer, Jeff Parkinson and Aaron Ewert came through, taking first (1:25.30).

Freshman Kelly McCain won both diving competitions Friday. He took the one-meter event with a score of 290.00 and tallied 299.25 to claim the three-meter title.

Sophomore Craig Chapman was the only other Horned Frog to earn an individual victory, winning the 200-yard backstroke in 1:51.78.

Saturday, the women's team won each of its nine events to defeat Centenary 92-70 Saturday afternoon at the Southlake Carroll ISD Aquatics Center.

The men's side beat Centenary 93-71, but Notre Dame avenged Friday night's loss, 121.5 to 102.5.

Sophomore Tiffany Strawn won three races to lead the women. She captured the 200 IM in 2:11.02, and also teamed with TCU's victorious 400 medley and freestyle relay teams. Sophomore Lisa Champ and freshman Jennifer Antisdale both added one individual and one relay victory to help propel the Frogs' efforts.

McCain again won the one-meter competition with a total of 286.65. Junior Chad Hummel added his first win of the season, notching 527.50 points to take the three-meter.

The women's seventh-straight win increased its overall record to 7-1 while the men remain above .500 at 5-4.

— Danny Gillham

Frogs win last tune-up before regular season

In their last exhibition game of the season, the Frogs battled a larger opponent in a 92-80 win.

BY DANNY GILLHAM
Sports Editor

With the average height of the Frogs being just under 6-5, the team knows it is at a disadvantage when playing most teams.

However the team says with its new commitments under head coach Neil Dougherty, the disadvantage will not be as great as in the past.

"Most of the teams we're going to play are going to be bigger than us," sophomore guard Corey Santee said. "But when we box and defend, we know we can rebound."

The Frogs had the chance to prove that point in its final exhibition game against Makesure Sport Saturday night at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Facing an athletic and taller squad, TCU out rebounded Makesure 44-43 and emphasized low-post offense in a 92-80 win.

The game did not lack physical play, and Dougherty said the team

was prepared for it.

"We were expecting that," Dougherty said. "You could see the size advantage they had in every position. When your scheduling exhibition games, you have to look for things that can maybe expose you a little bit, and you have time to go fix that."

Santee said the attacking style of

"We had the ball inside without finishing so many times, I'm afraid to court them..."

— Neil Dougherty
head coach

Makesure Sport was a benefit for the Frogs.

"We needed a team that would come after us hard defensively, deny the ball, so we could work on those things," Santee said.

Makesure stayed step for step with the Frogs in the first half, taking a 47-39 halftime lead. Contributing to the cause was the team's shooting percentage in the first 20 minutes (34.1).

"(What the coaching staff) told them at halftime was that I liked the shots we were getting," Dougherty said. "We were getting good looks at the basket, and weren't making any. We had the ball inside without finishing so many times, I'm afraid to court them."

Whatever bothered the Frogs though went away after the half.

The Frogs went on an 18-4 run to start the half, and 18 points off turnovers in the second half helped the team pull away for the 12-point victory.

The team was led by Santee with 19 points, 15 of which came in the second half. Senior forward Jamal Brown also was big inside. He had a team high 12 rebounds to compliment his six points.

With the team's next game being the season opener Friday at home against Washington State, Dougherty said this week will involve fine-tuning things like rotation and special situations.

"We're almost there," Dougherty said. "We've got a couple of things we need to add and then we'll be ready to start the season."

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TCU 92 Makesure Sport 80

TCU (92)
Santee 8-15 0-0 19, Merriex 6-8 0-0 15,
Blount 5-14 2-2 12, Chinweze 3-11 5-6
11, Smith 2-7 4-4 9, Brown 1-5 4-7 6,
Valsin 2-5 2-4 6, Sloan 2-5 2-2 6, Hobbs
1-4 2-2 4, Carter 2-3 0-0 4.

Makesure Sport (80)

Richmond 6-15 6-6 18, Jeffers 7-15 3-4
18, Pulliam 6-9 2-3 16, Montonati 4-12 4-
4 13, Benjamin 3-5 0-0 6, Sansom 2-4 0-
0 4, Eneas 1-2 1-2 3, Emanuel 1-2 0-0 2.

Rebounds — Makesure 43, TCU 44

Total fouls — Makesure 20, TCU 19

Attendance — 1722

Makesure	47	33	80
TCU	39	53	92

TCU 72 Okla. Flyers 65

TCU (72)
Pack 6-11 0-1 14, Shaw 3-11 5-6 12,
Browning 4-9 0-0 10, Wynn 4-9 2-2 10,
Irvin 4-12 1-4 9, Baldwin 2-4 2-2 6,
Ortega 3-5 0-0 6, Newton 2-5 0-0 4,
Evans 0-6 1-2 1.

Oklahoma Flyers (65)

Banks 3-11 6-6 15, Morrow 5-15 1-2 12,
Talbert 4-11 2-10 10, Arant 3-9 0-0 9,
Okla. Flyers 2-9 3-6 65,
Mayberry 2-9 0-0 5.

Rebounds — Okla. Flyers 50, TCU 51

Total fouls — Okla. Flyers 13, TCU 14

Attendance — 426

Okla. Flyers	29	36	65
TCU	34	38	72

Shrinking offensive role surprises Smith

The Cowboys are looking toward the future at running back, causing Emmitt Smith to lose time now.

BY STEPHEN HAWKINS
Associated Press

IRVING — Emmitt Smith knew his role with the Dallas Cowboys would change after he became the NFL career rushing leader. He just didn't expect it to get cut so much, so fast.

Two games after breaking Walter Payton's record, Smith had just eight carries for 22 yards in a 20-3 loss Sunday at Indianapolis.

The reason Smith didn't get the ball much was because the Cowboys wanted to get a look at backup Troy Hambrick. He carried seven times, gaining 42 yards.

Smith said Monday that coach Dave Campo never told him the change was going to be this drastic.

"They didn't make that clear at all," Smith said Monday. "I'm very disappointed by that. They have one expectation and I have a different one, and obviously their expectation is much greater than mine."

Smith is expected to remain the starter the final six games, but the Cowboys have to determine if Hambrick could be their featured back when Smith is gone.

"It probably wasn't specifically said, 'You are going to get this many carries, he's going to get this many carries.' It's a course-of-the-game type of thing," Campo said. "I can see where Emmitt might have gotten the feel that he was not told exactly how things were going to go."

With Smith unlikely to return under his current contract — he's due a base salary of at least \$7 million next year, when he will be 34 and in his 14th NFL season — the Cowboys have to evaluate Hambrick.

Hambrick, who has never been shy about his desire to play more and take over for Smith, says he deserves a chance.

"I have always admired Emmitt and his will and the things he's done over his career," Hambrick said Monday. "I just feel like it comes a time, it's not my call to say when it's time, but I'm a guy that wants to get my career off the ground and establish myself as a household name."

During training camp, Hambrick said he was the best running back in the organization, then he stayed relatively quiet during Smith's run to the record.

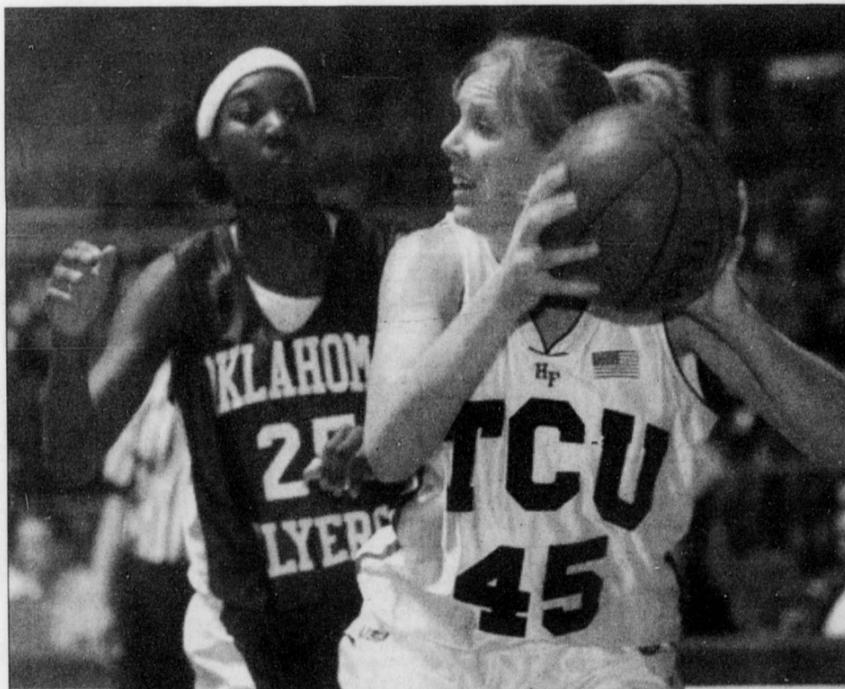
Last week, in a radio interview broadcast during Sunday's game, Hambrick hinted that Smith had nothing else to accomplish and could only tarnish his image by continuing to play.

Smith, who has won four rushing titles, three Super Bowls and MVPs for a regular season and a Super Bowl, said he isn't worried about hurting his legacy because he believes he can still produce.

He has 617 yards rushing this season, and 16,804 for his career. He's trying to extend his record of 11 straight 1,000-yard seasons.

Smith also said he doesn't have any problems with Hambrick. The two often eat lunch together and play dominoes.

Ready to go



Junior forward Tracy Wynn and the Lady Frogs won their last exhibition game Friday night against the Oklahoma Flyers, 72-65. The team opens the season Friday against Utah at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Defending champs now No. 1 in Bowl Championship standings

After barely beating Illinois, Ohio State lost the top spot in the BCS standings to Miami, but only by a slim margin.

BY ANDREA SZULSZTEYN
Associated Press

Miami finally moved atop the Bowl Championship Series standings — by the slimmest of margins.

The defending national champion Hurricanes squeaked past Ohio State, which needed overtime to beat Illinois 23-16 Saturday, in the latest standings released Monday. They edged the Buckeyes by 0.01 points, and the top two BCS teams have never been closer.

Miami, No. 1 in the AP media and coaches' polls, has 3.69 points to top the standings for the first time this season, while Ohio State has 3.70 points. Washington State is third with 9.11 points.

The tight margin will be meaningless if Ohio State (12-0) and Miami (9-0) — the only unbeaten teams remaining — win the rest of their games. The top two teams in the final BCS standings released Dec. 8 will play in the national title game at the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., on Jan. 3.

"The BCS really hasn't entered my mind," Miami coach Larry Coker said. "I don't think it's entered the minds of our players much. It's one of those things that's totally out of our control."

The Buckeyes' close win over Illinois was partly to blame for their drop. Ohio State lost the No. 1 spot in The New York Times computer poll to Miami this week, increasing its computer-rank average to 1.50 while the Hurricanes' was lowered to 1.33. That ranking is an average of seven different computer polls.

Miami, which did not play Saturday, also picked up points when its strength of schedule went from 1.60 to 1.36 this week. Ohio State, which has a composite total of 4.50, is so close to Miami because of a 0.8-point quality-win deduction for a victory over BCS No. 3 Washington State earlier this season.

Ohio State plays its regular-season finale against No. 12 Michigan (9-2) at home Saturday. Miami, which has won 31 straight games, hosts No. 17 Pittsburgh (8-2) on Thursday, then plays at Syracuse (4-7) and home against No. 13 Virginia Tech (8-2) on Dec. 7 to close out the season.

The Buckeyes are not concerned with the latest BCS standings.

"I don't care. It doesn't matter," Ohio State free safety Donnie Nickey said. "If we're 1 or 2, we're in the game. Let's do it."

Miami has 3.69 points — 1 for poll average, 1.33 for computer-rank average, 1.36 for strength of schedule, zero for losses and no bonus-point deduction.

Ohio State has 3.70 points — 2 for poll average, 1.50 for computer-rank average, 1.00 for strength of schedule and a 0.8 bonus-point deduction.

Washington State would be the biggest beneficiary if Ohio State or Miami slips up. Also hoping for help are No. 4 Oklahoma (10.75) and No. 5 Georgia (12.16).

The Fighting Irish (9-1) are guaranteed a spot if they finish in the top six of the final BCS standings. The Fighting Irish are not in a conference and play Rutgers on Saturday before ending the season at BCS No. 8 Southern California (8-2).

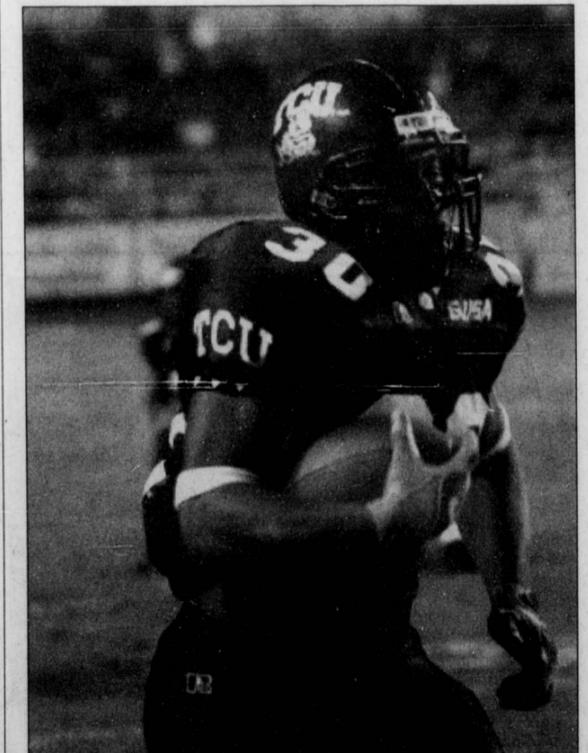
Oklahoma and Georgia received a 0.2 bonus-point deduction for beating Alabama even though the Crimson Tide are not listed in the standings. Preliminary BCS standings have the Crimson Tide at No. 9, but because of NCAA probation they cannot be included.

Without Alabama, Michigan is No. 9 and Texas is No. 10. The Longhorns dropped five spots after losing to Texas Tech 42-38 Saturday. Oklahoma also received a 0.1 deduction for beating Texas.

Miami hopes it doesn't drop in the BCS and can play for a second straight title.

"We have three tough games left," Coker said. "We know we have a much tougher challenge than just the BCS."

Moving on up



While the Frogs were idle this week, the team moved up in the polls and into sole possession of the conference lead. Read in Wednesday's Sports page for more information.