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New members tapped into Mortar Board honor society

By GINGER RICHARDSON TCU Daily Skiff

Forty juniors were bestowed with gold and black ribbons and white carnations Wednesday as they were tapped into Mortar Board, a senior honor society that emphasizes scholarship, service and leadership.

"It's really a very big honor," said Traci Adams, a senior accounting major and Mortar Board's sec-

"I remember when I was a freshman, someone in my political science class got tapped, and it was the neatest honor — you could see that being accepted was very special to her," she said.

Tapping is the process where outgoing members notify the junior students of their acceptance into Mortar Board.

"Tapping is a nationwide tradition, although it varies from university to university," said Mortar *Board Vice President Lisa Stone.

"At TCU, two or three members will go into a class and give a synopsis of that person's college career, and then give that individual a white carnation with black and gold ribbons. It's really a great honor," she said.

"The key to Mortar Board is not just scholarship, community service or activities," said Tiffany Swayzee, a senior accounting major. "It is a combination of all three, because that is what's important. That's what matters in real life.

"Mortar Board is definitely something to aspire said. to," she said. "I love being able to work with other

outstanding leaders — it's really taught me mutual respect for my peers."

Mortar Board sponsors service projects and social projects like the Preferred Professor Dinner, where members invite their favorite professors to dinner for discussions and recognition.

MORTAR BOARD

1993 New Members - Ampersand Chapter

The service aspects of the group are important for both the members and the community, Stone

"We try do something a little different every Mortar Board society in the 1960s.

semester, and this time we decided to do some work at a local nursing home," she said.

Adams said she has benefited from the activities of the honor society. "Being in Mortar Board has already helped me," she said. "It makes me feel good about myself,

knowing that I have helped others through our ser-

New members are selected each spring semester for the senior honor society, and each year the group starts with a brand new roster.

"The great thing about Mortar Board is that the members make it what it is," Stone said. "There is no overlapping of the members, so every year you get to start over with a clean slate. The only continuity are the advisers."

Outgoing Mortar Board members select new members from the top 35 percent of the junior class after a lengthy application process.

"We got a list (of the top 35 percent) from the Registrar's Office in December," Stone said. "Then we sent out applications, and began the lengthy voting process. Everyone votes several times so it takes a while. We notify everyone and everything culminates with the initiation on April

Mortar Board was founded in 1919 at the University of Michigan as a Women's Senior Honor Society, and membership was extended to men in

TCU's chapter, originally known as the Ampersand chapter, decided to affiliate with the national



TCU Daily Skiff/ Beth Aine Bollinger

Tiffany Swayzee, Elizabeth Stober and Traci Adams, seniors, leave to "tap" new members into Mortar Board honor society Wednesday.

Mentoring program encourages business interaction

By CHRISTINA BODE TCU Daily Skiff

The Executive MBA Women's Forum kicked off its cornerstone program by matching university MBA students with area female business professionals.

Thirty-one students and mentors came together to initiate a professional mentorship program at a Fort Worth Club luncheon Friday.

All the professionals participating in the mentorship program hold executive positions at their compa-

Shannan-Marie McDonnell, president of the MBA Women's Association, said the mentorship program is an activity to create an opportunity for real world interaction between students and professionals.

The students were matched with an executive in their area of empha-

Three executives from the Fort Worth Star-Telegram are participating in the mentor program and were present at the luncheon.

Denise Spitler, vice president and chief financial officer of the Star-Telegram said the mentorship program is a worthwhile activity

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FBI criticizes efforts of local radio station Broadcaster tried to contact cult leader Army tanks have surrounded the 77- broadcast on KGBS.

By MICHAEL HOLMES Associated Press

WACO, Texas (AP) - The FBI, 11th day of their standoff with lawmen, chided a Dallas radio station on Wednesday for trying to communicate on its own with the cult and leader David Koresh.

"He loves this attention," FBI special agent Bob Ricks said of the worldwide news coverage being given to Koresh, his apocalyptic cult and the siege.

"They are going to try to reach out get this matter settled," Ricks said. "These efforts are counterproduc-

Authorities also said that at least two cult members were killed in their firefight with agents; a second cult member had been arrested; evidence was obtained in South Carolina and Los Angeles about Koresh's arms purchases; and that at least four cult members including Koresh were

The Branch Davidian cult battled with 100 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents for nearly an hour on Feb. 28. Four agents were killed and 16 wounded. Since then, ATF and FBI agents, state and local law enforcement officials, armored personnel carriers and

acre compound 10 miles east of

Ricks said Wednesday that the ated Press. claiming "complete control" over FBI has control of telephone comheavily armed religious zealots in the munications to the cult, can cut its electricity at will and can dominate the situation in other ways.

"We completely control the compound. We have the ability at any time to turn off the electricity or any access that they may have with the outside world," he said. "I will not tell you when we're

going to do it or the reasons why we're going to do that. The access that they have will be completely to you and try to divert our efforts to controlled until this issue is resolved."

At the urging Tuesday of station KGBS-AM, cult members for several hours flew a large white banner that read, "God Help Us We Want The Press."

Wednesday, another banner asked for contact with the Constitution Foundational Association based in suburban Fort Worth, and Don Stew-

Richard Ortt, CFA vice president, said the "group of patriots" was formed in part after an Idaho incident last year when Randy Weaver held off federal agents for 11 days after a shootout killed his wife and a U.S. marshal. Stewart was identified as someone experienced in negotiations who has appeared on a talk show

KGBS didn't immediately return calls Wednesday from The Associ-

The FBI last week asked a Wacobased, Christian-oriented radio station and a Dallas news station to air a 58-minute taped religious message from Koresh as a condition the cult leader gave for surrendering. But he didn't give up, saying he was waiting on "further instructions from God."

But Wednesday, Ricks complained that outside efforts to reach the cult were interfering with negotiations because Koresh wants as much publicity as he can get.

"He wants to put out his message. And the longer that he feels he's able to capture the attention nationwide of the media, and that he's successfully getting that message out ... we believe he will continue to hold out,"

Ricks urged the news media to cover the story, but to leave talks with Koresh to authorities.

"We hope that you understand this (independent communication) will not hasten the release of those inside but in fact divert our ability to try to get the matter resolved," he said.

In related developments outlined Wednesday by Ricks and ATF deputy associate director Dan Con-

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Today's weather will be cloudy with a high temperature of 53 degrees. Rain will develop during the night.

Friday will be rainy and cold with a high tempera-



wounded. TCU Daily Skiff/ Jennifer Biggins Stephen Hires, son of slain police officer Gary Hines Sr., pays respects at a candlelight vigil held in Haltom City Tuesday night while friend Allen Meyers offers support.

Jarvis women learn to fight back

By CAMIE MELTON TCU Daily Skiff

Jarvis Hall residents had the opportunity

to learn and practice Tae-Kwon-Do for self-defense Tuesday night.

Residents were taught how to get away from and harm an attacker by Paul Shover, a six-degree Master in Tae-Kwon-Do. The women also practiced techniques of how to get away from an attacker who grabs, pushes or has a weapon.

"The whole idea is to try and control what happens to you," Shover said.

Antoinette Perez, a Jarvis Hall Council member, came up with the idea for the program because she did not know of anywhere else she could get lessons about self-defense.

"Self-defense is something everyone needs to learn — especially women," said Perez, a sophomore biology major. "I was really interested in learning some selfdefense and it turned out that others did

selves against not only strangers but also against an abusive boyfriend or spouse, Shover said.

Four of Shover's Tae-Kwon-Do students helped demonstrate some of the selfdefense techniques. Shover agreed to do the presentation at Jarvis as a service to the community. Doing programs like this means there are more women who are better able to defend themselves, he said.

"Men think that 99.9 percent of all women will only scream if they are attacked," Shover said. "The last thing they expect is for her to turn around and punch them dead in the face. Surprise is to your

Being aware of one's surroundings is crucial, and self-defense begins with mental awareness, Shover said. "Your eyes should always be surveying

the area around you," he said. "Being aware of who and what is in your vicinity can keep you from being a victim." It is always important to park in a well

Women need to be able to defend them- lit area, walk in the middle of the street and walk with a confident stride, Shover said. Elevators are also places where care

should be exercised, he said. Females alone on an elevator should get off if a male enters, he said. This can help prevent potentially bad situations.

Learning martial arts is for exercise and self-defense, not offense, Shover said. Running away should always be the first priority, and martial arts should only be used as a last resort, he said.

If an attack cannot be avoided, it is important to try to stay calm and get prepared, Shover said.

"The natural reaction when someone is coming at you is to get tunnel-vision," Shover said. "Try to avoid it. Take three steps back if you can, and take some deep breaths. Use this time to think of what you need to do." The objective of most of the moves that

Shover and his students demonstrated was

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TCU Daily Skiff/ Beth Aine Bollinger Paul Slover, master of Tae-Kwon-Do, practices self-defense at Jarvis Hall Tuesday.

CAMPUSlines

Jazz Ensemble will play big band music in the Student Center on March 11 at noon. Admission is free.

Violin recital on March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Admission is free. For more information call 921-

TCU Student Foundation is looking for new members. Applications are available at the Student Center Information Desk and at the Alumni House. Deadline is March 23.

Counseling Center is accepting applications for Peer Counselor positions. Pick up applications at the Counseling Center. Deadline is March 26. For more information call Ann Marie or Rob at 921-7863.

North American Open Poetry Contest Send one original poem, any subject or style, to the National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-XJ, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Poems should be less than 20 lines, have the poet's name and address at the top of the page and be postmarked by March

Scholarship applications are now being accepted for the 1993-94 Hatton Sumners Partial Tuition Scholarship Program. Scholarships are available to majors in political science, history, social studies education and pre-law. Applications are available from the Office of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid, Sadler Room

Phi Beta Delta, the honor society for international scholars will meet from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23 in the Woodson Room. Edward Simmen, professor of English at Universidad de Las Americas will speak, along with Jim Wright. For more information, call Roberta Corder at 921-7289.

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getting the aggressor on the ground. A common reaction is to push the attacker away, but that only gives the person more momentum and a second chance to come back at you, Shover said. If the attacker is on the ground, he or she may no longer have control over the situation.

A person being attacked should concentrate on striking their attacker's throat, eyes, or groin, he said. These parts are vulnerable and could stop an attacker with one good

"It is very important that you strike with great force the first time otherwise you will only anger your attacker more," said Chris Canard, a University of Texas at Arlington student and a student of Shover's.

"I recommend that other people pick up on the idea," Perez said. "Personal safety is just so important these days. You can't really trust anyone these days."

Shover teaches self-defense classes at the Everman Community Center every Thursday night from 7 to-9:30 p.m. Classes are open to everyone and cost \$5 a night.

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BY JOYCE JILLSON CREATOR'S SYNDICATE,

PISCES(Feb. 19-March 20). Love affair can get sticky. Weekend plans should be for parties and gatherings; just the two of you alone can get a little tedious. A child may not have told the whole truth; prod gently.

ARIES(March 21-April 19). Relax, and rein in your need to be the first to avoid frustration. Decisive action is best put off until next week; organize a closet or file drawer. Tonight, let a parent lecture; just nod and smile.

TAURUS(April 20-May 20). Strap on emotional safety belt and prepare for mate or lover to drive you down a bumpy road. Listen to a family member's sad story; it's all the therapy they need. You meet new friends through incidental events.

GEMINI(May 21-June 21). Power is in the air; reach out for what you want. Use imagination in job hunts. Solve a problem with creativity and original thinking; others will be impressed. Romance can get expensive; watch spending.

CANCER(June 22-July 22). If all that's standing between you and togetherness with someone special is your stubborn stance on a money matter, for heaven's sake, give in. Ask for a first date; romance is lucky.

LEO(July 23-Aug. 22). Work on the possibilities of your present situation, rather than trying to find something else. Find fresh potential in an old idea. Details are

exceptionally important; don't let errors slide by.

VIRGO(Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Yes, romance is confusing; give up trying to apply logic, and go with intuition. Try a new look or approach to public relations. It's easier than usual to spat with a friend; skip it.

LIBRA(Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You may find that power figures parents and bosses - are cranky today; give them lots of room and a little gentle humor. In the long rın, you're ahead if you take the high road.

SCORPIO(Oct. 24-Nov. 21). New pals are ready to take your word as an authority. Money is a bone of contention between you and free-spending spouse. Stash cash in secret places, just so you can feel secure. Virgo needs you.

SAGITTARIUS(Nov.22-Dec. 21). Independent action wins you recognition among go-getter colleagues. Extreme action won't be necessary, if you stick together. Care with tools is called for; and keep exercise moderate.

CAPRICORN(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The correct action in a legal matter should net you a victory. Let the spouse think you're bowing to somewhat capricious whims. Meanwhile, quietly do what you think is best. Moods pass quickly; relax.

AQUARIUS(Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Boss may not be wholly enthusiastic about your plans to get ahead; follow up on opportunities you were tipped off to earlier this week. Evening is for cleaning, eating right and reading for improvement.

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Hemlock

by Andy Grieser

by Joe Barnes



Calvin and Hobbes

CALVIN, WHERE WAS THE BYZANTINE EMPIRE ? REVIEW.





by Bill Watterson







AIDS officials ask Clinton to act

AUSTIN (AP) - State and federal health officials Wednesday told the National Commission on AIDS that businesses, schools, churches and the White House need to lead Americans in the fight against AIDS.

"We must find a way to develop a get to the moon' mentality" to fight the spread of AIDS, said Benneville Strohecker, president of a Maine candy company.

"Our president must make a bold move now to stop this pandemic," Strohecker said. He suggested President Clinton make a national address 'announcing that they had just completed AIDS training in the White

· Woodrow Kendrick, 62, Waco,

was arrested and charged with

attempted murder of a federal agent.

The arrest stemmed from a second

shootout that occurred in the late

afternoon Feb. 28 about 350 yards

behind the Branch Davidian com-

Angeles house once used by Koresh

yielded "video and audio tapes and

records that reflect evidence of vio-

lence by David Koresh and others

with the Branch Davidian group,"

A search warrant was served on

• Michael Schroeder, 29, was

Shooters Equipment Co. of Rich-

killed in the gun battle behind the

compound, Conroy said. He said cult

leaders identified a second member

land, S.C., to gather evidence.

Search warrants served at a Los

pound.

Conroy said.

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House with his family and staff." "We have not developed a sense of urgency to combat our problem," Strohecker said.

Texas Commissioner of Health David Smith said by using businesses, schools and churches as points for disseminating information, such diseases as AIDS and tuberculous can be seen as community problems that can be solved in the community.

"In Texas, we have several areas we need to tackle," Dr. Smith said, adding budget proposals call for a 94 percent reduction in funding for HIV

killed Feb. 28 and buried Monday as

Peter Gent, 24, an Australian. Ricks

said others may have been killed, too.

gunshot wounds, including Koresh,

who says he was hit in the left side

and left wrist. "We were initially

skeptical but we now are fairly cer-

tain that he did sustain the injuries he

• A second cult member, Steve

Schneider, has become more

involved in negotiations. "You have

to say (he) is totally committed ...

When he entered the compound, he

willingly gave up his wife to David

children freed earlier was given to

cult members to show their good

condition and care. Ricks said the

cult complained of "poor discipline"

in foster care because the children ate

candy bars, drank soft drinks and one

• A second videotape of the 21 cult

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and, to show its support, the newspaper decided to pay for the luncheon. Spitler said the mentorship program will be quite helpful for students to call a professional and get an idea of what working is like.

"Those of us who are in business are able to network and find people who have the same things in common and to make more contacts, because there aren't very many women out there in important positions," Spitler

Grenda Black, director of professional development for the MBA Women's Forum said the purpose of the mentorship project, called MBA/Professionals Interaction Executive Mentorship Program, is for students and professionals to learn from each other.

"It was really great to get out and meet women actually out in the real world and are where we want to be someday," said Holly Adams, a first year graduate student. outlined. We do not think they are

Executives in the project will share their professional experiences, offer career advice, provide some networking and contacts and serve as role models for the MBA students, McDonnell said.

Pam Roach, senior vice president at Overton National Bank and Trust, said a mentor program is always a great idea to get feed back from professionals in the real world.

"It is especially helpful for women to share with one another." said Roach, a 1980 TCU graduate and a

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MPACT is the first organized mentorship program in the Neeley School, said Roger Pfaffenberger, the Women's Forum adviser. A mentor can provide a student

with job contacts and valuable insights on the relevance of particular course work, suggest possible internships or opportunities outside the classroom and help with career planning based on knowledge of a given industry's outlook, Pfaffen-

"The partnership between the entor and student is informal and flexible," McDonnell said. "Activities can include meeting for lunches

and attending business networking events as well as being available for consultation."

The next formal activity for the students and mentors is a mentorship appreciation party April 22.



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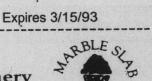
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Opinion

Modern dating environment changes drastically from days gone by

Call me reactionary, but I can't help but comment on one of the advertisements that ran recently in our fine campus newspaper. It was an ad offering a dating club for people with herpes.

Yes, you did read that correctly. It's a dating club that caters to everyone who is afflicted with the rather embarrassing affliction of herpes.

"So how did you two meet?" his buddies asked.

"Well, she noticed my tube of medication and things just kind of took off from there," he answered with a touch of pride.

I don't mean to make light of this disease; it has become a problem on college campuses, in particular.

But seriously, does society need dating clubs that are that specific? Has dating



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deteriorated to the point that we are forced to date according to physical ailment? I guess sometime in the future we can expect even more specific dating groups.

Picture the personal ads: bald, tattooed, transsexual male (for now), with very long arm pit

hair, eleven fingers, severe nasal drip, halitosis and bladder control problems seeks woman of a similar description for fast-

The dating world we face is much more complicated than the one our parents survived. They never had to deal with AIDS or \$7 movie tickets. And prenuptial agreements had barely even been imagined.

Now it is our turn to experience the ritual; the same one in principle, but with a whole new set of variables.

Condoms are now bought without having to visit the truck stop outside of town; they can now be obtained at the front of your local supermarket where everyone from your last date to your mother's bridge partner might walk by and notice you scrutinizing the different types.

A pro-choice/pro-life confrontation can be a crowd-pleaser if you and your date let it slip into the after-dinner conversation;

other restaurant-goers are sure to stare at a guy wearing a daiquiri when the argument gets heated.

Vegetarians and animal rights activists have also thrown the dater a curve, but I have a little tip for avoiding potential pitfalls: If he or she tells you how many years you are taking off your life while you are needlessly exploiting animals during the fajita course, then it is probably not a good idea to invite him or her to hunt on your family's ranch over the weekend. It would be a shame if he or she liberated your father's favorite horse.

I don't even want to get into what radical feminism has done to male and female premarital relationships. Dating has gone from being a frolic in the meadow to a trip through a mine field.

I know our parents' dating world wasn't one of complete tranquility; they still wondered if they should call somebody and how they were going to pay for the weekend's festivities and whether or not they were really making the right decision in choosing their mate. But looking at it from our point of view, it looks really simple.

Maybe we should try to get a little of their world back, worry less about whether or not someone has the exact same attributes and shortcomings and try to find somebody that we enjoy being around. Unless, of course, you have herpes. Then you have the option of joining your own little dating club.

Clay Gaillard is a junior English major from Texhoma, Okla.

Campus contest proves that good men aren't so hard to find

I've been told that a good man is hard to find. I have also been told that a good African-American man was even harder to find. They say it is because they are either all on drugs or selling them, or all in jail or going there. I have always been the type to look for the bright side, because as Emerson would have us believe, a dark side could not exist without light. I am also glad to

know that there is a program happening right now to accentuate the light in African-American men here on cam-

zations with an ALL CAM-

PUS event — their 1993 Mr.



Ebony Man Contest.

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On the surface it seems like a typical pageant, but there are some underlying worthy causes and goals that the chapter is working towards. In early May of last year, the ladies decided that since their sorority's main focus was service and since many of the African-American men on campus were viewed, in general, as JUST athletes, they would take it upon themselves to destroy the stereotype by accentuating their talents, intelligence and social and political awareness while raising money for the United Negro College fund and general Alpha Kappa Alpha service projects.

The ladies decided this would be a great opportunity to promote unity on the campus through a souvenir booklet which would contain advertisements from wellwishers, preferably organizations here on campus -Greek and non-Greek. Thankfully over 10 organizations, most of them mainstream Greeks, contributed. The booklet was also an opportunity for African-American and local businesses to advertise their services, and as a result the tuxedos and sports attire that the young men will model come from businesses who are concerned about the images of our men. They jumped at the chance to invest in the future doctors, lawyers, teachers, politicians and fathers.

The fun began in October when over 35 young men signed up to be interviewed to be a contestant for the event. Up for grabs was \$100 in cash, the opportunity to be pampered, and a spot in the 1993-1994 Mr. Ebony Man Calendar all sounded very inviting. The men were invited to attend a rigorous interview session where current events, social issues (pertaining to the nation, the community and the campus) and emotional issues concerning relationships were stressed.

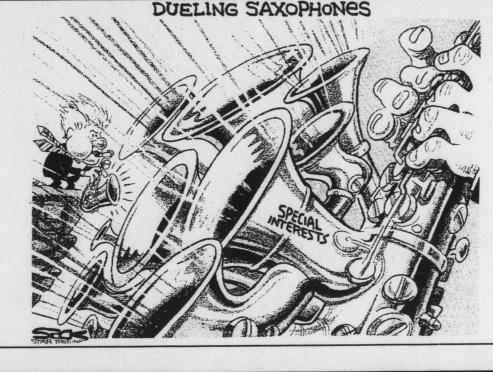
When the interviewing was complete, 12 young men emerged — Greek and non-Greek, athlete and non-athlete, freshman to MBA — all of them overly qualified, good-looking and talented. Odds are that you know at least two of them. They would soon embark on a journey that would buff and polish them not only for the pageant, but for life. After their photo shoot last Thursday, Kappa Lambda presented an image workshop for the young men where two professionals from Beauty Control showed them the importance of skin care and wardrobe.

What will separate the Ebony Men from ebony boys will be the talent competition, and the talent ranges from singing to Tae Kwon Do. The men will be working on their talent and be consulted by a local modeling agency on their poise and walk. A few of them will even be considered for modeling jobs for their image consultation company.

The contest will be hosted by WFAA TV-8 senior reporter Michael Hill. Make sure you make your reservations before April 1st. Seating will be limited. The \$5 cost covers your admission, a souvenir booklet and a celebration afterwards where Kappa Lambda's 1993 Mr. Ebony Man will reign.

Good job, sorors; and best wishes to Albert Bledsoe, Albert Thomas, Geoff Aludo, John Conley, Marcus Allen, Charles "Chuckie" McWilliams, Horatio Porter, Jeff Malonson, Rico Wesley, Vincent Pryor, Tyrone Roy, and Chris Brown. All of you are to be commended for your hard work. Thank you for helping us realize that a good man isn't so hard to find after all.

Michelle Smith is a senior English major from



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Religions

This is in response to some not very flattering comments on three of the world's four largest religions by one of your "columnists", Carl Kozlowski, in "Branch Davidians raise many serious questions about religious faiths" which appeared in your newspaper on

March 3. This is not a letter in protest. For any form of protest will go against the basic principles of the very religions that it is trying to defend. This is a letter in sympathy. In sympathy for the future of a nation, some of whose wouldbe journalists have no qualms whatsoever in writing off four-fifths of humanity as making "no sense." In sympathy for the future of a nation, some of whose would-be journalists of a global information age do not think twice before proudly proclaiming themselves "nonmulticulturist, Western-centric pig(s)."

In the article, the young "columnist" seemed puzzled by the weird ways of the "Eastern" religions. Maybe I can be of help.

Firstly, I would like to remind the "columnist" that equating the acts of some triggerhappy lunatics with the values of a whole religion (even an "Eastern" one) is as ridiculous as saying that all Christians are the followers of the David Whatever-his-name just because the man calls himself Jesus Christ.

To the questions why Hindus and Buddhists are willing to be cockroaches in their next lives: I guess that's because they consider it to be infinitely better than being one in this life.

I don't mean to be personal or unduly harsh on the enthusiastic writings of a student-writer. But as someone who has been a journalist (albeit a Hindu one), and currently pursuing a masters degree in media studies, I hold a view, contrary to the popular one, that beaming at readers through a one-inch by one-inch photograph and writing off the top of the head does not make one a "cool" columnist. It takes a lot more than that. It takes discipline and hard work to do an in-depth analysis, maturity to critique objectively and strength of character to write with conviction. Above all it takes humility to wield the power of the

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Abortion

Perhaps you were recently shocked by witnessing, via television, numerous violations of human rights. It was mind-boggling to watch people kill others who dashed to get water in Bosnia or delivered lifesaving food to children in Somalia

Perhaps we have not been desensitized by the countless episodes of brutal violence on TV because we can still differentiate between script and reality. Chills traverse our spines when we see newscasts of the graphic atrocities of murder and starvation. As a nation, we protest these open violations of human rights by verbally chastising the offending groups or

by imposing sanctions.

But why is no one challenging us about the atrocities we are committing every day against our own people? Have we desensitized ourselves after all? How can we be horrified by the deliberate

starvation of people elsewhere when we are practicing such policies by withholding food from deformed children and elderly people?

How can we condemn other nations for using amputation as a means of fighting crime when we promote pulling limbs off a pre-born baby and crushing the skull?

We even use chemical weapons. When the saline solution is injected into the womb, it burns the skin off the baby. Have you ever seen the victim of that procedure on the news? No — it is too "graphic!" This unspeakable act is performed everyday in the United States, and it is allowed right up to the day of birth.

We have condemned other nations, saying they do not recognize the value of human life. What has made us oblivious to the fact of how little we value each individual? Doesn't every person have a right to live? Who has the right to qualify the inherent value?

Connie Swinden **Speech Communications**

Campus unity

We've heard it all before and the rest of the TCU campus probably has also: "Different organizations don't cooperate!" This past weekend, however, a group of 20 of us, students from many different groups on campus, managed to break down many of the barriers between us. This "amazing" feat was accomplished through the SRO (Students Reaching Out) retreat. With group sessions and a challenge course experience, we came together as a unit to plan some ways all of us can make TCU a better place. Imagine the satisfaction of bringing together students with preconceived notions of what each person was about and emerging with a better understanding of each other and a common bond between all

This type of experience goes to show that all TCU students can help improve relations between each other and also tear down the walls that groups build between one another. SRO brings together different students through regular meetings. In addition, SRO offers two retreats each year such as the one we participated in this past weekend. Not only that - TCU has its own ropes course for use by any organization. Just call the Alcohol and Drug Education Office. You may be reluctant, but so were we. Give it a chance and get involved - we're all at TCU togeth-

A.J. Grove

Tim Martin Junior Ad/PR

(Editor's note: 18 other students also signed this letter.)

Rickel program fulfills resolutions for better fitness

My grandmother, at age 79, is in amazing physical (and mental) health, and not just for her age. Besides maintaining a diet of highly nutritious, seldomly seasoned foods, she exercises regularly as well. Normally she goes walking every morning, but in the winter, when the ice and snow in Missouri make walking more dangerous, she jogs on her mini-trampoline for 10 minutes

While I was visiting with her during Christmas break, she encouraged me to try out the mini-tramp. I approached it, thinking how I hope I'm in as good shape as my grandmother when I'm her age. However, after being completely worn out after just five minutes on the mini-tramp, I began thinking how nice it would be to be as in shape as my grandmother - now. I realized that I had been fooling myself by thinking that walking to class everyday provided me with all the exercise I needed. I then made it my New Year's resolution to get in shape (and get some semblance of a tan, unlike my grandmother) by spring



KRISTINA STARKE

break. As soon as I got back to school, I signed up for Frog Fit, in order to "hop, step, jump, and lunge" my way to achieving my fitness goal. I paid my \$40, got my "free" T-shirt and attended my first class, "Body Sculpting," which combines low-impact aerobics with muscle-toning exercises using hand weights. Three days after the Body Sculpting class, my body was still in severe pain. My legs, arms, and abdomen all ached so much that to move at all required tremendous

However, assured by my friends that the pain would go away if I kept exercising, I continued to attend the Frog Fit classes: body sculpting, ultimate aerobics, interval training, and power benchthe only thing that was beyond my reach was cardio funk which, taught at 7:15 a.m., will never be blessed by my presence. Besides hand weights, I mastered (?) the bench, the rubber bands and about 50 different varieties of stomach crunches, all without pulling any muscles or breaking any bones.

Since that first week I have faithfully gone to three or four classes a week and gradually my physical condition, not to mention my coordination, has improved. And yes, the pain did go away. The classes have proven to be challenging and fun. The instructors vary the routines and steps done at each class and, while I can't say there was never a dull moment, I can say that there was enough mental and physical exercise to keep my attendance regular.

And the classes, although sparse in males, come the closest to unifying the campus of any other activity I have been involved in. Greeks, independents, young, old — the classes attract a variety of people. The stereotypical image that only air-headed, self-absorbed, fake-baked, permed-hair people would sign up for an aerobics class just doesn't hold (true for some, yes, but definitely not everyone). While there is not a lot of time for conversation, Frog Fit does provide a way to meet new people.

Now that spring break is almost here, it is time for me to evaluate my success in achieving my New Year's resolutions. Having had few opportunities to lay out, the "some semblance of a tan" has yet to appear. And the "be in shape" goal? Well, while I might be able to match my grandmother's 10 minutes on the mini-trampoline, I think that I will continue to participate in the Frog Fit classes after

In fact, I'll probably take them next year, too. Fitness should be, after all, a lifetime goal.

Frog Fit may not provide the type of exercise that you would find enjoyable. If it does, sign up — it's only \$25 now! If not, find another form of fitness you would enjoy. You'll look better, you'll feel better and you'll be on your way to being physically fit at age 20, 50 and even 80.

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Sports

Tech deals TCU 107-50 blowout

By RICK WATERS TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU women's basketball team wanted to make history Wednesday night at the Southwest Conference Post-Season Classic at Moody Coliseum — and they did.

The Texas Tech Lady Raiders, ranked No. 6 in the nation, had seven players score in double figures as they flexed their offensive muscles in a 107-50 massacre of the Lady Frogs in the opening round of the SWC Tournament.

The 57-point margin of victory by Texas Tech was the largest ever in a SWC Tournament game.

"We are definitely not pleased with the way we came out and played tonight," TCU head coach Fran Garmon said. "We just didn't come ready to play and Texas Tech did. They had a really good defense and extended it well against us."

The Lady Raiders' 1-3-1 matchup zone frustrated TCU all night long and caused 22 turnovers by the Lady Frogs. To make matters worse,

TCU's shooting was as cold as ice. The Lady Frogs shot just 28 percent (21-of-73) from the field for the

"We weren't moving at all tonight," Garmon said. "That forced us into shots that we didn't want."

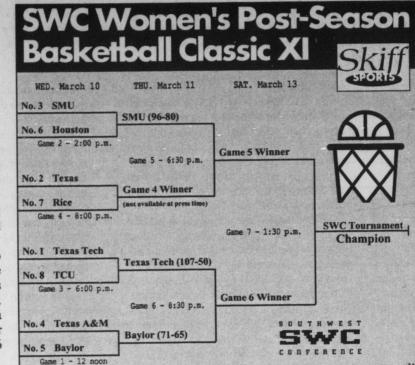
The Lady Raiders (24-3) left no doubt what the tone of the game would be, scoring the first 13 points

of the game before TCU could score. The Lady Frogs didn't tally a point, until forward Donna Krueger netted two free throws at the 15:26 mark of the first half.

Texas Tech extended its lead to 35 points at 52-17, before allowing TCU to close the half with a 10-3 run, appointed. We didn't want the leaving the Lady Raiders with a 54-27 halftime lead.

The only dim glimmer of hope for the Lady Frogs (10-17) was the play of post Amy Bumsted, who finished with a game-high 28 points on 13-of-23 shooting from the field and seven rebounds.

"I was very frustrated with the way the game went tonight," Bumsted said. "I think we were all pretty dis-



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seniors to go out like this with an embarrassing loss."

Senior guard Krista Kirkland led the scoring parade for Texas Tech with 20 points on 8-of-12 shooting, including 4-of-6 from three-point land. All-American forward Sheryl Swoopes scored 12 points, pulled down nine rebounds and dished out 7 assists, despite playing just 19 minutes in the game, as Lady Raiders

head coach Marsha Sharp decided to rest her star for Tech's second round game with Baylor on Thursday.

"It was important to get off to a fast start in the tournament, to give game. our starters a break and play well," Sharp said.

The game was not a good end for the careers of the three Lady Frog seniors. Andrea Boris, Rachel Hesse and Laurie Berlinn combined for just 13 points and 17 rebounds.

Athlete of the Week Eric Dailey

By JONATHAN MUELLER TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU men's basketball team ended its regular season last Saturday, and it could not have come any

Saturday's loss to the University of Houston put the final nail in the coffin of TCU's 5-21 campaign. So what is a team to build on after

a season like this? How about the play of center Eric

Dailey? The 6-6, 230 pound transfer from West Carolina was by far the bright-

est spot in a dim season for the Frogs. Dailey finished the regular season leading TCU in rebounding, with an average of 9.5 boards per game and was second on the team in scoring with an average of 14.2 points a

These numbers are quite impressive for anyone, but what makes them really special is the fact that Dailey was playing out of position the entire season.

An early, season-ending injury to starting center Kurt Thomas, forced Dailey to move down low from his natural forward position and assume the role as center.

"He had a great season for us," said TCU head coach Moe Iba. "He was playing out of position, so night in and night out he was going up against guys who were much bigger than him, but his numbers speak for themself."

Although Dailey was playing out of position, he did not complain about about being forced to go up against guys five or six inches taller than him every game.

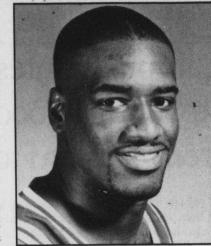
In fact, Dailey looked at it as a learning experience.

"It was different because I have never played center before, but it will help me for next year," Dailey said. "It will give me strength to penetrate inside while playing forward next season."

So under the circumstances it is obvious that Dailey had an unbelievable year. However, according to Dailey, it should have been even better than it was.

"I played out of position, but I think I did a pretty good job," he said. "At the start of the season I was up and down. I also need to work on my free throws and outside shooting and being more consistent and just concentrating on going out and playing hard every night."

As the season wore on, Dailey



Eric Dailey

began to show that consistency and intense play that he talked about.

Of Dailey's 12 double-doubles (double digits in both scoring and rebounding) this season, eight came in the last 12 games.

In Dailey's last five games he averaged 19.6 points and 12.6 rebounds, while shooting an astounding 62 percent from the field.

Earlier in the season, during TCU's only conference wins this season against Houston and Texas, Dailey also played a very important

Dailey averaged 18.5 points and 10.5 rebounds in the back-to-back victories, which earned him the honor of SWC Player of the Week.

Mays see the light

The Prognosticator is written by Greg Riddle and Ty Benz.

The power of The Skiff works again.

Last semester, we told Michael Irvin he needed to get his butt into training camp and he listened. Irvin had a great season and the Cowboys won the Super Bowl.

Last week we told Jim Jackson to quit being a whiner and sign a contract and start playing some basketball. Out of the blue, Jackson signs a \$6-million contract with the Mavericks and starts the next night.

So far Jackson hasn't been playing too great and the Mavericks certainly aren't going to win the NBA Championship this year, but hey! It's a step in the right direction.

Before you know it, the Mavericks will go from pretenders to contenders just like the Cowboys did. Sounds stupid doesn't it? Well, stop laughing for a moment and listen to the team the Mavericks could have put

together by next year. First, the Mavericks trade Derek Harper while they can still get something of value for him. How does a Harper for Dennis "The Worm" Rodman trade sound?

Rodman wants out of Detroit and has been rumored to be headed to the L.A. Clippers. However, if the Mavericks came up with a better offer, the Pistons might be willing to listen.

Another possibility being talked about would send Harper to the Chicago Bulls for B.J. Armstrong and Stacey King. Armstrong could definitely start for Dallas, while King could provide valuable minutes off the bench.

The next step in the Mavericks drive to the playoffs is to draft Michigan sophomore sensation Chris Webber, provided he comes out for the draft after this year.

Webber will more than likely come out, and the Mavericks will have more ping pong balls than any other team in the NBA lottery order selection, so they have a good shot at the first pick in next year's draft.

If the Mavericks are wise they will draft Webber and not make mistakes like they have in the past by drafting people like Uve Blab, Steve Alford or Jim Farmer. Are any of these people still playing basketball? Webber will definitely still be

around in ten years or so, and could

be the franchise player the Mavericks

have been waiting for since the day

they started operations. If Webber,

by some chance decides to stay at Michigan, the Mavericks should draft Memphis State's Anfernee Hardaway or Rodney Rodgers of Wake Forest.

process is the return of Roy Tarpley. Although the thought of this is sure to make one sick to their stomach, don't stop reading just yet.

not for the Mavericks? Tarpley has been playing basket-

trade for San Antonio's Lloyd Daniels, the Lakers' Anthony Peeler and Boston's Robert Parrish. Hire John Lucas away from the Spurs and the Mavericks will have their own year. All-Coke team (As in All- Cocaine team). Kind of gives a new meaning to the term dealing doesn't it? Heard former-Rockets, turned druggies, Lewis Lloyd and Mitchell Wiggins are also looking for a place to play.

Utah and Portland.

Enough about the Mavericks. We don't need to spend too much time talking about the biggest loser in the history of professional athletics. It's finally March and the Madness has

On Sunday, the 64-team NCAA

SPORTS	SWC	Big 8	Big East	ACC	SEC	Big West	Midwest	WAC
Greg Riddle last week: 5-5 overall: 41-25	Houston	Oklahoma	Seton Hall	N. Carolina	Arkansas	UNLV	Cincinnati	BYU
Ty Benz last week: 5-5 overall: 42-24	Rice	Oklahoma St.	Pittsburgh	Wake Forest	Kentucky	N. Mexico St.	Marquette	Utah
Alan Droll last week: 6-4 overall: 29-37	Houston	Kansas	Seton Hall	Florida St.	Vanderbilt	N. Mexico St.	Marquette	Utah
Rick Waters last week: 9-1 overall: 42-24	Rice	Kansas	Seton Hall	N. Carolina	Kentucky	UNLV	Cincinnati	Utah
Billy Hatfield last week: 8-2 overall: 37-29	Houston	Kansas	Seton Hall	Florida St.	Vanderbilt	UNLV	Cincinnati	Utah
GUEST BOX Jonathan Mueller last guest: 7-3 overall: 39-19	Rice	Kansas	Seton Hall	Wake Forest	Kentucky	UNLV	Cincinnati	Utah

this fall, wait until you see the ratings

across the country will be waiting to

The Road to the Final Four or if their

bubble will be burst and they can

pack their bags and go home until

ment we offer our readers a little pre-

To kick off the NCAA Tourna-

1. What do Wright State, Coppin

A. They are new states that have

B. They have all qualified for the

C. They are the colleges of the last

D. They beat TCU in football this

Answer: B, but it sure seems like

2. What is the record of Southwest

Conference schools against teams

outside of the SWC that will proba-

Start

three No. 1 draft picks by the Maver-

NCAA Tournament, but will make a

quick exit at the expense of a Ken-

tucky, North Carolina or Indiana.

C and D are true doesn't it?

State and Tennessee State all have in

been admitted to the U.S.

see if they get to start the drive down

College basketball teams all

CBS gets on Sunday.

next year.

tourney quiz.

Tournament field will be announced in one of the biggest media extravaganza's of the year. If you thought Bill Clinton and George Bush got a lot of attention

The final step in this three step

Tarpley has disappointed more people in Dallas than the Cowboys did when they got rid of Tom Landry. Turned out good for Da' Boys. Why

ball in a league for recovering drug and alcohol addicts. Give him until next season, and he will be as good as new. That, or he might have thought of a way to still do his drugs and alcohol and just not get caught. Anyway, if the Mavericks got Tarpley back, the NBA had better watch

While they're at it, Dallas could

If the Mavericks do all these simple little things, you could see them in the NBA Playoffs next season right alongside teams like Phoenix,

bly be in the NCAA Tournament?

A. 0-26 B. 1-25

C. 4-22 D. 26-0

Answer: C. Can you believe they've won that many? Texas has beaten Princeton and Illinois who are both on the bubble, A&M has beaten Florida, who is also on the bubble, and Houston knocked off Louisville for the SWC's most impressive victory of the season.

3. What's the best thing about the

NCAA Tournament? A. It means it's almost baseball

B. We don't have to listen to Dick

Vitale doing play-by-play anymore. C. Teams like Rider, Tennessee Chattanooga and Santa Clara have just as good of a shot at winning the NCAA title as teams like Duke or Indiana. Wouldn't see this in football

would you? D. We can watch SWC teams get pounded on national TV in the first round.

Answer: B., but A. wouldn't be a bad choice if the Rangers are as good as a lot of people think they might be. Won't have to listen to Vitale's "Oh' baby, he's awesome, he's a PTPer!" or "Slam-jam-bam, they'd better get a TO quick or you can start the bus

Lady Frogs suffer first SWC defeat

By ERNESTO MORAN TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU women's tennis team suffered its first Southwest Conference defeat, and its first home loss this season, falling to Texas Tuesday by a score of 7-2 in a matchup between the past two SWC champi-

The Lady Longhorns, reigning SWC champions and ranked No. 3 in the nation, looked sharp in winning five of the six singles matches against the 1991-SWC champion Lady Frogs to clinch the victory before doubles play even began at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. The one singles victory for the

Lady Frogs was a big one though, as senior Teri Ann Martin stunned Susan Gilchrist, ranked seventh in the country, in straight sets, 7-5, 6-4. "That's one of the best wins I've

ever had from one of my players at TCU," said head coach Roland Ingram, in his tenth season as the women's tennis coach.

The win was the third against a nationally ranked singles opponent

for Martin, who has now beaten the No. 7, 35 and 45 players in the country. It also gives the Lady Frogs some hope should these two teams meet again in the SWC Tournament.

"That's what we're hoping for," Martin said, referring to a possible rematch in the SWC Tournament, which TCU will be hosting April 22. "We had chances today, and it just didn't work out, but we know they're beatable, and that we have the team that can beat them."

The lone doubles victory for the Lady Frogs was a 6-2, 6-3 win by freshmen Pamela Cruz and Christina Stangeland.

The Lady Frogs came into the match with a three-match conference winning streak after a victory Saturday against Houston. In that one, the Lady Frogs won four of the six singles matches and swept all three doubles matches for a 7-2 win.

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