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Tony Smith (left) attempts to retain possession of the ball and sneak by Mark Wall (center) and Clay Hancock during a football challenge on the lawn outside of Tom Brown and Pete Wright halls.

Students must be street smart, detective says

By LIZ CARDENAS
TCU Daily Skiff

Teaching students how to out-think criminals was Chicago police detective J.J. Bittenbinder's main objective at the Street Smarts seminar Tuesday.

"Education is empowerment and that's what we're doing here," Bittenbinder said.

Many victims say they did not think it could have happened to them, he said.

"If I only save one woman here from getting raped then I have accomplished something," he said.

Kappa Alpha Theta and Alpha Delta Pi sororities hosted the event and about 300 university students attended.

"We talked about having a forum to serve the campus, and self defense was one of the ideas," said Susan Huffman, Kappa Alpha Theta vice president for fraternal development.

The idea of having Bittenbinder speak at the university came after seeing him on "Prime Time Live," Huffman said.

Bittenbinder has been a Chicago police officer since 1971 and a homicide detective for 16 years.

Because he has seen so many murders and rapes over the years, Bittenbinder said the most important thing is avoiding a bad situation.

"Victims are selected on a vulnerability scale," he said. "All criminals classify victims the same."

Criminals have excellent instincts and know how to pick their victims, Bittenbinder said.

"It's a visual thing," he said. "A tough target is a way of looking at things to make sure you're not the weakest one there. I'm here to teach you how to make up your own tips."

The reason Bittenbinder is so effective is because he gives common sense practical ideas, Huffman said.

First, you must always be aware of what is happening around you, Bittenbinder said.

"Walk around with your head up," he said. "You can look away (when you are passing by someone), but don't look down. That makes you look weak and subservient."

Other things to remember include walking in groups, walking in either well lighted areas or in the middle of the street and driving to a police sta-

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On-campus recruiting helps students meet employers

By TAMI M. DEVITO
TCU Daily Skiff

Seniors, graduate students and alumni will get a chance to be interviewed by various employers at on-campus recruiting in October.

The university's Career Planning and Placement Center holds the annual event to put students in touch with potential employers.

Career counselor Jennifer Clough said on-campus recruiting makes it possible for employers to have easy access to students.

More than 25 companies will be at the on-campus recruiting this year. The high unemployment rate has not affected the number of companies attending, Clough said.

"It's tough out there for students, but as far as the number of companies who have had contact with us, we're still doing okay," she said. "We plan to do fine for the fall and spring as far as our recruiting goes."

In order to participate in on-campus interviews, students must have an updated credentials file, a KiNexus data disk on file and attend an on-campus interviewing orientation.

Envelopes with information about employers interviewing on campus are available at the Career Center three weeks prior to the recruiting date. Students must register for an interview by completing a lottery slip.

The Career Center staff will then

draw the names of qualified students from the lottery slips and post a list of those names on the bulletin board in the Career Center. Students who are chosen for interviews must schedule a time at the Career Center.

Wallace Computer Services has been attending the on-campus recruiting at the university for approximately 10 years, and has employed about six or seven TCU graduates over the past three years.

Wallace's district sales manager, Pat Fay, is a university alumnus who was recruited by Wallace Computer Services at a TCU on-campus recruiting session eight years ago.

Fay said Wallace is very selective in the candidates they hire, and that

he likes to recruit at TCU because of the excellent training the students receive.

"We feel that the students get a quality education and thus we can implement that into the workplace here at Wallace," he said. "We feel like the students are well prepared in entering the marketplace with that education."

Prior planning on the student's part is essential, Fay said. Students should find out as much information about the company they are interviewing with as possible. They can get this information through the Career Planning and Placement Center, he said.

"Not enough students utilize the placement center," Fay said. "Since

I have been interviewing, I would say the number of people coming to the placement center has declined over the years and, unfortunately, it's more difficult to hire people. When we are on campus we're there for a purpose, to take a look at hiring people, we aren't there to waste their time or ours."

Caroline Drews, director of personnel at Coopers & Lybrand, said the high unemployment rate has not affected recruiting. Entry-level accountants are still needed, and Coopers & Lybrand is still hiring the same number of people they have hired in the past several years, she said.

"All of my entry levels, I get from campus recruiting," Drews

said. "Many of the TCU students want to remain in Fort Worth and I like that because if I can go to TCU, I can usually get more hires."

Drews said Coopers & Lybrand uses on-campus recruiting to get acquainted with students and selects those with the proper credentials to go to their facility for more extensive interviews.

"We are lucky that we can go and become acquainted with students," she said. "The good thing for the employer is that the placement office prepares the student. They learn all about putting their best foot forward and that gives them a step ahead of others in terms of finding a job. It helps us to have a prepared student."

Dean looks back over 38 years, says problems haven't changed

By MICHELE GRAY
TCU Daily Skiff

The more things change, the more they stay the same.

Students have searched for advice from Dean of Students Elizabeth Proffer for 38 years, and she said the problems she has listened to are similar to the ones back in 1954, when Proffer began teaching journalism at the university.

"Their questions are the same," she said. "They (students) talk to me about health problems, how they're getting along in class, whether they're making it financially or problems with getting along with their roommate or their boyfriend."

The majority of the problems are similar, but a sharp contrast consists comparable to earlier generations, Proffer said.

"Students have changed," she said. "There is a greater stress on students. I call this generation the troubled generation. Many come from broken homes, they were abused and peer pressure is far greater than in the past."

Proffer said she can relate to the students from broken families because her father was an alcoholic and her mother cared for six children. She also disagrees with Vice President Dan Quayle's comments about single mothers.

"Nuclear families are not typical," she said. "Children are reared in single-parent households. These children are not all poor, black and living in the ghettos. Many TCU students have divorced parents."

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ELIZABETH PROFFER,
Dean of students

Proffer said women are not required to stay at home anymore, cook and take care of the babies.

"It's okay too, if (the woman) makes the choice of staying home," she said.

"I'm a feminist in a sense, because I wanted women to have equal opportunities to do what's best for them," she said.

Proffer said society has brought about peer pressure for young people.

"When you watch a TV program, the alcohol pressure and illegal drugs — it's phenomenal," she said. "It's just cool to do it."

In earlier days, drinking would compliment social activities, Proffer said.

"Now it has taken center ring," she said. "Party till you puke. In 1954, TCU had a little marijuana around. But not heroin or crack."

Sexual pressure also has been different and advertisers are to blame, Proffer said. Whether selling jeans or cars, sexual connotations are illus-

trated in each ad, and those ads hurt many women, she said.

"I didn't even know about eating disorders until I saw it encased on TV," she said.

"There's not enough sex education," she said. "It surprises me that there's AIDS and students still have unprotected sex."

In 1954, Proffer arrived as the first student activities director, and a journalism teacher. On Aug. 1, 1973, she became the university's first student dean.

The Student Center was in its completion process in 1954, and Proffer heard about fraternities and sororities for the first time. At North Texas State College, where she graduated with her journalism degree, the school didn't have those organizations.

Students didn't support the inception of Greek organizations here because students did not want a "snobby" label associated with the university, Proffer said.

Students went so far as to burn a Board of Trustee object in effigy to protest, she said.

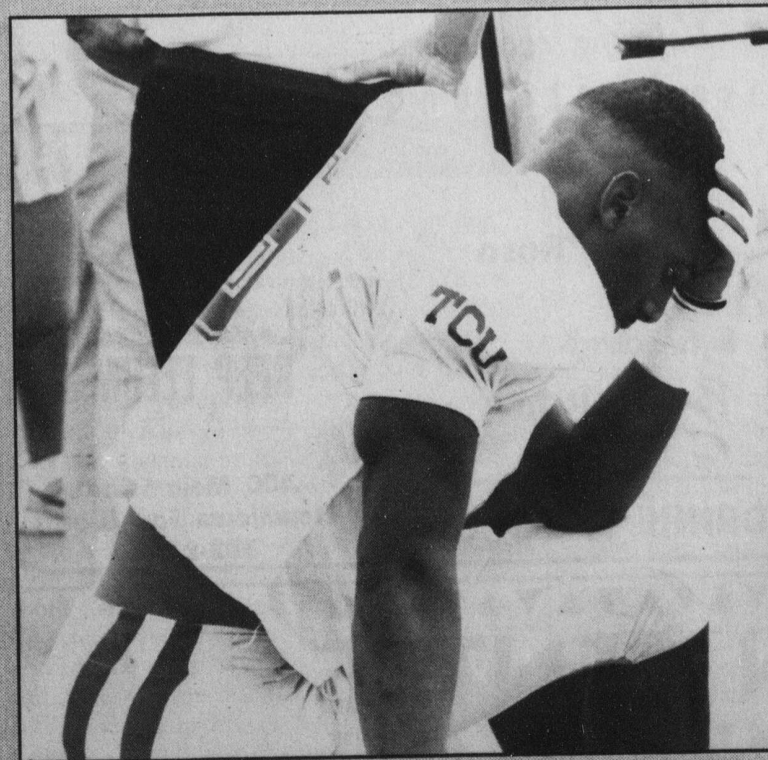
But the university continued the process because more students would be attracted to the school and revenues from alumni would come pouring in, she said.

When the first rush began, a fraternity hid a penny in the stadium and made their pledges look for it, she said.

"They stayed up for two nights in a row looking for it," she said. "One

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A HEADACHE THIS BIG



TCU Daily Skiff/ Jenny Putchinski

Free safety Greg Evans feels the agony of defeat after SMU blasts the Frogs, 21-9, during Saturday's game.

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METROPLEX

Today's weather will be sunny and warm with a high of 81 degrees.
Friday will be sunny with a high of 84 degrees.

Campus club provides mix of religions

By ALAN PARRY
TCU Daily Skiff

ICTHUS, a non-denominational Christian group for students, has resumed activity on campus.

The group, which was on campus in the '70s, was brought back last year by university students David Douglass, Marietta Shriber and Jason Sneed. Douglass and Shriber have since graduated, and Sneed is a senior who is working in Washington on an internship.

Sophomore Gordon Blocker and senior Leigh Ann Smith are now co-leading the group.

The purpose of ICTHUS is to "unify the campus" and give people a comfortable place to hang out, Blocker said.

"It's a place you can bring non-Christian friends," Smith said.

Other students have a chance for leadership by training in the spring to be core leaders. There are currently 12 core leaders who meet during the week to plan the events for each upcoming meeting. Outgoing seniors train the new leaders each year, said Jeff Guerrero, a sophomore pre-major.

TCU is one of seven schools with an ICTHUS chapter, Blocker said. The organization began at the Colonial Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, he said.

ICTHUS is much like the high school organization Young Life, said

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Opinion

Restlessness dwells inside all, spurs us on to life's next phase

At one time or another most college students will undergo a period of restlessness. Parents will have another term for this behavior. They will call it "laziness." They will call it "being undisciplined." Restless, they will say, is how children act in church after their ziploc bag is empty of cheerios. Students become a sort of misanthrope. Grades falter. Ideas of Europe, the Peace Corps, a "Real Job," an internship, studying abroad or just plain dropping out cross the mind. "If I could only just" begins every thought about that ominous "real world" students are taking a four- to six-year break from: the future.

Our stay in this purgatorial realm of college is punctuated by brief "vacations" into the real world. "Vacations" is hardly the word for a period of time in which you must follow the edicts of the real world.



DAVID WELLS

Think of "summer vacations." As we grow older they translate into periods of summer jobs, and summer internships. Depending upon the job, you live with your parents and have to abide by their rules. After experiencing the limited independence of college this is a hard thing to do, unless your parents are lenient, and don't mind your leaving the house at 3 a.m. for a Whataburger run. In most homes

this is not normal behavior. This is why after the sophomore year everyone goes to summer school. That way they can stay in Purgatory. They will complain about having to study, and wanting to have a normal summer; yet, they will be happy that they are among all their friends, and can still go on Whataburger runs. This is why college is a Purgatory. It is neither Heaven nor Hell.

But, as you grow older, you realize that sooner or later summer school is not going to be an option any longer. There is a need for travel, a "Real Job" or an internship. The junior year has arrived, and you haven't studied abroad yet. The following spring or summer may be your last chance. Thoughts like, "What kind of job can I get with these grades?"; "I have no experience," "I don't even have a major," or "I

hate my major" flow through your head as often as the urge to breathe.

It seems as if everyone else is better off than you are. Truthfully some are, but should be comforting to know that the numbers are not large.

The restlessness doesn't go away. I know it sounds pessimistic, but that restlessness has always been there.

Anyone who has an older sibling knows what I am talking about. You want to emulate the things they do, but you can't — you're too young. For boys it may be sports. For girls it may be wearing make-up. Your mother tells you to wait.

You do, and the time comes that you conquer that restlessness. But it returns. When you were in eighth grade you wanted to be able to do the things high school kids do. When you were in high

school you wanted to do the things college kids do. Who never said to their high school teachers, "In college they don't count tardies or absences — you can do whatever you want to?"

It goes in a circular motion. When you are young you desire to be old. When you are old you desire to be young.

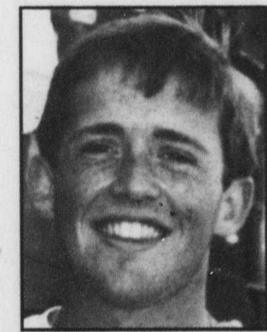
The people who realize that the restlessness is ambition are those who succeed. It is from the restlessness that we get our ideas, our dreams.

So, your parents are right. Restless is how children get during church when their ziploc is empty of cheerios. It's just that the child wants to be like the adults around him, but doesn't know how.

David Wells is a restless junior whose ambition, he hopes, will take him places.

Bush reelection will guarantee NAFTA treaty's ratification

In a year when President Bush's reelection hopes seem to ride solely on the ability of our sluggish economy to recover, most voters remain unaware of one of the President's major economic proposals that might be in danger should he not be reelected: the North American Free Trade Agreement.



JASON SNEED

NAFTA would create the world's largest trading bloc, extending the free trade provisions currently enjoyed by Canada and the United States to Mexico.

In 1990, President Bush and President Salinas of Mexico began negotiating a bilateral trade agreement. In June 1991 trade ministers from Canada joined the move toward creating a free trade zone "from the Yukon to the Yucatan," an area of over 360 million people and \$6 trillion in annual output. In August the negotiations were completed, and the it now faces a battle in Congress for ratification.

Marking what Bush calls the "beginning of a new era," the agreement will impact the United States in many beneficial ways. For one, workers of the entire region will become more competitive with their counterparts in both Japan and the emerging European Community by forging the respective productive strengths of the U.S., Canada and Mexico into one economic superpower.

In addition, increased sales of U.S. cars, auto parts, computers and telecommunications equipment are likely because Mexican tariffs, which now average 250 percent higher than U.S. tariffs, will be eliminated over the next 15 years.

Sen. Jack Danforth of Missouri said the treaty is a "bold and exciting idea" that ranks "among the most important economic developments for the United States since World War II."

Although NAFTA has great potential for increasing trade and creating jobs, the Democratic nominee for president has failed to support it. *Newsweek* reported last week that Bill Clinton "has been waffling on NAFTA, waiting to see the fine print before casting his lot one way or the other. But he is being edged toward protectionism by Congressional Democrats."

There are several reasons why Clinton is pandering to House Democrats and failing to support NAFTA. Some critics such as the AFL-CIO secretary treasurer call the agreement "a bad deal for American workers." It is true that many low wage jobs in the U.S. may be lost as companies take advantage of lower wage rates in Mexico and relocate production facilities across the border. However, higher paying jobs could be realized in the U.S. as Mexico gains needed capital and demands higher technology from the U.S. Also, President Bush is considering provisions to fund the retraining of workers who are displaced by the agreement's effects.

Perhaps the greatest arguments against NAFTA that Clinton and other critics hold regard the environmental impact of the agreement. Opponents believe U.S. corporations would take advantage of lower Mexican environmental standards and contribute to the degradation of the environment in Mexico and along the border.

Last week I attended a Senate Finance Committee hearing in which a dozen Senators discussed NAFTA's environmental impact with William Reilly, chairman of the Environmental Protection Agency, who said the treaty is the most environmentally sound trade agreement he has ever seen. Under its provisions, any state or local government can set environmental standards that incoming products must meet so that trade to occur.

However, NAFTA is foremost a trade agreement, not an environmental treaty. Rhode Island Sen. John Chafee compelled the senators not to be "sidetracked by red herrings — or in this case, green herrings."

Gov. Clinton has been sidetracked by green herrings. His lack of support for NAFTA can only be attributed to typical election year posturing, and he cannot afford to admit that Bush has scored big with this agreement.

We should be wise to take this issue to the ballot box in November and consider the merits of our president in this global economy in which we now live.

Jason Sneed is interning this semester with the Senate Commerce Committee.

PURPLE POLL

Should a multicultural course requirement be added to the UCR?

Yes 51 **No 36**

Today's Purple Poll question was asked of 100 students as they were discussing the events of the day in the Main Cafeteria on Wednesday evening. Responding with no opinion: 13.

EDITORIAL

Thank you, no

Perot should stay out of presidential race

The *perotistas* have reason to live for and a renewed hope for the American ideal if Ross Perot redeclares his quasi-candidacy for president tonight. More than 1.5 million supporters called his 800 number, a la Jerry Brown, to urge the businessman to run.

What a sham(e).

The man who has turned his back on the people once before has stirred their hopes again, and what's worse is they want him back.

Perot calls it democracy at its finest. It's idolatry at its worst. The same man who withdrew from the race (if he was ever truly in it) because he believed he would only disrupt the political process is doing nothing more than disrupting the process and preparing the people for another round of hope-bashing.

This is the same Ross Perot who betrayed the hard work and sacrifice of thousands of avid supporters. If he was so willing to denigrate their efforts and leave them high and dry, then imagine how little the hard work and sacrifice of the average American means to him.

He has the credibility of Lena Guerrero, the lucidity of the Texas Constitution and the believability of Oliver North. The American people should withdraw support from this capricious individual and question his motives and his solutions.

In short, if Perot will let democracy decide whether he runs for president, then the people should send him a resounding "No."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep out

I am writing in reference to Jeff Blaylock's editorial written about Bush's prayer mandate. I agree 100 percent with his opinion, and I would like to go even further.

Bush not only seems to have forgotten the separation of church and state in his view on school prayer, but also in his self-appointed role as morality policeman of the United States. I personally have a big problem with Bush's definition of a real family.

To go even further with my dissatisfaction with the president's policies, what happened to my constitutional right to privacy and the right to decide what is best for my body? I would like to see Bush stay out of my prayers, school, home and body. It is about time he starts doing his real job as political leader of this country, although I cannot say I am willing to endure another four years.

I dread the day that *Roe v. Wade* comes before Bush's Supreme Court. That will surely give new meaning to the term "All the president's men."

Colleen R. Lloyd
junior, finance

Stay out

I would like to commend Jeff Jeter concerning his article about the nature of Bill Clinton. Finally, someone has taken the initiative to differentiate his views from the liberal "lap dog" media's position.

Mr. Jeter argues that an election of Clinton poses disastrous consequences for the prosperity of the United States. I wholeheartedly agree with Mr. Jeter's position and would like to make further comment.

Clinton claims to be a moderate. However, the facts illustrate he is just another socialist liberal democrat. Case in point: the Democratic National Convention, comprised of left-wing extremists, shaped Clinton's platform after his repeated pandering. Or how about Clinton's reference to the liberal Mario Cuomo, governor of New York, as a hero. In accordance to his view of separation of church and state, Cuomo disallows a teacher to possess a Bible in his or her office. In Bill Clinton's eyes, Mario Cuomo depicts a would-be Supreme Court justice.

Bill Clinton's proposed programs need funding from somewhere, but the governor neglects to reveal the sources. Small business amounts to the great provider. The liberals fail to realize small business provides most of America's jobs, and these institutions already incur overtaxation and overregulation due to Democratic philosophy.

Maybe Bill Clinton should read financial forecasts which propose, in the event of his victory, that investors sell all corporate holdings and immediately purchase precious metals. They only say that on the verge of financial chaos.

Jim Upchurch
junior, marketing

Ease of acquiring guns costs lives, accentuates fear

Shooting evokes call for tougher laws

Can you imagine what it feels like to be totally defenseless, as some unknown gunman randomly shoots in a crowd — just because he had nothing better to do. I can, not because I have a creative imagination, but because I have lived through a similar situation.

I am not about to attempt to convey to you how it feels to be in such a situation, simply because I can't. And even if I could, I wouldn't want anyone to have to live through such a painful experience. Instead of your having to experience such a situation in order to become aware of the massive gun control problem in the United States, I will more realistically tell you my story and hope that it will give you some insight to the problem.

Glenn Tinder profoundly stated that "anyone who presumes to say what is good and what is evil is indulging in a mere personal opinion, something that can't be proved and thus should not be forced on others." Consequently, because I think guns are bad they should all be destroyed... NOT!

Getting back to reality, I am not trying to force on you my theory as to why we need tougher gun control laws. Instead, I am attempting to convey to you another side of the whole gun control issue that has nothing to do with the Brady Bill, hunter's rights or the constitutional right to bear arms. This side of the gun control issue has to do with something far more important than all the above mentioned issues: HUMAN LIFE.

The incident I described earlier about a random gunman shooting in a crowd may sound rare to the majority of the students at TCU, but it is far from being rare and is bordering on becoming fairly common, because of the ease in which individuals can obtain guns. The gunman in the incident I described was only 17 years old. He was not old enough to buy a gun, but he was old enough to shoot one, take three lives and hurt seven people. The weapon of choice for this particular gunman was a semiautomatic tech-22 that was and still is capable of holding up to 32 rounds in one clip.

I don't know how he came across such a powerful weapon, but I am willing to bet my freedom that he didn't come across it legally.

The actual reason why the gunman started shooting in the first place may never be known, but one thing that is certain was that he was far more aggressive because he had a gun than he would have been if he did not. I don't own a gun, and probably never will.

However, the horrid fact of the matter is I could get one tomorrow. It should not be that easy for me or anyone else to get such a potentially dangerous weapon.

The gun control policy that is currently being pushed wants to install a waiting period before a person can purchase a gun. I favor this policy, but as I and a lot of other people know, there is no wait whatsoever to buy a gun from the same person the 17-year-old did.

My most frightening memory of the whole shooting incident was that, while I was running for my life, and in the process losing a shoe and my glasses, other individuals were pulling out their guns and taking aim. And, if they had started firing also, I could be DEAD.

I know guns protect people. I know guns are used to hunt for recreation. I know that it is not the gun itself that is bad, but the person that pulls the trigger unjustifiably.

I also know that I have lost two friends to gunshot wounds, and frankly that's all I want to remember. I hope no one else has to lose love ones to see the need for strong gun control.

We need gun control that has the power to stop the selling of guns illegally, while at the same time seeing to it that a person's background is checked before they can purchase a gun legally.

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Jim Clinkscales—Stock Broker-Dean Witter; Native Fort Worthian; Year-round golfer

“After a hard day at school, I like to go to Hulen Mall for a treat from The Original Cookie Company and a trip to The Disney Store.”

Baird Clinkscales, 5—Pre-school and Museum school student; Currently training to be a professional baseball player—or maybe the next Picasso!

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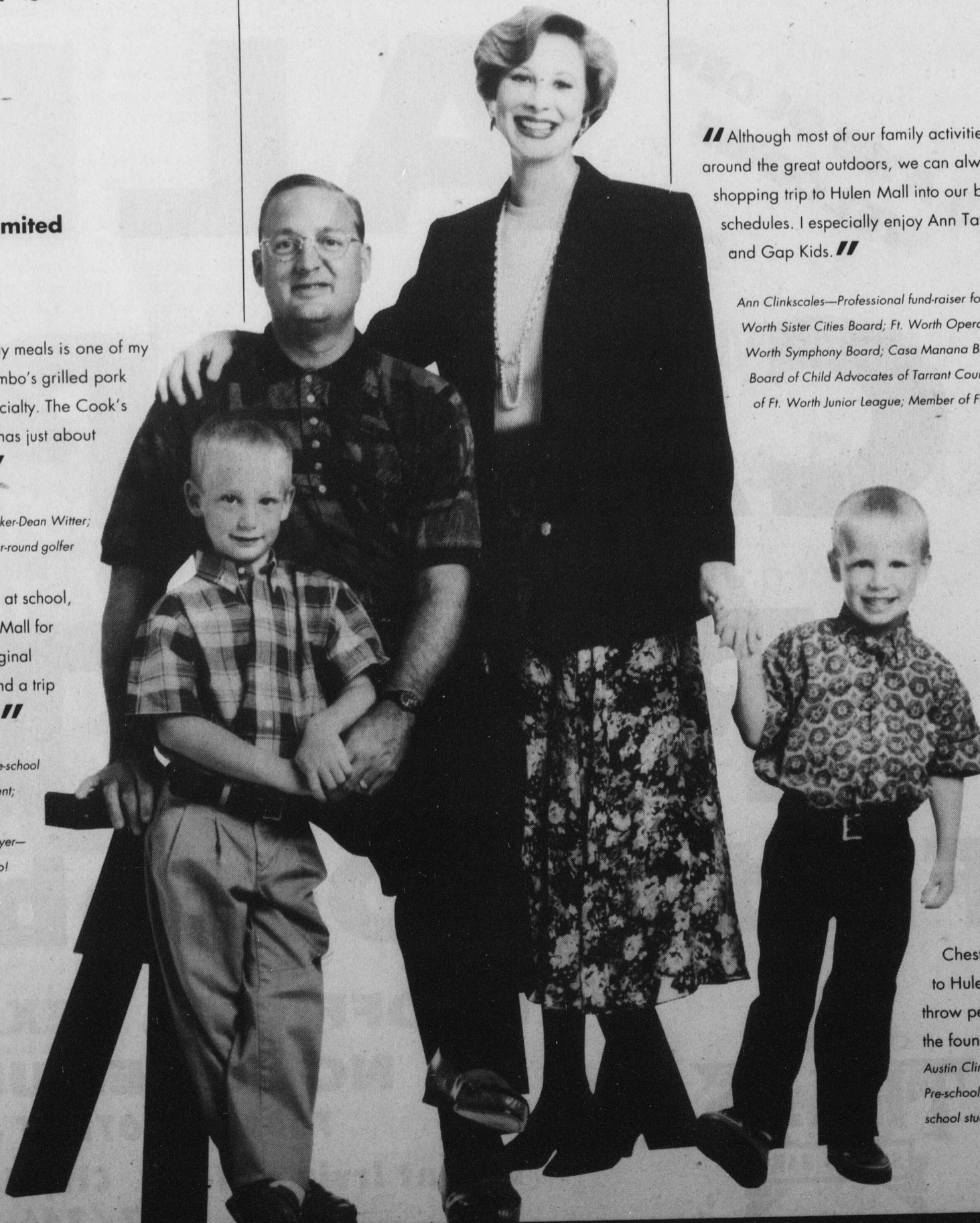


Accessory Lady

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“Although most of our family activities center around the great outdoors, we can always fit a shopping trip to Hulen Mall into our busy schedules. I especially enjoy Ann Taylor and Gap Kids.”

Ann Clinkscales—Professional fund-raiser for TCU; Ft. Worth Sister Cities Board; Ft. Worth Opera Board; Ft. Worth Symphony Board; Casa Manana Board; Advisory Board of Child Advocates of Tarrant County; Member of Ft. Worth Junior League; Member of Forum Ft. Worth



“Besides swimming and playing with my dog

Chester, I like to go to Hulen Mall and throw pennies into the fountains!”

Austin Clinkscales, 4—Pre-school and Museum school student

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