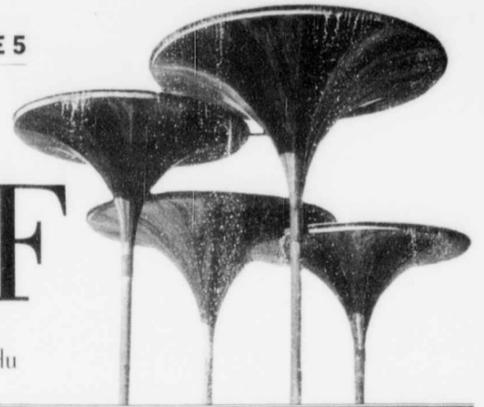


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Today's News

WORLD NEWS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A soldier from the 4th Infantry Division died following a rocket-propelled grenade attack on an American convoy, north of the Iraqi capital, the U.S. military said Thursday.

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STATE NEWS

ABILENE — James Leddy, a legendary Abilene bootmaker, died Tuesday following a sudden illness. He was 66.

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AUSTIN — A lawyer indicted with former Attorney General Dan Morales plans to plead guilty to mail fraud Friday, his attorney says.

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OnCampus

Harry Potter science class offered for credit

Now Harry Potter fans at Frostburg University in Maryland will have the opportunity to earn college credit for the recently added Harry Potter science class.

Dr. George Plitnik, a physics professor at Frostburg University, a public school in western Maryland, is teaching an honors course to juniors and seniors based on the popular series. After reading the first four books of the series, he saw a presentation entitled, "The Science of Harry Potter: How Magic Really Works," by Roger Highfield and became intrigued.

Plitnik originally proposed the idea of teaching physics through Harry Potter to the honors committee at Frostburg.

"The idea was to get students who don't know much about science to appreciate and learn about science through popular culture like Harry Potter," Plitnik said.

Students are not required to have read the novels, but Plitnik makes regular costume appearances, once dressing up as Albus Dumbledore, the Hogwarts Headmaster in Harry Potter.

— Badger Herald

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The Weather

TODAY

High: 82; Low: 59; Partly cloudy

SATURDAY

High: 82; Low: 60; Partly cloudy

SUNDAY

High: 70; Low: 50; Showers

Looking Back

1995 — O.J. Simpson was acquitted of the 1994 murder of his wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

1961 — The United Auto Workers called the first company-wide strike against Ford Motor Company since Ford's first union contract was signed in 1941. During the late 1930's, Ford was the last of the Big Tree auto firms still holding out against unionization.

Vice president trend continues

DANNY GILLHAM
Staff Reporter

For most of his 17 years at TCU, Student Government Association adviser Larry Markley said people leaving executive positions in SGA was not a problem.

"For the first 14 years, we had no problems like this," Markley said. "It seems like the last three years we have had the problem."

Markley said in the last three

years, all three Programming Council vice presidents have left over the summer, midway through their terms. Two years ago, the student decided not to come back to school, and last year's vice president remained on council but didn't have time to fully commit to the position, he said.

CiAnn Ardoin, who quit her position in May, is the most recent PC vice president to step down.

"CiAnn decided that she needed to do other things this fall, instead of putting all her time into Programming Council," Markley said.

Ardoin, a senior sociology major, said she needed to concentrate more on school.

"I'm a senior this year, and I have to be more focused," Ardoin said. "I want to increase my GPA, because school is my first priority. It's the reason I'm here."

Markley said according to the SGA constitution, if an officer drops out of SGA during the summer, their replacement is decided by the other SGA officers. If they drop out in the spring semester, then elections will be held, he said.

He said many of the people taking over officer positions are younger students who may not know how much work to expect.

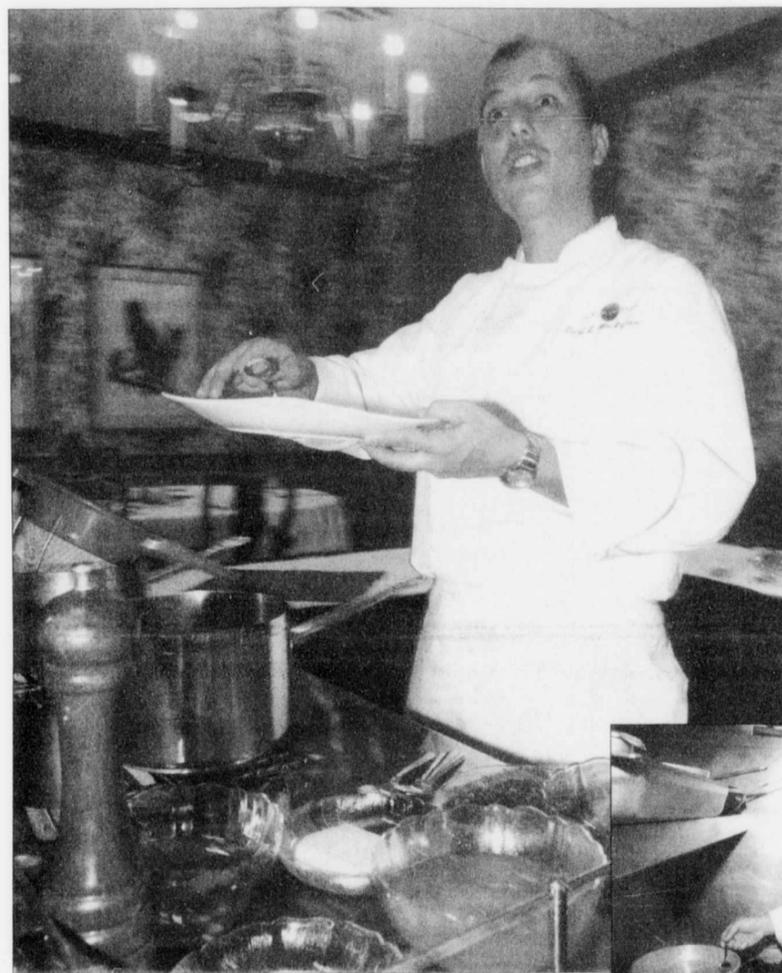
"I think people who have

applied for the job didn't have a full concept of what the job entailed," Markley said.

Mara Grove, a junior fashion merchandising major, said she voted in last fall's SGA elections and would have wanted to vote again for Ardoin's replacement.

"It kind of bothers me," Grove said. "If these people are representing us as students, then the student

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Zolon Restaurant managing chef Carl Macpherson (above) demonstrates his cooking talents in the Chancellor's Reception Room in the Student Center. Head chef and owner Zolon Wilkins (right) prepares food for the demo in The Main's kitchen.

A hint of Italy

BY JOHN ASHLEY MENZIES
Staff Reporter

An aroma of Italy filled the second floor of the Student Center Thursday night.

The scent led to the Chancellor's Dining Room, where local chefs Zolon Wilkins III and Carl MacPherson prepared a demonstration and tasting.

A three-course meal, topped off with tiramisu, was served to invited attendees of the private dinner in the Chancellor's Dining Room. Downstairs in The Main, Wilkins and MacPherson prepared chicken scaloppini and mashed potatoes to be served to the students.

The food featured will be served at his new restaurant Zoe-Italian.

"We came to TCU to do a couple of things — to look to TCU for a labor pool of bright, young, talented people to be servers and

cooks in our restaurant," Wilkins said. "The other thing that we want to do is to promote our new restaurant Zoe-Italian."

Wilkins previously founded the restaurant Zolon, which is also located in Sundance Square in downtown Fort Worth, and came to TCU as part of the visiting chef program that TCU Dining Services has organized, said Rick Flores, general manager of TCU dining services.

"We want to share the community with TCU students," Flores said. "We won't serve the students every meal. So we want to give them other options."

The program should bring a visiting chef to TCU twice a month in hopes of mixing things up, Flores said. However, Flores said he was unsure who will be the next visiting chef.

Flores said he felt the program was well received by the students.

Ben Schmitt, a freshman business major, said it was good to have some change in The Main.

"I hate the same food all the time," Schmitt said. "(It) makes me not want to come here to eat."

Christina Beene, a freshman interior design major, said she liked the change.

"It was good," Beene said. "It's better than the normal chicken."

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Museum to host pep rally, promote book

BY KRISTI WALKER
Staff Reporter

The nearby National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame is scheduled to host a TCU pep rally at 6:30 p.m. today on the museum's front lawn.

The event will feature performances from the TCU pep band, the cheerleaders and the Showgirls, said Jessica Burnham, assistant marketing director of TCU athletics. Members of several TCU athletics programs will be in attendance to support the event, Burnham said.

Following the pep rally, local radio station

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The National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame will be the site of a pep rally 6:30 p.m. today.

CIA probe expands

BY CURT ANDERSON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The investigation into the leak of a CIA officer's name is likely to expand to other Bush administration agencies, including the State and Defense departments, officials said Thursday.

A senior Justice Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said those agencies, and possibly others, could get letters urging officials to preserve documents such as phone logs and not to delete e-mails. Similar letters have already gone to the White House and CIA.

Defense Department officials confirmed Thursday they were

told to expect such a letter. At the State Department, spokeswoman Susan Pittman said she did not know if a letter had been received but that the agency "would cooperate fully" if asked.

Preventing loss of evidence is a key part of the early stage of the FBI's investigation, which is focused at the outset on narrowing the list of government officials who may have known the CIA officer's identity.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan told reporters Thursday that the White House had not received any subpoenas in the investigation and that, to his knowledge, no staffers had been

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Pope John Paul nearing his last days

BY VICTOR L. SIMPSON
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — One of Europe's top cardinals said Thursday that Pope John Paul II was nearing "the last days and months of his life," the first ranking prelate to say the 83-year-old pontiff is dying.

With John Paul visibly weaker in recent weeks, concern over his health has been growing. Austrian Cardinal Christoph Schoenborn was the second leading prelate this week to express alarm over the pope's health.

"The entire world is experiencing a pope who is sick, who is disabled and

who is dying — I don't know how near death he is — who is approaching the last days and months of his life," Schoenborn, who is the archbishop of Vienna, told Austrian state broadcaster ORF.

Schoenborn is considered a possible candidate for the papacy. His spokesman, Erich Leitenberger, later told The Associated Press the comments were "to be interpreted philosophically."

Since the mid-1990s, John Paul has been battling Parkinson's disease, a progressive neurological disorder, as well as crippling knee and hip ailments.

The Vatican, which generally refrains from commenting on the pope's health,

declined to respond to the Austrian cardinal's remarks.

However, two Vatican cardinals and one of John Paul's closest aides — the secretary who joined him from Poland when he assumed the papacy 25 years ago — sought to minimize concern about the pontiff's well-being.

Monsignor Stanislaw Dziwisz, promoted to archbishop by John Paul on Monday as a sign of gratitude, took the unusual step of talking to reporters about the pope's health as the pontiff was meeting with the president of Lithuania.

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Pope John Paul II, 83, has been battling Parkinson's disease and is reported to be in the last days of his life.

THE PULSE

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Campus Lines

Your bulletin board for campus events

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■ **December 2003 degree candidates** should file Intent to Graduate forms in the office of their academic dean by the deadline set by that academic office. All names of degree candidates must be submitted to the registrar by Tuesday.

■ **20:24 Bible Study** meets at 6:15 p.m. Sundays in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 1.

■ **TCU Jim Wright Legislative Studies Symposium** will host New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson at 7:30 p.m. today in the Student Center Ballroom. Richardson will speak on political representation.

■ **TCU in Mexico** program will have three information sessions Tuesday: 11 a.m. in Reed Hall, Room 115; 2 p.m. in Student Center, Room 222; and 3:30 p.m. in Student Center, Room 222. Call (817) 257-6358 or e-mail d.frischmann@tcu.edu for more information.

■ **Academic Services Center** will host the 10th Annual Major/Minor Fair from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Student Center Lounge. The event provides students an opportunity to speak with representatives from various departments on campus. For more information call (817) 257-7486.

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95.9 The Ranch will host a concert by country singer Mike Graham, said Susan Fine, director of membership and communications at the Cowgirl Museum.

On Saturday, the museum will host the launching of former TCU professor Joyce Roach's book for children titled "Horned Toad Canyon," Fine said.

"We want people to come out for the pep rally and for the concert, so they should bring lawn chairs and come to have a good time," Fine said.

The event starts at 10 a.m. A representative of the Fort Worth Zoo will talk about the horned toads and their possible extinction, Fine said.

"With the book being about horned toads, TCU has a natural tie-in to the launch of the book," Burnham said.

The event will finish in time for the TCU game against Army Saturday, Burnham said.

Children from Daggett Montessori School will present a special musical performance of "Horned Toad Canyon," and children can make horned toad masks at the Cowgirl Cafe.

Nick Whitesell, a junior communications studies major and president of HyperFrogs, said members of the HyperFrogs would be in attendance at the pep rally.

The museum is at 1720 Gendy St.

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Police Blotter

Compiled by Staff Reporter Becky Brandenberg

Sept. 24

Theft \$500 to \$1,500

Sid Richardson Building — laptop computer stolen
Science parking lot - stolen hubcaps

Sept. 25

Criminal Mischief

Martin Moore Hall — Window broken by unknown suspect(s)

Disorderly Conduct

Jarvis Hall - Harassing telephone call

Theft \$50 to \$500

Bass Building — Wallet stolen from unattended purse

Sept. 26

Burglary of Motor Vehicle

Soccer Field parking lot — Assorted text books and calculator stolen

Criminal Mischief

Martin Moore Hall — Driving on grass

Sept. 28

Burglary of Motor Vehicle

Tomlinson Hall — CD player stolen

Sept. 29

Criminal Mischief

Tomlinson Hall — Damage to exterior of residence hall

Oct. 1

Burglary of Motor Vehicle

Lower freshman parking lot — Three burglary suspects arrested, in custody of the FWPD
Observation parking lot — CD player stolen

Oct. 2

Burglary of Motor Vehicle

Freshman parking lot — CD player stolen

TREND

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body should have a say on who should be taking their place."

Ardoin said she wasn't ready when she took over the position.

"You say you want to do something because you love doing it," Ardoin said. "What you don't realize though is that there is much more behind it. It's a full-time job, and other things get sometimes pushed aside."

Her replacement is Katrina Shutt, who said Ardoin's leaving was unexpected.

"It kind of came as a shock to me," said Shutt, a junior marketing and finance major. "When I heard, I wasn't neces-

sarily surprised seeing how busy she was. I could see her reasons for leaving."

Shutt took over only three months before the PC's three big events, Howdy Week,

"I have very responsible project directors for each event. It was more me catching up with them than them catching up with me."

— Katrina Shutt
council vice president

Family Weekend and Homecoming, were to take place.

Shutt said the job was pretty chaotic at first, but she had a more than capable staff.

"All of our projects were

already well into preparation," she said. "I have very responsible project directors for each event. It was more me catching up with them than them catching up with me."

Markley said some structural changes are already in place to encourage younger SGA members to stick around and work up to executive positions.

"We now have project directors and project teams," Markley said. "The younger students can parlay up through the system and maintain familiarity with areas. They can become team leaders, and maybe flow up to the top."

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Monique Bhimani contributed to this story.

EXPAND

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interviewed by the FBI.

He promised to publicly disclose any such subpoenas should they be issued to the White House or its staff, if the Justice Department didn't object to releasing the information.

To his knowledge, no White House staff member has hired a lawyer because of the investigation, McClellan said.

The FBI has assembled a team of about a half-dozen experienced agents to handle the investigation into who leaked the name of a CIA officer married to former Ambassador Joseph C. Wilson. Wilson had accused the Bush administration of manipulating intelligence to exaggerate the threat posed by Iraq.

The officer's name, Valerie Plame, first appeared in a July 14

story by syndicated columnist Robert Novak, and she was identified later by Newsday as an undercover officer.

In Congress, Democrats and Republicans sparred over whether a special counsel should be appointed to investigate. Democrats contend an agency headed by Bush appointees cannot adequately investigate the administration. Republicans have labeled that claim politically motivated.

Overseeing the investigation is John Dion, a 30-year career prosecutor who has headed the counterespionage section at the Justice Department since 2002. FBI agents from the counterintelligence and inspections division and from the Washington field office will do the legwork.

The FBI, which can use grand jury subpoenas to compel disclosure of any evidence, has regular-

ly used polygraph tests in investigations involving classified information.

"We will cooperate fully with the investigation and make sure that we preserve the integrity of the investigation," he said.

Novak, in a column published Wednesday, wrote that he discovered Plame's identity when talking with a senior administration official about why Wilson, who had been part of President Clinton's National Security Council, had been chosen to investigate allegations that Iraq tried to buy uranium from Niger.

A second official confirmed that Wilson's wife was a CIA officer, Novak wrote, adding that the CIA itself never suggested to him that publication of her name would endanger anyone. Novak also wrote that the officer's identity was widely known in Washington.

POPE

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Asked about the state of the pope's health, Dziwisz referred to comments this week attributed by a German magazine to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger that John Paul was "in a bad way" and that the faithful should pray for him.

"Cardinal Ratzinger was crying yesterday, explaining that he never gave an interview but merely answered someone he met on the street, saying, 'If the pope is sick, pray for him,'" Dziwisz said.

"Many journalists who in the past have written about the pope's health are already in heaven," Dziwisz added.

The pope looked relaxed and alert during his meeting with

President Rolandas Paksas, which lasted 15 minutes and was one of four appointments on the pope's schedule Thursday.

Despite his frail condition, John Paul has one of the busiest periods in his papacy ahead of him. He makes a day trip Tuesday to a shrine in Pompeii and then takes part in celebrations the following week marking the 25th anniversary of his papacy.

The Vatican announced Tuesday the pope will also preside over the ceremony elevating the 31 new cardinals he named Sunday, saying it will be held Oct. 21 on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica. The following day, he will preside at a Mass with the cardinals in St. Peter's Square.

Cardinal Jose Saraiva Martins, head of the Congregation of the Causes of

Saints, said Thursday the pope's trip to Pompeii next week shows "there is no reason for alarm."

"I think that the pope and all of us are in the hands of God," he told the ANSA news agency. "To my mind, this alarmism should really be re-thought."

Cardinal Giovanni Battista Re, head of the Congregation of Bishops, said he ate with John Paul on Thursday.

"The pope is well, given the problems that are there for everyone to see," he said, according to the AGI news agency. "He has difficulty moving and pronouncing words. But he is a very strong man, and above all is very lucid, he has a clear vision of the world and of the church."

John Paul looked alert and spirited throughout his two-hour general audience Wednesday.



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The Skiff View PRIDE

Attend the TCU versus Army game

Whether we agree or disagree on the cause or justification of the war on Iraq, all Americans should be unanimous in support of the troops who risk everything to defend our cause.

At Saturday's game against Army, there will be numerous tributes to members of the United States' armed forces. While some may view this as a marketing ploy, there is no way you can overlook the importance of paying respect to those who make a living doing things we pray we never have to.

At football games, fans pour their hearts and souls into their team, cheering them on to victory. Playing a team like Army in addition to having special tributes reminds us that they are not only football players, but legions of U.S. citizens pouring their hearts and souls into our country.

TCU has done the right thing by marketing these tributes, because there needs to be more people at this event. Attendance has been great so far this season, and if there are more people at this game than any other TCU home game this season, then that's the way it should be. While being a witness to the Frogs' quest for an undefeated season is nice, it pales in comparison to seeing tens of thousands of fans say thank you to those who defend our country.

We commend TCU for putting together these tributes. TCU fans spend the entire season in search of national respect for the football program, while the men and women that are being saluted this Saturday spend years protecting their fellow citizens at home and abroad.

As driven as TCU is to be recognized for its athletics, it is good to see the school taking the time to put things into perspective, and give credit where credit is due.

QuoteUnquote

Quotes we ran that made you think ... or laugh

"You can get a lot more out of education if you approach it like a giant bowl of ice cream, instead of a dose of medicine."
— **Jim Wright, political science professor and former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives**

"The world is like a stage, and we're spectators of a written fiction."
— **David Bedford, Spanish instructor**

"Government is not fated to be dominated by special interests. We have to find and elect politicians who are willing to work for the public rather than lobbyists."
— **Josh Deitz, columnist**

"It's an abstract work of art that can engage people in critical thinking, especially at a university that advocates critical thinking."
— **Mark Thistlethwaite, Kimbell chairman of art history, on the new sculpture in front of Smith Hall**

"It's all up in the air at this point. I don't know what either side is thinking, but I hope the punishment is not too severe."
— **Zerek Travis, Phi Gamma Delta president, on investigations into his fraternity about alleged hazing**

"When I lived in Milton Daniel, I never went to any of the hall socials because I had so much other stuff to do that was a lot more important and would have a better influence on my college experience."
— **Perry Cottrell, junior entrepreneurial management major**

"We, as Americans, have to face the fact that we live in a world of harm."
— **Gail Sheehy, author**

"They have a lot of players from Texas on their roster. Every time they come back here it's like the Alamo."
— **Head football coach Gary Patterson, on Saturday's TCU-Army football game**

"It makes you a little nervous when our top 12 gifts have averaged 47 percent of giving over the last six or seven years. The less dependent you are on large gifts, the more stable you are."
— **Bronson Davis, vice chancellor for University Advancement, on recent fund-raising efforts**



Alumnus honored us with his time and life

Tomorrow's football game seems routine to many. This Saturday, our school's mighty Horned Frogs will be facing Army's Black Knights at Amon Carter Stadium. The fact is, TCU is not just playing another football game. While we are simply watching the game,



many of our nation's soldiers are fighting in Afghanistan, Iraq or other dangerous places far from home. Many people at TCU have military ties, either through themselves or association with others. Along with current TCU students, faculty and staff, this football game will also be extraordinarily special for a certain group of TCU alumni.

This weekend's football game will be dedicated to a special alumnus, U.S. Army Capt. Tristen Aitken. Many members of his family will come Saturday to honor their son, nephew and husband. Before and during the football game, our nation's soldiers and veterans will be honored for their bravery and sacrifice. While his family and Army ROTC will attend the game, Aitken cannot. Aitken, TCU class of 1995, died

Football game dedicated to former Frog

in the service of his country on April 4 in Iraq when his convoy was ambushed and a rocket-propelled grenade hit his vehicle.

Capt. Aitken's accomplishments are numerous and distinguished. While at TCU, Aitken served on the elite Ranger Challenge team, placed 5th out of 260 cadets at ROTC Advanced Camp and earned Distinguished Military Graduate status along with his degree in Biology with a communications minor. After he graduated from TCU, Aitken deployed to Kosovo and later to Iraq, received the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart along with his other medals and sadly became the first TCU graduate to die in Operation Iraqi Freedom. While cynics may claim that he was simply serving a political agenda, we need to remember that his death was for innocent Iraqis and Americans.

Along with his achievements,

Aitken's served as an example for others. He earned the respect of his fellow officers and soldiers, regardless of their background. A devout Christian, he lived by the poem, "The Winner's Creed." In Kosovo, Capt. Aitken's unit "adopted" a school and he personally found time to teach English to the students. Those at TCU who personally knew him said he was not only a great leader, but a personal friend.

While many people recognize TCU alumni in the fields of business, academics or other fine fields, they sometimes forget that our alumni have also

fought for freedom. Names honoring TCU's World War II veterans are engraved near the sidewalk in front of Reed Hall. In this current war against terrorism, TCU has alumni risking their lives to protect America and to defeat tyrants who have supported terrorism. When TCU and Army play tomorrow, remember the loss of Capt. Tristen Aitken. He wasn't just another statistic on the news, he was a Horned Frog.

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StudentSpeakOut

If you were Chancellor for a day, what would you do first?



"I would give parking tickets to all the faculty and staff who park in main campus parking. If they can park in ours, why can't we park in theirs?"
— **Andrew Lowe, a sophomore business major**



"I would have the students who sit at the same table in The Main with the same people everyday sit with different people somewhere else."
— **Felecia Benton, a junior music theater/Ad-PR major**



"I'd give more dining options to students off-campus, such as in places along Berry Street."
— **Chris Ray, a senior entrepreneurial management major**



"I'd look into funding the music department more. Our facilities are out of date, and especially with scholarships."
— **Humberto Gonzalez, a sophomore music performance major**



"I would improve the materials that give information on financial aid to freshmen and sophomore students."
— **Carlee Byrd, a senior political science major**



"I would build a parking garage but put more spaces on campus for students to use."
— **Briggitt Hewitt, a sophomore nursing major**

Now is best for travel

I see London. I see France. Did I pack clean underpants?

I always knew I wanted to study abroad. I fully intended to take advantage of the study abroad program here.

But making the final decision was still really hard.

On the one hand, this was

my dream. I wanted to live in

London for the semester and explore Europe, meeting new people and

visiting places I had only seen on television or in books. Missing the opportunity seemed inconceivable.

On the other hand, my mother was terrified about safety and against me going, because I intended to go only months after Sept. 11. A favorite professor said I should stay and work toward graduation and my career.

But in the end, the choice was still mine. It was the best decision I've ever made.

The lessons I learned, and the mistakes I made while studying abroad could fill a book. Bumbling around a country with a two-word vocabulary in its language is an interesting experience.

I realized that, as a student, I am the ideal traveler.

You will never be able to travel as cheaply or as easily as when you are a student. Student discounts are everywhere. Youth hostels, which are nonexistent in the U.S., abound in other nations. They don't always offer all the perks many adults can't live without, but they are cheap, geared toward young people and a great place to meet travelers from around the globe.

There's no better way to see the world than to get away from home and immerse yourself in a new language and culture. America will never seem the same after looking at it through the eyes of another nation's citizens.

The Study Abroad Program has been holding information sessions and has a table in the Student Center to promote its programs, like the ones in London, Spain and Florence, because of the Oct. 15 deadline for the spring semester.

There may be a lot of hurdles standing between you and studying abroad. Fears about living in another country, missing friends and events here and grappling with schedule issues are all serious considerations. Then you have to find the money to go.

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So if these hurdles can be overcome, by all means, do so and go, because studying abroad can change your life forever.

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National/International Roundup

Three American GI's killed in sneak attacks

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A soldier from the 4th Infantry Division died following a rocket-propelled grenade attack on an American convoy, north of the Iraqi capital, the U.S. military said Thursday.

The attack took place about 9 p.m. Wednesday against a convoy near Samara, about 100 kilometers (60 miles) north of Baghdad, the military said. One injured soldier was rushed to a military hospital but died of his wounds. The name was withheld pending notification of kin.

The soldier was the third American trooper killed on Wednesday. A woman soldier, also from the 4th Infantry, based in Fort Hood, Texas, was killed in a roadside bombing in Tikrit. A 1st Armored Division soldier was shot dead Wednesday night on patrol in the al-Mansour district of Baghdad.

The latest casualties bring to 90 the number of American soldiers to die by hostile fire in Iraq since President George W. Bush declared an end to major combat operations on May 1.

Legendary bootmaker dies suddenly at age 66

ABILENE (AP) — James Leddy, a legendary Abilene bootmaker, died Tuesday following a sudden illness. He was 66.

Leddy was born Aug. 19, 1937, into a bootmaking family in San Angelo and made his first pair of boots without help when he was 12 years old.

His customers included entertainers — Mel Tillis, George Jones, Larry Gatlin, Jerry Lee Lewis and Jane Seymour — as well as local residents.

All were willing to be on a six-month waiting list to wear the fancy, well-made boots fashioned from exotic leathers of snake, ostrich and other skins.

"He enjoyed making boots for celebrities, but his passion and pride and joy was making boots for farmers and ranchers whose work required good boots," said his son Brent Leddy.

"Making boots was all he wanted to do. He didn't fish or hunt or travel. He just made boots seven days a week. When he went home, he often went out to the shop there and worked on belts."

Leddy first went into business for himself in Abilene more than 40 years ago. The business, most recently named James Leddy Boots, will continue under the direction of his widow Paula Leddy, Brent Leddy said.

Other family members are bootmakers in San Angelo and Fort Worth.

Leddy is also survived by three children and several grandchildren. Graveside services were planned for 2 p.m. Friday at Elmwood Memorial Park.

Murr changes his mind, pleads guilty as charged

AUSTIN (AP) — A lawyer indicted with former Attorney General Dan Morales plans to plead guilty to mail fraud Friday, his attorney says.

The case stems from the state's

\$17 billion lawsuit settlement with big tobacco companies.

Under an agreement reached with federal authorities, Marc Murr is expected to agree to six months behind bars and a fine to be determined by U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks of Austin. Murr also would be placed on probation for five years.

Murr had been scheduled to go to trial Tuesday on fraud and conspiracy charges, which could result in a penalty of up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

"We will inform the judge that we have an agreement that will alleviate the need to go to trial. (Murr) is pleading guilty," Chip Lewis of Houston, one of Murr's lawyers, told the San Antonio Express-News.

Murr previously pleaded not guilty.

Morales, after years of insisting he had done nothing wrong in the tobacco case, pleaded guilty in July to mail fraud and tax evasion as part of a deal that will put him in federal prison for four years if approved by Sparks.

Morales' sentencing is set for Oct. 31.

The March indictment alleged that Morales and Murr schemed to funnel millions of dollars in attorneys' fees to Murr from the state's settlement with big tobacco.

Murr was among the private lawyers hired by Morales when he was attorney general to help sue the tobacco companies. Some of the lawyers said Murr did little work on the case.

When the tobacco case was

settled, Murr filed a claim for \$520 million in attorneys' fees. An arbitration panel awarded him \$1 million. He eventually declined all fees.

Number of uninsured Texans becoming crisis

AUSTIN (AP) — Calling the growing number of Texans without health insurance a crisis, a group of Democratic legislators Wednesday urged Republican Gov. Rick Perry to allow expanded health insurance coverage to be considered in the current special session.

The plea was prompted by U.S. Census figures released Tuesday that show Texas' 24.7 percent uninsured population leads the country in the number of people without health insurance.

A spokesman for the governor said health insurance was not an issue Perry planned to include in the third special session called to address congressional redistricting.

"The governor can always include any issue in a special session call, but at this time that is not one of the issues," said Perry spokesman Gene Acuna.

Census Bureau figures showed that 24.7 percent of Texas residents were without insurance during the two-year period ending in December. That's more than a 1 percent increase from the prior two-year period.

Inmates' blood samples declared as illegal

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A 3-year-old law that requires federal prisoners to give blood

samples for the FBI's DNA database was declared unconstitutional Thursday by a federal appeals court.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that requiring the blood samples amounts to an illegal invasion of privacy, because they are taken without legal suspicion that the convicts were involved in other crimes.

The San Francisco-based court, the first federal appeals court to address the federal DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act, said that is a violation of inmates' Fourth Amendment rights against illegal searches.

The blood samples "violate the Fourth Amendment because they constitute suspicionless searches with the objective of furthering law enforcement purposes," Judge Stephen Reinhardt wrote. "Compulsory searches of the bodies of parolees ... require, at a minimum, reasonable suspicion."

The Justice Department did not have immediate comment on the court's 2-1 decision.

The DNA samples are turned over to the FBI, which analyzes the results and places them in a databank open to law enforcement on a national level.

It was not immediately clear whether the decision would apply retroactively, meaning that those who have given blood could have it withdrawn from the databank. In addition, it was too early to say whether new convictions based on the blood samples would survive, said Monica Knox, a deputy public defender of Los Angeles.

"That may have to be worked out later," Knox said.

She said the government has extracted blood from thousands of inmates and former prisoners on supervised release.

Shuttle Atlantis grounded to test metal in nose cap

(AP) — NASA wants to find out if the nose cap of the space shuttle Atlantis was inspected properly for corrosion, an action that could further delay the first shuttle launch since the Columbia disaster, an agency official said Thursday.

Officials planning the return to space next year have questioned the inspection of the metal framework inside the nose cap, which can corrode. The problem has been found and fixed on the shuttles Discovery and Endeavor, said James Hartsfield, a NASA spokesman in Houston.

NASA officials had hoped to launch Atlantis as early as March or April but acknowledged last month that the schedule will be pushed back. The NASA executives who make up the Spaceflight Leadership Council planned to discuss the nose cap inspections and possibly pick a new launch date at a meeting Friday.

The three remaining shuttles have been grounded since Columbia broke up over Texas on Feb. 1, killing all seven astronauts aboard.

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MUSIC REVIEWS

BY LARA HENDRICKSON
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DAVE MATTHEWS — SOME DEVIL



I'm not going to lie; I am very hesitant to say that I loved this CD. I think people who call Dave Matthews Band "Dave", and make it their summer mission to follow him to every concert are either A. conformists or B. psychotics. Now, when I say "conformists" I mean conformists to popularity, which I think Dave Matthews Band generally *exudes*.

Yeah I loved it. So sue me for hypocritically thinking. Perhaps it is because of the array of musical guests on Matthews' first solo CD, such as Phish guitarist, Trey Anastasio and string and horn arranger Audrey Riley. Or maybe it's the Neil Young-type classics he put out on the CD.

I first saw the video to his first single "Gravedigger" at about two in the morning, and I was a little bit frightened to go to bed that night. The video is extremely graphic, matching the haunting mood of the song. However, I don't think that it is the best representation of the album.

Some Devil offers 12 other new songs by Dave Matthews that range from stripped-down testimony to folk-lullabies. Matthews teamed with producer Steve Harris, who previously worked with Matthews on the record *Busted Stuff*.

"I have some sort of allegiance to simple melodies, but I was trying to be as experimental as I could be," Matthews said in a press release.

Dave Matthews tackles the big themes — life, death, love, loss and faith — and he tackles them well. *Some Devil* is a delicate balance of dark and light, vulnerability and strength. Oh "Dave"...

CHARLOTTE MARTIN — IN PARENTHESSES



Charlotte Martin apparently claims herself to be Goth. As in gothic.

From the looks of her CD, I didn't really believe her. She is a former Miss Teen Illinois. However, when I listened to her I sort of understood what she was saying. Her influence comes from bands like the Cure and Joy Division, and I kind of like her.

I must be in a generous mood.

Martin grew up in a small college town and studied opera. She took piano lessons in her spare time and eventually went to Eastern Illinois, where she met her Goth roommate Raven and went through "several life-changing experiences." Hmm.

In Parentheses is truly a showcase for an opera-trained voice and amazing piano-playing skills. Martin co-produced the album with Ken Andrews, who has worked with Pete Dinklage and Jimmy Eat World. Martin's voice resonates a Tori Amos feel, with tracks expressing emotion about suicide, stalkers and anorexia.

Martin said in a press release that her main goal is to connect with her fans.

"Some artists have changed my life. In the humblest way, I really hope I can do that for somebody some day," Martin said. "I want to give my fans something special."

And special she does in the album *In Parentheses*.



JET — GET BORN

"Everyone talks about rock these days, the problem is, they forgot about the roll." — Keith Richards.

I feel that if Keith Richards was listening to Jet, he would be satisfied. No pun intended.

The cover of their album reminds me of some Led Zeppelin/Beatles compilation, and their music is definitely Rolling Stone-esque. They cite AC/DC and Oasis as their influences, and they are signed to Elektra, the very birthplace of American rock.

"We wanted to make a contemporary album," vocalist Chris Cester said in a press release. "We didn't want to make a one-dimensional rock and roll record either. Albums should be able to reflect all sides of your personality."

The band consists of Cester, Cameron Muncy (guitar/vocals), Mark Wilson (bass) and Chris' brother Nick Cester (guitar/vocals), and their album is nowhere near one-dimensional.

Jet reminds me of a bunch of rule-breaking guys busy getting drunk, having fun and living life.

What's not to love?

MUSIC

Under the Tuscan Sun



Diane Lane shines brightly in 'Under the Tuscan Sun'

BY CHRISTINE HUGGINS
The Dartmouth

Does the gray Hanover weather have you down, and it's not even snowing yet? Do picturesque ocean sides, fields of beautiful poppies, and sunlight filtering over the ancient fountains and villas of Italy sound good to you? If so, I suggest you go watch "Under the Tuscan Sun" right away. It may not be a classic, but definitely a must-see film.

Diane Lane lights up the screen as Francesca, a confused divorcee who impulsively buys a run-down villa and faces the challenge of making it a home. Not only does she need to repair the dilapidated house, she must also repair her broken spirit.

Numerous lovable characters enter Francesca's life in Tuscany. The real-estate agent who sells her the villa, the endearing Polish repairmen and the promiscuous has-been movie star with plenty of love advice are just a few of the colorful individuals Francesca encounters.

Italy itself is a character that Francesca must come to know. Humorous miscommunications such as "are you single" — translating as "are you celibate" — pepper the script.

This movie is about finding friends, but also about love. It examines not only what love can do to you when it goes awry, but what love inspires you to do when it is right. Francesca's love affair with Marcello (played by studly Italian movie star Raoul Bova) being an example of the latter.

The sappy fairy-tale elements like the chance meeting and lines like "You have beautiful eyes, Francesca. I wish I could swim inside them." do not compromise the film, even if they are a little unbelievable. But rest assured, most of the movie's cheese is tempered by reality. Francesca gets a happy ending, although it is not the one you expect.

This film is not only a visual feast for its stunning costars but also for the fantastic cinematography. Bold, bright rich colors, classic costumes and gorgeous backdrops fill the screen. Gigantic sunflowers, crashing ocean waves, olive groves, sprawling landscapes, vineyards and fiery sunsets all inspire you to hop on the next plane to Italy.

There is also a scene where the frames go from color to black and white, as if they are snapshots from a camera. These still-frames capture every expression on the actors' faces, and we can fully appreciate their talent as we have time to examine it at close range. This novel attempt coupled with bold scenery, combines traits of recent films like "Chocolat" with 1940s romance films.

But, "Under the Tuscan Sun" comes to life because of Lane. Her performance is both funny and compelling as her character goes from being scared of life to embracing it. The warm presence she exudes on screen allows the audience to relate to her plight and cheer her on to happiness.

At one point in the film, Francesca says, "Unthinkably, good things can happen." Lane's performance is phenomenal, making "Under the Tuscan Sun" one of those "good things."

PLAY REVIEW

AGNES OF GOD

BECKY BRANDENBURG
Staff Reporter

Passions ignite as secrets unfold and bind the women of "Agnes of God."

The cast of three, Leah Carithers-Jeffers, Monique Lara and Jessica McClendon, treated a nearly-full house to an evening of misdirection and revelation in its opening performance Wednesday.

Carithers-Jeffers, a junior theater major, delivers a solid performance as Dr. Martha Livingston, the court-appointed psychiatrist sent to determine the sanity of Sister Agnes. The 21-year-old novice is charged with murder after Mother Miriam finds her bleeding and unconscious in her convent

room. Her newborn lies strangled, bundled in bloody sheets and stuffed in a wastepaper basket nearby.

Mother Miriam, played by Lara, a senior fine arts major, gains the audience's trust right away. Her sympathetic, even manner and calm voice juxtaposed against the hard-nosed, chain-smoking doctor with a Catholic-axe-to-grind provides much of the tension and a great deal of the pleasure throughout. Especially delightful is a scene where they find common ground while discussing the existence of modern-day saints and what they might be smoking.

As Sister Agnes, McClendon, a junior fine arts major, sometimes delivers



Robin Kriel/Staff reporter
(from left) Junior Leah Jeffers, senior Monique Lara and junior Jessica McClendon, all theater majors, are in "Agnes of God."

unevenly and a little too brightly. But her soliloquies are convincing and her voice is lovely as she portrays a tormented nun in search of peace.

Sadly, the two-hour play is delivered in three-quarter round, which often leaves a third of the audience trying to imagine what these remarkably expressive actresses are saying unsaid. The staging, lighting and cos-

tuming are subtle and simple — a counterbalance to the emotional passages and physical delivery.

General admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Hays Theatre Complex in the Walsh Center for Performing Arts building. Matinees begin at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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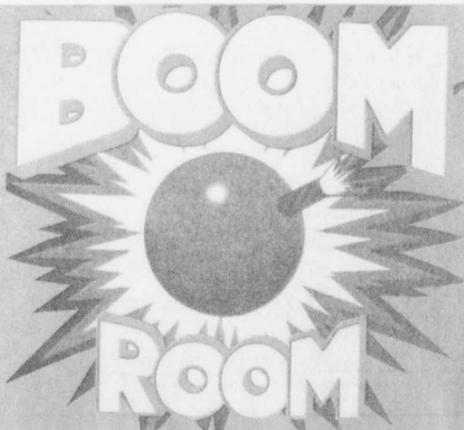
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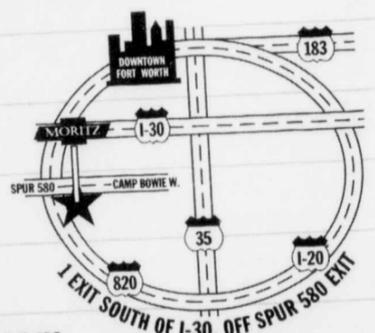
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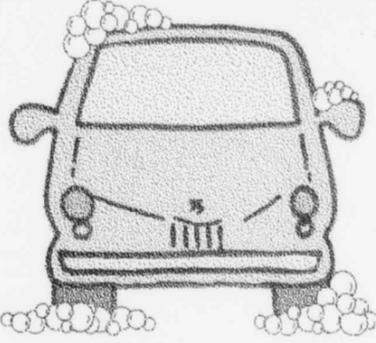
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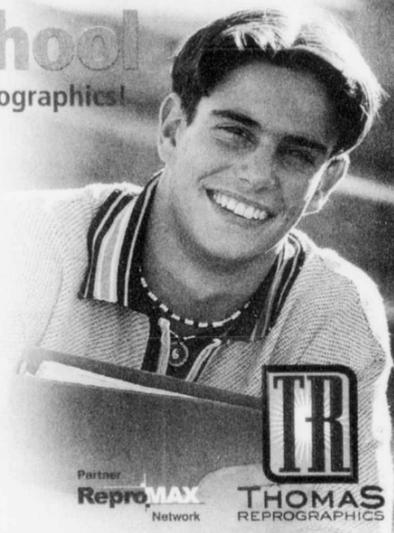
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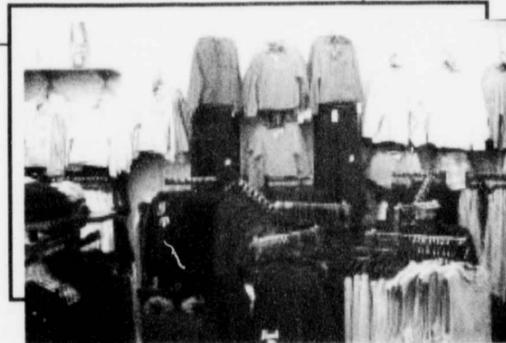
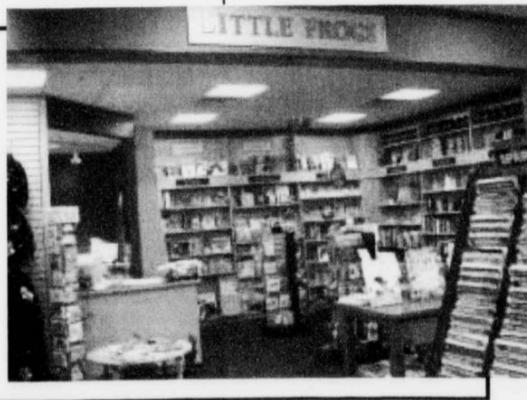
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Texans protest monument's removal

Thousands rallied against removal of monument in Alabama

Associated Press

LUFKIN—More than 2,000 people gathered for a rally in East Texas as part of a national movement to protest the removal of a monument depicting the Ten Commandments from the rotunda of the Alabama Judicial Building.

"Will you stand in this cause? Will you pray in this cause? Will you work in this cause until the sound of our hearts is heard from here to Washington, D.C., that we must have back our rights to honor God?" Alan Keyes asked the cheering crowd Wednesday.

A federal district judge in Montgomery has ruled the monument's placement by Chief Justice Roy Moore in the state building violates the Constitution's ban against government promotion of religious doctrine. A federal appeals court later affirmed the ruling.

The monument was moved, in August, into a storage room in the judicial building. Moore, who has been suspended, has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to allow it to be put back on display. He is to be tried Nov. 12 on ethics charges after refusing to obey a federal judge's order to remove the monument.

Keyes, a former U.N. ambassador and presidential candidate, joined Texan Rick

Scarborough for the rally, the first of five such events planned across the country.

"We chose Lufkin, because (we) wanted people of East Texas to be part of this," Scarborough told The Lufkin Daily News for its Thursday editions. "There's no better place in America where everyday folk have the heart for what is right and will know when something is amiss."

"Suddenly God has given us a national agenda," said Scarborough, whose ministry, Vision America, is based in Houston.

The agenda includes a call for pastors, congregations and communities to circulate petitions to draft new legislation, voter guides, voter registration campaigns and mobilization of Christians to march on Washington next year.

Both Scarborough and Keyes told the Lufkin crowd that the national reaction to Moore's stand was so strong that a movement has begun which could build into a revival of faith.

Mary Smith of Hudson gathered up American flags and Gideon Bibles to take to the rally.

"This is the right thing to do," she said. "We need to speak out in a way that gets heard."

Belinda and Patrick Espree agreed.

"We want to stand up and show our support," Belinda Espree said. "If the Ten Commandments aren't restored, other liberties we have will be taken away."

Lufkin, a town of about 33,000 people, is about 120 miles northeast of Houston.

Gun control laws studied

BY KRISTEN WYATT
Associated Press

ATLANTA—A sweeping federal review of the nation's gun control laws — including mandatory waiting periods and bans on certain weapons — found no proof they reduce firearm violence.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention appointed a task force of scientists to conduct the review, which could be used to undercut the gun-control movement.

The CDC said the report, released Thursday by the agency, suggests more study is needed, not that gun laws don't work. But the agency said it has no plans to spend more money on firearms study.

Some conservatives have said that the CDC should limit itself to studying diseases, and some have complained in the past that the agency has used firearms-tracking data to subtly push gun control. In fact, since a 1996 fight in Congress, the CDC has been prohibited from using funds to press for gun control laws.

Since then, the task force reviewed 51 published studies about the effectiveness of eight types of gun-control laws. The laws included bans on specific firearms or ammunition, measures barring felons from buying guns, and mandatory waiting periods and firearm registration. None of the studies were done by the

federal government.

In every case, a CDC task force found "insufficient evidence to determine effectiveness."

"I would not want to speculate on how different groups may interpret this report," said Dr. Sue Binder, Director of CDC's Center for Injury Prevention and Control. "It's simply a review of the literature."

Most of the studies were not funded by the CDC. Gun-control advocates quickly called on the government to fund better research.

"There have not been enough good surveys to know whether these laws work, and that's a very sad and troubling fact," said Peter Hamill, spokesman for the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence.

The National Rifle Association said it needed more time to review the report before commenting on it.

Firearms injuries were the second leading cause of injury deaths, killing 28,663 people in 2000, the most recent year for which data was available. About 58 percent of the deaths were suicides. Gun accidents claimed about 775 lives that year.

About the only conclusion the task force could draw from the surveys was that mandatory waiting periods reduced gun suicides in people over 55. But even that reduction was not big enough to significantly affect gun suicides for the overall population.

The task force complained that

many of the studies were inconsistent, too narrow, or poorly done.

"When we say we don't know the effect of a law, we don't mean it has no effect. We mean we don't know," said Dr. Jonathan Fielding, chairman of the CDC task force. "We are calling for additional high-quality studies."

Among the problems:

— Studies on firearm bans and ammunition bans were inconsistent. Some showed the bans decreased violence; others found the bans actually increased violence. Many firearm bans grant exemptions to people who already owned the weapons, making it hard to tell how well a ban worked. Other evidence showed that firearms sales go up right before bans take effect.

— Studies on background checks were also inconsistent, with some showing decreased firearm injuries and others showing increased injuries. A major problem with those studies, the report said, was that "denial of an application does not always stop applicants from acquiring firearms through other means."

— Only four studies examined the effectiveness of firearm registration on violent outcomes, and all of the findings were again inconsistent.

— Too few studies have been done on child-access gun laws to gauge their effectiveness

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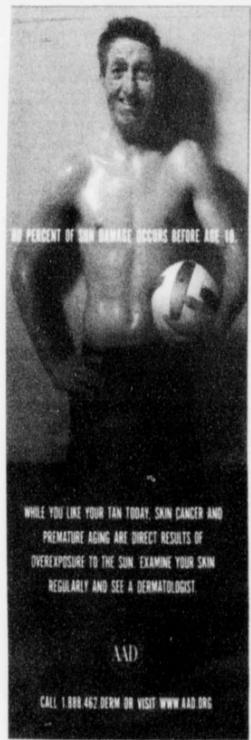
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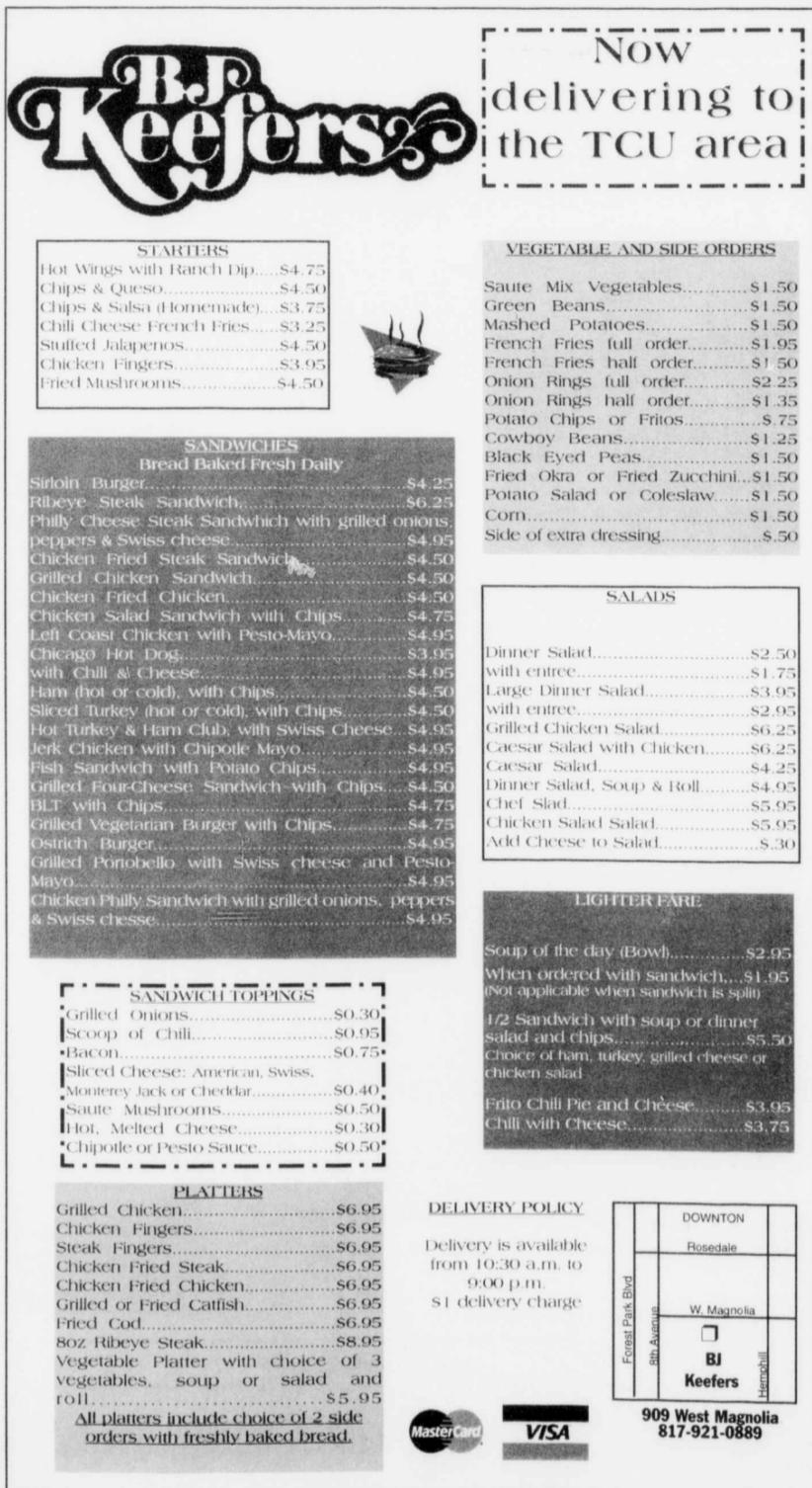
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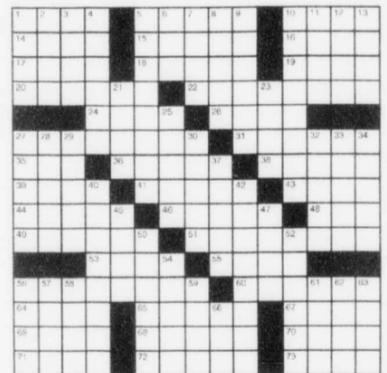


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TCU/ESPN announces broadcast changes

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Due to contractual obligations with Major League Baseball, the TCU-Army game will be broadcast on WBAP-AM Radio (820), along with KTCU-FM (88.7), rather than ESPN 103.3 FM. Game time is set for 6:05 p.m.

The TCU at USF game Oct. 10 will now air on ESPN2, rather than ESPN, the network has announced. Kickoff at Raymond James Stadium is set for 7 p.m.

The TCU at Houston game set for Oct. 25 will be televised live in the Dallas/Fort Worth area on KTXA, UPN-21. Mark Followill will provide the play-by-play voice, with Newy Scruggs handling the color commentary. Game time is 7 p.m.

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Tennis to compete in two events this weekend

The Horned Frog men's tennis team is back in action this weekend, as split squads compete in two separate events over the weekend. Head coach Joey Rive will take Collin Hart, Jacob Martin, Daniel Scholten, Craig Stopa and Andrew Ulrich to Texas-Arlington's UTA Fall Invitational, which takes place today through Sunday at Arlington Tennis Center. Assistant coach Cory Hubbard will be in Chattanooga, Tenn. with Rafael Abreu, Robert Gallman and Jacopo Tezza for the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's first and largest national event of the year, the Icy Hot/ITA All-American Championships. The event is being held at the Champions Club today through Oct. 12. The trio will begin play in the pre-qualifying rounds.

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Frogs back in action at Stillwater, Okla.

The TCU men's and women's cross country teams are back in action Saturday when they travel to Stillwater, Okla. to take part in the Oklahoma State Cowboy Jamboree. The women will compete on a 6K course, while the men will run an 8K distance.

The TCU women will send seven runners and will be led by junior Mary Kinyanjui. Kinyanjui won the Texas A&M Invitational two weeks ago and was honored as the Conference USA women's cross country Athlete of the Week, joining her at the starting line are Katrina Zielinski, McKale Davis, Calandra Stewart, Heather Ibbell, Patty Parker and Katie Cosgrove. Alysne Thompson, the 2002 Conference USA cross country Freshman of the Year, who has been sidelined with an injury, will run for the first time this fall, but will compete unattached.

The TCU men's team will be aided by the services of junior Jackson Langas. Langas, a second team all-conference selection a year ago, did not compete in the first two meets of the season. He is a three-time all-American on the track since his arrival in Fort Worth.

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Harrell prepared to step up again

BY BRENT YARINA
Assistant Sports Editor

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Last week, it was junior wide receiver Reggie Harrell's turn.

Harrell contributed to the Frogs 13-10 overtime victory over Arizona with four receptions for 127 yards and one touchdown.

"Reggie had a great game," offensive coordinator Mike Schultz said. "We've always known Reggie was good and going to be a big play player for us. I think you saw that potential he has on Saturday night."

Harrell said his breakout performance last weekend was due in large part to his offensive coordinator.

"Play calling, it's all about the play calling," Harrell said.

And the play calling was good enough to lead to a 98-yard touchdown reception for Harrell, which ranks as the second-longest touchdown from the line of scrimmage in TCU history.

Despite coming off his first 100-yard plus receiving game

and preparing for an Army defense that allows more than 40 points a game, Harrell said he does not let the opponent's defensive statistics interfere with his game plan.

"I'm not going to look at that," Harrell said. "I mean, 40 points would be great, but I'm not going to worry about it. We've just got to go out there and play our game. If we score that many points it would be good, but I'm not going to overlook them."

Harrell also said he has not practiced any differently this week while preparing for Army because he values practice time and thinks it improves his on-

field performance.

"Practice makes perfect," Harrell said. "I just try to go out there with my teammates and do the best that we can."

Schultz said because of Harrell's ability to run crisp patterns and make good catches, he would not be surprised to see many more big games from his wide receiver, like the one he had against Arizona Saturday.

"Within the structure of our offense, we have several different ways to get the ball to Reggie Harrell," he said. "We just got to run our offense and he will get the ball."

Head coach Gary Patterson said Harrell should have two dif-

ferent quarterbacks throwing the ball his way this weekend. He said sophomore quarterback Tye Gunn, who has recovered from a separated shoulder injury, is expected to return to the playing field Saturday and share the quarterbacking duties with junior Brandon Hassell.

Patterson said he predicts the two quarterbacks will both play about one half of the football game.

"We'll see who has the hot hand and go from there, he said. "There's a great chance you'll see both."

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The Edge

TCU PASSING GAME Tye Gunn will make his return from a separated shoulder, but will share time with Brandon Hassell, who has played the last two games. Hassell has done an effective job of leading the Frogs offense in Gunn's absence, but having Gunn back on the field should help the Frogs produce more points. Reggie Harrell is averaging 81 yards a game and is on pace to break the single season record for receiving yards. The Frogs should surpass their season average of 222.3 passing yards a game.

ARMY PASS DEFENSE The Army pass defense is one of the worst the Frogs will face all season. They are ranked 106th in the country in pass defense and give up an average of 285.5 yards a game. The defensive backs are physical but don't match up to the talent of the Frogs receivers. Against this pass defense, the Frogs could use more of the deep ball than they have in the first four games.

TCU RUNNING GAME Robert Merrill is the real deal. The TCU running game has not missed a beat since Lonta Hobbs went down with an injury and is ranked 22nd in the country. Although, if Hobbs makes his return against Army, it will be a welcome sight. Merrill has shown he can run, but he has also taken a beating, carrying the ball 60 times in the past two games. Either way, the Frogs should be able to continue their running dominance against the Black Knights.

ARMY RUN DEFENSE Army's run defense is better than its pass defense. It is also undersized. It is very athletic, but it will be at a distinct disadvantage against the large offensive line of the Frogs. Members of the offensive line have said they want to start dominating, and this could be the game the start with.

TCU PASS DEFENSE The Frogs secondary has done a great job since the season-opening meltdown against Tulane. However, if Marvin Godbolt does not play, Chris Peoples will have a huge space to fill. Godbolt is the leader of the secondary, and it will need to pick it up a notch in his absence. Army has some receivers that will tower over the Frogs defensive backs, but the secondary has the skill to keep the Black Knights passing game under control.

ARMY PASSING GAME Make no mistake, Army likes to throw the ball. Sophomore quarterback Eric Duhman will be the starter again, and he is a proven passer. The Knights have a pair of 6-foot-6-inch receivers in Aaron Alexander and Clint Woody who could cause problems for the smallest TCU defenders.

TCU RUN DEFENSE The Frogs run defense is ranked 13th in country, allowing 80.3 yards a game. It will be a miracle if Army gets anywhere near that total. In addition to having one of the best defensive line's in the country, linebacker Martin Patterson is causing headaches for opposing offensive coordinators. If a running back does manage to get through the line, chances are slim he gets by Patterson.

ARMY RUNNING GAME Saying Army's running game is one of the worst in the country would be an understatement. In fact, the Black Knights are dead last out of 117 Division IA teams in rushing offense, averaging a meager 64.80 yards a game. Only once this season has an Army player run for more than 100 yards. The Frogs could make a return to the days when they held teams to negative rushing yards.

SPECIAL TEAMS Despite missing two field goals last week, Nick Brown is still a sure handed kicker. John Bessard is still not the kind of punter the coaches are hoping he would be, but he has shown his potential. Chris Rodgers will be looking to work for a detailed performance whenever given against Arizona. They didn't play great last week, but the Frogs special teams units are loaded with talent. Army has a wild kicker in Anthony Durkin, but this game should not come down to a battle of field goals, but they again, neither should have the Arizona game.

OVERALL The Frogs have all the talent and have played well individually, but have not been able to put it together as a team. They have barely escaped teams they should have dominated. The Frogs should win again, but we're not going to say it's going to be easy. We should see some great strategy and predict that the Frogs will squeak by a weaker opponent yet again, then the game would've been done.

PREDICTION: Brandon Hassell - Frogs 24-7 Brent Yarina - Frogs 27-13

Key Matchup

Peoples gets the start at weak safety for the injured Marvin Godbolt, and will have his hands full.

Because of the height advantage Aaron Alexander has over the corners,

Peoples will need to help cover the dynamic receiver. Peoples will also be called upon to patrol the middle of the field. He cannot let Alexander get comfortable in the middle.

Chris Peoples 20 WS



Aaron Alexander 19 WR

At 6 feet 6 inches tall, Alexander towers over most of the secondary. He has been the leading receiver in three of Army's first four games. He is capable of making difficult catches, and is a serious deep threat. Shutting down Alexander will be the key to shutting down the Black Knights passing game.



— The Edge and Key Matchups compiled by Braden Howell