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## 'Adoption' program provides support for zoo animals

By ROBIN SHIRLEY  
TCU Daily Skiff

Chancellor Bill Tucker "adopted" two gorillas named Cleopatra and Calpurnia, but they will never come home with him. Instead, Tucker will have to visit the pair at the zoo.

Tucker "adopted" the two West Lowland Gorillas in January as part of the Fort Worth Zoo Parent program.

The Brown-Lupton Foundation, directed by Tucker, made a large donation to the zoo.

"As a consequence, I was given the privilege of adopting the gorillas for a year," he said.

The main benefactor of the charitable trust fund is TCU, but it occasionally donates funds to other non-profit organizations, Tucker

said.

"We recognize that the zoo is a wonderful city asset," he said.

The parent program helps in the cost of care-taking and feeding a nutritionally balanced diet to the animals, said Penny Beattie, director of development.

"You can 'adopt,' but not in the sense you have to take home the animal," Beattie said. "The zookeepers take care of your animal, but you help underwrite the cost of raising the animal."

The program has over 4,000 animals available for "adoption" for prices ranging from \$30 to \$4,000, she said.

The Zoo Parent program began in December and so far about 200 parents have become involved, Beattie said.

"Becoming a parent is a wonderful way of getting people involved with the zoo," she said.

New parents receive adoption certificates, bumper stickers, t-shirts, subscriptions to the Fort Worth Zoo publication and invitations to the after-hours Zoo Parents Family Reunion, Beattie said.

"The program attracts the real animal lovers and the small donors who all make a big difference because the money helps the animal directly instead of going towards buildings," she said.

Tucker's wife Jean said she was pleased with her husband's decision to adopt the gorillas.

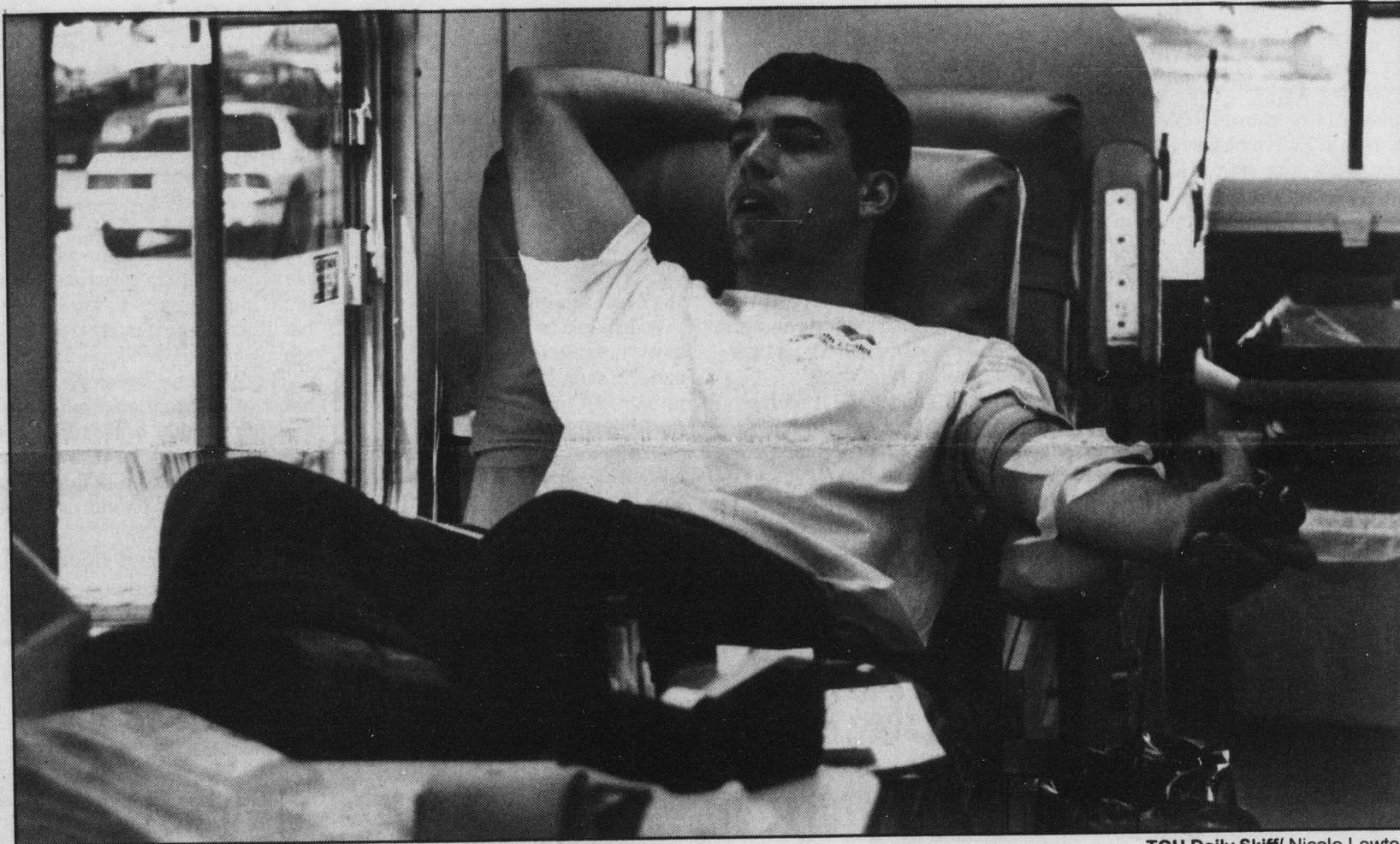
"After going to Africa and seeing the endangered animals, I was happy to be helping some of them receive the special care they need," she said.



Cleopatra and Calpurnia are the newest additions to Chancellor Tucker's family. The gorillas are part of the Fort Worth Zoo's "adoption" program.

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## PUMPED UP



David Allen, a senior chemistry major, gives blood Tuesday during TCU's annual blood drive for the Carter Blood Center.

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## Safety lighting plan rejected

### House passes proposal to pressure administration

By ANDY GRIESER  
TCU Daily Skiff

A proposal to install safety lighting outside the Moudy Building has been rejected by the administration. Permanent Improvements Chairman Scott Wheatley told the House of Student Representatives on Tuesday.

In response, the House unanimously passed a resolution to push the university to increase lighting around campus.

Representatives also passed a bill to send a Public Relations Student Society of America delegate to a national assembly in San Francisco.

Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services Edd Bivin nullified the House's proposal to attach lights to the south side of the Moudy Building, Wheatley said. However, a proposed light outside Colby Hall will be installed, he said.

Low ballard lighting could be used instead of the proposed hanging lights, Bivin said.

Wheatley said Bivin claimed the Moudy lighting would interfere with the building's structural integrity.

"To them, that (the Moudy Building) is a work of art," he said "That's how they view it."

Bivin said Ruth Carter Johnson, the daughter of philanthropist Amos G. Carter who commissioned the Moudy Building, had explicitly requested the building's design integrity be maintained.

The university might be able to help fund the addition of the ballard lighting outside the building, Bivin said. However, Bivin did not know how much the lighting would cost.

"What I'm working on is working with (Bivin) on some kind of meet-

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## Fraternity sponsors activities for charity

By CAMIE MELTON  
TCU Daily Skiff

Sigma Chi's annual Derby Days this week will focus on raising money for terminally ill children.

The cause should make the event more enjoyable for everyone, said Tray Bates, Derby Days Committee chairman.

Adam Rowins, Sigma Chi president, said that Derby Days is an annual week of events in which each sorority competes for points. Points will be given this year for spirit, participation and the amount of money raised for the Children's Miracle Network, he said.

But it hasn't always been that way. In previous years, the thrust of the week was sororities doing whatever it would take to gain the favor of the fraternity, and things were getting out of hand, Rowins said.

"We decided that we didn't want Derby Days to continue the way it was going," he said. "I think we've made some very positive changes."

Focusing on the philanthropy part of Derby Days has made a big difference, Bates said.

"This year we are getting the Children's Miracle Network really involved instead of just handing them a check," Bates said. "They are actually helping us out and giving us some new ideas."

Changes made to this year's Derby Days are for the better, Bates said.

In June, members of Sigma Chi will go to the Children's Miracle Network Telethon to present a check

for the money they raise this week. The Children's Miracle Network helps provide financing for terminally ill children to do things they have always wanted to do.

Sororities will also be selling paper balloons to raise money for the network throughout the week.

Skits used to be a main emphasis of Derby Days and lasted about three nights, Bates said. This year there will only be one night of skits.

"We heard a complaint that the sororities didn't want to spend a week entertaining us," Bates said. "We think this will make it a lot more enjoyable for them."

The week-long fundraiser began Monday night with a sign hang. This has traditionally involved each sorority hanging a banner they made and cheering outside the Sigma Chi house, but Monday night's sign hang was cancelled due to the weather. Tuesday night there was a skit competition.

Tonight there will be a party for Sigma Chi members and their dates. Chris Wall, a country singer, will provide the entertainment.

An all-campus party will be held tomorrow night at West Side Stories in Fort Worth. Cover charge will be \$3 for students 21 or older and \$5 for those under 21 years old.

An event called the "Dec-a-Sig" will be held at the all-campus party. Throughout the week's events, each sorority has been assigned one Sigma Chi member to be its coach. Dec-a-

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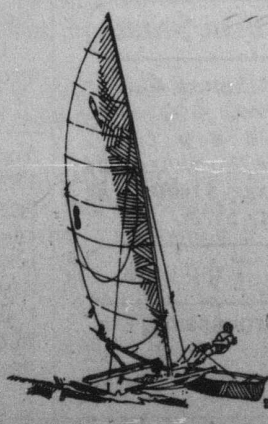
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## METROPLEX

Today's weather will be sunny with a high of 58 degrees.  
Tomorrow will be sunny with a high of 60 degrees.



## Student or employee?

### Former TCU athlete seeks damages for sports injury

By KIM CHERRY  
Special to the TCU Daily Skiff

When Kent Waldrep stepped on to Legion Field at the University of Alabama on Oct. 26, 1974, he was living a dream.

The TCU Horned Frogs were playing the Crimson Tide in front of 63,191 fans and on national television. Waldrep, a junior halfback, was playing in his first game after sustaining an injury that had sidelined him since the first game of the season.

"It's one of those memories that will always be there. It was a perfect football afternoon," Waldrep said. "For an athlete who had grown up with dreams of playing in this kind of situation, it was a dream come true."

TCU was down 14-0 in the second quarter when quarterback Lee Cook handed Waldrep the ball for his fifth carry of the game. As he cut toward the right side of the line, all he saw were Alabama players. After a two-yard gain, Waldrep was stopped by two tacklers who hit him high, and he then upended by another tackler who hit him low.

"I flipped up in the air and came down head first on the artificial turf," Waldrep said. "It was an immediate injury. I couldn't feel anything. I didn't know that my neck was broken, but I knew something strange had happened."

Waldrep's spinal cord was crushed, and he was paralyzed from the neck down. TCU chancellor

James Moudy, football coach Jim Shofner and assistant trainer Jim Sul-lenger stayed with Waldrep when he was admitted to the University of Alabama Medical Center.

Eleven months later, Waldrep received a letter from the university denying any liability for his injury.

On May 24, 1991, Waldrep filed a workers' compensation claim against Texas Employers' Insurance Association, which insured the university at the time of his injury.

From the start, Waldrep's claim has been controversial. It fuels the debate over whether student-athletes are employees of the schools they play for.

"A scholarship athlete is, in essence, paid to play a sport to represent a university," Waldrep said. "If that's the case, they need to be treated as an employee and protected as an employee."

Universities carry liability insurance and workers' compensation for all the employees who work for the athletic department, Waldrep said.

"So why is everybody protected and everybody covered, except the athlete who is on the field," he said.

Others do not agree with Waldrep's argument. "In any pro sport, you are definitely an employee, but collegiately, I can't say you are," said Ross Bailey, TCU athletic trainer.

"If you're on a full scholarship, whether it's athletic or academic, you are being awarded financial aid for some skill you may have whether it's computers, knowledge or athletics,"

Bailey said.

In the first year after his injury, Waldrep said TCU gave him about \$10,000 to pay mounting medical costs. The money was raised at football games and charity functions, and TCU's House of Student Representatives donated \$500 to the fund.

Waldrep's attorney, Frank Hernandez of Dallas, said Waldrep seeks about \$28,000 a year in workers' compensation benefits and lifetime medical coverage for past and future medical expenses. Hernandez said Waldrep has incurred about \$500,000 in past medical expenses.

Waldrep said the idea for the claim came from Hernandez, who had found a loophole in the law, which allowed Waldrep to file a claim years after the injury occurred.

Hernandez said that when an injury occurs, an employer files an E-1 form with the Industrial Accident Board. Hernandez has said that TCU never filed that initial injury report.

At a pre-hearing in Denton last week, the TWCC officer determined that Waldrep was not an employee, but on March 12, he will appear before the workers' compensation board.

Hernandez said the biggest surprise about the hearing was a financial aid agreement, which was signed by Waldrep in May and certified that Waldrep would be awarded "financial aid at Texas Christian University to the extent of room, board, tuition,

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**CAMPUSlines**

**Criminal Justice Society** is now forming on campus. Open to all criminal justice majors and minors. Call Hans at 551-7129 to sign up.

**Book fair** sponsored by the National Council of Jewish Women will be held Feb. 27 through March 3 at the Will Rogers Memorial Center Poultry Building, Sunday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is \$1 for those over 18. Call Beth at 731-4923.

**Math Lecture** "Challenges of Teaching Sixth Grade Mathematics" by Katie Olson will be held March 3 at 4 p.m. in Winton-Scott Hall Room 145. Refreshments will be served from 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Winton-Scott Hall Room 171.

**French club** is showing a film on March 4 at 5 p.m. in Student Center Room 222. On March 9 the club will take a trip to LeMadeline restaurant. Meet in front of the Student Center at 5 p.m. Call Julie at 446-4236.

**Piano Concert** by George Katz will be held March 5 at 7:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

**Singing Quaker concert** will be held March 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of Plymouth Park United Methodist Church. It is free.

**Seminar on Advising**, "Advising Undergraduates with Learning Disabilities" by Gail Zimmerman, March 30 from 3 to 4 p.m. in Rickel Room 106. Call 921-7486.

**Society of Professional Journalists** will host a guest speaker, Brian Wilson, zones editor for the Fort Worth Star Telegram, March 10 at 7 p.m. He will discuss options in the journalism profession. The meeting is open to everyone. Call Lisa at 924-0063.

**Horoscope**

By JOYCE JILLSON  
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**PISCES** (Feb. 19-Mar. 20). Your ability to bring the family together is needed. Romantic overtures from someone sweet include written messages and phone calls. Yes, that entrepreneurial idea or hobby may be a money maker, make plans.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 19). Solid diet is better than snacks; if you're low on energy, improve fitness routine. Give the family a chance to help, and know your peripheral place in children's independent lives. Romance is sweet.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20-May 20). Your influence grows, so write and speak with confidence that others are taking note. Hanging out with co-workers is the best way to get solid input in job matters. An important letter may arrive.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Invest in yourself; a new outfit may provide confidence needed for career advancement. Sales of whatever you're finished with can bring surprising sums. Physical fitness is enjoyable as well as healthy.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Look up and out at far distant horizon; adventures in new career territory are beckoning. Events occurring far away make a difference in your home. Curb critical tendencies; keep jokes gentle.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Extra effort won't be wasted; be thorough now and save time in the long term. Good deeds anonymously done are nevertheless

noticed and appreciated. Tonight, put your health first; an easy conscience is the best medicine.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Teamwork is the focus; take time to be with colleagues; socialize a little after work, to help bring everyone closer. Be patient; others are trying to live up to your big expectations.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Lately, you've been making difficult decisions with record-breaking ease; make a few more today. Co-workers are late or slow to do their part, but your influence speeds things up. Skip dessert.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Make weekend plans today. Legal matters can get tricky, so pay close attention to details and fine print. It won't help to push the kids; they'll get there but have to go (and grow) at their own pace.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Creditor is tapping foot; give a call to state your good intentions. Watch for the consequences of jealousy, your own as well as that of a rival. Stay busy, and temptation to overeat disappears.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Continue to defer to the judgement of experts, and practice listening skills. A little extra rest sharpens your performance; ideas are triggered by challenges met through next few weeks; think positive!

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Get an early start as things are poppin' at work. Tension can contribute to health difficulties; there's always a way out of a rut or a dead-end job; consider learning something new.

**Insanity Fair**

by Joe Barnes



**Hemlock**

by Andy Grieser



**Calvin and Hobbes**

by Bill Watterson



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fees and \$10 per month for incidentals."

While Hernandez expects to eventually win the claim, Waldrep said, "It will be the miracle of the decade if we win this argument."

"My point is not to hurt college football," Waldrep said. "It's not to hurt TCU. It's not to hurt the NCAA. It's to protect the athlete."

Jill Laster, assistant vice chancellor for business services at TCU, said the school's insurance carrier at the time of Waldrep's injury, TEIA, is now bankrupt and in receivership.

Because of the claim, the insurance has been taken over by the State Receiver's Office, and they have appointed Employers' Casualty of Texas to do the work on the case.

The receivership has hired the private law firm of Mullen, MacInnes and Redding in Austin to handle the litigation for Texas Employers' Insurance Association.

Larry Lauer, associate vice chancellor for university relations, said he "can't and won't speculate" on Waldrep's claim.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association began providing a cata-

strophic injury plan in 1985. While Bailey said TCU took part in the program from the start, the NCAA started paying the insurance premiums for all of the institutions in all divisions in 1991. Donna Mabry, of the NCAA, said the plan covers every student athlete.

The NCAA's insurance agency, the National Sports Underwriters, covers accidental death and dismemberment and catastrophic injuries suffered during competition suffered during competition, practice or related travel. Players, as well as student trainers and student managers, are covered.

The National Center for Catastrophic Sports Injury Research at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, is a clearinghouse for data on catastrophic injuries.

Dr. Fred Mueller, director of the center, said that from 1977-1991, 20 college football players suffered permanent cervical cord injuries. With 75,000 football players on the field in a season, there have been 1.7 catastrophic injuries per 100,000 players.

Bailey said that in his recollection, there has been only one other catastrophic injury case at TCU, which involved a track athlete who was hit by a car while training. Bailey said the athlete has recovered and gradu-

ated, and most of his expenses were paid by the person who hit him.

Waldrep said universities should make changes in rules, coaching techniques and equipment to reduce the chance of catastrophic injuries. Nine years after he sued the manufacturer of the artificial turf that Waldrep blames for his injury, the case was settled out of court for an undisclosed amount of money.

Greg Whigham, who is representing Mullen, MacInnes and Redding, is looking at the few workers' compensation claims that have previously been filed by student athletes. Whigham said the outcomes vary, and it is difficult to find a final deci-

sion because there are a "multitude of ways to continue the case."

Hernandez, who established workers' compensation benefits for professional football players, said he has been contacted by a few athletes who are interested in the outcome of Waldrep's claim.

A decision in Waldrep's favor will have "no great impact on TCU," Hernandez said, "but it will have an impact on institutions in Texas, maybe nationwide."

Whigham said that if Waldrep wins, the payment of benefits will be complicated, in part, due to the receivership.

Waldrep lives in Plano with his

wife and two sons, ages 5 and 2, and he is taking correspondence classes to finish his bachelor's degree and receive a master's degree in health administration.

His condition improved after he participated in an experimental program in Leningrad in 1978. He now has use of his arms and hands and has feeling all the way down to his toes.

The Waldreps became a clearinghouse of information about paralysis research because of the media attention he received when he went to Leningrad. Waldrep said his family started getting phone calls from

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ing ground," Wheatley said. "We're going to work on (lighting) and we're going to see what we can do."

Another problem Bivin had was funding additional lighting along the west side of University Drive, Wheatley said.

"I quote, 'It's no longer in the current plan operating budget' in 1993-1994," Wheatley said. "The funds aren't there, so they're not going to do it."

Bivin said the University Drive lighting is included in the university's master plan, but could not be implemented immediately.

"We will do parts of it as we can," he said.

According to the lighting resolution passed by representatives Tuesday, the university's current lighting situation is not adequate, but should be the administration's problem rather than the Permanent Improvements Committee's.

"That's where I stand, and that's where my committee stands," Wheatley said.

Representatives also passed a bill to fund one delegate from the university's chapter of the PRSSA to a national assembly in San Francisco. The delegate will receive \$245 from the House Special Projects Fund to help pay for airfare, board, food and transportation.

However, organizations will no longer be able to use Special Projects funds for sending delegates to conventions, said Mike Henry, Finance Committee chairman.



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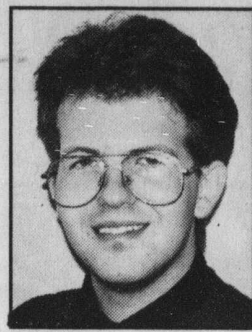
# Opinion

## Graduating senior on long, late-night drive ponders road's end

I've driven the highway back from Houston many times. Even at night, every bend is anticipated and every place where a highway patrol might hide is remembered. An occasional pair of headlights interrupts the miles of darkness as the single file of lane markers slips silently by.

My travelling companion stares thoughtfully out the window, off to the east, perhaps hopeful of a sunrise that is still hours away. Our talk has subsided for the moment, and we are left alone together with our thoughts and worries and the stars above. The soothing strums of a Jack-opierson song encourage reflection.

*Quickstep to Texas in the drivin' wind  
And it seemed the man in the moon was cryin' too  
As he left the Kansas wheat fields and*



**JEFF  
BLAYLOCK**

ate? Would the Mavericks beat the Washington Generals if they played each other? He'd been born 20-odd years ago today

*made  
For Dallas, all  
in a dream*

The pressing questions turn over and over in our heads: Where will I be living three months from now? When am I going to get married? Will I ever see my friends again after we graduate? Would the Mavericks beat the Washington Generals if they played each other? He'd been born 20-odd years ago today

*But he didn't believe he'd yet been alive  
Orion the Hunter, forever a companion  
to weary travellers, follows me northward,  
always just outside my window. Soon the  
stars of summer will take his place, and  
he'll retreat to another part of the sky.*

*I'm bidding my time  
I'll hitch my wagon up to another star  
I'm taking my own sweet time  
Who knows where I'll be a day from  
now*

There's a certain sad finality to graduation. Everywhere there are lasts — my last grilled cheese sandwich in the Pit, my last time to walk across the Mall to be greeted by friends, my last drive down this dark highway in the middle of the night.

But graduation is also a time of firsts: My first ride into a new town, my first

electric bill in a new apartment. This is my time. Correction: this is our time.

*Texas one time had been a young man's  
dream  
Rich oil ran in endless streams  
But the dreams cashed in and made men  
go  
And the rivers had done run dry*

In a moment of dreamy silence, I pull off the interstate in Ennis to take Texas 287 through a string of sleepy little towns. Ennis. Waxahatchie. Midlothian. Mansfield. The traffic lights bathe the asphalt with their green glow. The buildings and street signs pass serenely by, before finally surrendering to the darkness.

*But your dreams come clean over miles  
of road  
We drive past a sign which says "Enter-*

ing Tarrant County," and we know the long journey is almost at its end. Our destination is just over the next hill. Though the road goes on, I look forward to my pillow, and the thought of causing my heavy foot to grow heavier and push a tad harder on the gas. A destination isn't the end of a journey, just a stop along the way.

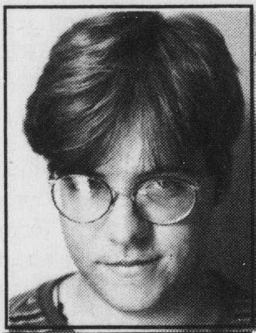
*I'm taking my own sweet time  
Who knows where I'll be a day from  
now*

Then we come to the hill I know so well, and I sit forward in my seat and take the wheel with both hands. The twinkling lights of the city spill across the horizon, and their amber glow welcomes us home.

*Jeff Blaylock is a senior journalism major from Fort Worth.*

## Branch Davidians raise many serious questions about religious faiths

Jesus supposedly came back this weekend, and this time he was packing an Uzi. It says a lot about our times when even the alleged Messiah is forced to carry automatic weaponry. And this time, instead of being crucified, he was shot in the stomach and has been bleeding for the past four days.



**CARL  
KOZLOWSKI**

Of course, I'm talking about the big showdown in Waco (or should I say Wacko?) that exploded Sunday. While it's tragic that four federal agents were killed by the "Messiah" and his followers, the amazing thing about this was not that he thought he was Christ — mental illness explains that — but rather that he found 75 other followers to believe him.

Shouldn't have a few questions crossed prospective followers' minds? Like if he was really Jesus, would he need glasses to see? Wouldn't his eyesight and everything else about him be perfect? And what about that hair? You would think the Messiah could afford a better hair stylist.

But why did all this happen in Wacko (whoops, I mean Waco) anyway? Now Texans get to absorb some of the shame for state stupidity that I've dealt with for 15 years in Arkansas.

It all seems to me that this guy was just out for sex, and lots of it. He told all the men they couldn't have sex with their wives because only he was sacred enough to reproduce. So all the women had to know him (in the Biblical sense, of course) and bear his holy offspring.

What all of this shows, once again, is that there's a whole lot of messed-up people in America. Channel 4 spoke with a cult de-programmer over the weekend who said there are dozens, perhaps hundreds, of similar cults in America — armed to the teeth, yet utterly brain-washed morons who think violence goes hand in hand with salvation.

I don't KNOW any more than any of you about what will actually happen when I die, but I know what I choose to believe. Thinking that we go through a world of famine, disease, warfare, subway muggings and exploding World Trade Centers with nothing good on the other side is incomprehensible to me. If we suffer through all this stuff, there darn well better be some kind of reward for it.

If there is no higher purpose for living, no higher judgement of our lives, then why would any one do ANYTHING good for each other? It's a lot easier to be mean, to spew hatred, to plant car bombs or claim Messianic powers if we don't get our way.

And call me a non-multiculturalist, Western-centric pig, but I refuse to believe any of those Eastern religions make any sense. Take Hinduism or Buddhism. If life is this miserable at times, why would I want to live it over and over again with the possibility that I could be reincarnated as a cockroach if I messed up? And why would I want to think cows are either sacred, or a deceased relative?

Ever read the Tao Te Ching? The more you look for the "Tao," the farther you'll get from finding it. Or try the other religions that preach hatred, claiming that it's an honor to drive truck bombs into U.S. Marine barracks for their god.

Take a look at the Bible sometime if you're searching for answers. Forget about the folks in Wacko or the legalistic rules of man that may have turned you off in church. Look straight at the source. At the very least, it has a lot of good common sense.

Love your neighbor as yourself. Forgive one another. Turn the other cheek if someone hurts you. And don't forget the 10 commandments, the last seven of which are so relevant to daily life that they've formed the basics of law and ethics virtually worldwide throughout the last 2500 to 3000 years of mankind.

I've got friends on both sides of belief and agnosticism. I've felt both sides too. While no one can "prove" things one way or another (Jesus was an actual historical figure, but so were some other religions' founders), I can tell you it feels a whole lot better to believe in Christ, to feel there's a loving God out there. And it can even change your entire life. Ask around.

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### EDITORIAL

## Diversity

### Facilities must be made available for black Greeks

TCU administrators often talk about diversity. They talk about recruiting minority students, hiring persons of color for faculty positions and developing multicultural curriculum.

They even commit themselves to these goals in writing, printing in the Undergraduate Studies Bulletin, "We hope to perpetuate diversity in our programs and people, for we believe that no single vision will suffice for direction in a complex enterprise."

And yet, when several African-American groups recently made one simple request, the only words coming out of administrator's mouths were to the effect of "No, we can't help you."

According to an article in last week's *Skiff*, TCU's four historically black fraternity and sorority chapters have asked that the university permanently allot them one room on campus where they could hold meetings and display their charters, trophies, photographs etc.

One room, to be shared among four groups. That was all they asked for. TCU's reply — NO.

One of the explanations given is that the organizations are simply too small to accommodate. However, as the president of Alpha

Phi Alpha, a historically black fraternity, pointed out, if these organizations were made up of every African-American student on campus, they would still be too small.

But the real problem is that the number of minority students on campus is too small. The irony is that we still expect to attract minority students even though those who are currently here are denied the opportunities and the resources to make an impact on the campus and receive the benefits of co-curricular experiences.

Before TCU can successfully attract more minority students, it will have to make those already attending feel welcome. Allotting these groups some space is one small way to begin. Perhaps space could be found in Pete Wright Hall, perhaps somewhere else.

Even if this is logistically impossible right now, administrators must look towards the future and include provisions in the university's Master Plan and renovations to the Student Center and other buildings that will inevitably occur.

But if the administration is really serious about increasing diversity on this campus, they must do more than talk about it and begin looking and working towards future progress.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Africa

Congratulations, Tamika Banks, for taking pride in your ancestry; however, I would caution you to be a bit more objective in painting a picture of Africa as "... a rich land where gold is abundant, where children are free to play anywhere they please."

Many of the governments in Africa are brutal and corrupt. In Kenya recently, people were imprisoned for rumormongering. Somalia has no government at all. These situations are intolerable and desperately in need of change.

I hope you can go to Africa someday and see whether you feel more African or American.

Hopefully, your American love of justice and helping the underdog will move you to action in trying to right the wrongs you will find.

**Gary Studdard**  
MLA student

#### Offensive Art

As a journalist, I'm sure Clay Gaillard values the freedom of expression promised to all who are in the business of creativity. In his column on NEA funding, he made a reference to controversial or offensive art, questioned its validity and said that it should not be funded by the government. He may have overlooked something: Who is to say what offends and what does not?

I'm not really sure what he meant to say, but I am very offended at his blatant lack of respect for the people who actually do make a living creating art. Does he really think that smoking crack is remotely similar to having artistic talent? Maybe the next time he decides to make a point about what offends him, he should remember that he, too, possesses the talent to offend.

**Amanda L. Ray**  
Senior  
Psychology/Ad/PR

## Week promotes contributions of Greeks on campus

This weekend marks the beginning of yet another "Week" on TCU's campus. Greek Week, sponsored by Order of Omega, kicks off on Saturday. But, hold on — before you roll your eyes and spout off a remark about campus over-programming, read on for just a moment.

Right now you are probably saying to yourself "Why should I care about Greek Week? It is just a bunch of B.S." Well, you're right, Greek Week IS just a bunch of B.S. — Brotherhood and Sisterhood, that is. At least, that is the theme for this year's Greek Week.

In recent years Greek Week has not been viewed as favorably by students and faculty members as the week's planners have hoped.

It has been viewed by some as an effort by Greeks to set themselves apart from the rest of the campus; to create a division between Greeks and non-Greeks. Some feel Greek Week is just another rush function meant to recruit potential members.

The majority of these notions stem from misunderstandings of the Greek community and the purpose of Greek Week. Greek Week is not meant to instill dividing lines between Greeks and non-Greeks. Rather, Greek Week strives for just the opposite effect by planning activities that encourage campus-wide attendance and participation. Greek Week is not an effort to recruit new members by showing them how fabulous life is as a Greek (that is what rush is for).

Rather, Greek Week is meant to encourage an awareness of the Greek community and its activities — activities that extend beyond the social aspect that is so widely publicized about Greek life.

Greeks fall victim to bad publicity just as other people and organizations. Stories about a sorority or fraternity's charity donation rarely make front-page headlines and are not nearly as exciting as those about hazing incidents.

While these stories are highly publicized and dramatized, they are quite rare and overshadow the numerous positive aspects of belonging to a Greek organization. Greek Week provides opportunities to see beyond all of the bad press and find out what Greeks are all about.

I believe you will see a different Greek Week than in years past. For starters, Order of Omega recognizes that our campus suffers from over-programming. Therefore, planners have co-programmed events with Road Worker's Safe Break. The week has been structured with a minimum of well-planned activities rather than an overkill of events.

Greek Week begins with a day of fun activities including a sand volleyball tournament and block picnic. A Greek chapter display in the Student Center beginning Monday gives students a chance to learn more about TCU's Greek system as a whole as well as each chapter individually. Finally, all students and faculty are invited and encouraged to attend Laugh Shack comedienne Bertice Berry's performance on Tuesday evening.

As with the majority of campuses where a large Greek population exists, tension sometimes erupts between Greeks and non-Greeks. Most of the time this tension is facilitated by media attention. TCU is no exception. However, I am very pleased that over the past few years I have seen this tension decrease. Greek Week plays a large role in this effect and I am confident that this trend will continue.

This year I encourage all students, Greek and non-Greek, interested and disinterested as well as faculty members to approach Greek Week with an open mind and to participate in its activities. Then if by the end of the week you find that it really is just a bunch of B.S., well, then you're probably justified in your opinion.

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# News

## Florida car thief becomes kidnapper

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. (AP) — A car thief drove back to the crime scene after finding an unexpected cargo in the back seat — two infants. Melinda Howell, 19, of Bunnell told police she stopped her car late Sunday at a rest stop along Interstate 95. She left the engine running and her 8-month-old son and 3-month-old nephew in the car while she went to the restroom.

When she returned, the car was gone, said Kevin Kelshaw, a sheriff's office spokesman. Reginald Todd Smith, 33, was arrested after being identified by witnesses. He was charged with grand theft auto and two counts of abduction of a child under 13.



United States and Mexico. Officials on both sides of the border said they are concerned that contaminated runoff from the dumps could flow into the Rio Grande and the Edwards Aquifer.

## U.S., Mexican residents protest dumps

AUSTIN (AP) — Hundreds of U.S. and Mexican residents gathered at the Texas Capitol Tuesday to protest three proposed waste dumps planned near the border. The sites are planned in Kinney County, near Brackettville; Hudspeth County, near Sierra Blanca; and Terrell County, near Dryden. Local governments along the border have expressed concern that the waste dumps may affect the North American Free Trade Agreement, which includes the



many on Capitol Hill are quick to label pork barrel spending. Instead, Citizens Against Government Waste has taken aim at the Lyndon B. Johnson National Historic Park and Texas Tech University.

## Two Texas projects termed 'pork'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas has two entries in a watchdog group's annual report on wasteful spending by Congress. No, they're not the super collider and space station, which

many on Capitol Hill are quick to label pork barrel spending. Instead, Citizens Against Government Waste has taken aim at the Lyndon B. Johnson National Historic Park and Texas Tech University.

## Comedian promotes safe spring break

Comedian Suzi Landolphi will have students laughing and learning with her presentation of "Hot, Sexy, and Safer" in the Student Center Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Landolphi's program will be the first event of Alcohol and Drug Education's Safe Break Week with the '60s theme "Laugh Loud... Live Long." Landolphi will use comedy and audience participation to educate students on issues of HIV and



sexually transmitted diseases, acquaintance rape and drugs and alcohol.

# Waco cult standoff continues despite leader's broadcast pledge to surrender

By ARNIE STAPLETON and TERRI LANGFORD  
Associated Press

WACO, Texas (AP) — A promised surrender of an armed religious cult was stalled Tuesday, as negotiations continued amid reports that at least seven Branch Davidians perished in the initial assault in the isolated compound outside of Waco.

In a taped statement, cult leader David Koresh had said he would come out "peacefully," but the standoff continued hours later. As nightfall approached, a spokesman for the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms said negotiations were continuing.

Earlier Tuesday, eight more children and two adults were released from the compound, where gun battles Sunday killed at least four ATF agents and two cult members.

The *Houston Chronicle*, quoting unnamed sources, reported that the children said at least seven people were killed in the firefight. The paper also said agents believed they had killed as many as 15 people.

A state source, who would not be quoted by name, said he had heard that seven cult members had died and up to 40 people wounded. Officials have said about 75 people were in the compound, but Koresh has claimed more.

Brian Gilbert, a spokesman for the state Children's Protective Service, said he could not confirm the report, but added, "We've heard reports there could be as many as 20 more children released."

Koresh had agreed earlier Tuesday afternoon to surrender if an audio-tape was broadcast.

"I, David Koresh, agree upon the broadcasting of this tape to come out peacefully with all the people immediately," Koresh said in the statement

broadcast at the request of the FBI on Texas radio stations.

"Even a man like Christ has to meet with unbelief," said Koresh, who has claimed to be the Lamb of the Bible's book of Revelation.

Five minutes after the statement began, vehicles could be seen moving closer to the compound 10 miles east of Waco.

However, from the checkpoint where the authorities forced the media to remain, there was no sign of immediate activity at the compound.

Three prison buses left the Texas State Technical College complex headed for the compound within two minutes after Koresh's speech started. The complex has served as a staging ground since the standoff began.

The buses were green, and only one had markings. It said, "McLennan County Corrections."

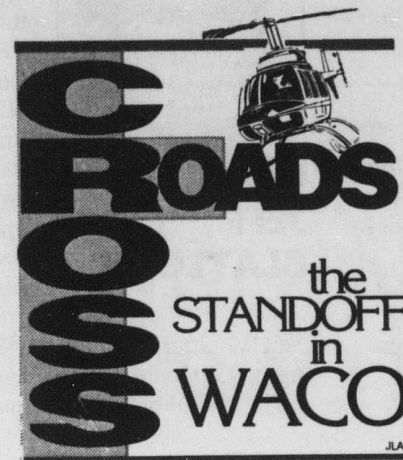
The broadcast culminated a rush of activity Tuesday, including the deployment of ambulances and military vehicles to the cult's compound.

In addition, authorities notified two Waco hospitals to be ready for wounded and sealed off the emergency area of one, Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center.

KHOU-TV in Houston reported that doctors at Hillcrest Baptist had been told cult members would begin leaving the compound in pairs at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, about an hour after the broadcast began. Two cult members are wounded, the doctors were told, according to KHOU.

Providence Health Center is also on standby, said spokeswoman Lisa Coggins.

On Sunday, a raid by about 100 agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms erupted in gun battles that killed four agents and two cult followers, one reportedly a 2-year-old daughter of Koresh. The



agents had a search warrant and an arrest warrant, citing federal firearms violations.

Since then, federal law officers have been at a standoff with the cult's 75 members.

When activity accelerated Tuesday morning, a military bus pulled toward the compound and police cleared the road where reporters had parked vehicles. A Humvee utility vehicle, police wagon and tarp-covered utility truck also drove to the site, and at least eight ambulances, with lights flashing, parked nearby.

About 10 minutes into his message, Koresh said:

"I'm sure you're all aware of how I'm involved in a very serious thing right now. I'm sure a lot of you realize I should be possibly scared, concerned. There's women, children and men involved in our situation here at Mt. Carmel. And I am really concerned about the lives of my brethren here and also really concerned even greater about the lives of all those in this world."

Sunday night, Koresh began letting children leave the sect's headquarters in pairs after a Dallas radio station agreed to read a statement about his religious beliefs.

FBI spokesman Bill Carter in Washington said two women and two children left the sect's compound late Tuesday morning. Six other children left earlier Tuesday. In all, 18 children had been released.

It was the first time any adults had left voluntarily since the siege began.

Sunday's assault had been planned for months by ATF agents, who had warrants to search the fortified compound and arrest Koresh. It failed when the agents encountered overwhelming firepower, including at least one .50-caliber machine gun.

"The problem we had is we were outgunned," Sharon Wheeler, an ATF spokeswoman, said Monday. "They had bigger firearms than we had."

ATF spokesman Jack Killorin in Washington said authorities believe the cult was tipped off about the raid.

The agents also feared hitting women and children in the compound, Wheeler said.

ATF spokesman Jack Killorin in Washington said authorities believe the cult was tipped off about the raid by phone. He also said the agency had people working undercover within the cult.

Relatives of Koresh had urged him to surrender.

"I wish he'd give up, I wish he'd give up," his grandmother Jean Holub said in Houston. "And I wish he'd get out of that place and start over and not get killed, take care of his family."

Members of the Branch Davidian sect believe Koresh is the Lamb mentioned in the biblical book of Revelations and can bring about the end of the world. The sect is an offshoot of the Seventh-day Adventists, who disavow any connection to the Branch Davidians. Some of the cult's followers are from other countries including Great Britain.

## Injury/page 2

injured people and their families wanting to know what was available.

In 1979, Waldrep founded the National Paralysis Foundation, which has since raised \$17 million dollars that has been used to fund research in paralysis.

Yet, Kent Waldrep's life is not what he planned. He received 25 scholarship offers in three sports. He was going to get a business degree and be a banker like his father. All that changed on that October day in 1974.

As Waldrep said, perhaps it was destiny. While the National Paralysis Foundation has helped fund research, perhaps Waldrep's workers' compensation claim may help others in his situation.

Waldrep will go before the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission board in Austin on March 12, bringing the State of Texas and Kent Waldrep closer to a decision as to whether student-athletes are employees of the schools they play for.

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Sig is a competition to see who can most creatively dress their coach.

Friday will be a day of field events, such as relays, for the sororities. Representatives from KDFW-TV (Channel 4) and from the Children's Miracle Network will also be there.

The sorority that has earned the most points during the week will be announced after Friday's field events. The winning sorority will go to Dallas with the Sigma Chi's that night.

The winner is determined by the amount of points earned for spirit, participation and the amount of money raised throughout the week.

"It used to be that we announced the winner and that was the end of it," Bates said. "I think we should earn a lot more money this year," he said. "This is something we can give back to the community."

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By THOMAS TCU Daily Sk

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# Sports

## TCU routes Saints 9-0, win streak reaches 14

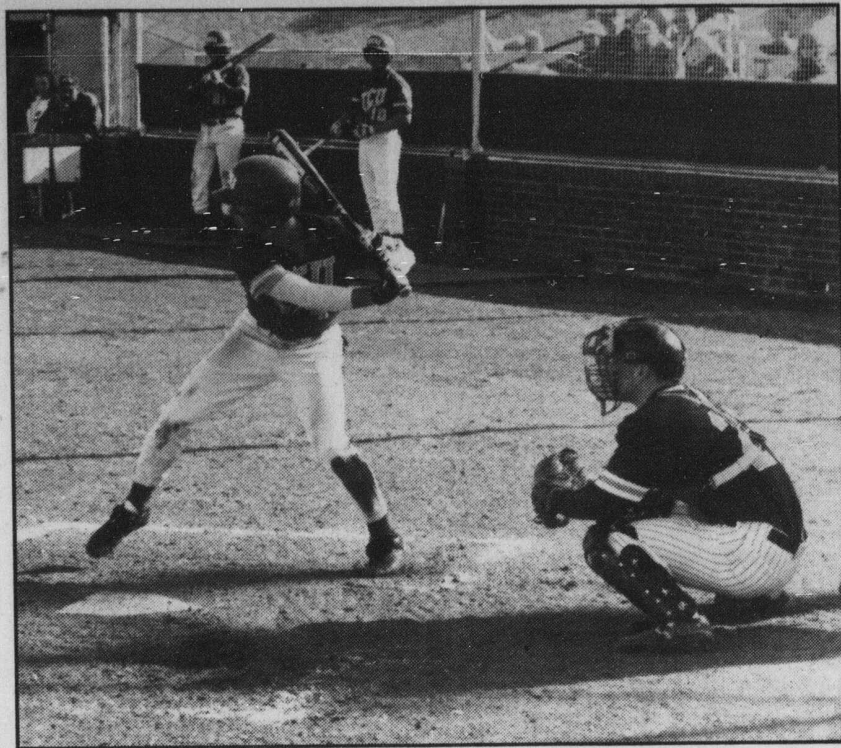
By THOMAS MANNING  
TCU Daily Skiff

The nationally ranked TCU baseball team extended its school record winning streak to 14 games on Tuesday as the Frogs defeated St. Francis (Ill.) 9-0 at the TCU Baseball Diamond.

Yes, you read that correctly. It is not a typo.

For the first time in over two decades, TCU is nationally ranked. The Frogs, sporting a 14-game winning streak and an impressive 16-3 record, entered Collegiate Baseball's Top 25 poll earlier this week, checking in at No. 23.

TCU head coach Lance Brown feels that the Frogs deserve to be in the poll, but admitted to being some-



TCU Daily Skiff/ Cory Herrera

**TCU's John Turner collects one of his four hits during TCU's 9-0 victory over Saint Francis Tuesday. It was the fourteenth victory in a row for the No. 23 ranked Frogs.**

what surprised to see his team in the Top 25.

"I'm surprised just because our conference is so strong," Brown said. "It took us a while just to get out of last place in the conference, and now there we are in the Top 25."

"I do feel that we deserve it," Brown said. "Our kids have been playing hard and its nice to get some recognition."

The Frogs celebrated their Top 25 appearance by shellacking the Fighting Saints (0-1) behind a complete game shutout performance by junior Reid Ryan.

Sophomore DH Adam Robson continued to lead the potent Frog offense, blasting a three run home run in the first inning to give TCU a 3-0 lead. Robson now owns team high numbers in batting average (.411), hits (28), and RBIs (25), and is tied for the team lead with four home runs.

The Frogs added six insurance runs, but Ryan (3-0) did not need them. Ryan pitched his finest game of the season, collecting the Frogs' third complete game shutout of the season. He was in control throughout the entire game, striking out eight while walking only three in nine innings.

"Reid threw very well today," Brown said. "He threw strikes all

day, which is all we ask our pitchers to do the way our offense has been going."

The Frogs also played well defensively, turning two double plays in key situations and making good plays in the outfield all day.

"We played well defensively today, which is what we are going to have to continue to do if we expect to beat good teams," Brown said.

The No. 23 Frogs continue a busy week tomorrow as TCU travels to Tarleton State. The team then returns to the TCU Diamond to face the College of the Southwest.

The coaching staff feels that one of the main objectives in the next couple of weeks will be to find the correct formula of pitchers to take the team into conference play.

"Right now we are just going to try to set our pitching staff for conference play," Brown said. "We need to piece everything together so that we are ready to face conference teams in two weeks."

The Frogs will need to be at their best if the team expects to continue its winning ways. TCU faces No. 4 Oklahoma State as well as perennial powers Oklahoma and Arkansas in the coming weeks before beginning play in the extremely strong Southwest Conference on March 19 against No. 3 Texas A&M.

## Frogs tennis teams shine during weekend action

By ERNESTO MORAN  
TCU Daily Skiff

As baseball legend and philosopher Yogi Berra once observed, "It ain't over 'til it's over."

No one need remind TCU's varsity tennis squads.

After breezing by Tulsa 9-0 Thursday, the TCU men's tennis team, led by senior Laurent Becouarn and freshman Paul Robinson, came back from a 3-2 deficit and stunned Louisiana State Saturday, beating the Tigers by a score of 4-3.

The No. 14 Tigers came into Fort Worth on a hot streak, highlighted by a No. 5 finish at the ITA/USTA National Indoor Tournament in which they beat No. 2 Stanford and No. 7 Mississippi State. The Frogs finished 19th in that same tournament.

The Tigers had something to prove. But so did the Frogs.

"This gives our guys some confidence," said TCU head coach Tut Bartzan. "This is our first good win."

After splitting the first two doubles matches, the Frogs' No. 3 team of senior Ricardo Rubio and freshman David Roditi looked to get a win in their match and a point in the Frogs' favor.

But, serving at 7-7, the duo was broken, and LSU's Jose Leon and Tamer El Sawy survived five break points on their own serve to win the match, 9-7.

In singles play, Roditi and junior Dax Peterson quickly disposed of their opponents in straight sets, 6-1, 6-3 and 6-3 6-0, respectively, and the Frogs were up, 2-1.

But at that point the rest of the players trailed in their matches.

Senior Ricardo Rubio fought hard, but lost to El Sawy, the No. 5 singles player in the country, 6-3, 6-2. Devin Bowen, in one of his poorest showings of the season, lost his match by the same score. In the No. 6 singles match, Robinson trailed Leon 1-6 and 0-3, when he threw his racket to the court out of frustration.

"I lost a point, and he (Leon) just went crazy for no reason, so I got

mad and threw my racket down," Robinson said.

The official watching his match penalized him for the outburst. Robinson then composed himself enough to get back in the match, but found himself a point away from defeat at 4-5. But Robinson broke, and won the set 7-6. Robinson then cruised in the third, 6-0.

"I'm not happy with the way I played, but I'm glad I won," he said.

Becouarn, playing in the No. 2 position for the first time this year, dropped the first set 6-7, and his opponent, Juha Pesola, served for the match at 4-5 in the second set. But

Becouarn broke him, held serve, then broke again to take the set 7-5.

Becouarn then blasted Pesola in the third, 6-0, to give the Frogs the improbable victory.

"In the third set, I guess I was just more fit than he was," Becouarn said. "I just played solid and hard. I think he just got tired, and I raised my game."

Not to be outdone, the TCU women's team provided some comeback heroics of their own, beating Southwest Conference rival Texas A&M, 6-3, in College Station.

After upperclassmen Teri Ann Martin, Leigh Ann Smith, Ellie Stark, and Lisa Beard won in the top four singles matches, the Lady Frogs needed but one doubles victory to clinch a win against the Lady Aggies.

"The upperclassmen really led this team," said TCU head coach Roland Ingram.

Martin dominated A&M's Janine

Burton-Durham, ranked No. 45 in the nation, 6-2, 6-4.

But like their male counterparts, the Lady Frogs trailed in the remaining matches.

Freshmen Pamela Cruz and Christina Stangeland, who lost 7-6, 6-3, ran into some bad luck in their No. 3 doubles match, said TCU women's tennis head coach Roland Ingram.

"The freshmen played well, but the A&M girls were misplaying balls for winners," Ingram said. "We were nailing balls, hitting them real hard at them, and they were just blocking them back, and the balls were landing in the court. There wasn't anything we could do. It was just one of those days."

Smith and Martin, playing No. 1 doubles against the Lady Aggies' Janine Burton-Durham and Julie Blackburn, sensed the team's desperation for one more win. They were down, however, 5-7, 0-5.

"We looked over (at the other matches) and saw that Ellie and Lisa (No. 2 singles pair) were going into the third set and the freshmen were losing," said Martin. "and we knew we couldn't rely on anybody else to win the one match we needed. So we decided to get our act together."

Did they ever. Martin and Smith stormed back from that 0-5 deficit to take the set 7-5, and finished the miraculous comeback with a 6-2 third set.

"That's one of the greatest comebacks I've ever had at TCU," Ingram said. "To be down, 5-7, 0-5, and pull it out and win it, that was just unbelievable. That was a big win."

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| 2. Mississippi State       | (3-0)  |
| 3. Texas A&M               | (14-0) |
| 4. Louisiana State         | (3-2)  |
| 5. Georgia Tech            | (11-1) |
| 6. Wichita State           | (3-0)  |
| 7. Oklahoma State          | (4-1)  |
| 8. Arizona State           | (16-4) |
| 9. Cal State - Fullerton   | (6-4)  |
| 10. Florida State          | (8-2)  |
| 11. Arizona                | (10-5) |
| 12. Cal State - Northridge | (8-0)  |
| 13. Florida                | (9-4)  |
| 14. Southern Cal           | (7-8)  |
| 15. Stanford               | (10-5) |
| 16. Houston                | (17-2) |
| 17. Long Beach State       | (6-6)  |
| 18. UCLA                   | (6-3)  |
| 19. Notre Dame             | (0-0)  |
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# News

## Housing offers 16 summer orientation staff positions

By KRISTI WRIGHT  
TCU Daily Skiff

The Office of Residential Living offered orientation student assistant positions to six new applicants and 10 returning OSAs Friday.

Housing selected Danielle Kunkle, a sophomore journalism major; Anitha Nair, a freshman neuroscience major; Cathy Neece, a junior marketing major; Thomas Phu, a junior history major; Todd Prickett, a freshman music major; and Teri Sands, a sophomore communication graphics major, to help with the New Student Orientation Programs.

Each said he or she planned to accept the position.

Kay Higgins, coordinator of new student orientation, said competition for the positions was tough. Twenty-two people applied for the six vacancies.

"This year, as with every year, we were extremely fortunate to have many quality candidates apply," Higgins said. "Our goal is to reflect the University as a whole in the staff," Higgins said.

"When the OSAs are introduced the first night of orientation, I want every student to be able to say 'I can relate to that person (OSA) or I have something in common with that person,'" Higgins said.

As a result, the Housing Office tries to hire students who represent different groups, majors, activities and geographical areas, Higgins said.

"I enjoy the opportunity of meeting some of TCU's finest students when I interview applicants, but I don't like having to turn people away when I can't find an opening for them."

Cathy Neece said she turned down internship offers to accept the OSA position.

"This is something I have wanted since I was a freshman," she said. "I want to be there to help the freshmen and show them what I know about TCU."

OSAs are expected to become a resource for students concerning academics and campus activities, according to a job description pamphlet.

Nair said that as a freshman, orientation helped her make friends and get involved with TCU from the start. As an OSA, she would like to see more students attend the events.

"I just think it is really important to get involved with your community," she said. This year housing is hiring 16 students to help with Orientation, Higgins said.

"I anticipate 10 people from last year will return for this year," Higgins said. OSAs from last year who said they plan

to return are Ben Hall, a junior psychology major; Holli Harry, a junior advertising/public relations major; Chris Hightower, a junior political science major; Laurie Hyde, a junior English major; Laura Pittsenbarger, a junior speech communications major; and Jennifer Schooley, a sophomore political science major.

Chris Carroll, a junior pre-major; Kristin Corbett, a junior journalism major; Holly Luttrell, a junior nursing major; Jason Orr, a junior neuroscience major, were all OSAs last year, but they could not be reached for comment on whether they were offered positions or will return.

## Seminar aims to promote unity

### County-sponsored program combats growing racial tension

By CHRIS NEWTON  
TCU Daily Skiff

To combat the growing racial tension in society, the Institute for the Healing of Racism is conducting a seminar in Tarrant County designed to promote cultural understanding.

Shelly Bradshaw, a seminar instructor, said the program has received a positive response from the community so far.

"Our purpose is to acknowledge and to foster the essential oneness of the human race," Bradshaw said.

"We've got people attending that are really from all walks of life," she said. "We have an equal balance between men and women. We have a broad spectrum of races and religions. Its really what we were hoping for."

The Dallas Police Department is also participating in the program, which is also being offered in Dallas.

"We want our officers to be prepared to handle things in a fair way regardless of race, sex or anything

**"Our purpose is to acknowledge and to foster the essential oneness of the human race."**

SHELLY BRADSHAW,  
Seminar instructor

else," said Training Officer John Garrett.

Both the Tarrant County program and the Dallas program are basing their new program on a seminar created by the Los Angeles Police Department to ease the racial tension between police and the community.

"Everyone knows racism is out there, but what people need to see is that it manifests in different ways," Bradshaw said.

"The seminars are informative, but they are not just speeches. We include at least thirty minutes of interaction and open discussion," she

said. "We don't argue but we work to understand each others opinions."

Each program focuses on a different aspect of racism in our society, Bradshaw said.

"One of the most important seminars is about institutional racism. This manifestation of racism is very important and is probably the most detrimental in our society," she said.

"This particular seminar discusses the cycle of poverty that an entire culture can become trapped in," Bradshaw said. "We forget that the extent of racism went far beyond separate water fountains."

Part of the program addresses the history of racism in the country by focusing on the period before 1970.

"A large part of the seminar deals with understanding why things are the way they are," Bradshaw said. "African-Americans have only begun receiving quality education for the past 30 years, and that definitely wasn't the majority," she said. "Without education, poverty is a certainty in our society."

Other programs include closet racism or "polite racism." This form of racism hurts the most because it causes a group of people to prejudge and distrust everyone," Bradshaw said.

"This is when people treat others of different backgrounds politely but secretly harbor negative thoughts or dispositions," she said. "Sometimes these feelings are only vented when the person is with others who have the same ideas."

Although this program is making significant progress in combatting racism, by no means is a seminar a complete solution to the problem, Bradshaw said.

"This dialogue lets everyone see that we all have things in common," Bradshaw said. "It's not an answer but it's a start."

The seminars are held at 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the Tarrant County Baha'i Center. For more information call 571-9938.

## Employment agencies can help or hinder graduates' job searches, counselor says

By SHANNON SILL  
TCU Daily Skiff

Graduating without a definite job? Moving to a new town? Trying to find a new job?

An employment agency may be able to help.

Or maybe not. Students need to learn how to choose an agency before making a decision, said Jennifer Clough, a TCU Career Center counselor.

Agencies charge for placement, Clough said. Students should find out how much the agency charges and who pays the fee.

"The catch is, does the person who is looking for the job pay, or does the employer pay?" Clough said.

The agencies usually want the fee up front, Clough said. They generally

charge 1 percent for each \$1,000 of salary, she said.

"That would be 25 percent of \$25,000," Clough said. "I know a woman who took out a \$5,000 loan to pay for her first job."

Clough said the prospective employee usually pays, unless the person has a great deal of work experience.

"If you've been in the field 10 to 15 years, an employment service may come looking for you," Clough said. "They are called management recruiters, executive recruiters and 'head hunters.'"

"If you're newly graduated, you'll probably have to pay," Clough said.

Margo Feld of Babich and Associates said their clients are not required to pay until the company finds them jobs. A payment plan is set up when

the job is found, said Feld, sales manager for the Fort Worth office.

"We try to get the job for you," Feld said. "We open the door, but then it's up to you."

The client calls to make an appointment for an initial in-depth interview. The person should dress for the interview and try to make the best impression, Feld said.

"We are the first interview," Feld said. "The impression we get is what we'll work on before sending you out on a job interview."

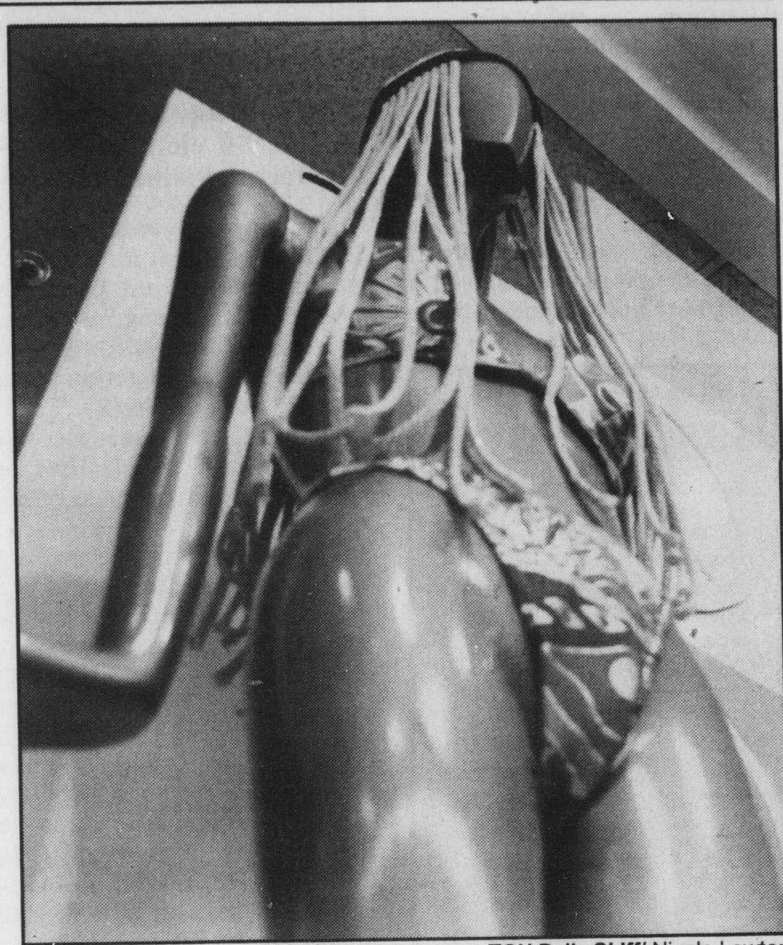
The initial meeting consists of questions about work experience and the type of position desired, Feld said. Then the agency counsels the client on how to get a job, how to dress appropriately for an interview and how to answer questions effectively, she said.

The company follows up after the job interview to emphasize the client's strong points, Feld said.

"We're here to help you," she said. "We want to make you look the best you can and be the best you can for the job."

People who want to use a placement service may not know how to find good ones, Clough said. They can call the Better Business Bureau in the area to find out if any reports have been filed against the service, she said. They can also contact the Chamber of Commerce and ask if the business is a member in good standing.

Using a national chain service or checking yellow page listings are other options for job-hunters, she said.



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"Just Add Water," a bathing suit store in Hulen Mall, offers suggestions for new swim suit styles for spring break.

## Bathing suit styles splash into fashion

By CHRISTINA BARNES  
TCU Daily Skiff

The season that strikes fear into the hearts of millions is almost here. Even at TCU, the panic has already started. It's the time of the year when the sweaters are shed people head out in not much more than underwear — yes, it's bathing suit season.

The magazine Sports Illustrated is famous for kicking off the season with its annual swimsuit issue. This year's issue features everything from thong bikinis to bodysuits.

Local merchants agree there are many different styles to choose from.

"Everyone likes something different," said Aimee Pruitt, who works at Just Add Water in Hulen Mall. "We have so many different styles."

There are also some new bathing suit styles splashing in on the fashion scene.

"Plaids are really in this year," said Ali Duwe, manager of Just Add Water. "Especially in bikinis."

Bright colors and animal prints are especially popular, she said. And the color red is definitely makes a statement.

"Red suits are doing really well," Duwe said. "We usually don't get red suits in. It's something different."

Suits with extra lace, ribbon, sequins or beads are big this year,

she said.

"These suits are really neat and different," she said. "They are good for trips to the Caribbean and cruises. For most of these we also have matching cover-ups."

Many people may look at the suits in Sports Illustrated, but they are not necessarily popular with the general public.

"We've had a lot of people come in and ask about the suits, but no one is really buying them," she said. "The suits that we have (from Sports Illustrated) are racy ones."

Many people go through the hassle of finding a bathing suit and may not know how to look for a style to fit their body type. Duwe had these suggestions:

Women with large busts should look for suits with cups in them and something with under-wire for support.

Those looking to enhance their front should go also for suits with cup sizes or push-ups.

If a woman is uncomfortable with her thighs, she should go for a suit cut higher on the legs, or something that attracts the eye to the top of the suit and not the bottom.

Women who do not have a waist will want to look for a suit with vertical stripes, or a suit that "v's" to the waistline. Also a bikini with a brief (that comes up to the waist) is better than a string bikini.

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