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War begins as missiles hit military targets

BY DAVID ESPO
Associated Press

The United States launched the opening salvo Wednesday night of a war to topple Saddam Hussein, firing cruise missiles and precision-guided bombs against targets in Baghdad.

"This will not be a campaign of half measures and we will accept no outcome but victory," President Bush said in an Oval Office address shortly after explosions ricocheted through the pre-dawn light of the Iraqi capital.

Defiant to the end, Saddam's state-run television broadcast this message to the Americans after the

bombs struck: "It's an inferno that awaits them. Let them try their faltering luck and they shall meet what awaits them."

Anti-aircraft tracer fire made arcs across the Baghdad sky as the American munitions bore in on their targets. A ball of fire shot skyward after one explosion.

Bush described the targets as being of "military importance."

A U.S. military official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said about three dozen cruise missiles were fired from a small number of ships — perhaps as few as two — in

the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf. The official said they were fired at "leadership targets," but he was not certain whether Saddam was a target.

Another official said the strikes were not part of the opening of the main air campaign but rather an attempt to take advantage of "time-sensitive" targets, meaning fresh intelligence on the whereabouts of Iraqi leaders.

Even so, it was clear from Bush's words that the war to topple the Iraqi dictator and eliminate his weapons of mass destruction had begun.

An American-led invasion force of 300,000 troops awaited the

broader order to strike. U.S. and British forces massed in the Kuwaiti desert close to the Iraqi border, giant B-52 warplanes were loaded with bombs and Tomahawk missile-carrying ships were in position, all awaiting an attack order from Bush.

Bush had given Saddam 48 hours to leave the country or face war.

The ultimatum expired at 8 p.m. EST — 4 a.m. Thursday in Baghdad, its population shrunken in recent days by an exodus of thousands of fearful residents.

Not long after, White House chief of staff Andrew Card informed the

president that intelligence officials had no information that Saddam had left Iraq, and Saddam's regime gave every appearance of digging in.

In the minutes after the deadline, Iraqi TV showed footage of a pro-Saddam march Tuesday in Baghdad, with members of the crowd chanting pro-Saddam slogans, some brandishing rifles and carrying pictures of Saddam.

"We are dedicated to martyrdom in defense of Iraq under your leadership," a loyal Iraqi parliament assured the Iraqi dictator, and armed members of the ruling Baath party deployed behind hundreds of sandbagged defen-

sive positions in Baghdad.

Even so, 17 Iraqi soldiers surrendered to American GIs during the day, eager to give up before the shooting started.

Bush met periodically throughout the day with his top aides at the White House and sent formal notice to Congress that reliance on "further diplomatic and other peaceful means alone" would not suffice to counter "the continuing threat posed by Iraq."

Fleischer, said the nation "ought to be prepared for the loss" of Amer-

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SECURITY BREACH

Possible identity theft hits campus; TCU prepared

BY EMILY BAKER
Staff Reporter

The handful of TCU students who fell victim to possible identity theft within the last two weeks and the information of more than 59,000 individuals at the University of Texas recently stolen by a hacker further prove that identity theft is an up-and-coming crime, TCU Police officials say.

Half a dozen TCU students received calls from someone claiming to be with the university or Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and asking to verify the individual's Social Security number, date of birth and other personal information, TCU Police Detective Kelly Ham said. The calls were received by students the week of and the week prior to Spring Break, Ham said.

"I suspect the callers were identity thieves out to get information, to get credit cards and other financial gain," Ham said.

The calls were all blocked and untraceable, Ham said. Because a crime has not been committed until the information is used by the

identity thief, there is not much the police can do to investigate, Ham said.

"I've told these students to keep an eye on their information to see if any illegal activity is happening," Ham said.

Ham said he did not know how the callers got the students' phone numbers and said there is not a way of knowing whether the easily accessed online directory is to blame.

Though identity thieves could potentially use information students voluntarily put in the directories, the TCU computer network is safe from hackers but not 100 percent fool-proof, Assistant Provost of Information Services David Edmondson said.

"I can't tell you that someone is not going to hack into the system," Edmondson said. "The only way to handle a threat is through minimizing the possibility of a threat and by being proactive rather than reactive."

Edmondson said the university spends close to \$250,000 a year on software and hardware designed to protect the network.

"If people in the world were honest, I could cut the budget by that much," Edmondson said. "But we take any threat to security seriously."

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New notes



Intensely involved in the piece, Zvonimir Nagy plays "Cloches d'adieu, et un sourire" ("Bells of farewell, and a smile") Wednesday night at TCU New Music Ensemble in PepsiCo Recital Hall.

Increase puts camp at top of list

BY BRENT YARINA
Staff Reporter

Frog Camp attracts a higher percentage of its incoming freshman class than any other university camp in the nation, Carrie Zimmerman, director of the first year experience, said.

Zimmerman said since Frog Camp was created in 1994, the popularity of the program has increased each year. In its first year, only 9 percent of the incoming freshman class attended Frog Camp, she said.

In 1998, however, Frog Camp attracted 52 percent of the freshman class. Zimmerman said last summer, 60 percent of freshmen attended the camp.

"The goal of Frog Camp is to provide the students with a smooth transition into college," Zimmerman said. "We want them to learn as much about TCU as possible. We want them to know the cheers of the university, the older students and the faculty before classes start."

She said students who attend Frog Camp experience an easier transition into college, compared to those who do not attend the camp. In fact, the average first-year retention of freshmen has increased from 76 percent to 82 percent since the camp's first year, she said.

"Frog Camp gives them the advantage to succeed at TCU," Zimmerman said. "I also feel it raises a student's comfort level and shows them what it means to be a TCU student."

However, Zimmerman said, the primary reason for the dramatic increase in Frog Camp at-

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FrogPages re-launched

BY BRADEN HOWELL
Staff Reporter

After an almost four-year hiatus, a Web site completely tailored to the needs of students was re-launched Wednesday, said Trent Walton, a senior computer information science major. FrogPages.com is dedicated to providing TCU students with information for almost every aspect of their lives, he said.

Walton and business majors Larry Chandler, a senior, and Michael Hennig, a freshman, are the driving force behind the re-

emergence of FrogPages.com.

After talking to students, Chandler said, the team decided FrogPages.com was something the TCU community needed, and decided to bring the Web site back.

Walton was one of the founding fathers of the original FrogPages.com, but after a year and a half, he said he decided to call it quits. However, at the urging of Chandler and Hennig, Walton said he finally agreed that it was time to bring back the Web site.

The new Web site offers different sections of information they found most valuable to TCU students, including links to directories of local night life, food delivery and teacher reviews.

Teacher reviews are submitted by other students and can be located by teacher name, department or even course number. Walton said this section is the Web site's best feature.

"The recommendations page is

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Ethicist William May to speak at Kelly Center

BY LARA HENDRICKSON
Staff Reporter

William F. May, renowned lecturer and ethicist, is presenting speeches and answering questions today regarding ethics in the post Sept. 11 and professional world, Larry Adams, assistant provost of Academic Affairs said Wednesday.

May will first speak to students and faculty at 3:30 p.m. in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center about the similarities in ethics between various professional groups. He said professionals often do not see themselves as appreciated or important, leading to unethical behaviors.

"(Professionals) tend to obscure for themselves their obligations to the

common good," May said. "The lecture will explore professionals today as they struggle with a double identity, both as a means to a livelihood but also as a common calling to public service."

May's second lecture, a public address at 7 p.m. in the Kelly Center, will focus on anxieties over the role of the United States as the "world's policeman," May said.

"The lecture will reflect on the moral shift in national self-perception that playing that role would entail," May said. "Students will need to think carefully about the kind of identity they believe leadership should aspire to and (what) citizenship (should) entail."

Both lectures will be followed by question and answer sessions where students and faculty are encouraged to bring up issues, May said.

Adams said he invited May to speak after several faculty members who had previously heard him rec-

ommended his lectures. He said this is an opportunity for students and faculty to hear from and question a distinguished ethicist.

"In our ongoing emphasis of trying to bring various lecturers, we invited Dr. May," Adams said. "Given his experiences, I would hope he shares his insight on ethics, specifically in looking at the role it plays in the larger society."

Journalism professor Maggie Thomas said she has seen May speak before, and that all students and faculty should listen to what he has to say.

"It will be interesting to see how (May) relates his views to the current world situation," Thomas said. "His speech should be timely and thought provoking."

Thomas also said students and faculty should take advantage of May's background and stay after the lectures to ask pertinent questions.

"He will provide a perspective

about what is going on in relation to ethics," Thomas said. "He is quite a deep thinker."

Junior finance major Brandon Haverly said he is interested in hearing what May has to say about ethics in the professional world.

"Especially after Enron, white collar crimes are in the media more and more," Haverly said. "Ethics is currently a huge topic of discussion in the business world."

May is a professor of ethics at Southern Methodist University, president of the Society of Christian Ethics and a member of President Bush's Council on Bioethics. He is also the author of several books, and in 2001 he published a study of ethics in eight professions, entitled "The Beleaguered Rulers: The Public Obligation of the Professional," he said.

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FRIDAY
High: 62; Low: 42; Partly Cloudy

SATURDAY
High: 58; Low: 42; Showers

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1852 — Harriet Beecher Stowe's anti-slavery novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was published.

1952 — Humphrey Bogart received his first and only Oscar, for Best Actor in "The African Queen."

1995 — Several packages of deadly sarin gas were set off in the Tokyo subway system, killing 12 people and injuring more than 5,000. Invented by the Nazis, sarin gas is one of the most lethal nerve gases known to man.

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■ **The criminal justice department** presents the Community Corrections Forum from 3 to 7 p.m. today in Moudy Building South, Room 320. For more information, contact Kelli Stevens at (817) 257-5424.

■ **"Ethical Leadership in the Post-9/11 Era,"** a presentation by Dr. William May, a member of President Bush's Council on Bioethics, will be at 7 p.m. today in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center. For more information, call (817) 257-7104.

■ **The radio-TV-film department** presents "The Vikings" (1958), starring Kirk Douglas at 7 p.m. today in Moudy Building South, Room 164. For more information, call (817) 257-7630.

■ **Fort Worth Guitar Society** presents a performance by Karin Schupp at 8 p.m. today in PepsiCo Recital Hall. For more information, call (817) 498-0363 or visit (www.guitarsociety.org).

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WAR

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ican lives once the military effort begins to depose Saddam and recover weapons of mass destruction. Aides said the commander in chief would decide on timing based on the advice of his military commanders.

manders.

More than 25 protesters were arrested outside the White House, part of a larger group of demonstrators that chanted, banged drums and carried signs that read, "Stop the War on Iraq."

It seemed unlikely in the extreme. Along with the U.S.-led force approaching 300,000 troops massed

in the Persian Gulf region were 1,000 combat aircraft and five aircraft carrier battle groups. The United States claims the public and private support of 45 other nations in a coalition to topple Saddam. But only Britain, with about 40,000 troops, was making a sizable contribution to the military force.

In a run-up to war, U.S. aircraft

also dropped nearly 2 million leaflets over southern Iraq with a variety of messages, including, for the first time, instructions to Iraqi troops on how to capitulate to avoid being killed.

Hundreds of miles away, at an air base in England, crews loaded bombs aboard giant B-52 combat aircraft.

Apart from the desire to capture

weapons of mass destruction, Bush's submission to Congress said a military attack could lead to the discovery of information that would allow the apprehension of terrorists living in the United States. An attack, it said, "is a vital part of the international war on terrorism."

THEFT

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The UT system was hacked into because it lacked sufficient preventative measures, Edmondson said. The hacker might not have been successful if the UT network contained the security measures taken at TCU, Edmondson said.

The TCU network is protected by a firewall that logs activities of users trying to hack in the system and shuts out any invasive action, Edmondson said. Another firewall is in place to protect against hacking into the database that contains personal information, Edmondson said. Intrusion detection software is

also on the network to block ill-meaning users, Edmondson said. Another security device is the antivirus software on the network, Edmondson said. Students and faculty are required to change their user password every 90 days to further secure the network, he said.

Aside from that, Edmondson said, a key part of student safety is the fact that information is recorded by student ID number rather than by Social Security number. There are also physical barriers including locks and a card-swipe security system that protects the hardware, Edmondson said.

Regular check-ups are performed on the network, and a two-month evaluation of the network

was recently completed, Edmondson said. Efforts have begun to patch areas that could be subject to attack, he said.

A few things can be done to minimize the risk for identity theft, such as keeping passwords secret and being sure to logoff after using campus computers, Edmondson said.

Ham said not to give out personal information to strangers, not to leave bills and other documents with private information in plain sight and not to carelessly discard documents with private information where someone could go through the trash and retrieve it.

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CAMP

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tendance is the result of the camp's endless recruiting and its great reputation.

"To interest students in Frog Camp, we hound them to death," Zimmerman said.

Prospective students are either receiving phone calls from current students or postcards from the university publicizing the camps on a regular basis, she said.

Mike Shank-Taylor, director of fun, said Frog Camp is successful because it provides students with the opportunity to be surrounded by others who are in the same position as themselves. He said every freshman comes to the university overwhelmed by the thought of entering college but that Frog Camp elimi-

nates this feeling because it allows the student to get established in their new community.

"Frog Camp is a great way to introduce students to college life," Shank-Taylor said. "Students become more comfortable with TCU and its surroundings after attending Frog Camp, which makes them more accepting of the university."

Erin Campbell, Casa Nueva assistant director, said Frog Camp is successful because it ensures students that they will have friends when they attend the first day of classes.

"Freshmen who go to Frog Camp feel more confident on that first day due to the introduction of TCU they receive from their peers, the facilitators and the faculty," Campbell said.

Another reason for the popularity of Frog Camp is that freshmen are able to establish relationships with upperclassmen who they can trust and go to for advice, she said.

Jennifer Scott, a freshman radio-TV-film major, said her experiences at the Quest Frog Camp were so great that she plans to become a facilitator.

"I enjoyed Frog Camp a lot and met two of my best friends while there," Scott said. "I'm glad my dad forced me to go because it was fun and I think it had a positive effect."

In its nine years, Zimmerman said, Frog Camp has grown both in popularity and availability. She said as more students attended the camp, it became necessary to expand the activities and locations of Frog Camp in order to meet every student's needs.

Frog Camp sessions have included "Resolana," "Alpine," "Challenge, Quest and Casa Nueva," she said.

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WEB SITE

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very useful when registering for classes, and I'll be sure to add my thoughts on a couple of professors," Laura Schade, a senior political science major, said.

Senior marketing major Gerard Ewing said he is happy the Web site contains so much information about life outside the TCU campus.

"It seems that at times TCU remains isolated from the Fort Worth community," Ewing said. "This might be an excellent way of integrating the two."

Freshman business major Jessica Morina said the Web site is particularly helpful for freshmen.

"It's great because a lot of us freshmen don't know what's around the campus," Morina said. "The food delivery is especially helpful since most of us live in (residence halls) and have to park a mile away. It's much easier to just get food delivered."

Chandler said he is pleased with the response from students and is excited about improving the Web site in the future. The site will be down this summer while the team restructures it to make it as efficient as possible.

Walton said the team hopes to eventually hire an outside com-

pany to make the Web site better. He said features they are adding to the site include a group study section where students will be able to post files, comments and online shopping.

The Web site is the pilot project for the Collegiate Entrepreneur Organization (CEO), a club designed to help students who want to start their own businesses.

"Students who have ideas for a business can run it past the business plan committee, and CEO will help them get started," Walton said. "This is the first project so we're excited to see how it goes."

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NewsBriefs

Services to be held for retired Brite professor

Funeral services for Hunter Beckelhymer, an emeritus retired professor of homiletics at the Brite Divinity School, will be at 2 p.m. Friday at South Hills Christian Church, said Mary Nell Kirk, executive assistant to the chancellor.

Beckelhymer died Monday at age 83, said J. Cy Rowell, an emeritus professor of religious education at Brite. Beckelhymer died in his sleep after suffering from dementia for about 10 years, Rowell said.

"He was a very optimistic person," Rowell said. "He always had stories to tell."

Stan Hagadone, director of Brite admissions, said Beckelhymer and his family would always welcome students into their home.

"I remember having Thanksgiving dinner at his house one year when I was unable to go home," said Hagadone, one of Beckelhymer's former students. "He made sure I had a place to go that day and I know he did the same for other students."

Beckelhymer, a former pastor, was very devoted to serving the church, Rowell said.

"He always spoke fondly of being a pastor," Rowell said. "Even though he was a professor, he never forgot his roots."

Beckelhymer's daughter, Chris Seigfried said he loved TCU and supported the athletic teams even when they weren't winning many games.

"He was a diehard fan," Seigfried said. "An ardent supporter of TCU athletics."

Corinne Shaffer, another of Beckelhymer's three daughters, said that in the 1970s, her father was one of the first professors to use video cameras to help his students learn.

"He videotaped his students preaching to others, so that the preacher could see himself as others would see him," Shaffer said. "Now it seems like old hat, but he was one of the first to do that."

Beckelhymer and his wife, Betty, were long-time members of South Hills Christian Church, Rowell said.

Beckelhymer also loved to travel

and take pictures of the places he visited, Rowell said.

"He used to have parties after they'd been on a trip and he would make slides and show his pictures," Rowell said. "Everybody liked to go to his parties and see his pictures."

The TCU flag was lowered to half staff Tuesday in memory of Beckelhymer, Kirk said.

— Jessica Sanders

Staff members learn recruitment methods

TCU staff members learned methods on how to relate their perspectives to incoming students, and their role in marketing and recruitment Wednesday at "Marketing TCU."

The presentation was sponsored by the TCU Staff Assembly as one of the two educational programs provided every fall and spring, said Alice Carter, chairwoman of the Professional Development Committee. Carrie Zimmerman and Ben Alexander were the program's presenters.

Zimmerman, director of the first year experience, focused her presentation on such information as the background and values of the class of 2007. Independent, realistic and technologically astute are examples of all the student's traits, she said. The students are also eager to promote change, she said.

Zimmerman said learning the difference between staff and student backgrounds and values is important because it shows the needs of incoming students and ways in which to impact these students.

Zimmerman also discussed the dependence that students and staff have on each other.

"Our job as a staff is to remember we are here for the students," Zimmerman said. "It's a give and take relationship. They need us and we need them."

Alexander, director of admissions marketing, said he showed the staff ways recruitment is done, such as mailings, phone calls, Internet and e-mails.

He said prospective students are encountering staff through visits, phone calls and e-mails, and that they play an important role in marketing and recruitment.

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Here's to a safe return of our troops

Protest is not unpatriotic.

If it were not for protest (think Boston Tea Party), the United States would probably be nonexistent and hot tea and scones would be the snack of choice.

Yet in classrooms all across campus, student debates are addressing the issue of whether someone opposing President Bush's plan to wage war on Iraq is not a patriot.

Not supporting the decision to attack another nation is a legitimate standpoint. Very few wars in history have been championed unanimously.

With so many differing opinions on why we are actually going to war, it is natural that there are people who do not agree and who will be vocal about it. Fortunately, they live in a country where free speech is not only guaranteed, but encouraged.

Just because people do not support the war does not mean they do not love their country or wish for the safety of troops while they are at home or abroad.

Quite the contrary actually.

The men and women of the armed forces are under the command of the president, and as such, they are required to follow the orders of their commander in chief. They did not choose to go to war; they were ordered to go.

Being a member of the armed forces is not only a calling, but a job, whether it is career military personnel or members of the reserves. They are making a living and we admire them for choosing a career path that provides protection for their fellow citizens while placing themselves in the line of fire.

We send our hopes and best wishes that they will return safely — and soon.



The Other View

NCAA right for not postponing tournament

March Madness took on a new meaning this week, as the NCAA stood on an hour-by-hour alert, awaiting U.S. military action in Iraq. Following President Bush's address Monday night, NCAA officials became concerned that bombings would begin today, coinciding with the tournament's first round.

Questions arose regarding whether proceeding with the games was appropriate despite a war, which the NCAA has duly noted. It is important that life in the United States doesn't slow to a halt while military action commences in the Middle East.

Immediately following the president's remarks, the nation's terror alert level rose from yellow to orange, prompting safety concerns nationwide. But according to the president of NCAA, Myles Brand, the tournament's potential suspension was based more on sensitivity than worry.

"We don't know when (war) will start, and we have to be respectful of our men and women in uniform," Brand said. "On the other hand, I think we have to be very careful not to let Saddam Hussein control our lives. We have to balance those."

Teams were told to travel to their first round locations, but that they could be stranded there for

an undetermined amount of time if the games were delayed.

Now that the games are scheduled to go on as planned, CBS may still shift its coverage to other Viacom-owned networks so it can pay attention to the war effort. Fans may be watching the tournament on ESPN, UPN, TNN, BET or even MTV.

Though sensitivity concerns are warranted given the nature of the situation, the NCAA is right to go forward with the tournament. Political leanings and opinions on the war can be put aside for this event and each game can be dedicated to honoring those in the service and the innocent people involved in this conflict.

Canceling an event that brings people together in a difficult time is counterproductive.

Also, as Myles has said, people cannot afford to live in fear. Security can be heightened and safety maintained at arenas, so the orange terror level should not dissuade NCAA officials from moving forward.

The United States and the world are entering a dark time, but the NCAA can now respond by honoring those involved and helping to keep things normal in the states. Despite the war in Iraq and on terrorism, the games must go on.

This is a staff editorial from The Pitt News at the University of Pittsburgh. This column was distributed by U-Wire.

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Point/Counterpoint

The Issue: Is war against Iraq justified?

Perils of war aren't worth risk

In his speech to the nation Monday night, President Bush attempted to make his case for a war with Iraq. Through twisted phrases and untrustworthy evidence, he hoped to gain popular support for his plans — but in doing so he alienated long cherished allies and some of his support here at home.

COMMENTARY



Jeff Brubaker

And what did his speech say about Iraq's future? Will the United States truly "liberate" the people or merely replace their current despot with a more compliant one?

Many of the 30 nations the Bush administration named as the "coalition of the willing" are questionable partners at best. Several are small and frankly minor states that have little influence militarily or politically.

In others, the decision to join Bush's campaign does not reflect the wishes of the people.

This is most relevant in Britain, where millions frequently demonstrate against the intentions of the United States. Many in Prime Minis-

ter Tony Blair's cabinet have resigned in protest. Blair, who has been criticized as being Bush's pet before, may very well be committing political suicide, not only for himself but for his Labor Party as well.

French relations will be most damaged by a war with Iraq. How will the United States deal with a France bitter about galling imperialist? France is also a core member of the European Union. How will trade be impacted by an angry coalition of European states? Can our struggling economy survive such troubles?

In his speech, Bush described Americans as a "peaceful people." Polls continually show a large portion of the population is against a war without the support of the United Nations. Now that we are going ahead with just that, how will those people react? Massive demonstrations are already being planned for the day the bombs begin to fall. Will President Bush continue to ignore the protesting multitudes?

Nevertheless the most important matter at hand is what will happen to Iraq after the war is over. It has been predicted that 3,000 bombs will be dropped on Iraq in the first 48 hours of the war. No matter

how "smart" a bomb is, thousands of civilians will perish. Countless homes will be destroyed.

Is the United States prepared to rebuild those homes? With the economic slump, how will the United States fund the rebuilding without the financial support of other nations? And what will become of the Iraqi government? Bush said that "we will help you build a free Iraq." But how can we insure that? In the discussions held here at TCU the week before Spring Break, many students were enlightened about the ethnic situation in Iraq — the distinct divisions between Kurds, Sunnis and the majority of Shi'ites. How will President Bush bring forth a just government from the feuding factions?

It is an understatement to say that the possibilities are staggering. The roots of decades of conflict may grow in the next few weeks, and the United States will be held directly responsible.

Let us hope when President Bush said "the tyrant will soon be gone" he was speaking in the long term.

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U.N. resolutions rendered useless

"I strongly believe that the administration should advocate for the continuation of U.N. weapons inspections for another three to six weeks, the institution of a series of benchmarks — or specific demands for Iraq to meet — and a second U.N. Security Council Resolution that will assess Iraq's compliance with these concrete demands for disarmament established by international consensus, not unilaterally."

— Rep. Robert Wexler, D-Fla., March 12, 2003.

So it has come to this: The countries and people not serious about disarming Saddam Hussein now desire a second resolution to enforce U.N. Resolution 1441, which was written to enforce U.N. Resolution 687, which recalled and reaffirmed U.N. resolutions 660, 661, 662 and so on. The United Nations' charade of resolutions is becoming more and more like a parent telling a child, again and again, to turn off the Nintendo at bedtime.

U.N. Resolution 687, remember, stipulated that Iraq shall "accept destruction" of "all chemical and biological weapons and all stocks of agents and all related subsystems and components and all research, development, support and manufacturing facilities." What other "benchmarks" do Wexler, France and other gullible nations need besides the pictures of Iraqis rolling out Al-Samoud missiles Hussein said they did not have?

If a second resolution is needed to enforce 1441, then 1441 has effectively meant nothing. The events of the past six months will not have been wasted since they have been useful in elucidating new roles for the United Nations in the world.

It is, more than anything else, a place for national psychotherapy. A place where Angola sits next to

England and says to itself, "I'm good enough, I'm smart enough and, doggone it, people like me." The design of the United Nations, (Articles of Confederation meets Keystone Cops), means those countries with populations less than Connecticut's can exercise undeserved power when votes are needed for diplomatic cosmetics.

But some countries not lacking in self-esteem enjoy the delights of the United Nations in their own way. France sees the United Nations as a place where it can matter, and, more important, an instrument through which it can be the harness on American power.

France is a country with a permissive attitude toward Hussein's regime and is therefore a country not suited to fighting him. Financial intermingling aside, the French government knows Saddam's missiles are not likely to be pointed at Paris.

People who understand this should not be worried that there is little support of war to disarm Saddam.

In England, where upward of 45 percent of the public opposes any invasion of Iraq, Clare Short, a minister, is considering quitting because the British will engage in war without "U.N. authority." Short's view of the United Nations is pervasive in Europe, where countries pool power in hopes of multiplying it. If Short wants to live in a country that must ask permission from other nations to make war, she should move to France.

And if the United Nations needs another resolution to take its previous resolutions seriously, then it will have proven it is not a body worthy of being taken seriously.

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Your View

Letters to the Editor

Current protests aren't similar to 1960s version

I would like to take issue with Jeff Brubaker's editorial printed in the March 6 edition of the Skiff. Brubaker's opinion seems to lack any kind of actual insight into his proposed comparison between the anti-war protests of the 1960s and those of peace activists today.

First of all, Brubaker asserts that hundreds of thousands of Americans have "taken to the streets" recently to protest President Bush's plans for war with Iraq. Really? I hadn't noticed. If the protest held here on our own campus is any indication of just how many people are flooding the streets to voice their dissent, then I am sure the administration is thinking twice about moving forward.

Furthermore, Brubaker implies that there is a significant number of people in this country who regard the peace movement of the '60s as a "blip on the political radar screens." This is ludicrous. Even those who, at the time, believed wholeheartedly that the United States should stay in Vietnam until victory was accomplished, would now agree that the anti-war protests of the time greatly influenced and changed the landscape of our country, socially and politically.

Another assertion on Brubaker's part that seemed rather naive was the way he downplayed our forefathers as "protesters of their government." They may have started out as protesters, but if Brubaker intends to draw some kind of similarity between the framers and protesters of the current situation then he must be implying that a revolt is next.

I believe I understand what Brubaker is trying to express in his piece. The people of this country are ensured the right to speak and assemble freely, no matter what they want to say. I agree with Brubaker. However, comparing our current state of affairs to the social and political statement of the 1960s anti-war, anti-establishment movement is a massive overstatement, wrought with a lack of respect and knowledge of just how dedicated and incensed those protesters were. I would love to see our society get that excited about anything in this day and age.

I totally support this administration and its current actions in the United Nations and in the Middle East, but I would be absolutely impressed to see hundreds of thousands of people in the streets standing up for what they believe is right. However, I don't think it's going to happen. The "flower-power" train may not have left the station yet, but the apathy train pulled away a long time ago. Just look around.

— Justin Meeks, senior speech communication major

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National/International Roundup

Deteriorating relations worsen as Cuba confirms restrictions on U.S. diplomats

HAVANA (AP) — Already frayed Cuba-U.S. relations unraveled further as the communist government announced the detentions of several dozen opponents and confirmed that U.S. diplomats may no longer move freely around the island.

An official statement read on state television's evening news Tuesday accused the chief of Washington's diplomatic mission in Havana, James Cason, of trying "to foment the internal counterrevolution."

"No nation, no matter how powerful, has the right to organize, finance and serve as a center for subverting the constitutional order," the statement said.

In Washington, a State Department official said American authorities had not yet had time to study Havana's announcement. State Department officials last week re-

ported the travel restrictions on its diplomats in Havana, but the Cuban government did not confirm the new measures until Tuesday.

The Cuban statement did not describe the restrictions, but U.S. officials have said American diplomats here now must get prior approval to travel outside the 434-square-mile area that includes Havana and surrounding Havana Province — less than 5 percent of the largest island in the Caribbean.

Arafat appoints Palestinian to prime minister position under intense pressure

RAMALLÁH, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat appointed his longtime deputy Mahmoud Abbas as prime minister Wednesday, a senior official said, marking the first time that Arafat has been forced to share power.

Arafat sent a letter to Abbas, the No. 2 in the PLO, asking him to form a new Cabinet, said Palestinian Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat. Abbas, widely known as Abu Mazen, has five weeks to complete the task.

Also Wednesday, gunmen from a Palestinian militant group killed an Israeli motorist near a Jewish settlement in the northern West Bank.

Cause for Columbia shuttle crash might never be found; several factors involved

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss. (AP) — Investigators may never find a single definitive cause for the destruction of the space shuttle Columbia, NASA administrator Sean O'Keefe said Wednesday.

Contributing factors could include hardware failure, failures of processes and procedures during the flight or bad judgment calls, O'Keefe told the NASA Advi-

sory Council at Stennis Space Flight Center. He did not elaborate on those factors.

"I bet it's going to be a combination of all three," O'Keefe said during an address to the council, which is comprised of private professionals who advise NASA on various issues.

"We're six weeks into this and there's not going to be an 'ah-hah'," he said.

O'Keefe said he does expect answers that will enable NASA to return the shuttle to flight.

"My personal sense is that the problem is definable and the problem is fixable," O'Keefe said.

In New Orleans, NASA's deputy associate administrator for spaceflight Michael Kostelnik led a meeting to discuss how to keep the shuttle program active through 2015. The two-day meeting was billed as the beginning of the space agency's process of determining how to extend the lifespan of the orbiters.

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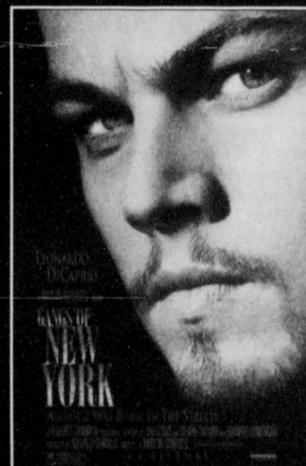
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75th Annual Academy Awards

'Chicago' leads the pack with 13 nominations



BY DAVID REESE
Features editor

The Academy of Motion Pictures, Arts and Sciences is a strange group. The Oscar is the biggest honor bestowed on those involved with film. The actual award ceremony can be quite disturbing; it usually runs more than three hours, sometimes even four. It should be an interesting evening, no one is a sure-bet. The film "Chicago" has the most nominations with 13 and most likely is favored to win the best picture race. At the moment, it does not look like there will be a film to dominate the awards like in years past. But if one film can do it, "Chicago" will. Expect some surprise wins, one of the acting trophies always goes to a surprise winner such as Marcia Gay Harden, Jim Broadbent, Marisa Tomei and Anna Paquin in the past. The show will air on ABC (Channel 8) at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. The ceremony will feature host Steve Martin and other presenters such as Halle Berry, Michael Douglas and Richard Gere.

Best Picture

- "Chicago"
- "Gangs of New York"
- "The Hours"
- "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers"
- "The Pianist"

Should win: "The Hours"
Will win: "Chicago"

"Chicago" has definitely been the front-runner since the nominations have been announced. It has earned more than a \$100 million at the box office and has some of the most glamorous actors in the world. In other years, "The Hours" would have dominated but the three complicated, intertwined stories in the film may have confused some voters, which will cost the film the top honor.

Best Director

- Pedro Almodovar "Talk to Her"
- Stephen Daldry "The Hours"
- Rob Marshall "Chicago"
- Roman Polanski "The Pianist"
- Martin Scorsese "Gangs of New York"

Should win: Rob Marshall "Chicago"
Will win: Martin Scorsese "Gangs of New York"

All of these men deserve their nominations, all of the films were beautifully directed. Almodovar, Daldry and Polanski should relish in their nominations because this horseshoe will come down to Marshall and Scorsese. If voters are on a "Chicago" rampage, then Marshall will get it. If sentimentality is on voters' minds then Scorsese will win it, although he is winning it from his past work in "Taxi Driver," "Raging Bull" and "GoodFellas," not "Gangs of New York."

Best Actor

- Adrien Brody "The Pianist"
- Nicolas Cage "Adaptation"
- Michael Caine "The Quiet American"
- Daniel Day-Lewis "Gangs of New York"
- Jack Nicholson "About Schmidt"

Should win: Jack Nicholson "About Schmidt"
Will win: Daniel Day-Lewis "Gangs of New York"

If Nicholson wins, he will tie Katharine Hepburn's record of four Academy Awards. He is the likely favorite in the category and he is incredible. But my presumption is that the Academy will not give it to him, they'll give it to Day-Lewis for his comeback performance.

Best Actress

- Salma Hayek "Frida"
- Nicole Kidman "The Hours"
- Diane Lane "Unfaithful"
- Julianne Moore "Far From Heaven"
- Renee Zellweger "Chicago"

Should win: Julianne Moore "Far From Heaven"
Will win: Nicole Kidman "The Hours"

A nose will say it all. Kidman's portrayal of Virginia Woolf in "The Hours," is superb but I question many aspects of her nomination. First, she has less time in the picture than both of her film contemporaries, Meryl Streep and Julianne Moore, yet Kidman is the lead actress nominee. Plus, there has been a tremendous amount of press about her prosthetic nose. If it is the nose that is so intriguing then maybe the Oscar for best makeup should go to "The Hours," not the best actress award. Moore's performance in "Far From Heaven," is the best in this category and maybe in 10 years, but she does not have the glamour or appeal that Kidman has.

Best Supporting Actor

- Chris Cooper "Adaptation"
- Ed Harris "The Hours"
- Paul Newman "Road to Perdition"
- John C. Reilly "Chicago"
- Christopher Walken "Catch Me If You Can"

Should win: Ed Harris "The Hours"
Will win: Chris Cooper "Adaptation"

None of the men in this category are very appealing. All of them are quite boring. Cooper has the early buzz with previous wins from the Golden Globes and other major national review groups. If any of the actors win, it will be fine. Harris has been nominated four previous times and he is the sentimental favorite. He is only in two scenes in "The Hours," which may hurt his chances.

Best Supporting Actress

- Kathy Bates "About Schmidt"
- Queen Latifah "Chicago"
- Julianne Moore "The Hours"
- Meryl Streep "Adaptation"
- Catherine Zeta-Jones "Chicago"

Should win: Kathy Bates "About Schmidt"
Will win: Catherine Zeta-Jones "Chicago"

Bates has given the funniest female supporting performance in a long time. She makes the film a lot more upbeat and friendly. Unfortunately, there is an ageism in Hollywood and Bates is over 50. The supporting actress category tends to go to younger women. Streep has a decent chance since she hasn't won in more than 20 years but I think Zeta-Jones has to be the front-runner. She is a Hollywood darling and she has a large role.

Best Foreign Language Film

- "El Crimen del Padre Amaro" (Mexico)
- "Hero" (China)
- "The Man Without a Past" (Finland)
- "Nowhere in Africa" (Germany)
- "Zus & Zo" (The Netherlands)

Should win: "El Crimen del Padre Amaro" (Mexico)
Will win: "Nowhere in Africa" (Germany)

The films that should have won the best foreign language film Oscar are two films that were not even nominated. Both "Talk to Her" from Spain and "Y Tu Mama Tambien" from Mexico were critically-acclaimed yet their home countries did not submit the two films as their official selection for the award. Instead, Mexico submitted "El Crimen del Padre Amaro," which in my book is the best picture in the group but expect Germany's "Nowhere in Africa" to take home the award.



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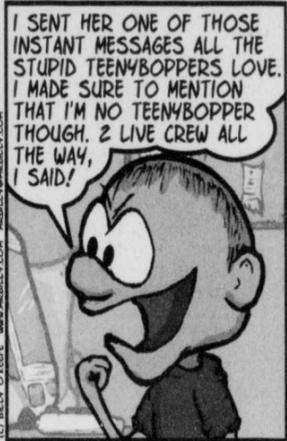
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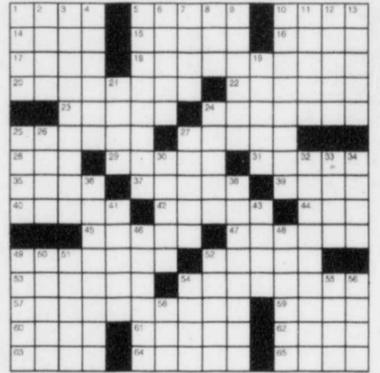


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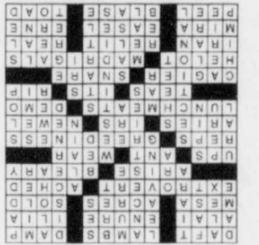
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The Sideline

ITA releases new computer rankings, TCU ranks No. 35

The Intercollegiate Tennis Association has released the first set of computer generated team rankings. The Frogs, who as of last week stood at No. 32 are now at No. 35.

The computer rankings are compiled using a different method than has been used in the past seven weeks. The computer determines how a team has performed during the entire season rather than how they have done in the past week.

In addition, these computer rankings are established based on where the opponent team is ranked this week, not where they were ranked when the match was played.

Today's scheduled men's tennis double header against Abilene Christian and Wichita State will now only be one match. No. 32 TCU will take on Wichita State 2 p.m. today.

WSU is not ranked by the ITA in the most recent rankings released March 12.

— courtesy of
(www.gofrogs.com)

Bruins fire coach as team struggles to make playoffs

BOSTON (AP) — Robbie Ftorek was fired as coach of the Boston Bruins Wednesday, leaving a team that started the season well but is now struggling to make the playoffs.

General manager Mike O'Connell replaces Ftorek on an interim basis.

The Bruins had the NHL's best record at 19-4-3-1 Dec. 8, but slipped to 33-28-8-4 and into seventh place in the Eastern Conference.

Tennis team grabs second-straight win

Frogs sweep doubles point against Utah

BY SHELLI MANCHACA
Skiff Staff

The women's tennis team notched its second straight win Wednesday afternoon at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center after beating Utah 5-0 in a match that was shortened due to inclement weather.

The win brings TCU's record to 6-5 overall and 2-1 in Conference USA. Early in the match, junior Paty Aburto and senior Rosa Perez gained vital points by ousting Cassie Kasteler and Ellen Svensson of Utah, 8-0, in their doubles'

match. Junior Saber Pierce and doubles' partner sophomore Karla Mancinas defeated Maria Svensson and Allison Hansen, 8-4, while senior Brenna Shackelford and sophomore Ivonne Andrade beat Utah's Sheri Esrock and Rachel Alder, 8-4.

Prior to Wednesday's matchup against Utah, the Frogs had won just one of their last six matches. They began a five-game losing streak March 1.

TCU's No. 1 Aburto, who ranks No. 72 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, helped boost her standings with Wednesday's defeat of Ellen Svensson (6-2, 6-2) in her singles match.

Aburto said she was not intimidated by the competition.

"I felt very strong and have through most of the season," she said. "My technique has been con-

sistent and with a little work in conditioning and unwavering confidence I know I can do better."

No. 2 Perez and No. 4 freshman Iris Jaklin defeated Utah's Kasteler (6-1, 6-2) and Alder (6-1, 6-1).

Dave Borelli, who is in his first season as head coach of the Frogs, said he is confident in his players and expects them to get better as the season continues.

"We are facing tougher teams this year and stepping up fairly well," he said. "We must get better and the only way to get better is to play tougher teams. I feel we are progressing steadily as our top four players are improving everyday."

The Frogs face off against Marshall noon Saturday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.

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Sophomore Ivonne Andrade pulls a swift backhand in doubles play against the Utah Utes Wednesday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.

Sporting events halted, fans applaud for Bush's speech

Associated Press

NBA basketball games came to a halt or had their starting times delayed Wednesday night during President Bush's speech announcing that the United States had launched a war against Iraq.

At the Rose Garden in Portland, a hush came over a crowd that had been buzzing in anticipation of the Trail Blazers' game against Yao Ming and the Houston Rockets.

There were a few outbursts during the speech by fans, although their shouts were unintelligible. Following the speech, most fans applauded, and they did so again after a message from the NBA was read assuring everyone the games would go on.

At Staples Center in Los Angeles, where the Clippers were playing the Denver Nuggets, many people were still making their way to their seats when Bush's speech began. Many sat expressionless with their arms folded, the people in the courtside seats straining their necks to watch the video board above midcourt.

When Bush finished, there was loud applause and some whistling — but no booing.

Public address announcer Eric Smith told the crowd about the NBA's intention not to pre-empt the season, adding, "We hope the games will provide a momentary diversion in these difficult times."

The Knicks-Hornets and Cavaliers-Grizzlies games were interrupted by the speech. Players went to their locker rooms during Bush's speech, then returned to the court for warmups.

In Memphis, spectators cheered when Bush said the attacks had begun. Otherwise, the crowd was

quiet, listening attentively. When the president was finished, many in the crowd gave a standing ovation. The game resumed after a 15-minute break.

The beginning of the war cast a somber shadow over many sporting events going on around the country.

"This is insignificant," said Virginia coach Pete Gillen, whose team beat Brown 89-73 in the first round of college basketball's National Invitation Tournament. "I've been sick to my stomach the last day or two thinking about it. I have a son, 19, that could be in the service. It just breaks your heart. You hate to see any young man or woman die. A game means nothing compared to what is going on in the real world."

In Tampa, Fla., the attack on Baghdad began just as the Cleveland Indians-New York Yankees game was about to end.

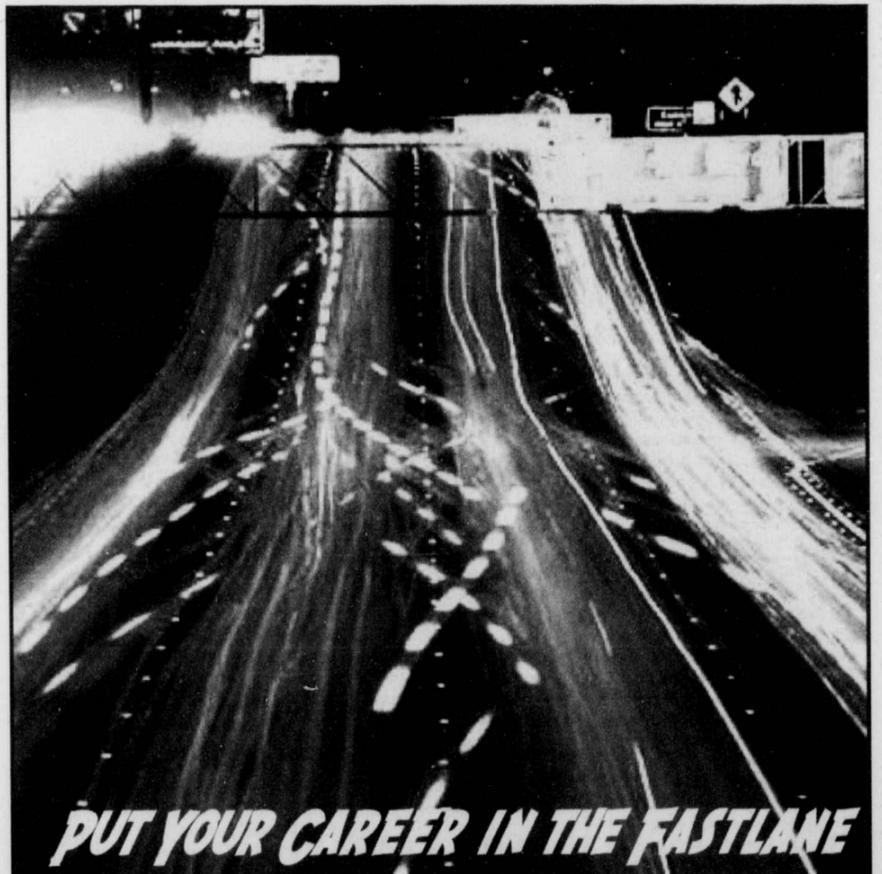
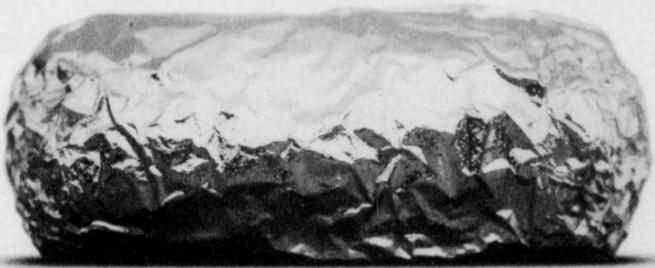
"We have concerns for sure, but no control. We have to do what we do," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We certainly have to play like there's not going to be any kind of delay. It's on everybody's mind. This is real life stuff. This is just a game."

With war looming earlier in the evening Wednesday, fans entering NBA arenas were greeted with stringent new security guidelines.

At the two main entrances in Portland, uniformed security personnel screened all adult patrons with handheld metal detectors or wands.

To help take some of the edge off the tension that can be caused by the increased security, clowns, face painters and other entertainers were stationed outside the Rose Garden, playing with children and kidding adults with phony wands made of balloons and other props.

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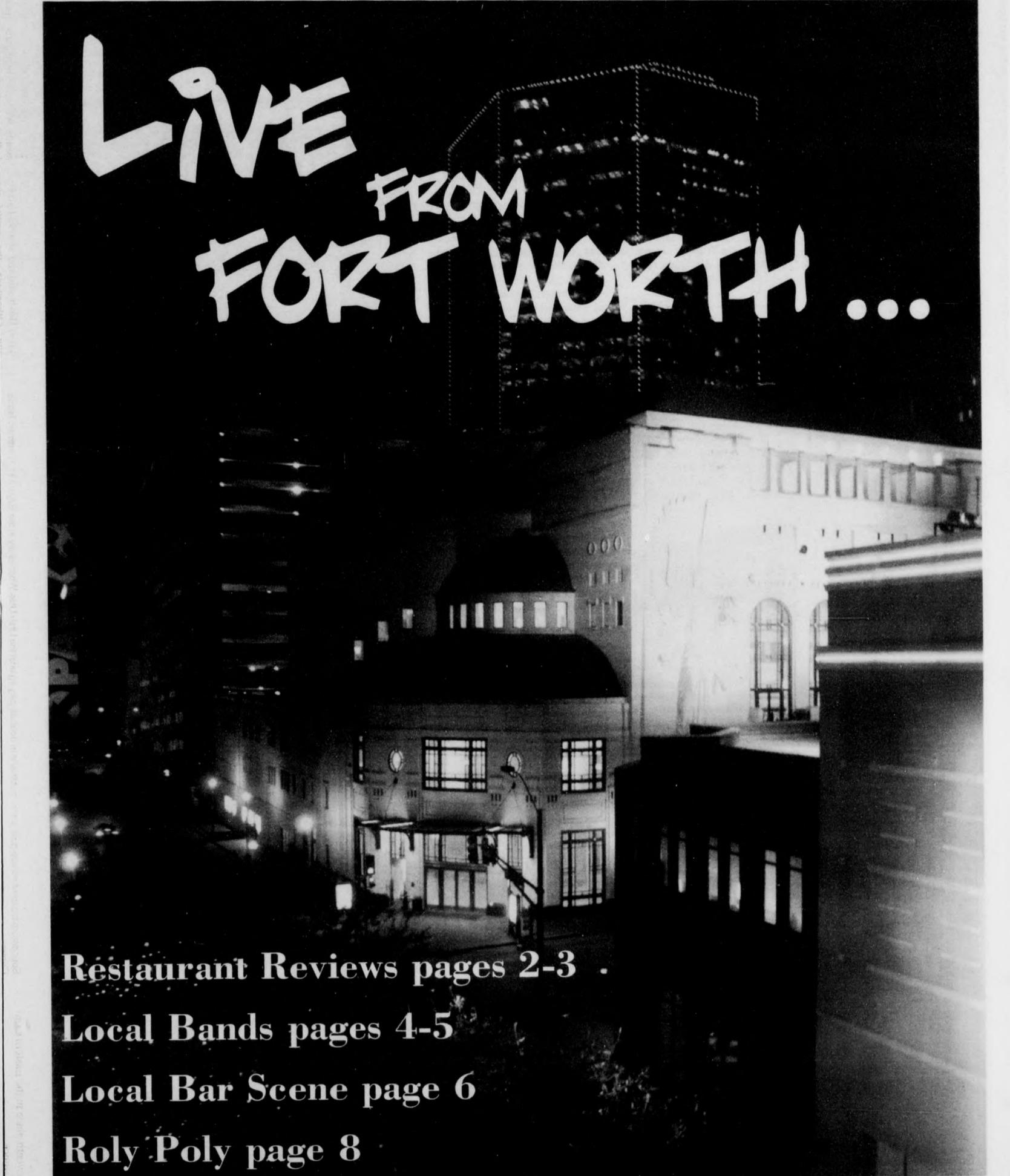
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On Broadway Ristorante

Italian restaurant with a cozy atmosphere

"Inside the dining room, the decor feels very Italian with red and green accent-lighting and wine racks on display."

BY LAUREN HANVEY
Staff Reporter

White table cloths, fan-folded napkins, candles and flowers are the

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recipe for a romantic little Italian restaurant. On Broadway Ristorante on Hulen Bend Boulevard is a perfectly cozy choice for any night of the week.

When we arrived at about 7:00 p.m., the regulars seemed surprised to see so many people waiting for a table, maybe we should have made reservations. Owner Michael Khodayari was personally seating all his guests, and greeting those he knew by name. Even though every table was full, it wasn't overcrowded or too loud.

Inside the dining room, the décor feels very Italian with red and green accent-lighting and wine racks on display. A full bar is set in the back next to the kitchen. Our

server was quick to take drink orders and patient when we got picky about salads. No one made us feel rushed at all.

The menu offers a good-sized list of pasta, chicken, veal, seafood, and beef entrees, as well as pizza and some vegetarian dishes. Appetizers are almost all \$6.95, soups are \$3.50, and salad is up to \$6.95. Pasta entrees include plenty of linguini dishes, fettuccine with alfredo, salmon, veggies, or chicken, lasagna, manicotti, tortellini and ziti just to name a few. They range in price from \$8.95 to \$11.95.

Gourmet pizzas and vegetarian meals are under \$10.00. The rest start at \$13.95 (all of the chicken and veal entrees), and go to \$19.95. I opted for the pollo valdostana, a lightly breaded chicken breast topped with prosciutto, mozzarella and sautéed in a light wine tomato sauce. It was beyond words. I couldn't leave without raving about it to the owner, who, by the way, visited every table to make sure his guests were happy at all times.

The new specialties at On Broadway Ristorante are flaming desserts such as bananas foster and cherries jubilee, prepared table-side by Khodayari himself.

I would say that over all, this is a



Ty Halasz/Photo editor

The inside of the restaurant has a strong Italian-theme with red and green accent-lighting and wine racks on display.

very detail-oriented restaurant, the atmosphere is comfortable, and even down to cutting down the seeds from the middle of the cucumbers in my salad. The service is very good,

the atmosphere is comfortable, and the food is outstanding.

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Ionian Grill



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Inside of the restaurant has a 1970s allure.

BY LAUREN HANVEY
Staff Reporter

For fear of being dull, I decided to branch out and go for something a little more culturally mature than Chili's. I love Greek salads, so I thought I might enjoy some other Greek fare. Thus comes the Ionian Grill on Bluebonnet Circle.

It has a sort of 1970s storefront allure. The carpet is red and the chairs are teal. The small space is quiet except for the folksy instrumental music overhead. Decoration is sparse and there are wine bottles and candles on every table. The

Recently opened Greek restaurant worth the trip

place was practically empty but for two other couples.

The owner was speaking her native Albanian to her son in the corner. The family-run restaurant has only been open four months.

I had never had an authentic Greek meal before, so reading the menu was a little bit challenging. They offer an array of Greek wines and beer, and the entrees include beef, chicken and seafood as well as meatless creations. Of course, the ever-popular Greek gyro is at the top of the list.

Among others, appetizers included tzatziki, which has the consistency of ranch dressing with more tang and is served with pita bread; and humus, a better known Greek item. The salad list is not very extensive, but a good Greek salad is all I really want anyway.

For the entree, in staying with my commitment to adventure, I had a spanakopita plate. It was a spinach and feta cheese pie - amazing. It's like eating a Greek quiche. Every entrée comes with potatoes and green beans and your choice of soup or salad. I would certainly write home about the potatoes. One thing

is for sure, it's not health food.

And for my insatiable sweet tooth, a little after-dinner baklava did the trick. It was crispy, gooey and flaky and had just the right amount of honey. I feel confident in calling it the best baklava I have ever had, and no it wasn't the first.

All of this, and most of the prices are remarkably reasonable. Appetizers range from \$3.95 to \$8.95, soup is under \$4.00, kids can

eat for \$5.00 or less, entrees are from \$8.95 to \$19.95, and dessert is under \$3.50.

It was anything but a quick meal, so if you're in a hurry, you might want to consider the Ionian Grill for another night. But the service was friendly and I liked that they weren't hanging around my table the whole time.

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UNLOCO

An Austin band spreads its wings

BY DAVID REESE
Features editor

In early February, I had the opportunity to see and hear the Austin-based band, Unloco in concert at Deep Ellum Live in Dallas.

The band had a strong, loyal following at the concert due to their southern roots in Texas. Unloco served as the first of two opening acts for rock band, Papa Roach while they toured the United States during late 2002 and early this year.

After touring with Papa Roach, Unloco will begin the "Music As A Weapon Tour," with fellow rock bands, Disturbed, Taproot, Chevelle and some special guests along the way. The tour's closest stops to TCU will be on April 9 in Houston at the Verizon Theater and April 8 in Oklahoma City, Okla. at Cox Convention Center.

In addition to their rigorous 39 date tour schedule, the band's second album, "Becoming 1," was released on March 11 on Maverick Records. The record label owned by Madonna and is known for artists such Alanis Morissette, Michelle Branch and Prodigy.

Their debut album, "Healing," was released in 2001 and was described on their Web site as a let-down and disappointment to the band. But with this album, Unloco is hoping to find a larger audience all over the country.

I received the pre-released album a few weeks ago and was quite pleasantly surprised. Although, I must admit rock music is definitely not my forte (I'm more of a Britney Spears fan than Creed) but I was thoroughly impressed with their sound. The album was produced by Mudrock, who has produced albums for Godsmack and Powerman 5000. With a producer with such hard rock appeal, I thought I was going to go insane because the booming sounds that come out of the speaker from most rock CDs drive me up the wall. This was not one of those albums.



Courtesy of Unloco
Joey Duenas is the lead singer for the Austin-based band, Unloco.

Unloco was actually a breath of fresh air. They did have some knock your head into the wall songs like "Crashing" and "Making Me Hate You." But what I found was that the other songs were reminiscent of the soul-searching songs of Creed and Live. Such songs like "Empty" and "Bruises" are definitely worth a listen.

The band even pays a tribute to their home state with the song entitled "Texas." The song has a very acoustic sound with just the primary sound of the lead singer's voice and a guitar.

Overall, the album is fairly good. I have heard this type of album from many other artists like Creed, Nickelback and Limp Bizkit. Unloco is a combination of all those

bands and many others. It is definitely worth a listen to. You may want to download some songs before you purchase the CD to make sure Unloco is your flavor. For the future, Unloco is most definitely a band to learn about and hear. With the rock music scene on the rise, Unloco looks to have a strong future. The band was recently named one of the "100 Bands You Need to Know in 2003," by Alternative Press. Something, I definitely agree.

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Unloco's second full-length disc, "Becoming 1," was released March 11. The record is distributed through the Maverick Records label.

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MONKEYSHYNE

SHINES WITH ENERGY

BY EMILY EAVES
Skiff Staff

Just before 9 o'clock one Thursday evening, I walked into the Aardvark with the intention of listening to a band I'd never heard of, asking them a few questions and then going home to write an article. By the time I left at nearly midnight, not only had I heard them play, but I had also met all four members of Monkeyshyne, laughed and chatted with them over pizza and gained a new CD.

With a strong opening song, the show balanced upbeat melodies with softer tunes. Their clear, precise harmonies and distinctive guitar riffs caught my attention immedi-

ately. The four members, Chris Cloutier, Oscar Hernandez (Oz), Colin McGrane (Little Colin), and Colin Watson (Big Colin), share a passion for music that keeps them motivated. They began playing with just Chris and Big Colin, stumbled upon Oz somewhere along the way until the addition of Little Colin about a year ago formed Monkeyshyne as it is today.

All four guys come from varied musical backgrounds. While Monkeyshyne's music is rock, without question, the band creates a unique sound with the harmonies of Chris and Oz. The two Colins add depth with a steady drumbeat, more guitar and vocals. The combined effect is a clean, sharp sound a bit reminiscent of Guster or Dispatch. Chris and Oz do most of the songwriting, but everyone helps move the songs to their final product. "Every idea we have, we try," says Oz. Since they all bring something different to the band and specify their influences as universal, they find it best to stay open-minded about the kind of

sound they create.

Perhaps the most apparent aspect of a Monkeyshyne performance is their energy. "We have a lot of fun," says Oz. Watching these guys on stage is certainly not dull. They keep the crowd involved with Little Colin coming off stage, guitar in hand, to interact with the listeners. Making eye contact is important to them, because it is a way of letting people know their presence matters. The band walks around on stage as well, trading places, trading mikes, catching the audience's attention and probably driving the sound mixer crazy!

While I doubt the members of Monkeyshyne would complain about making it big, Big Colin clearly says, "We're not out for fame and fortune. We just want to play." Little Colin agreed, "When people see us, they often say 'You guys are good. You are having a good time up there.' I think they are surprised by that." Their comments are validated by the band's laid-back, down-to-earth attitude.

Monkeyshyne just finished recording a new acoustic album that

"We're not out for the fame and fortune. We just want to play."

— Colin Watson
member of Monkeyshyne



Courtesy of Monkeyshyne
Monkeyshyne will perform in Dallas March 27 at Club Clearview at 11 p.m. The cost is \$5, and they will perform with Reavis.

should come out within a month or two. In the meantime, check out their website at www.monkeyshyne.com. The site offers mp3's for download, lyrics to songs, CD's and t-shirts for sale and information about the band, such as upcoming shows. As a Dallas based band, most of the shows are nearby. While you can get a feel for their

music on the website, it's well worth seeing them live.

When asked where the band wants to end up, Oz replied, "We'll see when we get there." Sounds like good advice...you can see how Monkeyshyne is when you hear them play.

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Oscar Hernandez, also known as Oz, is a member of Monkeyshyne. The band can be seen in numerous local venues.

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BY CRYSTAL FORESTER
Staff Reporter

Downtown Fort Worth provides culture, great food and an abundance of bars. The bars offer a variety of atmospheres to enjoy the night.

The best place for drink specials is The Library. Everyday of the week there is something for \$2 or less.

The Library is a great place for meeting new people; it's a very calm environment that allows you to socialize. Women will enjoy this bar because there are plenty of attractive men that flock to the big screen TVs and cheap beer. The best part about The Library is you can tell your parents that you've been there all week and they won't question how you're spending their money.

At Red Goose, downstairs is where you are able to sit and hang out with your friends. The DJ puts on a show by playing the trombone, which can get a little annoying, but is something different. If you get bored sitting downstairs or tired of the music go upstairs to do a little dancing.

There is a fully stocked bar and a mini bar upstairs. The guys will love the female bartenders that dance on the bar. But don't plan on playing pool here; there is only one pool table.

Red Goose has great drink specials on Tuesdays and Thursdays when they have \$2 you call its. Fridays certain shots are only \$2.

Flying Saucer is always a favorite for beer lovers, with more than a hundred beers in the bar. This is definitely a great place to experience new beer and enjoy your favorites. This bar provides plenty of sitting rooms while you get tired of standing at other bars.

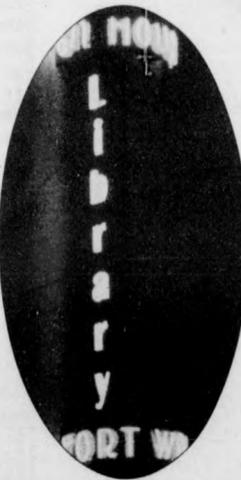
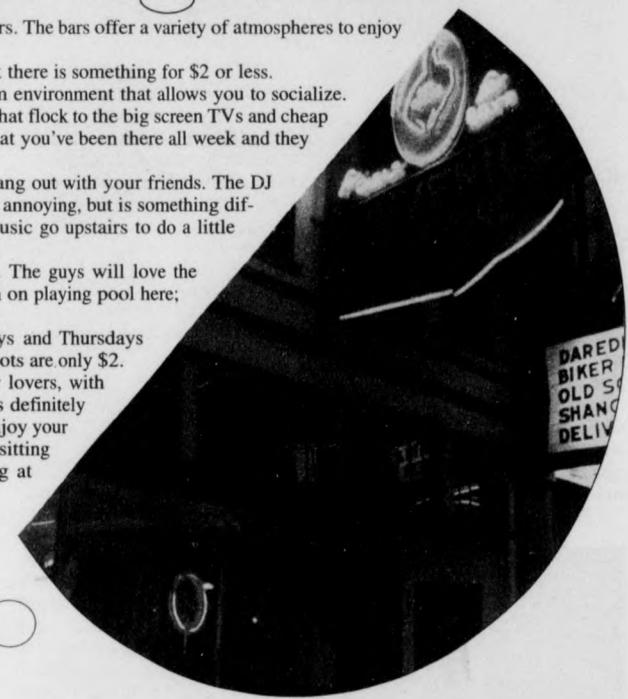
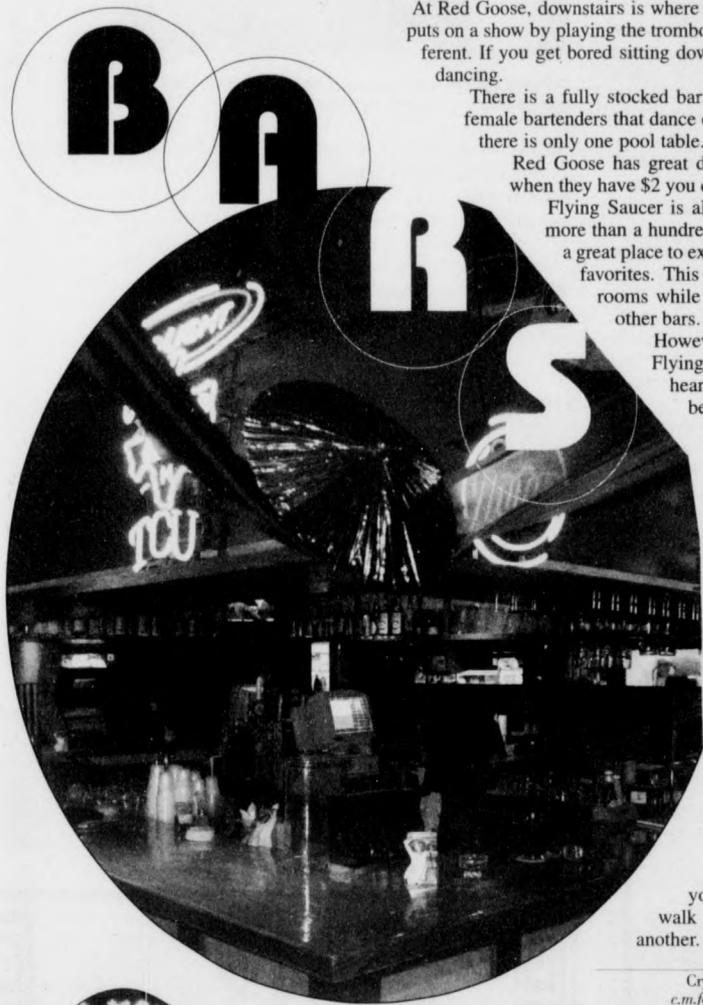
However, do not go to the Flying Saucer if you want to hear a good live band,

because you probably won't. Anytime I went and there was a band playing I had to leave within 10 minutes.

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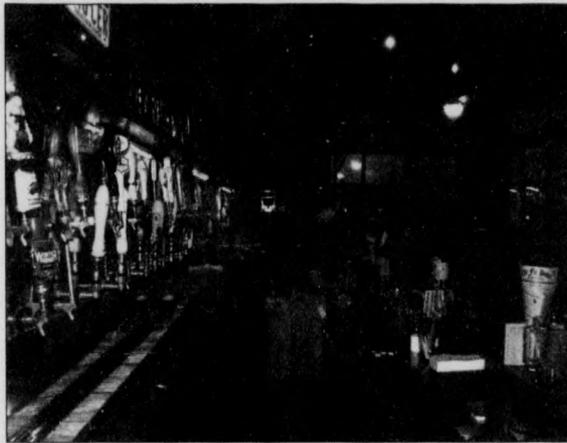
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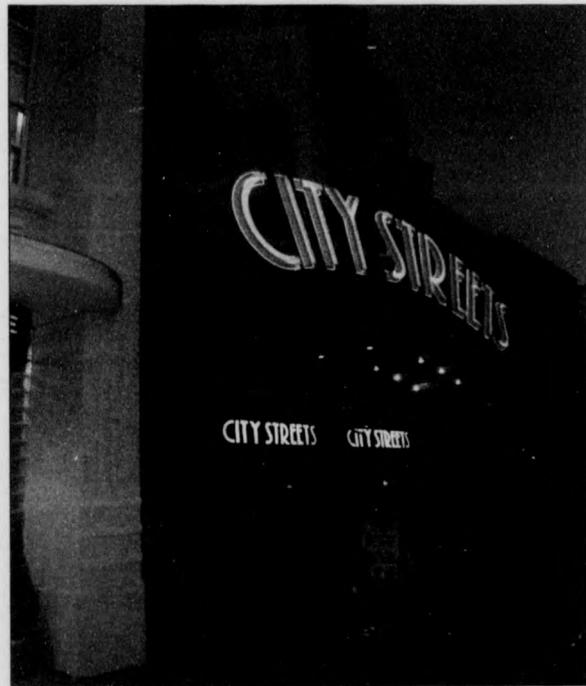
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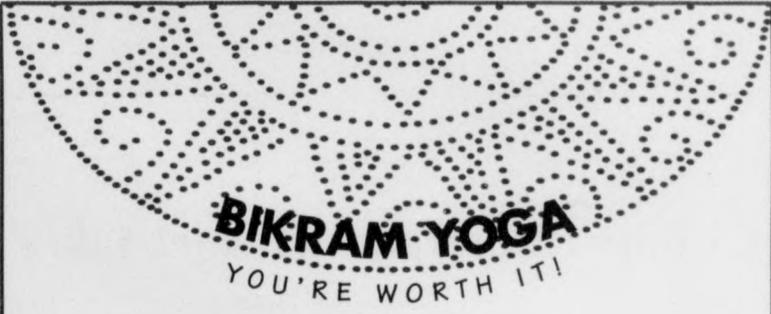
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Roly Poly offers new, original sandwiches

BY JACQUE PETERSELL
Editor in Chief

There was a time when students looking for a tasty sandwich wrapped in a tortilla had to wait for Cyberwraps day in The Main.

That all changed last summer with the opening of Roly Poly Sandwiches on University Drive.

Bread lovers beware, you won't find a single loaf in this sandwich shop. All meals are hand rolled in a white or wheat tortilla. Some are even grilled.

If it's your first trip to the eatery, make sure you let someone know. The menu alone could send the timid into shock. There are almost 65 different ingredients that are

mixed and matched (sometimes in odd combinations) to create these sandwiches. Customers can choose from six different categories — veggie and cheese, turkey and smoked turkey, sliced steak and roast beef, baked ham and roast pork, chicken and seafood.

Some highlights of the cold sandwiches portion include the Thanksgiving (turkey breast, corn bread stuffing, cranberry sauce, onion, lettuce and fresh basil mayo), Delhi Chicken (curried chicken salad, swiss cheese, bacon, avocado, pineapple, lettuce, sprouts and mango chutney) and Thai Hot Tuna (tuna salad, cheddar cheese, spicy Thai sauce, avocado, lettuce, sprouts

and mango chutney).

While the cold sandwiches are dandy, the real fun lies in the grilled sandwiches that each come with dipping sauces, most importantly, the honey mustard sauce that has more of a kick than most mild-mannered sauces. Bright spots on this list include the Hot Honey (smoked turkey breast, melted jalapeño jack cheese, bacon, sun dried tomatoes, spinach and a side of honey mustard), Turkey Applejack (turkey breast, melted jack cheese, apple butter, bacon, onion, mushrooms, basil mayo and a side of honey mustard) and the Hickory Chicken (sliced chicken breast, melted cheddar cheese, onions, mushrooms, bacon,

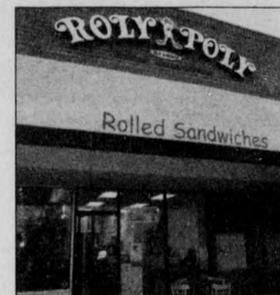
barbecue sauce and a side of ranch).

If you don't like one of the 53 sandwiches they have on the menu, customers have the opportunity to mix and match ingredients to create their own masterpiece.

To make a choice even more difficult, Roly Poly also has daily specials such as soup of the day, special sandwiches that change each week and a sandwich of the day where the buyer receives a free cookie.

And there's a bonus for TCU students — show your TCU ID at time of purchase and receive free chips and a drink.

So if you've got a couple bucks to spare (most sandwiches run about \$3.79 for a half and \$5.99 for a



whole) then a trip to Roly poly should definitely be on your to-do list.

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First time restaurant manager takes customer service to a new level

BY KELLY MORRIS
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The first time I went to Roly Poly, the manager asked me to find out if Chili's was serving baked potato soup.

He gave me a free cookie for it. And then he offered me a job.

On my second visit, operating manager Jason Ard already knew my name.

"For whatever reason, we've been able to establish a hominess," said Ard, who is a first-time manager. "It's like the old cliché about 'Cheers.' Everyone knows your name. That's why people come back. We try to know our customers."

The Fort Worth sandwich shop is part of a restaurant chain with more than 90 locations across the United States. It has developed a loyal following since its June 2002 opening.

Squeezed between Luke's clothing store and Chili's in University Park Village, the restaurant's bright, yellow awning can't be missed.

And neither can its menu. Customers have more than 60 choices of hand-rolled tortilla sandwiches. If that's not enough selection, customers can make their own sandwich with any of the restaurant's fresh ingredients.



A not so typical Saturday

It's 11 a.m. Saturday and Ard is preparing for the lunch rush. He cuts the avocados for the Organic Jack sandwich and begins to fill small, plastic containers with salsa, making sure a drop doesn't spill onto his clean kitchen counter. The restaurant's eight, tiny blue tables are empty but not for long. By 12:15 p.m., the Saturday crowd is bigger than expected. The line is out the door. Junior Annie Hodge, who has worked at Roly Poly since August, is gone making deliveries to Harris Methodist Hospital, Cooks Children's Hospital and Plaza Medical Center.

"Sometimes there is an occasion or two when we can't deliver for someone because we already have four or five orders going out then," Ard said. "People learn to get their orders in early."

Ard is left with the long line and just one other employee.

"It's almost like a phenomenon," Ard said while shredding carrots. "You can feel the pulse of the place picking up. It's not a living organism or anything, but there's a certain vibe that goes on when everyone's looking at the menu, excited about their sandwiches."

Even with eight people in line, Ard still delivers each sandwich personally to the table. "How's your sandwich," he asks? One new customer approaches the counter. Ard helps him pick a sandwich, a whole one. "Makes for good leftovers, buddy," he says.

Jim Giffin, who currently owns three Roly Poly franchises in Birmingham, Ala., orders his standard sandwich—a Veggie fajita with chicken—on his first visit to the Fort Worth restaurant.

"We don't fry anything, so we don't have to fight with grease."

Giffin said he is impressed by Ard's outgoingness.

"A fourth of the people who walked in, he called by name," Giffin said. "All the stores do that. They call your name instead of a number. He takes your food out. Next time you walk in, he calls you by name and after a while, he'll know what your favorite sandwich is."

Ard knows what Emily Pond's favorite sandwich is. Pond, who works part-time at the nearby Staples, enters the restaurant and

orders the Turkey AppleJack.

"I come here three to four times a week, sometimes more," she said. "It depends on how much money I have. Right off the bat after I ate my first sandwich here, I was like 'Oh my God, I love this place.'"

Ard also knows Pond doesn't like her turkey sandwich with onions on it. Pond remembers an instance when a new employee accidentally forgot that fact.

"Jason and the other workers gave him a hard time," she said.

Two days later, Pond said the new employee knew her name and knew she didn't like onions.

"Roly Poly has great service, and you'll never want to eat anywhere else unless you of course like French fries," she said. "That's the only thing they don't serve here."

The family man

So how does Ard remember all those names and sandwiches?

"I have a pretty good memory," he said. "When people like talking about my food, I like talking to them. Some of it is genetics too. My grandfather, Dotty, was a jack-of-all-trades, and he was nice to everyone he knew. Also, both my parents were personable and outgoing. It's hard not to be around those people and not pick some of it up."

Growing up in Granbury and New Braunfels, Ard has had many occupations. He's been a waiter at Macaroni Grill, a steelworker, a salesman and a transportation broker. His most recent job as an assistant financial planner wasn't for him.

"I did not enjoy following the market or being behind a computer all day," he said. "I can't guarantee the stock market, but I can guarantee Roly Poly's food."

Brian Hakel said Ard, his friend of 10 years, has a knack for helping people.

"He knows how to take care of people," said Hakel, who commutes 30 minutes from Coppel to the restaurant two to three times a month. "That's his gift."

Now Ard spends six days a week in a Roly Poly red polo shirt and tan hat. His eight to 10-hour workdays keep him away from his wife and three daughters.

Ten-year-old Kelsey, his oldest daughter,

was just 4 years old when he met her and her mom, Trina.

"Kelsey was the most beautiful girl with curly hair and big, cute cheeks to kiss," Ard said. "I think I fell in love with Kelsey before I fell in love with Trina."

Ard and his wife met Valentine's Day 1997. They quickly married in June that same year. "God put us together," he said. "Why delay it?"

Trina and Ard struggled to have their own children. After many years of trying fertility treatments and researching international adoptions, nothing was working.

"It was a little frustrating," Ard said.

But they didn't lose hope. In June 2000, Jason and Trina adopted Adysen, who is biracial. They adopted Aliya, who is Hispanic, in August 2001. Adysen is now 2 years old and Aliya is 1 year old.

"We didn't care what kind of baby it was," he said. "Never have. Never will. White, blue, purple, it's all the same. They're still my girls. It adds a little flavor to the family."

The manager

Ard said he has learned a lot since he first became the store's supervisor in June. He said customers will stop at nothing to compliment his food.

"Some customers have my cell phone number," Ard said. "One of our regular customers across the street called my phone and said, 'You're exactly right,' those pumpkin macadamia cookies are incredible,' three days after he had one. It's nice to know your customers trust you."

And with every customer, Ard said it gives another person a chance to get addicted to Roly Poly's food.

"You want a consistent staff that knows we're here to take care of them," he said. "How many fast food places do you go to where you leave a tip? We got \$20 to \$30 from lunch today. That's nuts. It seems like an admiration to me because they see us working. I'm just Jason, a wacky guy trying to entertain the customers."

Well, Jason, it's working.

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