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After weaving through half of the Rave Motion Pictures theater, a line for The Passion of the Christ begins to fill the lobby with less than 30 minutes until showtime Wednesday evening.

'Passion' draws huge crowds

Mel Gibson's new and controversial film opened Wednesday in more than 3,000 theaters.

By Bobby Ross Jr.
Associated Press

PLANO — The people streaming out of the movie theater looked as if they'd just attended a wake — and many said they felt as if they had. Red eyes and muffled crying were common as Christians and the merely curious flocked to theaters nationwide for the Ash Wednesday opening of Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ."

"It's a little bit more brutal than you would

think," said a sobbing Kim Galbreath, 29, as she left a theater in this Dallas suburb. "I mean, there were times when you felt like it was too much. But I dare anybody not to believe after watching it."

In Los Angeles, Joseph Camerieri said Gibson's much hyped epic about the torture and Crucifixion of Jesus left him shocked and physically weak.

"I think if you're a Christian, it will increase your faith tenfold in what Christ has done for you," the 39-year-old paralegal student said after a midnight showing. "If you're not a Christian, you'll probably treat others with more love."

About 50 people in the central Pennsylvania community of Bellefonte attended a showing after midnight. Viewers groaned as Jesus was nailed to the cross, and soft cries could be heard during more than an hour of Jesus' torture, Crucifixion and death. In the end, as Jesus rises from the grave, some in the audience quietly celebrated.

"To me, that was the important part," said Aaron Tucker, an English major at Penn State. "I'm like, 'Oh, victory!' There's more to this movie than just the violence. It's about triumph."

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Bravo!

Preview of Latin American Arts Festival this weekend

Spanish zarzuela puts a different twist on classical opera by incorporating upbeat music and spoken dialogue.

By Ferrell Fields
Staff Reporter

An authentic Spanish zarzuela which combines sophisticated musical ensembles and comedic characters will be performed this weekend by the TCU School of Music and its opera program.

Zarzuelas differ from traditional operas because most of the dialogue is spoken and the musical numbers don't necessarily advance the story, said Richard Estes, director of TCU's opera program.

"Zarzuela is to Spain what Broadway is to the U.S.," Estes said.

"Opera doesn't have to be a stuffy, boring production. The zarzuela incorporates a more popular style of music that is ethnically driven," said TJ Hoffman, a junior music education major.

"Agua, Azucarillos y Aguardiente" will be performed at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Ed Landreth Auditorium and at 3 p.m. Sunday. The event serves as a preview performance for the Latin American Arts Festival in April.

The zarzuela is filled with comedic dialogue and upbeat music that will be amusing from beginning to end, Estes said.

"Agua, Azucarillos y Aguardiente" is set in Madrid's Recoletos Gardens in 1897. It depicts the struggles faced by the common people during an economic depression. The message of the zarzuela is how to enjoy life when life is hard, Estes said.

The second half of the program will feature Colombian soprano Martha Gutierrez performing excerpts from other zarzuelas.

Ryan McFarland, a freshman vocal performance major, said it's an honor to have someone with so much experience with zarzuelas be a part of the production.

Chelsea Coyne, a freshman vocal performance major, said people have misconceptions about the opera but the zarzuela provides a good example of how opera can be fun and lighthearted.

The production will feature a cast of 24 singers in full costume and will be accompanied by the TCU Symphony Orchestra. Dialogue will be in English and the lyrics will be sung in Spanish with English translations projected above the stage.

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Sarah Chacko/Photo Editor

Richard Estes, director of the TCU opera program, and other singers assist senior music major Andrea Pate with her costume at rehearsal Tuesday night.

Pornography affects male view of women

Studies by a communication studies professor cited in Time and Health show pornography contributes to stereotypical gender perceptions.

By Liddy Serio
Staff Reporter

Watching pornography affects more than just the viewer, according to an online survey conducted by a TCU communication studies professor. The study has gained national recognition for its implications that pornography contributes to stereotypical submissive views some men have of women.

Communication studies professor Ryan Burns conducted an online survey in which participants

were asked to rate their opinions of how they view women in gender roles. The results showed that men who view large amounts of pornography view women in sexualized, stereotypically feminine terms.

Burns said that while he did not think the survey would change how men viewed pornography, he hopes it will lead to a greater understanding of its effects.

"I think the overarching outcome at this study was that it showed negative effects of pornography," Burns said. "If it does anything, it will hopefully

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University to commend minister's hard work

Minister John Butler will be recognized for his contributions to the campus community.

By Amy Bowman
Staff Reporter

The Rev. John Butler, a minister to the university, will be honored in a ceremony from 1 to 3 p.m. Friday in the Student Center Ballroom. After more than 25 years of service to students and staff, Butler is leaving TCU due to an illness with multiple sclerosis.

Butler will be honored for his contributions to the TCU community and the legacy he will leave behind.

Butler came to the university as a psychologist in the counseling center and moved to University

Ministries in 1975. Since then, Butler has worked with organizations and programs such as Habitat for Humanity, HIV Planning Council, the TCU Recycling Program and Hunger Week.

The programs Butler has participated in gave students a chance to be educated about problems that society faces both nationally and worldwide, said Carolyn Rowell, a former administrative assistant to Butler.

Butler said it's important for students to get involved with community service programs to discover their place and make a difference in a particular part of the world.

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Students get chance to rate school in new survey

University officials hope a student survey will show them how students view the university.

By Marco Lopez
Staff Reporter

Students have an opportunity to grade TCU today and influence the school's future through a national survey that will land in the hands of school officials, said Angela Taylor, associate dean of student development.

The assessment department will send an e-mail today to all freshmen and senior students asking them to complete a Web-based version of the College Student Report, said Melissa Canady, director of assessment.

Taylor said the survey measures how challenged students feel by their classes, how involved students are within different campus organizations and how supportive students feel the campus environment is.

It is important for students to participate in the survey because school officials are interested in seeing the results to put school resources where

they are truly needed and work on areas students think that need improvement, she said.

"Let us know about your college experience, whether it's positive or negative so that we can address the issues," Taylor said. "If you want your voice to be heard, this is your opportunity."

Taylor said the Board of Trustees, faculty and staff members are looking forward to review the survey results to know how students feel about their college experience.

Chancellor Victor Boschini said the survey is a way for officials to see if TCU is offering students what they want in terms of an overall college experience.

"I think it is a good way for students to stop for a moment and just take a break to really reflect on what they are accomplishing at TCU," Boschini said.

He said TCU results will be compared with a large number of other college students who take the survey across the country.

According to the National Survey of

Student Engagement Web site, more than 400 colleges and universities are expected to participate this year.

Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, said the survey measures levels of involvement and provides the school with a picture of what happens during a student's career at TCU.

"Research shows that students who have a strong interaction with faculty and staff tend to show greater intellectual growth in college," Mills said. "So TCU is able to use the information to better plan programs that will effect students positively."

Canady said one out of every three students that come to TCU is not graduating.

Ten students who complete the survey will be randomly selected to receive a \$50 American Express gift card, Canady said. The more students who respond to the survey, the more valid the survey results will be, Canady said.

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Ty Halasz/Staff Photographer

Super Sport, a member of John West's All-American Frisbee Dogs, performed at halftime of the TCU-Charlotte men's basketball game Wednesday night in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

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■ **The 10th annual Leadership Institute Dinner** called Set Sail to Leadership: An Ocean of Opportunity will be at 7 p.m. Friday in the D.J. Kelly Alumni Center. The guest speaker is the President and CEO of Alcon Labs, Tim Sear. The cost is \$15 for students in the Leadership Center and \$20 for all other students. RSVP in Student Center Room 220 or call (817) 257-7855.

■ **The Fort Worth Brahmas** will host the first ever TCU Appreciation Night at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Fort Worth Convention Center in conjunction with their home game against the Bossier-Shreveport Mudbugs. Tickets will be sold every day this week in the Student Center from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a discounted price of \$8 for students, faculty and staff. For more information, please contact the TCU Office of Communications at (817) 257-7810 or Jeff Bowerman with the Fort Worth Brahmas at (817) 336-4423.

■ **Summer 2004 Study Abroad Programs** are now enrolling. To enroll, come by Sadler Hall, Room 16, to pick up a permit number and pay a \$500 deposit by Friday. Contact t.williams@tcu.edu for more information.

■ **Are you planning to student teach** in fall 2004? Student teacher applications are now available on the TCU Web site. The application deadline is Friday.

■ **The International Student Association** is having an exciting event where the two meanings of salsa will be combined. Salsa dancing and salsa eating will be from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the Blue Mesa Restaurant. This event is free. For more information e-mail i.c.delaguardia@tcu.edu.

■ **The International Student Association** invites everyone to the International Banquet from 6-9 p.m. Saturday in the Student Center Ballroom. Tickets will be on sale from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Student Center. The cost is \$10 off your meal plan.

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Brahmas welcome TCU fans

The Fort Worth Brahmas hockey team is hosting its first TCU Appreciation Night at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Fort Worth Convention Center.

The Brahmas will be taking on the Bossier-Shreveport Mudbugs. The hockey players will be wearing customized TCU jerseys that will be auctioned off after the game. A portion of the money made from the auction will go to the TCU General Scholarship Fund.

The TCU cheerleaders and SuperFrog will attend and several of TCU's sports teams will be recognized throughout the night. Students who attend the

game will be able to participate in on-ice events during the intermissions.

TCU students, faculty, and employees can buy tickets in advance for \$8 at the Student Information Desk in the Student Center. They can also call Adam Goldstein at the Fort Worth Brahmas office at (817) 336-4423. Tickets may be purchased Friday night at the game for \$10 with a TCU student ID.

— Allison Goertz

Hungry aided by Apollo event

The Black History Month Committee is sponsoring Night at the Apollo at 6 p.m. tonight

in the Student Center Ballroom.

Greg Trevino, assistant director of the Office of Intercultural Education and Services, said the event will follow the same format as the real Apollo Theater, showcasing 10 student acts.

This will be the second time the committee has held the event. Trevino said this year there will also be a presentation on the history of the Apollo Theater.

"We wanted to do that for people who are not familiar with history of the theater," Trevino said.

Admission for the event is at least one canned food item. The food will be donated to the Tarrant Area Food Bank.

"We want to show that we're giving back to the community, and we thought this would be a good way to do that," Trevino said. "We're hoping it will also be a way to attract as many people as we can."

The night will be the final campus event for Black History Month.

"Last year it was the first event, but this year the committee decided to go for a big ending," Trevino said. "We've had some very good events for the month, and we think this will be a good, festive way to end it."

The grand prize will be \$200.

— Drew Irwin

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In New Jersey, 90-year-old Edna Oatman of Pleasantville dressed in her Sunday best for her first visit to a movie theater since "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" in 1982.

"If you read the Bible story, you know that Jesus died for the whole world, not just Christians," said Oatman, who saw the film Wednesday morning. "Maybe this will get people going to church."

"The Passion" opened in more than 3,000 theaters — an unusually large release for a religious film with English subtitles to translate the Latin and Aramaic its characters speak.

Directed, produced and co-written by Gibson, the film has received mixed reviews from critics. Some have praised Gibson's commitment to his subject: The Oscar-winning "Braveheart" director says the movie is both an attempt to render the Gospels faithfully and a personal vision. Others see it as excessively bloody, obsessed with cruelty and unfair in its portrayal of Jews.

"If you intellectualize this movie, the message is one of love. But emotionally, if anyone is on the border of hating Jews, this will push you over," said Rabbi Bernhard H. Rosenberg, chief rabbi of Congregation Beth El in Edison, N.J. He also teaches Holocaust studies at Rutgers University.

"With all the publicity, Mel Gibson is laughing all the way to the bank," Rosenberg said after seeing the film. "Theaters are going to be packed, and his pockets will be lined."

Following months of hype, curiosity about the movie seems almost insatiable. Advance ticket sales hit \$10 million, distributor Newmarket Films reported this week — evidence of the skilled marketing campaign and word-of-mouth buzz as the film was screened for private, often conservative Christian audiences.

Newmarket opened the film on Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, the Catholic Church's period of penitence, sacrifice and reflection before Easter.

Churches from coast to coast reserved entire theaters for opening day, while the National Association of Evangelicals, which represents more than 50 denominations with 43,000 congregations, helped sell tickets on its Web site.

In Plano, churchgoer Arch Bonnema bought out the entire Cinemark Tinseltown 20 theater for Wednesday morning, spending \$42,000 of his own money on 6,000 tickets.

"When you see the sacrifice that Jesus made, it makes you feel like, I have to do something better with my life," said the 50-year-old Bonnema, a lifelong Christian inspired to act after seeing the movie.

"It was powerful, stunning," said Sharla

Bickley, 42, a Presbyterian from Dallas. "I tried to keep the mindset the whole time to know that it was me that he was dying for."

Asked whether she thought the film negatively portrayed Jews, Bickley replied, "Not at all. We all killed Jesus."

Abraham Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League who saw "The Passion" before opening day, said Wednesday he was still worried about reactions to the film when it comes out in places like Argentina and Europe, where there's been less debate about its content.

"We know the power of images, and we know the power of a star with a reputation around the world, and this concerns us," Foxman said.

Meanwhile, Roman Catholic Cardinal Edward Egan of New York spoke against anti-Semitism in a column distributed to the archdiocese's 413 parishes: "He gave his life for us. No one took it from him. This is, and has always been, Catholic doctrine."

Back in Dallas, a cadre of ministers was at the theater to reach out to moviegoers.

"Not to preach a sermon," said the Rev. Jack Graham, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of Prestonwood Baptist where Bonnema is a member, "but to sum up the message and meaning of the cross. ... We anticipate that there will be a tremendous outpouring of God's favor on this movie."

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lead to an understanding that pornography changes perception."

The survey was presented at the 2003 National Communication Association Convention in Miami. Burns said a public relations firm in Pennsylvania that works for TCU sent out a press release about the survey, which was picked up by Time and Health.

"It's good ol' American PR," he said.

The survey also showed how men view their own gender. Participants who watched large amounts of pornography said the typical man should be successful, a hard worker and a provider for the family.

Michelle Mazur, a communication studies professor at the University of Hawaii, has used Burns' research in her teaching, and is not surprised it was cited in Time.

"His research area is a hot topic in our cultural climate right now," she said.

Burns started collecting data for the survey, "Male Internet Pornography Consumers' Perception of Women and Endorsement of Traditional Female Gender Roles," in 2000. He came to TCU in 2002 and finished it in 2003.

Burns said he was prompted to do the study because of massive amounts of pornography on the Internet and the tremendous use of it for making money.

"The sheer use of this medium makes it an important topic to study," he said.

Chris Sawyer, a communication

studies professor, said the survey was unique in that it looked at pornography from a social science perspective. He said that better understanding of the sociological effects of pornography could lead to practical applications.

"It may be that if we knew more about the subject, we might be able to develop ways to treat people with addictions," he said.

Burns said 95 percent of research on pornography utilizes lab research by measuring students' reactions to pornography while in a lab setting. The problem with this method is that people will respond differently if they know they are being watched, Burns said.

Burns posted information about the survey online on adult message boards and newsgroups, and it was participated in by 463 men of varying age and race, the majority of which said they were in relationships. Burns said he was mostly concerned with men's opinions since they are the primary producers and consumers of pornography.

The survey was groundbreaking because it actually examined men who actively watch pornography, Mazur said.

"What's unique about this is that it is one of the first studies that looked at habitual consumers in their own setting through a very private medium," Burns said. "Before the Internet, the only way to get this information would have been to stand outside adult bookstores and pass out surveys."

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"Students learn transferable skills and experiences that define who they are," Butler said.

Butler's most important goals at TCU were to include all faiths and bring diversity to campus, said Kay Higgins, director of special programs for Student Development Services.

"John has the ability to bring people together to teach them a message about what faith and hope mean to the TCU community," Higgins said. "No matter what faith, he included all students' religions."

Rowell said students would stop by the office to discuss topics such as classes, beliefs and world events in an open environment.

"John's was the quiet presence that made University Ministries a place of love, security and acceptance to the students - their 'home away from home,'" she said.

Butler said he has enjoyed being at TCU because of the quality of commitment to education that is built around an individual and where they are going in the world.

"The kind of commitment the TCU mission statement has through individuals is inspiring and gave energy to me to aspire in this community," he said.

Three years ago, Butler received the Alexander Campbell Award, which is the highest award in the Division of Higher Education of the Christian Church.

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The Skiff View

Barnett's actions have gone too far

Colorado football coach should be disciplined

The comments Colorado head football coach Gary Barnett made about Katie Hnida are not only insensitive and untimely, but his words should also result in him being reprimanded.

Hnida, one of the first women to play college football, said last week she was raped by a teammate four years ago and that she finally decided to come forward now because of the football program's other problems, which includes six recent sexual assault cases.

In a time like this, Barnett should act on his best behavior as his job is on the line, but, in the words of Colorado president Elizabeth Hoffman, his reaction to the allegations are just "unacceptable."

"It was obvious Katie was not very good. She was awful," Barnett said. "Katie was not only a girl, she was terrible. OK? There's no other way to say it."

It doesn't really matter whether or not Hnida was raped by a Colorado teammate four years ago. That means very little right now. Either way, Barnett was insensitive and out of line to even think about commenting on Hnida's playing abilities during a time like this.

No coach should ever show such little concern over a serious allegation like rape, especially when it is his job to have full knowledge of the activities going on in his program.

For the past month or so, as a result, Barnett's program has been a constant fixture on sports programs and talk shows across America, and now with these comments, he has multiplied the coverage.

Barnett was placed on paid leave Wednesday by university officials, which is really a joke because he should never be rewarded for his actions with time off and a pay check.

It's time for him to either apologize, be reprimanded or get fired.

The Other View

Opinions from around the country

Private school vouchers wrong

President George W. Bush is frivolously asking Congress for \$50 million of federal taxpayers' money for a school voucher program that would apply only to students attending private or religious schools.

Bush asked for \$75 million last year and \$50 million the year before. Congress only gave \$14 million for a private-school choice program to help low-income children in under-achieving public schools in the District of Columbia.

Of the 65,000 students in the District, 1,700 will benefit from the program — which is supposed to begin with the next academic year — by receiving a maximum voucher of \$7,500 each year.

It is absolutely ridiculous that Bush insulted our nation's crippled public school program by giving \$7,500 to every poor child in D.C. to attend a private or religious school.

What better way to help our public schools than by paying for students to not attend them?

"We want our public schools to succeed. We want them to do well," Bush said. "But ... when

we find children trapped in schools that will not change, parents must be given another viable option."

The program offers the perfect opportunity for Mom and Dad to take advantage of a government handout. Most parents would want to move their impressionable

youngster from a gritty public school to a classy private institution — especially if it's free. In this regard, the program will breed greed, opportunism and the abuse of taxpayers' money.

Let's take a look at one of Bush's "viable options." At Archbishop Carroll High School in D.C., the yearly tuition is \$6,250 for Catholic students. Don't worry, non-Catholics, you can buy a new religion for an extra \$250 per year.

In comparison, the tuition and fee total for a year's worth of classes at NIU is \$5,373 for Illinois residents.

It's almost as if Bush has a plan to recruit more God-minded folks like himself. Get 'em while they're young, right?

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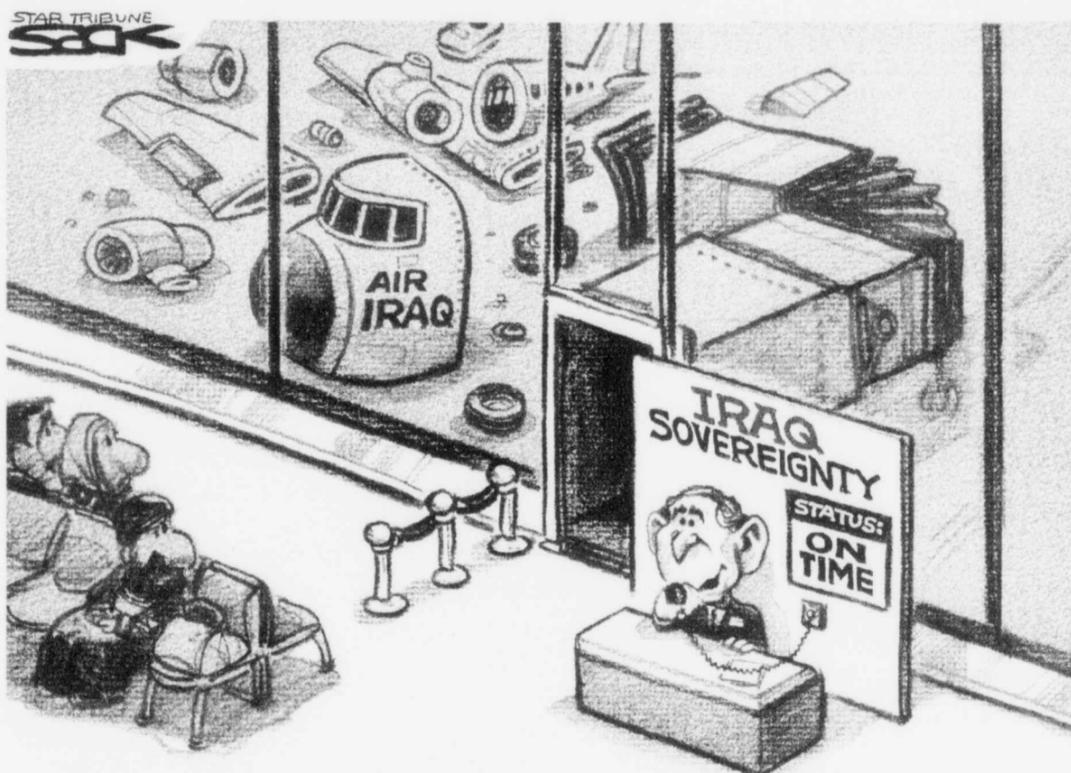
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'WE'RE READY TO BEGIN PRE-BOARDING...'

Point/Counterpoint

Today's topic: Student Government Association

SGA should improve spending practices

TCU has a talent for swindling the money out of students' pockets, but probably the worst example of this is the Student Government Association's recent decision to

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Jeff Brubaker

buy SuperFrog a new costume. I don't know about you, but I didn't come here so I could buy the cheerleaders something new to show off at football games.

I can understand SuperFrog's costume was a little torn, but was it really SGA's responsibility to pay for a new one? Why don't the cheerleaders pay for it, or the athletic department? I would have thought there was plenty of money there to pay for repairs or to buy a new suit. SGA's money is meant for the students, not for various football fans.

Speaking of SGA spending money for students, when was the last time SGA did something for you? I, for one, get nothing whatsoever out of SGA. I don't appreciate concerts put on by has-been wannabe rappers, I don't watch comedians, I always throw away useless newsletters I find in my mailbox, and I, along with the majority of TCU, didn't have a good time playing in

fake \$4,000 snow in the middle of winter (good one guys).

Someone needs to explain to me why SGA doesn't do something constructive, like hold barbecues where students can escape the daily grind of The Main and grab some free food, or help the university raise money to renovate old buildings like Milton Daniel Hall. Though I might be beating a dead issue, it might be nice to see SGA advocating for more parking or lower tuition.

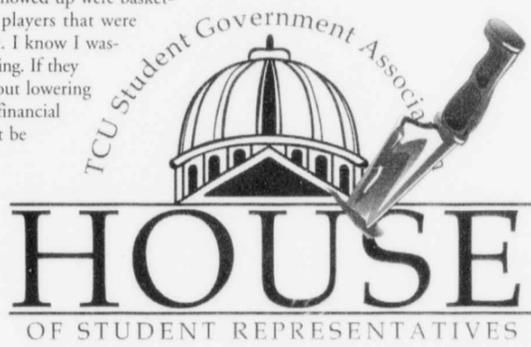
But that's probably not in their interest. The recent discussion they co-sponsored on ethics and sports for example. Did anybody go to that? From what I saw the only people who showed up were basketball and football players that were required to attend. I know I wasn't interested in going. If they weren't talking about lowering tuition or raising financial aid, there wouldn't be much of a point.

Does SGA even give out any kind of scholarship? Maybe instead of helping out our oh-so wonderful fraternities

and sororities, SGA should think about the macro-student population. Do they do this? What about those students who work two jobs because they can barely afford to come here? What does SGA do for them?

I'm sure any SGA representative would give you a good long speech about how the SGA does so many great things for all TCU students, and you can believe them if you like. As for myself — I want my twenty bucks back.

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Student gov affects each student on campus

We will pay \$19,700 in tuition for the 2004-2005 school year. Twenty dollars a person will go to the Student Government Association. Comparatively, this is a very small fee but it impacts students in

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Jennifer Noy

ways they may not even know about.

Historically, SGA has made permanent changes on the TCU campus that we are enjoying today. For example, the area between the Sadler and Reed halls is a place where students gather between classes, study and eat lunch. Years ago, it was nothing but dirt. Dirt that quickly turned into mud when it rained. It was student government legislation and fees that made Sadler Mall into what it is today.

This semester, SGA is armed with a brand new set of executive officers. Students elected the top four officials, who then hand picked the rest of the officers. These officers have already expressed a great interest in making a difference in the TCU community.

So far this spring, SGA has hosted programs for all students to enjoy. At the Frog Freeze Fest, SGA brought in snow, which allowed some TCU students to see it for the first time in their lives. The Student Center hallways were crowded with students enjoying hot chocolate and cookies as well as a 3-D motion simulator and a chance to take funny photos. More

than 600 students attended this program and 92 percent rated it as an excellent event.

Of course, this program did not appeal to every TCU student. But with more than 8,000 students, SGA cannot expect to please every student every time. Instead, the goal of SGA is to offer a variety of programs and legislation so that each student will be impacted in some way.

So snow wasn't your thing. Some

"The goal of SGA is to offer a variety of programs and legislation so that each student will be impacted in some way."

students would rather watch a documentary on racism or attend the Homecoming Parade, all organized by SGA. Through various committees, SGA aims to benefit a diverse group of students. On the programming side, SGA has teams planning lectures, films, tournaments, concerts and other activities. As far as legislation, SGA chairmen look to address residential concerns, issues with dining services, and make permanent improvements. Somewhere in the mix of committees, chairs and project teams, SGA impacts you.

In addition to its own projects, SGA also gives away money to organizations that are planning events and need financial help. This semester SGA helped fund the

Delta Gamma Lectureship series on Ethics in Athletics. SGA also donated money to the TCU Gospel Choir and Hyperfrogs for events later this spring. Because SGA is the only organization that receives a portion of every student's tuition, it looks to support other clubs in need of money.

If you still aren't convinced that SGA affects you, then get involved. The two branches of SGA, Programming Council and House, welcome new ideas and opinions. Open meetings allow all students to attend and voice their opinions. In addition, each student has a representative in House. These representatives allow students to voice concerns at a local level.

Although you may think SGA does not affect you, it does. Through service, programming and legislation, the Student Government Association seeks to improve the TCU community. Programming offers events that can make students think or just allow them a chance to relax. The House of Student Representatives listens to concerns of students and offers legislation to change problems on the TCU campus. SGA does not claim to solve every problem or provide programs that every student will enjoy, but at some point or many points in your TCU career, you will receive your twenty dollars worth from SGA.

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Radio giant clears the air

Clear Channel Communications announces a 'zero-tolerance' policy on indecent broadcasts after the FCC proposed a \$755,000 fine.

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Radio giant Clear Channel Communications on Wednesday announced a "zero-tolerance" policy designed to keep indecent material out of broadcasts on its 1,200 or so radio stations.

The policy comes the day after the San Antonio company announced the firing of a Florida DJ whose sexually explicit morning show antics prompted a proposed \$755,000 fine from the Federal Communications Commission last month.

"Clear Channel is serious about helping address the rising tide of indecency on the airwaves," Mark Mays, president and chief operating officer, said in a statement. "As broadcast licensees, we are fully responsible for what our stations air, and we intend to make sure all our DJs and programmers understand what is and what is not appropriate."

The policy will include company-wide training, possible fines against

DJs, and automatic suspensions for anyone accused by the FCC of violating indecency rules on the air, company officials said.

"If the FCC accuses us of wrongdoing by issuing a proposed fine, we will take immediate action," Mays said. "We will suspend the DJ in question, and perform a swift investigation. If we or the government ultimately determine the offending

"One segment featured the cartoon characters such as George Jetson and Scooby Doo discussing sexual activities."

broadcast is indecent, the DJ will be terminated without delay."

On Tuesday, Clear Channel announced that it agreed to fire a popular Tampa, Fla., radio talk show host known as Bubba the Love Sponge after deciding his raunchy show didn't fit its standards.

The company said contracts with on-air performers are being modified to ensure that DJs share financial responsibility if they broadcast indecent material.

"From now on, every contract

that Clear Channel enters into with on-air talent will include this provision," said chief executive officer John Hogan. "While that won't relieve Clear Channel from our responsibility as a broadcast licensee, we believe it will have a significant deterrent effect."

The Clear Channel statement didn't say whether it would appeal the proposed FCC fine or pay it; spokesman Joel Lobello said he didn't know.

The Bubba segments cited by the FCC ran 26 times on four Florida stations, and the commission proposed fining Clear Channel the maximum \$27,500 for each airing, or \$715,000. The company also was being fined \$40,000 for record-keeping violations.

The segments included graphic discussions about sex and drugs that were "designed to pander to, titillate and shock listeners," the FCC said. One segment featured the cartoon characters such as George Jetson and Scooby Doo discussing sexual activities.

Messages left for the fired disc jockey with friends were not returned Tuesday.

Americans remain unhealthy

Survey shows majority of Americans are overweight and many smoke or drink regularly.

By Harry R. Weber
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Americans still don't seem to get the message. The latest government figures offer more proof that many people are leading unhealthy lifestyles.

The majority of U.S. adults are overweight, nearly one in five are daily smokers, and one in five consumed at least five alcoholic drinks in a day at least once in a year, according to government's national health survey.

"It's almost as if the elements are conspiring against us to lead unhealthy lifestyles," said Dr. Dan Blumenthal, chairman of community health and preventive medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine.

"We are faced with a constant barrage of advertising on television about fast food. We live in a world where we are encouraged to drive more and walk less and spend more time in front of our televisions."

The data, for the years 1999-2001, examines the health behavior of 96,000 adults 18

years old and over and is broken down among gender, race, education and income. It is contained in a report released Wednesday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta and the National Center for Health Statistics outside Washington.

The study found that Asian adults are more likely than other race groups to have healthy behavior in terms of alcohol use, smoking and body weight. Black adults have higher rates of leisure-time physical inactivity and obesity than white adults.

Black men are more likely than white men to be smokers, but among women the reverse is true, the study says.

The study data says adults with higher levels of education and income generally have more favorable health behavior.

The levels in each category have remained about the same since the numbers for earlier years were released. The study started in 1997.

The latest data found that obesity rates are about the same for men and women, with men slightly more likely than women to be smokers, and men more likely than women to be physically active in their leisure time.

Thirty-nine percent of adults don't engage in any physical activity during their leisure time, the data indicated.

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Testimony notes may save Martha

Martha Stewart's defense rests after calling only one witness.

By Erin McClam
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Martha Stewart's lawyers rested their case Wednesday without putting the homemaking icon on the stand, calling a single witness during a defense that lasted less than an hour.

The judge excused jurors for the week and scheduled closing arguments for Monday and Tuesday, with deliberations to begin Wednesday.

The lone defense witness was Steven Pearl, a lawyer who testified about notes he took during a February 2002 interview in which the government claims Stewart told a series of lies about the day she sold her stock in ImClone Systems.

The session is an important part of the government's case, and the defense sought to use Pearl's testimony to raise questions about what Stewart was asked during the questioning — her first interview with investigators.

One accusation is that Stewart falsely claimed she did not know whether there was a record that stockbroker Peter Bacanovic had left her a message on Dec. 27, 2001, the day she sold the ImClone stock.

But Pearl's scribbled notes show Stewart may have been responding instead to a question about what time Bacanovic called her that day.

Under cross-examination by prosecutors, Pearl admitted his notes were incomplete, and that there may have been a question about the message log that he did not write down.

Referring to his notes and a memo he prepared after the interview, Pearl said: "Neither one is a verbatim transcript."

There was no court reporter or tape recorder in the interview, and the government relied on the notes of an FBI agent who was present to charge Stewart with lying.

Lawyers for Bacanovic also rested their case Wednesday. They called five witnesses over three days.

The government claims Stewart sold her 3,928 ImClone shares because she was tipped that ImClone CEO Sam Waksal was frantically trying to unload his own stake. A negative report about an ImClone cancer drug soon sent the stock tumbling.

Stewart and Bacanovic claim they had made a plan before Stewart sold to get rid of the shares if ImClone's stock price fell below \$60. Prosecutors say it was simply a cover story.

Jurors were excused for the week after prosecutors introduced one final piece of evidence — a portion of Bacanovic's interview with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

On the audiotape, jurors heard Bacanovic say he never discussed the \$60 arrangement with Heidi DeLuca, a Stewart business manager.

"I never get into that level of detail with Heidi," Bacanovic says on the tape.

That appeared to refute testimony DeLuca gave earlier this week, in which she said Bacanovic discussed with her a plan to sell Stewart's ImClone shares when they fell to \$61 or \$60.

Prosecutors have suggested Bacanovic was talking about ImClone shares that Stewart held in a company pension account — not her personal shares.

U.S. District Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum has yet to rule on motions from both defendants urging her to dismiss the charges in the case. She has indicated it is unlikely she will throw out all charges.

The judge has focused some of her attention on whether she should dismiss the securities-fraud charge against Stewart — which carries more prison time than any other charge in the case.

Monkeys' immunity to HIV solved

Scientists discover a protein in monkeys that may lead to a new strategy in combatting AIDS.

By William McCall
Associated Press

Scientists say they have discovered why some monkeys are resistant to infection with the AIDS virus — an exhilarating find that points to a new and highly promising strategy for blocking HIV in people.

The discovery capped a more than 10-year search for the answer to the mystery of what stops the virus in certain primates.

Carl Dieffenbach, director of basic science research for AIDS at the National Institutes of Health, said the finding could lead to drugs to treat AIDS infection or a vaccine to prevent it.

"This will go immediately in about 15 different directions," Dieffenbach said. "This has been an amazing year in basic research and now we've got this. We're very rich with results and we've got a lot to work on."

The discovery was reported by Dr. Joseph Sodroski and his team of Harvard University researchers at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston. It was published in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

Normally, a virus spreads through the body by entering cells, hijacking their machinery, and using it to make new copies of itself.

But monkeys have a protein called TRIM5-alpha that is somehow able to stop the virus from shedding its protective coat after it enters a healthy cell. The shedding of the coating is poorly understood but considered essential to the infection cycle.

Humans have their own version of TRIM5-alpha, but it is not as effective as the monkey version in countering HIV. However, researchers may be able to design a drug that makes it work better, Sodroski said.

"This is really important because it will help build a basis for hammering the virus before it gets

started," said Paul Luciw, a University of California at Davis microbiologist who specializes in AIDS research.

Stephen Goff, a Columbia University biochemist and HIV expert, said: "A lot of labs are going to be working on this as soon as this paper comes out."

Sodroski said the same mechanism may even work against other viruses.

"What we're really uncovering is the first example of a natural system of defense that may be operating against other viruses besides HIV," he said. "We're looking at 'Example 1' here, and I highly doubt it will be the only example in nature."

"It's got great potential," said Scott Wong, an Oregon Health & Science University molecular biologist who leads AIDS research on monkeys at

the federal regional primate center in Oregon.

HIV belongs to a class of viruses called retroviruses that are able to permanently incorporate their genetic material into the DNA of an infected cell. Once established, the virus cannot be eliminated.

But retroviruses also are short-lived if they cannot establish a foothold, Wong said, so HIV quickly decays when the TRIM5-alpha protein blocks it from replicating in the early stage of infection.

"We knew HIV could infect monkey cells, but the infection was restricted or terminated early on," Wong said. "But nobody knew what that restriction point was, until now."

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Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is a 7 — Someone you care deeply about is still being slightly aloof. It won't do any good to grovel. You're more attractive

when you stay busy. Assist one who appreciates.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is a 6 — Concerns about money dampen your naturally cheerful attitude for a while. This is a temporary condition, and it's good for you. Concentrate on making dough.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is an 8 — If you follow your heart, you'll wind up miles away from where you began. Your curiosity is liable to lead you far off the beaten path. Better pack a lunch.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 5 — Keep costs down. The challenge is to use your talent instead of your savings. You're inventing most of what you need anyway, so why not just invent it all? Use things you have around the house.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is an 8 — Your communication skills have just gone up a notch. You'll notice that the words will come quite easily for the next couple of weeks, especially where loved ones are concerned.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 6 — Focus on the task in front of you, and don't let yourself get distracted. Pour yourself into your bed tonight, exhausted but satisfied.
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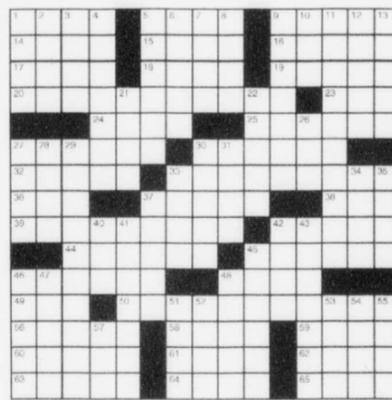
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FATIGUED

Horned Frogs lose 'battle of attrition' against Charlotte

Foul trouble and fatigue cost the Frogs an overtime victory.

By Brent Yarina
Sports Editor

For the first 40 minutes, the Horned Frogs and Charlotte 49ers were caught in a constant seesaw affair, with the two teams combining for 17 ties and 16 lead changes in their first ever meeting Wednesday night.

Once regulation ended, though, the 49ers struck gold in overtime.

Behind a career-high scoring night from junior guard Brendon Plavich, who scored 31 points on nine 3-pointers, and sophomore forward Curtis Withers' 21 points and seven rebounds, the 49ers outscored the Frogs 13-5 in overtime, giving Charlotte the 94-86 victory at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

"I hit my shots early on and my guys did a good job of finding me after that," Plavich said. "I just felt good tonight."

Plavich credited his point guard Demon Brown's ability to share the ball and his teammates' screens for his career night.

"Our team's unselfish and that says a lot tonight when I have nine 3s and guys are setting screens all night long."

The game was decided behind the arc, where the 49ers shot 39 percent compared to the Frogs' 26 percent.

Junior guard Corey Santee said the 49ers took advantage of some sloppy Frogs' play in the extra five minutes and that he attributed the poor overtime performance, where they committed five turnovers, to fatigue and foul trouble.

Junior guard Marcus Shropshire fouled out with 5:26 remaining in regulation, and then junior forward Aaron Curtis did the same in overtime.

"We were low on energy," said Santee, who scored 20 points and dished out five assists. "We lost a couple of our key players and some of the players, myself included, were tired. I know I was fatigued."

Santee said the team felt they could take advantage of the extra period but that Charlotte just wanted it more.

"They played harder than us in overtime," he said. "We should have pulled it out but they were scrappier than us. We had our chance but we let it slip through our hands."

The Frogs out-rebounded a bigger 49ers' team 47-41, including a

19-15 edge on the offensive glass.

Head coach Neil Dougherty agreed with Santee that the team was tired in overtime.

"Some of our fatigue showed up," Dougherty said. "We played with a lot of heart and courage. They were just deeper than us and we had some guys sucking wind. We got beaten by a better team tonight."

Aside from Santee, three other Frogs scored in double-digits. Sophomore forward Chudi Chinweze scored 14, freshman center Femi Ibikunle added 10 and Shropshire had 12 points.

Charlotte head coach Bobby Lutz said he was happy to get out of Fort Worth with an overtime victory against an underrated TCU team, the 49ers' third road win in overtime this season.

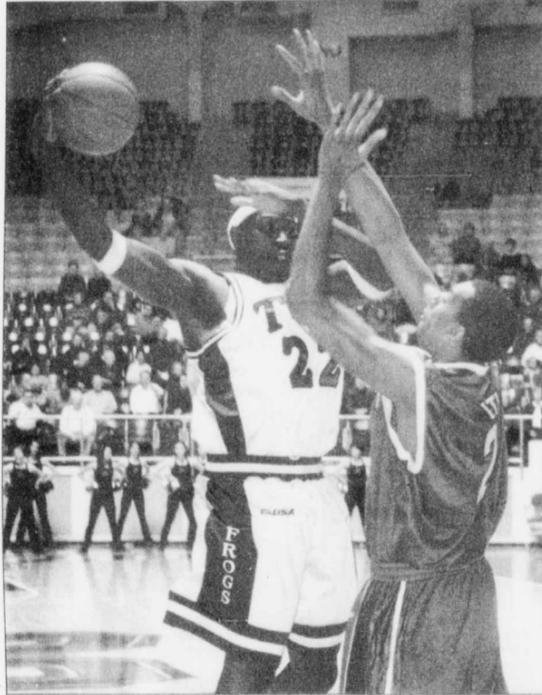
"We beat a very good team," he said. "I don't care what their record is, they're a very good team. They played us as good as anyone this year. I think they can play with anyone."

Lutz said his team was able to pull out the overtime victory because the Frogs ran out of players down the stretch.

"They got a little tired in overtime and had a few guys foul out," Lutz said. "That's what happens in overtime, it's a battle of attrition."

Dougherty said despite the game's outcome, he was pleased with how his players overcame foul trouble.

"We feel unlucky and Charlotte feels real lucky tonight as far as I am concerned," he said.



By Halasz/Staff Photographer

Sophomore forward Chudi Chinweze grabs a rebound from a Charlotte defender in a 94-86 TCU loss Wednesday night in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

QUICK FACTS

Box score

TCU Player	Min	FGM-A	FTM-A	OFF	REB	AST	PF	PTS
C. Santee	38	7-13	5-6	0	1	5	2	20
M. Shropshire	22	5-12	0-0	0	1	3	5	12
F. Ibikunle	24	3-6	4-6	4	5	0	4	10
N. Smith	35	2-6	1-2	1	8	4	3	5
C. Chinweze	26	6-11	2-3	1	2	0	3	14
M. Sloan	12	0-2	0-0	6	1	0	1	0
A. Pierce	15	1-4	0-0	0	1	0	0	6
N. Dougherty	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
A. Curtis	17	3-8	2-2	1	4	1	5	9
B. Adams	22	3-6	0-0	1	2	0	0	7
C. Valsin	13	2-4	2-3	2	3	1	2	6
D. Markley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	225	32-72	16-22	19	28	14	26	86

Team REBS: 47

Turnovers: 19

Blocked Shots: 2

Steals: 5

3-PT FGS: 6-23

Charlotte

Charlotte Player	Min	FGM-A	FTM-A	OFF	REB	AST	PF	PTS
C. Withers	26	6-11	8-9	1	6	2	4	21
E. Basden	35	2-6	0-2	4	5	4	2	4
M. Iti	6	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	4	0
D. Brown	36	3-10	1-2	2	3	3	1	8
B. Plavich	28	9-17	4-7	1	2	2	3	31
C. Pigford	12	2-2	0-0	0	2	0	2	5
B. Johnson	29	4-9	5-9	3	0	4	1	13
M. Baldwin	17	2-3	0-0	0	1	2	0	4
C. Sager	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
C. Clemmons	22	2-7	4-5	4	2	0	2	8
Totals	225	20-65	22-34	15	26	17	20	94

Team REBS: 41

Turnovers: 16

Blocked Shots: 2

Steals: 12

3-PT FGS: 12-31

Making the Grade

Chudi Chinweze B

After only playing four minutes in the first half due to the flu and two quick fouls, Chudi came on in the second half and finished with 14 points. He helped lead the Frogs back into the game late in the second half.

Femi Ibikunle C+

Femi fell one rebound short of his first career double-double. He played tough against an obviously larger 49er team. Match-up problems and falling into late foul trouble kept Ibikunle from putting up the numbers he could have. He finished with 10 points and nine rebounds.

Marcus Shropshire D

Maybe it was the shoes Shropshire wore in the first half of the game, or maybe it wasn't. Shropshire finished with 12 points, but he fouled out at a very crucial point in the game. It was obvious at that point that the Frogs were a different team. Shrop was cold from behind the arch shooting only 2-7 from three-point land.

Corey Santee B+

A solid night for Santee, who scored 20 points and had five assists. However, Santee was also cold from long range, only shooting 1-5. Santee helped lead the offense late in the second half, making sure the game at least went into overtime.

Nucleus Smith C

The highlight for the night for the Frogs came from Smith. He showed that even he had some hops as he took an alley-oop from Corey Santee that spurred the Frogs' come back. But that was about all that Smith gave the Frogs against the 49ers. He finished with only five points, but was able to bring down eight boards in the 35 minutes.

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Santee

Corey Santee

The junior guard from Flint, Mich., was able to penetrate and create shots Wednesday against a much taller squad, scoring 20 points and handing out five assists.

Worth mentioning

Marcus Sloan C+

Sloan came off the bench and was a monster on the boards. In only 12 minutes, Sloan finished with seven rebounds, six of which were offensive boards.

Corey Valsin C+

In 13 minutes of play, Valsin turned in six points and grabbed five boards.

Overall C

This was a game that the Frogs could have (and probably should have) won. The Frogs got off to a hot start in the first half, but that fell off by the end of the half and saw the Frogs down one. The Frogs controlled the boards, which kept them in the game despite their inconsistent shooting. They finished with 47 total rebounds, out rebounding the 49ers by six. It also didn't help allowing Brendon Plavich of the 49ers to knock down nine three-pointers. The 49ers took control of overtime and never let the Frogs back in. This was not one of the Frogs' best showings, but it is apparent the team is beginning to get a grasp of Dougherty's system.

— Ashley Menzies

Pro Bowl running back charged

The Baltimore Ravens Pro Bowl running back is charged with conspiring to possess with the intent to distribute cocaine.

By Elliott McLaughlin
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Baltimore Ravens running back Jamal Lewis, who had the second-highest rushing total in NFL history last season, was indicted Wednesday on federal drug charges.

The Atlanta native is accused of trying to help a childhood friend buy cocaine in the summer of 2000 — just before he signed a six-year, \$35.3 million contract with the Ravens. No drugs were ever purchased, according to the indictment.

The running back's attorney, Ed Garland, said his client was innocent and would turn himself in on Thursday.

"Mr. Lewis wants everybody to know that he did nothing wrong," Garland said. "He was not part of any drug deal and any contention that he was is false."

Lewis is charged with conspiring to possess with the

intent to distribute 5 kilograms of cocaine and using a cell phone in the commission of the first count, according to U.S. Attorney William S. Duffey.

The indictment came out of a drug investigation that has led to 30 convictions and helped dismantle a cocaine-trafficking ring in the city, Duffey said. He refused to say whether Lewis was tied to that drug ring.

In an affidavit, FBI special agent Hoyt Mahaley said that an informant contacted Lewis on his cell phone on June 23, 2000, to discuss selling cocaine to Lewis' friend.

The conversation was recorded, according to the agent. "The cooperating source told Lewis that he/she was willing to sell the narcotics to Lewis' associates for a price that Lewis can tax," meaning the price could be marked up for a profit, Mahaley said in the affidavit.

"Lewis responded 'Yeah,'" the agent said.

Hours after the call, Lewis and the friend, Angelo Jackson, met with the informant at an Atlanta restaurant, the affidavit said. There, Lewis and Jackson asked the informant how much cocaine the informant was capable of distributing, the affidavit alleges.

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