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Get tips on how you can get in shape and better your eating habits before the summer.

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The war may be largely over, but the United States still has a lot of work to do. Page 3

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Athletic director denies Tennessee candidacy

Differing reports mark Hyman as one of finalists

BY BRADEN HOWELL
Staff Reporter

Athletic Director Eric Hyman denied reports Wednesday evening that he is a candidate to replace University of Tennessee Athletic Director Doug Dickey, who is retiring in June.

"I had a brief conversation with a head-hunter six or seven weeks ago when I was in Memphis and my name was just floated out there, but that's the last I've heard

of it," Hyman said. "I am not a candidate for the job."

Sources from the *Knoxville News-Sentinel* reported Wednesday that Hyman is one of the top two or three candidates for the job if Tennessee's school president John Shumaker chooses to go outside the university to fill the position. University of Tennessee Senior Associate Athletic Director Mike Hamilton and Wake Forest Athletic Director Ron Wellman are also reported as finalists, according to the *Knoxville News-Sentinel*.

The article in the *Knoxville News-Sentinel* reported that two sources close to the search process said that Hyman has been aggressively pursuing the job and is on Tennessee's short list.

"I know there have been some conflicting reports, but

I can't be responsible for what other reporters say," Hyman said, when asked about the report and whether he was pursuing the position.

Drew Harris, associate director of media relations, said no one in his office ever received information about Hyman being a candidate for the Tennessee job. He said the only truth is that Hyman is the athletic director at TCU.

"It's like at Kansas; they said Roy Williams is their coach until he leaves," Harris said.

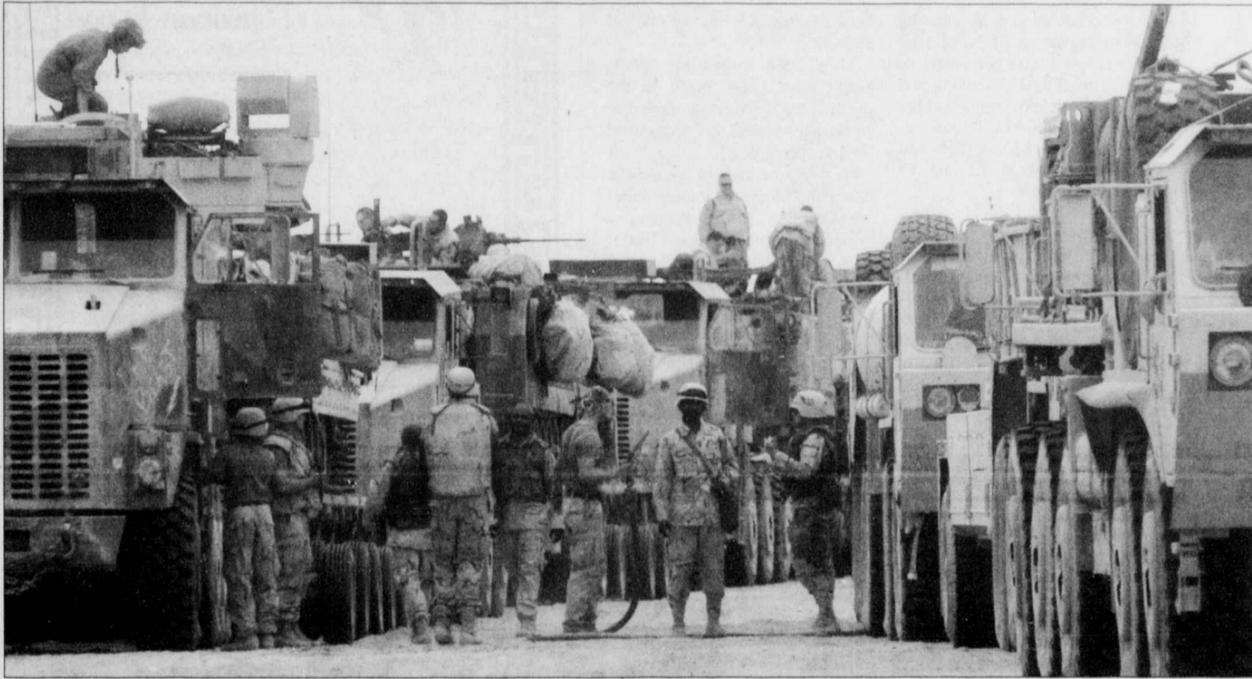
Hyman came to TCU in December 1997 from Miami University in Ohio.



File photo
The *Knoxville News-Sentinel* reported that TCU athletic director Eric Hyman is one of the top two or three candidates to fill the athletic director vacancy at Tennessee.

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IRAQI CITIES SEEK RETURN TO NORMAL



Erik Campos/The State

Members of the 404th Aviation Support Battalion join in fueling their vehicles with other units from the U.S. Army's 4th Infantry Division near Camp Udairi in northern Kuwait Friday.

BY DAVID ESPO
Associated Press

The top commander of U.S. forces in Iraq briefed President Bush on the war from inside one of Saddam Hussein's ornate palaces on Wednesday, underscoring the death of the old regime. At home, the administration reduced the terrorist threat a notch, from orange to yellow.

Bush urged the United Nations to lift economic sanctions against Iraq, saying the country had been liberated by U.S.-

led forces. "Terrorists and tyrants have now been put on notice," he added.

Four weeks after the war began, American troops in Baghdad raided the home of the mastermind of Iraq's biological weapons laboratory and discovered a recently abandoned terrorist training camp operated by Palestinians and the Iraqi government.

Army forces exchanged fire with a small number of die-hard paramilitary fighters north of Baghdad, then took out two surface-to-air missile systems and

three anti-aircraft guns left over from Saddam's military.

Iraqis in Mosul said three people were killed and at least 11 wounded when shooting erupted for the second straight day. Iraqis blamed the Americans, but the circumstances were cloudy.

Gen. Tommy Franks, in command of more than 200,000 troops in the war zone, lit up a cigar as he toured the palace just outside Baghdad that had been part of Saddam's realm. Franks

and other senior officers sat in plush green chairs with gold, wood trim for the briefing with Bush in Washington, held over a secure video conference linkup.

Earlier, the four-star general viewed, with evident disgust, gold sink fixtures, a gold toilet paper dispenser and a toilet bowl brush inside one of the bathrooms.

"It's the oil for palace program," he said, a biting reference to the U.N. pro-

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TCU receives more online applications

BY BRENT YARINA
Staff Reporter

The number of prospective students applying online has more than doubled over the last year and is contributing to the university's record number of applications, Dean of Admissions Ray Brown said Wednesday.

Out of the 7,600 applications the university received this year, Brown said, 2,500 of them, or nearly 33 percent, were submitted electronically. Last year, only 1,100 applications, or 17.9 percent, were submitted online, and in 2001 fewer than 100 prospective students chose to apply electronically, he said.

"The reason we began doing this was simply to reflect the times," Brown said. "Students are becoming more and more accustomed to doing things online and applying to college should be no different."

Brown said the department expects that within the next five years, the paper application will no longer be offered and that applications will only be submitted electronically. Until that day, he said, the university will continue to allow paper and online applications, which means incurring a

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Fire hazard?



Ty Halasz/photo editor

Allergies aren't the only thing on fire because of pollen. Pollen that fell from the trees onto University Drive caught fire Wednesday afternoon, said Fort Worth Fire Department Captain Chris Mashburn.

"It just spontaneously combusted," Mashburn said. Mashburn said it is not unusual for debris in the street to catch fire when the road gets hot and the fire fighters simply put out the fire with a hose.

"We were putting out the same kind of fire in the ally behind the station when we got this call," Mashburn said.

— Jessica Sanders

Sun light, sun bright



Emily Turner/Photographer

Kacey Arterbury and Jenny McCarthy, both sophomore education majors, take advantage of the warm weather Wednesday afternoon in the Rose Garden behind their sorority house.

Money allotted for dining facility survey

BY LARA HENDRICKSON
Staff Reporter

Outside consultants will soon be hired to analyze whether a renovation of the Student Center and the construction of a free-standing dining facility in the near future are plausible, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Don Mills said Wednesday.

Mills said the problem with the Student Center is that the whole area is designed around food and in order to renovate the building, the dining facility must be moved out. He said about \$200,000 is being set aside from the university capital budget to do engineering and archi-

ecture tests in order to assess whether the free-standing dining facility can be made.

"The free-standing facility may be physically or visually attached (to the Student Center)," Mills said. "For example, landscaping might connect it to the Student Center."

Mills also said he is aware students are not entirely happy with the food selection in the current eating facility.

"The cool thing about a move from the Student Center is that a new dining facility would be better able to meet the needs of the students," Mills said.

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The Weather

THURSDAY

High: 77; Low: 59; Mostly Sunny

FRIDAY

* High: 82; Low: 65; Scattered Thunder Storms

SATURDAY

High: 77; Low: 50; Thunder Storms

LookingBack

1971 — "Joy to the World" ("Jeremiah was a bullfrog ..."), by Three Dog Night, hit the top of the charts. The song became the best-selling single of that year.

1972 — The first major antiwar protest for the Vietnam War was held. The demonstration, held at the University of Maryland, was organized to protest the ROTC. Hundreds of students were arrested and 800 National Guardsmen were ordered onto the campus.

WatchFor

Miss a few issues of the *Skiff* this semester? Check out the semester in review in the *Skiff* to get caught up in its final issues of the spring next week.

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■ **Radio-TV-Film Department** presents "The Unsinkable Molly Brown" (1964) starring Debbie Reynolds at 7 p.m. today in Moudy Building South, Room 164. For more information, call (817) 257-7630.

■ **Hunger Week Silent Auction** will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today in the Student Center Lounge. For more information, contact Andrea Reed at (817) 257-5234.

■ **Piano Recital**, featuring Wesley Bender, will be at 2:30 p.m. in PepsiCo Recital Hall. For more information, call (817) 257-7602.

■ **Bachelor of Fine Arts exhibition** in studio art will open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday in the University Art Gallery in Moudy Building North. For more information, call (817) 257-7643.

■ **Pinkbag Lunch Series** presents Jane Austin Bruckner, editor of "Grandmother Stories from the Heart of Texas," from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitor Center. For more information, call (817) 257-7855.

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moudy Building South, Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050 or e-mailed to skiffletters@tcu.edu. 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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ONLINE

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higher cost.

"If one of the options for students is electronic, for those who are comfortable with the technology, it becomes a matter of 'Why not apply online?'" he said.

By offering applications online, the university is not necessarily guaranteed a greater number of applications or a better pool of applicants but, with the online option, prospective students are given an alternative way to apply to college, Brown said.

This year, students who applied electronically have been accepted or offered admission at a higher percentage than those students who submitted hard copy applications, he said. Brown said he credits this

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— Ray Brown
dean of admissions

to a "shift" that has occurred in the application process, convincing students that applying electronically is the way to go.

Mike Scott, director of scholarships and student financial aid, said the university's decision to start offering online applications in 2001 has been extremely successful in making the application process easier.

"Online applications speed up our ability to get back to the student," he said. "The less barriers we put up for the students to apply, the better."

Brown said the admissions department has not realized any significant savings in time or paperwork since the online application was created. He said students who apply online are still responsible to send the university counselor and teacher recommendations, transcripts, activity lists and the \$35 application fee.

"It may make one aspect of the

process more convenient but, anybody who is going through the completion via this method is not casual about his or her interests to attend TCU," he said.

Brown said the downsides to offering online applications are that it has yielded a 10 percent rate in incomplete applications this year and that it takes away from the personality of a handwritten application.

Lindsey Hanvey, a Centenary College freshman who plans to transfer to TCU, said she applied for admission online and that she experienced no difficulties. Hanvey said as soon as she submitted her application to the university, she received an e-mail from the admissions department confirming that they had received it.

"Applying online is more convenient because you're given more time to fill it out since the application isn't due until the deadline," she said. "I've applied both ways now and I find applying online to be much easier."

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MONEY

From page 1

Junior psychology major Liz Deering said The Main and Student Center "desperately" need renovation.

"The Student Center feels old and outdated," Deering said. "If renovations mean moving eating facilities out, then so be it. Students will become accustomed to eating somewhere else."

Mills said the \$200,000 must be set aside for an architect with creativity and for a builder who can

give good advice to make sure the plans are feasible at all. He said the money is just a small percentage of what the total cost of moving and renovating would be. Mills said the total project would likely cost between \$10 and \$12 million and would take between 12 and 15 months to complete.

Mills said if they decide a free-standing dining facility and Student Center renovation is monetarily possible, revenue will come from several sources, including bonds, gifts and revenue from commerce. He said the initial \$200,000 will come specifically

from funding for relatively small projects.

Mills said consulting plans would most likely begin in the summer, but the moving of the dining facility would not occur until 2005 at the earliest.

"It might be kind of a hassle at first if the Student Center is under construction," Paige Wilson, a freshman premajor said. "But it would be completely worth it for better food and a really nice Student Center."

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NewsBriefs

Green, a business leader and trustee, dies at 102

Cecil Green, emeritus trustee, died Saturday at the age of 102 from natural causes.

Andrea Heitz, an advancement research officer, said Green was a benefactor to the Cecil and Ida Green Honors Chair, a program that brings distinguished speakers to the university.

Green was a member of the Board of Trustees from 1969 to 1978 and was an emeritus trustee from 1978 until his death, said Mary Nell Kirk, executive assistant to the chancellor.

In 1930, Green co-founded Geophysical Services Company,

now known as Texas Instruments, where he served as a trustee until the 1970s, Heitz said.

Tom Engibus, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Texas Instruments, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that Green was everything a business leader should be.

"Cecil's leadership helped shape the very foundation of Texas Instruments — respect for people, ethics in business and the strong belief that we need to give back to our community," Engibus said.

Green's wife Ida died in 1986 and the couple had no children, Heitz said.

The TCU flag was lowered to half mast due to Green's death, Kirk said.

— Jessica Sanders



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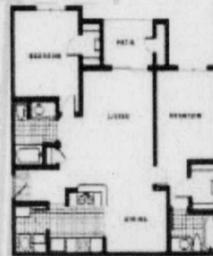
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The Skiff View GOALS

SGA needs to follow through with them

Last semester, Student Government Association officer candidates presented their goals for the academic year.

With one semester in the books for the officers, it looks like they have a lot more work to do.

Some of its goals included creating an honor code, improving Froggie 5-0, having an extra bus for Worth Hills and redesigning how House and Programming Council represent student needs.

None of those have been met. An honor code is still in the works and no efforts have been made to improve campus safety.

SGA's online book exchange program is at a stand-still, yet \$500 is being set aside for the program in the fall. What makes you think it's going to get approved in the fall?

One of the few bills that was passed this semester is a bill to allow swipe cards at concession stands at basketball and baseball games. It was passed unanimously this week.

Good job on passing that one, but the only problem is, SGA worked all semester to pass something it can't change. Concessions at athletic events aren't supplied by Sodexho.

Also this week, SGA president Brad Thompson announced that student fees would not be increased next semester.

Kudos SGA. After a semester of not completely living up to promises, it's good to know that even more of our money isn't going to be sitting in a SGA bank account.

SGA's officers have one semester left to meet the above goals. Don't waste it. Do what you say you're going to do.

Your View Letters to the Editor

Other countries than Syria pose greater threat to U.S.

If there was any doubt that North Korea, a country that claims to have nuclear weapons and has publicly threatened the United States, was a more serious threat than Iraq, it was cleared up when American troops marched into Baghdad, facing only pitiful resistance.

And now, with Saddam Hussein's regime ousted, the United States is turning its attention toward another Middle East country, one that is probably an even weaker threat than Iraq was — Syria.

Even before riotous crowds raiding museums and stealing ancient and priceless artifacts were quelled, U.S. officials turned their rhetoric toward Iraq's neighbor to the west, saying Syria was harboring Iraqi regime officials and bringing up the country's connections to terrorist groups.

To be clear, Syria is not a friendly nation — they do, in fact, have connections to terrorist groups that routinely attack Israel. It appears Syria may have a chemical weapons program. But Syria, on the other side of the world, poses little threat to the United States. And, while chemical weapons are nasty, Syria could hardly challenge Israel's military, which is funded by the United States and possesses nuclear weapons. Most importantly, another war would work to further destabilize the region and put more young

American men and women at risk.

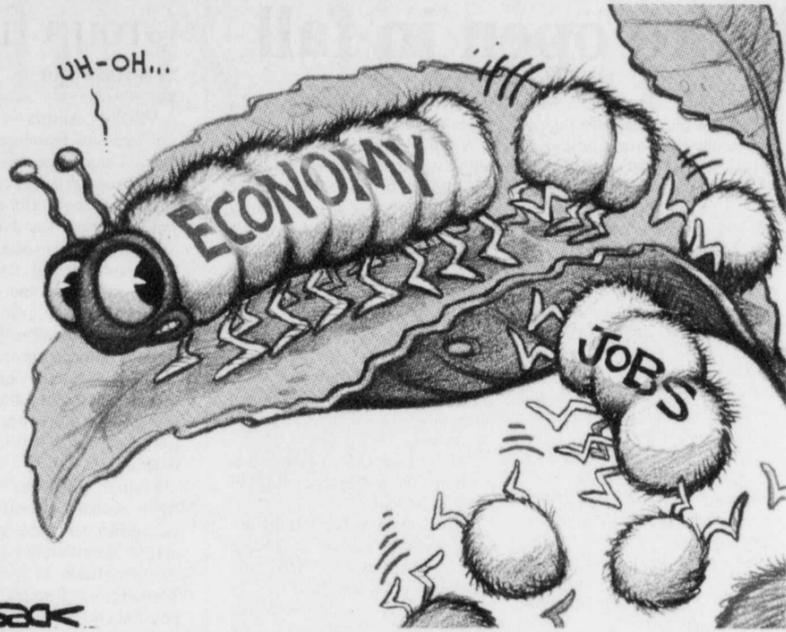
By antagonizing Syria as it does, the United States, while trumpeting its "liberation" of the Iraqi people, threatens another people's basic human necessities: adequate housing, health care, food, clean water and electricity. If the United States is serious about playing the role of liberator, this is not the right message to send to the world's Arab nations.

North Korea has, among other threats, said it would turn the United States into a "sea of fire." Unlike Syria — or Iraq for that matter — North Korea might actually have the capability to do so. Kim Jong Il's paranoid regime says it has nuclear weapons, and the CIA says they have a missile that could deliver such a weapon to the West Coast.

The United States treats these threats by calling for multilateral talks that will probably include offering aid to North Korea's suffering citizens if the regime ends its nuclear programs.

The others, we bully. It is much more likely that the United States, embarking on an era marked by a new style of unilateral international aggression, is seeking political and economic control of the Middle East — a region separated from us not only geographically, but also culturally.

This is a staff editorial from the Daily Bruin at the University of California-Los Angeles. It was distributed by U-Wire.



Syria shouldn't be a target

The war in Iraq is drawing to a close and the peace operation is gearing up. We won the military battle and everyone deserves a well-earned pat on the back. The dust hasn't even settled around Tikrit and Baghdad, but some people are already turning their attention to the third target in the war against terror.



Patrick Jennings

Nestled between Iraq, Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan and Israel, Syria finds itself the target of some harsh words from the Bush Government. Syria is not in the official "axis of evil," but the CIA has it on the list of countries that support terrorism. We're concerned that Syria is doing any number of things. They could be providing safe haven to members of Saddam's toppled regime. Syria could be testing weapons of mass destruction. Syria has a history of close ties to Iraq, closer than many Arab countries, actually. Any of these could invoke the wrath of the American military.

A lot of you think that any war in the Middle East is about oil. Don't worry, Syria doesn't have any, but it reportedly gets their petroleum illegally from Iraq.

Lets go through the war justifi-

fication checklist. Support terrorists? They funded the Hezbollah militants in Lebanon. Experts believe it's Syria that runs the show in Lebanon, a staging point for terrorism against Israel. Check.

Weapons of mass destruction? Unlike Iraq, we have no evidence that Syria has ever had these, let alone stockpiles them. No check.

Show contempt for the world community and United Nations? Syria has provided information on al Qaeda, supported the first Gulf War and voted in favor of U.N. resolution 1441. No check.

Oppress citizens? Syria is similar to Iraq in this regard. State run media, little-to-no freedom of speech, one-party elections, etc. However, there are substantially fewer instances of actual widespread violence against the population like Saddam attacked the Kurds. There's not enough to make an argument for "liberating" the Syrian people though. No check.

That's only one out of four on the patented-war justification checklist. In reality, we aren't going to war against Syria any time soon. Despite what you may think, the people inside the Beltway have more than one brain to share between them.

All right, so why are we rattling our sabers in their direction? It's all about intimidation. Syria has cooperated with the United States just enough to pre-

vent incurring our immediate wrath. Hopefully, if we can spook them enough, they'll stop actively trying to destroy Israel.

Oh yes, the Israelis. If we went to war to help preserve the state of Israel, we should've started in Syria or Lebanon. Both of those countries share a border with northern Israel. Israel holds a chunk of land called the Golan Heights that Syria would like back. Outside of the Palestine Liberation Organization, no country so gleefully sends money to anti-Israel terrorists than Syria. Well, maybe Saudi Arabia, but that's an entirely different article.

Of course, the intimidation won't be limited to Damascus. Every Arab country from Iran to Egypt to Yemen will get the message. The United States doesn't like it when you support terrorists. The United States doesn't like it when you deny rights to your people. The United States doesn't like it when you don't play nice with Israel. The United States is trying to change the status quo in the entire region, which has been resistant to positive change for 50 years.

Hopefully, a determined show of force in Iraq has convinced those in power to see things differently.

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Rebuilding Iraq poses new challenge

Now that the war with Iraq is largely over, the truly important phase of the invasion will begin. The regime has fallen and it is time for the nation to rebuild and form a government of its own. Unfortunately, things haven't exactly gotten off to a good start.



Josh Deitz

The consensus seems to be that Iraq's cities are in chaos. With no authority present, looting and pillaging have been rampant. What began as civilians repossessing the wealth of the Hussein regime (sacking government buildings and palaces) has turned into an all-out grab for whatever is handy. Iraq's national museum, home of artifacts dating back to the dawn of civilization, has been picked clean. Meanwhile, U.S. soldiers are apparently standing by and watching the chaos.

Cities across Iraq are struggling to find access to the most basic resources — water, electricity, gasoline and even food. While coalition forces are working to get humanitarian aid to Iraqis, it is an enormous job for the military to carry out.

On the home front, it was recently revealed that a subsidiary

of Halliburton (the firm run by Dick Cheney until he became vice president) was awarded a multi-year, \$7 billion dollar contract to assess the oil wells in Iraq and put out any fires. The contract was awarded without any competitive bidding and has concerned a number of congressmen. Regardless of the merit of the contract, the way it was awarded and the connection to the vice president are extremely suspicious.

The Bush administration cannot use the rebuilding of Iraq as an excuse to award enormous government contracts to their friends. The contracts need to be given to firms that will carry out the work as efficiently as possible for the lowest price. The last thing the United States needs is to be burdened by pork projects passed off as legitimate expenditures.

One of the loudest complaints coming from the protesters was that the war was being waged to take control of Iraq's oil. In the current framework, only the United Nations has the authority to make any deals concerning the oil fields. If the United States tries to work around that or tries to exclude French, German or Russian firms from competing for oil contracts, this war will lose all credibility. Unless there is international cooperation in oil development, the

United States will have no defense against being called an imperialist.

Whether it be policing, humanitarian aid or economic development, the United States needs allies in rebuilding Iraq. The U.N. peacekeeping forces could be a boon to coalition efforts to calm the chaos in Iraq's cities. The enormous aid apparatus at the United Nations could provide similar assistance in making sure that the people of Iraq are taken care of during this transition period. Similarly, opening up reconstruction efforts to the rest of the world will ensure that Iraqis get the best deal possible in rebuilding their nation.

If President Bush is honest about wanting to help the Iraqi people, the United States will ask for help from the entire world. Rebuilding Iraq together would help heal the rift between the United States and the dissenting nations and would show that Bush truly did have good intentions in waging this war. Before the war, Bush asked the nations of the world to show their cards. Now it's time to show ours.

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Medical care shouldn't be cut to fill deficit holes

I have to admit that I am your typical college-aged financial management moron. I have had checking accounts in my name for four years — three of them, no less — and I never so much as attempted to balance any one of them until last month.

Why did I suddenly develop this habit? Well, it was due in part to the discovery of the calculator function on my cell phone, but I digress.

I am a news reader, part of my attempt to be an informed "adult," and lately I have been wondering if most elected officials never had a financial epiphany like mine.

Other news followers know that Texas is facing a \$9.9 billion deficit in this legislative session, a far cry from the surplus that brought us through the last legislative session with all kinds of new, beneficial programs like the Children's Health Insurance Program, an initiative to ensure that children of low-income families have basic health coverage. The program was designed to supplement Medicaid, the federal insurance program for families and senior citizens in poverty. These programs cover 900,000 children in Texas, and the funding they receive from the federal government is dependent on the funds allocated to them by the state.

"I am a news reader, part of my attempt to be an informed "adult," and lately I have been wondering if most elected officials never had a financial epiphany like mine."

Now, I understand deficit spending. Believe me, I have suppressed many a shopping desire to ensure that my rent is paid. Despite my frivolous inclinations, I know that I will always have bills I have to cover.

Texas lawmakers should take a similar attitude toward its bills, and health care initiatives that affect children and senior citizens should be the highest priorities. The state is looking to make significant cuts to Medicaid and CHIP, potentially depriving as many as 60,000 children and a staggering number of seniors in North Texas of the health care they desperately need.

While many of us young, healthy, financially supported individuals may not be able to relate to these people, we still stand to be affected by the cuts.

Drastic changes made to state health care policy may cause employers to lower or cancel employee benefits. Alternately, insurance premiums may be raised in order to supplement lost funding. Higher premiums not only affect us, but also our families.

As distant as it may seem, especially to those not going into the job market soon, Medicaid, CHIP and changes to the state budget do affect us all, and if you are inclined to awaken your inner advocate, I recommend that you visit (www.child-healthtx.org). The Child's Hospital Association of Texas has designed a program that identifies your congressional representative by ZIP code and offers sample letters voicing concern about changes to Medicaid and CHIP.

So take a few minutes to log on and send an e-mail. Remind the state of Texas that it still has bills to pay.

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Parking lot to open in fall

BY SARAH KREBS
Staff Reporter

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Don Mills said TCU is looking at property to provide additional parking, which will be developed over the summer.

Mills and TCU Police Chief Steve McGee said the parking lot at the corner of Bowie Street and Lubbock Avenue will open by next fall, helping to decrease parking problems. He said at this time they are not sure how many spaces the lot will create.

Mills said as TCU develops with the Berry Street Initiative project, a parking garage is expected to play a major part, but to not expect the garage for at least a year and a half.

"Ultimately, we are going to have to be a more pedestrian campus," Mills said. "We can't build parking adjacent to everything."

Mills said the university might increase the price of reserved parking for faculty and staff by 25 percent to better utilize the lots we have.

In the past, McGee said TCU has re-zoned the parking permits and

started the bus service from Worth Hills to ensure commuter students and faculty only would be allowed to park on east campus.

"We actually have a group that gave out a commuter concerns survey and we asked if provided with a bus, would they park behind the Coliseum, and about 99 percent said 'no,'" McGee said. "It really astonished us that this many people said 'no', so we didn't explore that idea."

Maureen Davis, a junior photo and studio art major, said people are always going to find something to complain about.

Davis, a commuter, said a parking garage probably would not be very helpful because it would likely have to be fairly far away from east campus.

"Where are they going to put a garage?" Davis said. "I mean it's probably going to be far away like the Freshman Lot."

"At the same time it would be nice to know that you could leave 10 minutes before class, and find a parking spot and still have enough time to walk to class," she said. "It's

the driving around looking for the space that eats your time."

Ashley Beale, a sophomore fashion design and merchandising major, said she is concerned about the neighborhoods restricting parking because there are not a lot of spaces for students to park, especially for commuters.

"There is the lot, but you have to circle around and if there isn't a place, then where do you park?" Beale said.

Beale said she did not understand why TCU has a new parking lot planned but won't build a garage on that space.

"It might be a bit of an eyesore, but it just seems like a big waste of space," she said.

Mills said administrators are doing everything they can to appease both neighborhood residents and students, faculty and staff.

"We are very supportive of the neighborhoods," Mills said. "We know the concerns and we are trying to alleviate the problems."

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Group finds anti-terror laws restricting

BY SUSANNA LOOF
Associated Press

VIENNA, Austria — Anti-terrorism measures introduced since the Sept. 11 attacks are severely curtailing human rights and civil liberties in much of the world, a prominent watchdog group said Wednesday.

The measures often threaten freedoms because they are too broad, too vague and applied too arbitrarily, the International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights contended in its report.

"We are accomplishing the goal that (terrorists) are allegedly pursuing," said Aaron Rhodes, director of the Vienna-based federation.

Limited breaches of human rights would be expected in an emergency situation, such as the period immediately following the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, Rhodes said. But governments in the post-Sept. 11 era have failed to "minimize the erosion of rights," he added.

"Terrorist suspects have rights also," Rhodes said.

The group studied measures in

55 countries that are members of the Organization of Security and Cooperation in Europe — a security organization which also includes the United States. It argues that "many states apparently do not view human rights as a matter requiring due consideration in the fight against terrorism."

Since Sept. 11, the report says, countries have increased powers of law enforcement and intelligence institutions; introduced measures allowing authorities to intercept private communications and search homes without safeguards; tightened border controls; introduced firmer asylum and immigration laws; and authorized registration and profiling schemes that appear to target certain groups because of their race, ethnicity or religion.

"Some of these measures are necessary and appropriate. However, many of the measures that have been adopted appear to be disproportionate to the threats posed or the goal of enhancing national security," the report says.

"A number of these measures

violate fundamental human rights ... including some which are absolute rights even in times of emergency," it adds.

It claims that the United States has detained terrorist suspects on a variety of charges that deny the suspects their rights to due process.

Britain has introduced new powers that allow terrorist suspects to be detained indefinitely without charge or trial, while Germany has weakened privacy safeguards and carried out nationwide computer profiling of thousands of men of Muslim or Arab descent, the report says.

In Russia, existing laws would have been sufficient to battle terrorism, the report argues. But the country's new anti-extremism law "is so vaguely formulated that it could be used to restrict virtually any activity that the authorities consider undesirable."

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Healthy living

BY AMY JOHNSON

Skiff Staff

Almost all high school graduates have been warned about gaining weight their first year away at college. In fact, weight gain is so widespread among new college students that it has a name — the "Freshman 15." And 20 years ago this phenomenon was known as only the "Freshman 10."

According to the Centers for Disease Control, more than 20 percent of college students are overweight and 40 percent are attempting to lose weight.

Why is weight gain becoming more and more common among college students?

Juan Tovar, director of personal training for Bally's Total Fitness, said the answers are staring us in the face — poor diet and not enough exercise.

"The main problem is a bad diet," he said. "College students usually wake up 20 minutes before class, skip breakfast and then opt for fast food for lunch because it's convenient and they're starving. This will lead to overeating and the consumption of a lot of fat."

Students vastly underestimate the importance of eating breakfast, Tovar said.

"I can't say it enough — eat breakfast, eat breakfast, eat breakfast," he said. "If you eat breakfast you'll be energized throughout the entire day, which will help you stay awake in those 9 a.m. classes, and you'll eat less at other meals throughout the day."

Tovar said the other main problem is a certain degree of laziness.

"It's not that hard to dedicate an extra five minutes to prepare yourself a healthy meal or to find three hours a week to spend at the gym, but many students would rather spend their time having fun," he said.

Kim Fortin, a TCU physical activity instructor, said too much partying can play a huge factor in weight gain.

Beer intake and late night greasy food that usually accompanies drinking can be disastrous for anyone who is trying to lose weight, she said.

Tovar said students should workout at least three times a week for no longer than one hour, unless you're training to be a competitive body builder. Your workouts should combine strength training with some form of intense cardiovascular activity, he said.

It's better to eat four to six small meals daily because the constant intake of fuel will give your body lots of energy, Tovar said.

"If you wait too long between meals, your body will start to store fat and use muscle as energy," he said. "Also, if you don't feed your body enough you'll start to crave unhealthy foods."

Both Tovar and Fortin agree that planning plays a vital role in any weight loss plan.

"Lots of planning goes in to losing weight," Tovar said. "If you don't know what you're going to eat each day, you'll end up at a pizza parlor or a fast food joint."

Fortin said it's a good idea to monitor your exercise and food intake by keeping track of what you eat and how much you exercise in a journal. Setting specific goals, with a specific deadline, can also be beneficial to a weight loss program, she said.

Whatever you do, don't give up. Weight loss is not as easy as taking a pill or chanting some magic spell, it takes work. Just remember that you are not alone. According to the CDC, more than 61 percent of Americans are overweight.

"There's no secret to losing weight," Tovar said. "You just have to be motivated and dedicated to achieving your goal. Keep on track, but remember, nobody's perfect."

Fortin said there's no secret to losing weight and keeping it off.

"I do not feel that quick, easy ways to lose weight, such as diet pills, enable people to maintain any sort of weight loss," she said. "Weight loss and weight management takes a lot of hard work and commitment."

Fortin said her recommendation to the many students who constantly approach her asking how to lose weight is always the same — the Body-for-LIFE weight loss plan by Bill Phillips.

The Body-for-LIFE program works by combining short, intense workouts with a healthy diet, she said.

"The plan works because it promotes lifestyle changes and health, the principles are based on extensive research, the exercise program doesn't require a lot of time — just high intensity, and the nutritional program promotes eating small, frequent meals with one free day to eat what you want," Fortin said.



The view of the TCU University Recreation Center's weight room located on the first floor. Most fitness centers have some type of weight room area for the members to use.

College students who can only eat at the cafeteria may have problems sticking to the plan, she said. But Fortin promised that if you follow the program, you will see results.

"The results have shown that it is effective for weight loss and maintenance," she said.

However, Fortin said, it's imperative that you plan your meals and exercise in advance to succeed.

Here's how it works:

1. Weight train intensely, for no more than 45 minutes, three times a week.

2. Perform 20 minutes of cardiovascular activity, first thing in the morning on an empty stomach, three times a week.

3. Eat six small meals a day, one every two to three hours.

4. Eat a portion of protein and carbohydrates with every meal.

5. Drink at least 10 cups of water daily.

6. Once a week, on your free day, eat whatever you want.

To learn more about this weight loss program visit (www.bodyforlife.com) to find information on how to buy "Body-for-LIFE" by Phillips. Or, you can purchase the book at (www.amazon.com) for \$18.87 plus shipping and handling fees.

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Wall climbing is a great new modern exercise. The University Recreation Center offers a climbing wall in the facility.

Need a place to work out?

Weight training is an important part of any weight loss plan because muscle mass speeds up metabolism and helps you burn more calories at a faster rate. It's a simple equation, the more muscle mass you have, the more calories you burn. Below is a list of area fitness centers where you can start pumping some iron.

Bally's Total Fitness

Bally's Total Fitness — (817) 738-8910

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Cost to Join: \$5 down and then \$32.85 a month for 36 months.

The good: After paying the monthly fee for three years, you get a lifetime membership, which is good at any area location, for only \$12 a month.

The bad: Members have to pay additional fees for Passport classes such as Pilates, yoga and spinning.

Specials/Promotions: Three personal training sessions for \$99, plus a free 30-day trial membership if you sign up this month.

24 Hour Fitness

24 Hour Fitness — (817) 370-9200

5001 Overton Ridge Blvd.

Fort Worth, Texas 76132

Cost to Join: From \$31 to \$49 a month depending on the type of membership purchased.

The good: Open 24 hours Monday through Friday for students who can't find enough time in the day to workout. You also don't have to pay extra for exercise classes.

The bad: The facility isn't as large and doesn't have as many cardiovascular machines as Bally's Total Fitness.

Specials/Promotions: If you join this week, 24 Hour Fitness will drastically reduce the registration fee for TCU students.

Curves

Curves — (817) 869-5346

2739 S. Hulen St.

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The good: You will get a complete aerobic and strength training workout in only 30 minutes.

The bad: Curves is only for women and can become dull because you don't work out at your own pace.

Specials/Promotions: If you sign up to join this weekend bring a bag of imperishable goods such as canned foods, the \$149 registration fee will be waived.

University Recreation Center

TCU Recreation Center — (817) 257-PLAY

Cost to Join: Free to TCU students

The good: The University Recreation Center is your best bet — at least until you graduate. The recently finished \$30 million renovation is awesome. The 50 cardiovascular machines even have personal flat-screen televisions that are linked to the TCU cable stations and, there are more weight training machines than any of the fitness centers discussed above. The facility is also open until midnight every day of the week.

The bad: You do have to pay for the 44 exercise classes that are offered weekly. Students can pay either \$5 a class, \$35 for 10 classes or \$100 for an entire semester worth of classes.

Specials/Promotions: Not applicable.

*All information was obtained either from individual company Web sites or from a program representative at a program facility.

Frog of the Week



Tara Pope, a grounds maintenance worker, earned her bachelor's degree from TCU in religion in the spring of 2000. Pope is also the secretary of the Staff Assembly.

BY MONIQUE BHIMANI

Copy Desk Chief

After she graduated in May 2000, Tara Pope applied to work for the TCU Physical Plant. She likes the outdoors and thought it would be a great summer job. Almost three years later, she still works in grounds maintenance and enjoys every day of it.

"I started working two weeks after graduation," Pope said. "I wanted to work here for just the summer. I stayed because I think TCU could do better."

A former religion major, Pope is an adamant advocate for improved living wages for campus employees. Last June, base wages were raised from \$7.25 to \$8 an hour, due in part to Pope's efforts. According to the national Universal Living Wage organization, the estimated living wage for renting a one-room apartment in the Fort Worth area is \$10.50 an hour.

"I'm going to stay here until there's a better living wage," Pope said.

For the past two years she has been the secretary of the Staff Assembly. Pope is the first person from the Physical Plant to ever hold office on the Staff Assembly. She will remain on the Staff Assembly as a member this coming year.

"If you love something, you want to make it better," Pope said. "I have hope that (TCU) can be better."

When Pope is not busy gathering support for a living wage, she volunteers at Broadway Baptist Church with

Facts about Tara

Full name: Tara Lee Pope

Hometown: Kingsport, Tenn.

Parents: Barry and Nancy

Siblings: Ruth Ann (21)

Favorite TCU memory: Campus walks with my friend, Shavahn

Favorite food: Chocolate

Favorite restaurant: Chicken Express

If you didn't go to TCU, where would you have gone?: Carson-Newman College (in Tennessee)

Agape Meal, a group who serves meals to the homeless. Pope also tutors English as a second language (ESL) students in her spare time.

"I started out having only one or two (ESL) students," she said. "Now I have about 10."

In the future, Pope plans to either continue work on living wage issues on a city level or work in the peace and justice department.

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WAR

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gram that allowed Iraqi oil exports on condition that the proceeds went to food for civilians.

Franks' visit to Baghdad, from his command headquarters in Qatar, came less than two weeks after Army tanks first rumbled through the capital and one week after Iraqis, aided by Marines, toppled a statue of Saddam in a downtown city square, signaling the end of his regime.

Saddam twice was the target of U.S. bombs dropped on places where he was believed to be, but his whereabouts are unknown. U.S. officials say they don't know if he is dead or alive.

"The fact of the matter is, though, he is gone. Whether he is dead or alive, he is gone," Secretary of State Colin Powell told Associated Press Television News. "He is no longer in the lives of the people of Iraq."

Slowly, cities across Iraq were struggling to shed the effects of the war. After days of looting and mayhem in Baghdad, Americans armed newly recruited Iraqi police officers with handguns to help keep order. And citizens sought to pick up their normal lives.

"The market is open and prod-

ucts are available," said Tadamoun Abdel-Aziz as she shopped with her son for eggs, bread and vegetables in the downtown Irkheita Market. But with power only partially restored

and temperatures in the 90s, some residents bought 3-foot blocks of ice. American commandos backed by about 40 Marines staged the raid on the residence of Rihab Taha, dubbed

"Dr. Germ" by U.N. weapons inspectors. Taha, a microbiologist, was in charge of Iraq's secret biological laboratory, suspected of weaponizing anthrax.

Three men emerged from the raid on her home with their hands up, and American troops removed several boxes of documents. Her whereabouts were unknown.

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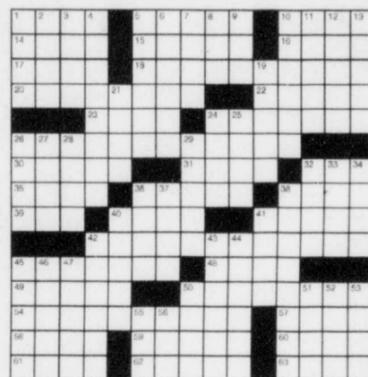


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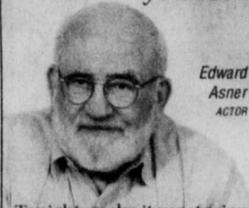
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The Sideline

Rim Rockers take Merriex with first draft pick

With the first pick in club history and the No. 1 overall choice in the 2003 draft, the Texas Rim Rockers of the United States Basketball League (USBL) selected four-year TCU letterwinner Bingo Merriex. The Rim Rockers, located in Fort Worth, will play their inaugural season in 2003.

Merriex, a 6-9 forward, averaged 12.6 points and 7.5 rebounds for the Horned Frogs during his senior season. Merriex finished his career third all-time in TCU history in three-pointers made, 10th on the all-time scoring list and 10th on the rebounding charts.

A total of 73 players were taken in the eight-round draft. In the league's 18-year history, 130 players have played in the USBL and then gone on to play in the NBA.

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Men's tennis team victories earn 26th place in rankings

On Wednesday, the new Omni Hotels/ITA rankings were released and the Frogs' efforts paid off. The Frogs made the jump from 32nd to 26th place in the rankings.

The new rankings couldn't have come at a better time, as the Frogs are in Madison, Wis., for the C-USA Conference Championships. The No. 2 seed TCU is biting at the heels of the No. 1 seed, 19th ranked Tulane.

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Director alleges cover-ups

Documents show drug use by U.S. athletes

BY STEPHEN WILSON
Associated Press

LONDON — Documents purporting to show that a number of American athletes were allowed to compete in the Olympics after failing drug tests prove long-held suspicions of U.S. drug cover-ups, the head of the World Anti-Doping Agency said Wednesday.

Dr. Wade Exum, the former USOC director for drug control from 1991 to 2000, released more than 30,000 pages of documents to Sports Illustrated. He says they show that athletes such as Carl Lewis and Mary Joe Fernandez tested positive but were allowed by the U.S. Olympic Committee to compete anyway.

The Orange County Register reviewed more than 10,000 confidential USOC documents for a story about the committee's failure to deal with doping issues.

WADA head Dick Pound said the documents reinforce what some critics believed all along.

"It's what many people suspected about the U.S. Olympic Committee, that it was being covered up," he said in a telephone interview from Montreal. "There were lots of rumors around."

The USOC called Exum's accusations baseless. In October 2000, the USOC handed over drug-testing responsibilities to a new organization, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency.

"I find it ironic that Dr. Exum was actually running the program

he claims was so flawed," USOC vice president Frank Marshall said. "When USADA was created three years ago, he was out of a job. It is now considered one of the best anti-doping programs in the world, so what's his point?"

Exum claimed more than 100 positive drug tests for U.S. athletes who won 19 Olympic medals from 1988-2000, but that many of them were allowed to compete.

Exum said Lewis was among them, testing positive three times for small amounts of banned stimulants found in cold medications at the 1988 Olympic trials. The USOC first disqualified him, then accepted his appeal on the basis of inadvertent use. Lewis went on to win gold at Seoul in the long jump — and in the 100 meters after Ben Johnson himself was disqualified for using steroids.

Pound dismissed the claims of "inadvertent" drug use.

"At the time this happened, Carl Lewis already had four gold medals from the Olympics," he said. "You know perfectly well you've got to be very careful what you take. The offense is the presence of the substance in your body."

Pound also criticized USA Track & Field for its record on performance-enhancing drugs. He said he would like to get all the details from the files.

"The more we know the better it is," Pound said. "The more the world knows and the U.S. public knows what the USOC was doing, the more likely they are to fix the problem."

Exum had planned to use the documents in his racial discrimination and wrongful termination suit against the USOC, but the case was

dismissed in federal court last week because of lack of evidence.

"I never wanted to out athletes," Exum told Sports Illustrated in its April 21 issue. "I never wanted to name names. Can these names help settle the issue and change the system? We'll see."

Lewis, the winner of nine Olympic gold medals and an outspoken critic of doping, could not be reached for comment, but his longtime manager, Joe Douglas, told SI that Lewis had not taken anything to enhance his performance.

The documents show that Joe DeLoach, Lewis' training partner, tested positive for the same three stimulants as Lewis and was let off for the same reason. He won the 200 meters in Seoul.

Andre Phillips tested positive for pseudoephedrine at the '88 trials, was cleared on appeal and won the 400-meter hurdles at the games.

Fernandez tested positive for pseudoephedrine at a professional tournament in Miami early in 1992, but she said it was due to a cold medicine she took beforehand. She said she passed two drug tests during the Olympics and another after winning gold and bronze medals.

"I'm obviously disappointed that a story like that would come out without any truth to it," Fernandez said. "I think the doctor is bitter and is lashing out now because he didn't win his case. I've always tried to live an upright and morale life and for something to come out that's not true is disappointing. People just look at the headline and look at the picture and they'll be like, 'Oh, she's associated with this,' and I didn't do anything wrong. It's very unfair."

MLB to review security due to recent fan violence

BY RICK GANO
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Major league baseball will review security at ballparks nationwide to try to prevent fan violence following the attack on an umpire at a White Sox game.

Top baseball officials were in Chicago on Wednesday to investigate the assault on first base umpire Laz Diaz, which raised concern and questions throughout the majors.

It came just three months before U.S. Cellular Field hosts the All-star game, and about seven months after a similar attack on a first base coach at the stadium.

Baseball commissioner Bud Selig said he was extremely troubled by the assault Tuesday night during the game between the White Sox and Kansas City Royals.

"There is no place in baseball for such deplorable fan behavior, and we urge that the guilty parties be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law," Selig said.

Kevin Hallinan, major league baseball's security chief, and Sandy Alderson, executive vice president of baseball operations in the commissioner's office, were looking into the attack. Selig said baseball would re-examine security at all stadiums.

Last September, Kansas City coach Tom Gamboa was pummeled by a father and son just yards from where the fan ran onto the field and tried to tackle Diaz by grabbing him around the waist.

Security and players rushed to help the 40-year-old Diaz, who served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

"I just turned around and got him

off me," he said. "The good hand-to-hand combat they taught me worked."

Diaz was not hurt, but the fan needed treatment for minor injuries at a hospital after being thrown to the ground and roughed up by players. He was later seen with a bloody bandage on his head. His motive was not disclosed, and it was unclear whether he had been drinking alcohol.

"To have to deal with this yet again is really a black mark on the city and, frankly, the organization," White Sox general manager Ken Williams said Wednesday. "For it to happen twice in our city is unconscionable."

Police would not identify the fan because he had not been formally charged. But in a Chicago police report he was identified as Eric Dybas, 24, of Bolingbrook, Ill.

Police spokesman Pat Camden said the fan, who was led away in handcuffs, was being held Wednesday pending the filing of aggravated battery charges.

The White Sox announced several steps to increase security at its ballpark, beginning with Wednesday night's game against the Royals. Two people have been added to watch each foul line, ushers will check ticket stubs more frequently, and more public-address announcements will be made to remind fans of the penalties for going onto the field.

Kansas City general manager Allard Baird initially said he was not sure he wanted the Royals to play Wednesday night unless his team's safety was assured. He got that assurance during a meeting with Williams and Hallinan.

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