

# TCU Daily Skiff



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## Social work group seeks signatures for course petition

By ANGELA WRIGHT  
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Today is the last day the TCU Social Work Association will solicit signatures in the Student Center for a petition to add the American Minority Groups (SOCI 3343) course to the University Curriculum Requirement for social science.

But the effort is a semester-long project and the group hopes to collect more than 3,000 signatures, said Janie Thurman, secretary of the association.

"As it stands now, the UCR requires six hours of social science courses. We want three of those hours to be for the American Minority Groups (course)," Thurman said.

"Studies have shown that education helps in eliminating prejudice, and making American Minority Groups a mandatory course is a step in that direction," Thurman said.

As a part of their focus on race relations this semester, SWA has adopted the theme "500 years is enough." That theme was adopted because 1992 marked the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' first trip to America.

"After 500 years, there is still the oppressive psychology, dominance and violence that came over with Columbus to the Americas," Thurman said.

May Formales, a sophomore pre-major, said the course would enrich students to other cultures.

"If TCU intends to integrate minority students, it only makes sense to add this course to the curriculum," Formales said. "When students here graduate, they will see the world is not the way it is at TCU."

However, sophomore psychology major Rich Harland said he hopes the class would approach racism from all sides.

"I'd like to know if the class is about racism against everyone or just against minorities," Harland said. "There's so much (discussion about racism) that's one-sided and there needs to be a balance."

Morrison Wong, who is the only professor who teaches American Minority Groups, said students can enroll in the course after taking the two prerequisites, Introduction to

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Sociology and Social Problems, or by special permission. The class is offered three times every four semesters, Wong said.

TCU needs to make courses dealing with cultural diversity more available to students if the university wants to see diversity, Wong said.

"(TCU) could offer Hispanic studies, African-American studies or Native American studies specifically and not just the minority groups class," Wong said.

Thurman said SWA aims to bring awareness to racism and not to place blame on anyone's ancestry.

"We can't change history, but we can change its course. But we have to be aware of history before we can make that change," she said.

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Two ROTC students swim with their guns in the Rickel pool Thursday afternoon as a part of water training.  
TCU Daily Skiff/ Nicole Lewton

## KTCU to air Padre shows

Spring break transforms island into 'Coca-Cola, Texas' party

By NATALIE GARDNER  
TCU Daily Skiff

For all you spring breakers beach bums who are heading south for the week, be forewarned: South Padre won't be South Padre.

The island will be transformed into Coca-Cola, Texas from March 7 through March 20.

The Radisson Resort Hotel will be the center of Coca-Cola, Texas. The hotel's 10 tennis courts will be transformed into basketball courts for non-stop activities like a three-on-three basketball tournament and "Shoot to Win" contests.

And TCU's own radio station will be in the middle of all the festivities. KTCU has been picked as one of five Texas school radio stations to entertain the spring breakers on the beach front.

TCU, Texas Tech University, the University of Texas, Texas A&M University and Sam Houston State University will each have one disc jockey providing live, on-site broadcasts to promote their schools and supply entertainment and music for the crowd.

William Pena was selected to represent KTCU as the radio station's disc jockey. Pena was selected by a committee consisting of the station manager, general manager and programming adviser. Each candidate for the position sent in audition tapes which were reviewed by the committee.

"Coca-Cola is sparing no expense in the equipment they are providing," Pena said. "They are also paying for all my expenses while I am down there."

KTCU met with the radio-TV-film department chairman and its legal adviser before accepting the invitation.

Because KTCU is a campus radio station funded by the school, it cannot promote a commercial item like Coca-Cola.

Pena will be broadcasting live from South Padre Island on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from noon to 3 p.m.

"I'm really excited about going," Pena said. "I'm excited about representing KTCU. I think we have a lot to offer that people don't know about in college music."

Pena said he believes this is a great opportunity personally, since he will be able to talk with commercial station disc jockeys when the student disc jockeys are not broadcasting.

"I think we're on the verge of taking another step forward to becoming a face in Metroplex radio," he said.

Broadcasting from South Padre will be a major step for KTCU, Pena said. It will be a chance for KTCU to get some recognition that is well deserved, he said.

During the broadcasting, the universities will be able to display their school flags, said Wendy Olson, representative for Vollmer Public Relations, the company representing Coca-Cola.

Besides the student DJ's from the five universities, there will be a men's and women's three-on-three basketball tournament with daily prizes worth \$100.

A series of sports-oriented competitions will be held each day including a \$100 Free Throw contest, the Southwest Airlines Ticket Giveaway and other contests like the C-O-K-E Hot Shot, Half Court shots and more.

"Any time you get a large group of state universities together, you're going to have fun. And from what our listeners have told me, a lot of students will be visiting Coca-Cola, Texas at the Radisson," said James Faust, promotions director for KTXF-FM, Texas Tech University's student-run radio station.

An additional highlight of the Coca-Cola, Texas Spring Break will be a free outdoor concert featuring The Iguanas and presented by Margaritaville Records and Jimmy Buffett. The concert is scheduled for Friday, March 19 at 3 p.m. outside the South Padre Convention Center.

Coca-Cola, in coordination with the Radisson Hotel and the city of South Padre Island, will conduct a

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## Time will heal wounds between Indian Hindus and Muslims, student says

By KRISTI WRIGHT  
TCU Daily Skiff

Hindus and Muslims in India are clashing over religious and political issues, but time will heal the conflicts between them, said Radhika Parameswaran, a graduate student in media studies.

"Just as people go through dark stages, so do countries," said Parameswaran, a Hindu from India. "The conflict is a catharsis which works out itself over time. The people of India share a long history and lasting culture."

Intermittent violence between India's 700 million Hindus and 96 million Muslims began in December when Hindus in Ayodhya demolished the ancient Babri mosque.

Since then over 3,000 people, mostly Muslim, have died from the

conflicts, *The New York Times* has reported.

Recently Bharatiya Janata, the main Hindu party, lead demonstrations in New Delhi against the ruling government party. Hundreds of thousands of Hindus were expected at the demonstrations.

The government, lead by Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao of the Congress Party, has tried to stop the demonstrations.

The Bharatiya Janata said the government is caving in to the demands of the minority Muslims

at the expense of the majority of Hindus, *The New York Times* article said.

The Muslims want more power because they fear oppression by

the majority Hindus, Parameswaran said. Problems between Muslims and Hindus went largely unnoticed until the British established the East India Trading Company in India in the 1600's, Parameswaran said.

"Hinduism is a very old and tolerant religion," Parameswaran said.

"When the Muslims came in the eighth century the Hindus coexisted with them. When the British came, the Hindus accepted them."

"Now the Hindus are arguing 'Our tolerance has led to our oppression,'" she said. "The Hindus now have an attitude of let's help ourselves before we help others."

Great Britain implemented the divide-and-rule strategy after colonizing India in 1857, she said. The British re-enforced differences between Hindus and Muslims until the groups no longer tolerated each other. The British favored one group and then the other, she said.

Muslims who populated the north broke away and created the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in 1947 shortly after India gained its independence.

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## Geology department hosts annual meeting for students, faculty

By JOE CONNOR  
TCU Daily Skiff

The geology department will host the annual meeting of the South-Central section of the Geological Society of America March 14-16 at TCU.

The annual meeting is a series of seminars and talks given by scientists, faculty and students in the field of geology.

Geologists' findings often aren't published in a scientific journal until two years after the research is completed, said John A. Breyer, professor of geology and chairman of the annual meeting.

But meetings like next week's

allow geologists to "see what research (other geologists) did this year," Breyer said.

One presentation, "Precambrian Connections across Southern North America," will examine research to see if Texas was ever part of Antarctica.

Thirty geologists, who are also expected to attend the meeting, are researching Precambrian rock in west Texas this week to discover if Texas used to be joined to what is now Antarctica, Breyer said.

Precambrian is an era of time dating-back more than 570 billion years

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### METROPLEX

Today will be rainy and cold with a slim chance of snow and a high temperature in the mid 30s.

The weekend will be sunny with temperatures from the 20s to the 50s.

## SPRING BREAK

**The Main:**  
March 12 closes at 6p.m.  
March 13-14 closed  
March 15-19 8am-6pm.  
March 20 closed

**Eden's:**  
March 11 closes at 2p.m.  
March 12-21 closed

**Pizza Hut:**  
March 12 closes at 6p.m.  
March 13-20 closed  
March 21 noon-midnight

**The Pit:**  
March 12 closes at 2p.m.  
March 13-21 closed

**Worth Hills:**  
March 12 closes at 1p.m.  
March 13-21 closed

**Library:**  
March 12 7:45am-6pm.  
March 13 1-5pm.  
March 14 closed  
March 15-19 9am-5pm.  
March 20 closed  
March 21 1-11:45pm.

**Rickel Building:**  
March 12 closes at 5pm.  
March 13-14 closed  
March 15-19 8am-5pm  
March 20-21 closed

**Student Center:**  
March 13-14 closed  
March 15-19 8am-6pm.  
March 20 closed

**Staples:**  
March 12 closes at 4pm.  
March 13-21 closed



CAMPUSlines

Babysitting Free babysitting for faculty and staff from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Rickel Building. Sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. Call ahead at 926-6978.

Violin recital on March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Admission is free. For more information call 921-7810.

Parabola math club is sponsoring "Marshall Stone: The Man and His Mathematics" by Bob Doran on Tuesday, March 23 at 3:30 p.m. in Winton-Scott Hall Room 145. Refreshments will be served from 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Winton-Scott Hall Room 171.

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 31.

Scholarship applications are now being accepted for the 1993-94 Hatton Sumners Partial Tuition Scholarship Program. Scholarships are available to political science, history, social studies education and pre-law students. Applications are available from the Office of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid, Sadler Room 108.

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 Student Center 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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Approximately 30 TCU students are expected to participate in the conference, and eight TCU students are expected to make presentations, Breyer said.

"We want to know what our colleagues are thinking," said Breyer said.

"I think it's going to be a good experience," said Matt Kulow, a junior geology major.

Many of TCU's geology professors will give lectures during the meeting.

Art B. Busbey, assistant professor of geology, will conduct a symposium on microcomputer applications in geology. R. Nowell Donovan, associate professor of geology and

CRIMELINES

The Campus Police recorded the following offenses and violations at and around the university from March 4 to March:

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF: Mar. 4: A resident of Martin Moore Hall reported hearing a loud noise from the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Chapter room. The student found broken glass from the southeast window on the ground. Upon arrival, the Campus Police found a shoe directly outside the broken window. The window was valued at \$60. No suspects were identified.

Mar. 9: A university student reported a suspicious maroon Ford Mustang that appeared to be following her as she was jogging around Watson Chapel at 8:43 a.m. The vehicle was reported to be a late 1980s model with tinted windows. The student was unable to give a description of the driver. The Campus Police searched for the vehicle but never located it.

CRIMINAL TRESPASS: Mar. 8: A Colby Hall security officer reported a male climbing up the outside wall of the dormitory at 1:43 a.m. According to the report, the Campus Police apprehended the person and identified him as a non-student. He was then issued a criminal trespass warning and escorted off campus. The resident who let him in was issued a visitation violation.

HOUSING VIOLATION: Mar. 10: The Hall Director of Milton Daniel reported finding a student who had been banned from living in university housing living with a friend in the dormitory. The student was escorted out of the dorm.

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Some of the Hindus think that all of the Muslims in India should live in Pakistan, Parameswaran said.

On the individual level Hindus and Muslims get along with one another, Parameswaran said.

"You love the Muslims who are your neighbors," she said. "You can not understand why Hindus and Muslims overall do not get along."

The conflicts occur when Hindus and Muslims look at each other as systems rather than people, she said. An immediate solution to the conflicts is not likely, Parameswaran said.

"The people of India are going through a phase," she said. "The problems will work out naturally through an evolution of change," she said.

"Someday all human beings will realize the common human element in every situation," Parameswaran said.

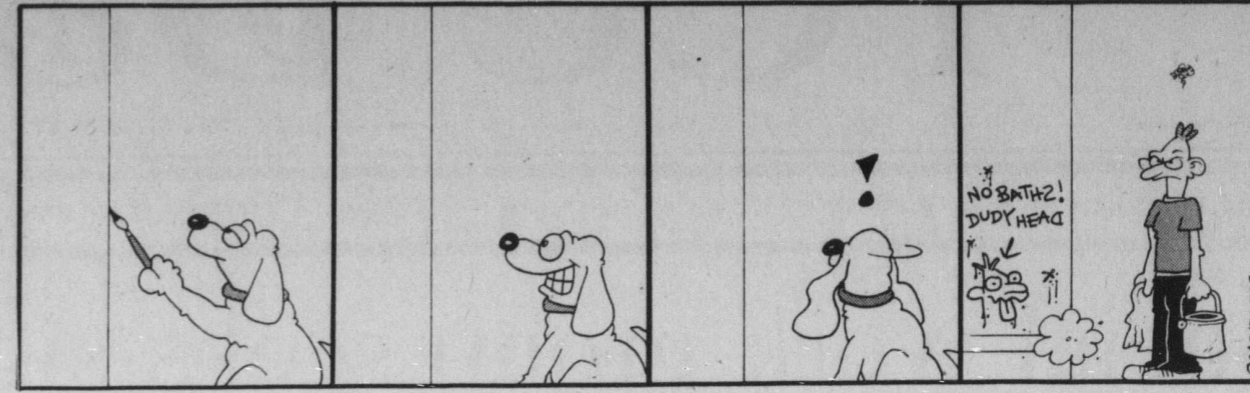
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recycling program. The parking lot in front of the hotel will serve as a drop off area with large recycling bins for cans and bottles.

The proceeds of this effort will be donated to the beautification of the city of South Padre Island. Recycling bins will also be located on the beach.

"South Padre is one of the most popular spring break sites in America," said David Sords of Coca-Cola Enterprises. "And where you find fun and relaxation, you'll always find Coca-Cola. Certainly, spring break is a highlight of many students' year and we're glad to be a part of it."

Insanity Fair



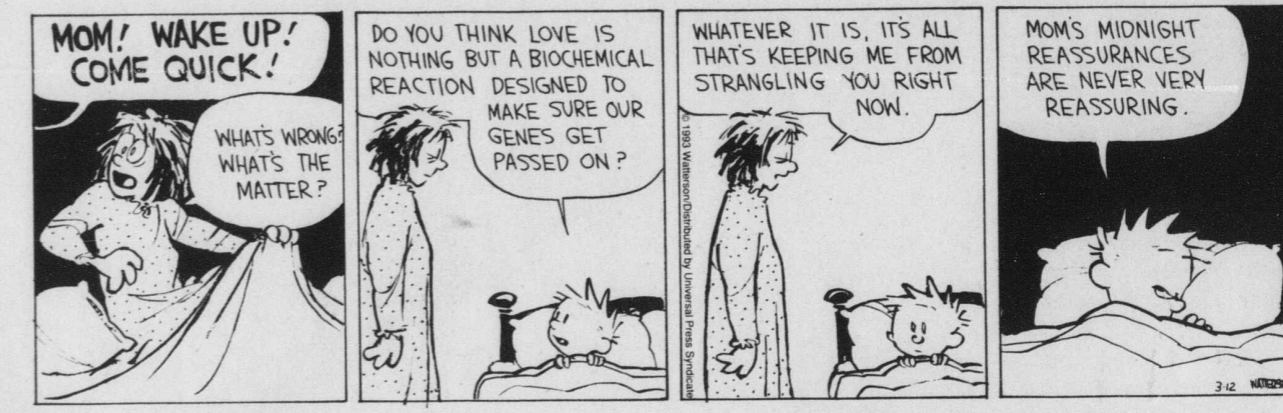
by Joe Barnes

Hemlock



by Andy Grieser

Calvin and Hobbes



by Bill Watterson

Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON CREATOR'S SYNDICATE, INC.

PISCES(Feb. 19-March 20). Old friends have news for you. Don't agree to terms about money without consulting mate. Discipline with food and drink is recommended. Your promise is all that's needed to seal a partnership deal.

ARIES(March 21-April 19). Combine as many errands into one trip as possible. Lists are helpful, as you have myriad of detailed duties to fulfill. Excellence is always your goal, but adherence to principle is also important.

TAURUS(April 20-May 20). You get a terrific chance to make a good impression in job interview or with a new customer; dress right and be prepared to schmooze. Weekend plan changes needn't be upsetting; just let mate take the lead.

GEMINI(May 21-June 21). Legal matter connected with home ownership is favorably resolved. Too much fun results in a tummy ache tonight; perhaps you're just nervous about policy changes in your workplace.

CANCER(June 22-July 22). Quit worrying about that event you're hosting this weekend; everyone loves to come to your house. Domestic activities are therapeutic; take on a big project, like wallpapering or painting.

LEO(July 23-Aug. 22). Fun and family duties may conflict tonight, but true love will wait patiently for you. Basic monthly budget may need paring; you can talk this over intelligently tomorrow. Aries opens new world for you.

VIRGO(Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Working late makes you tardy for weekend fun, but it will all work out fine, so relax. Big home tasks are

avored; recruit family and friends to help. Have you been too busy to eat properly?

LIBRA(Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Wonderful fun is ahead at social events or organizational meetings. Plan a new course of action; energy and optimism are high, and you meet enthusiastic people, too. Spend less, and save more.

SCORPIO(Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Don't let a sweet talker lead you into a foolish position. Your willingness to compromise in family matters gives everyone the feeling that they have an effective voice. Tonight, love for two is best.

SAGITTARIUS(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Even a good friend can give you a bum steer, though not deliberately. When going out, lock up well. Though a past relationship may be expensive to end, you've a bright love future ahead.

CAPRICORN(Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

Rubbing shoulders with head honchos gives you an edge in power games. Talkative relative may bore you, but he or she needs the attention, and it doesn't hurt to listen. Romantic plotter is out to get you!

AQUARIUS(Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Wait until tomorrow to travel. Some fun with pals leads to real gain through information or opportunity gleaned. Surround yourself with qualified helpers. Take the lead in all group endeavors!

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: Friday evening, understand that when the moon meets Pluto, intense emotions come to the surface; it's a particularly powerful moment for married couples, who may rediscover feelings for (or about!) each other that had become lost — this can result in exciting sensual attractions or discovery of

differences that you may have been trying to ignore. For lovers and those just starting relationships, watch possessiveness and a tendency to try to get too close too fast, resulting in that smothering feeling that can put out the flames of a newly kindled love affair. On Saturday, the atmosphere is entirely different! Social events and friendly gatherings provide a wonderful meeting place for romance — it's easy to "mingle," and friends introduce friends to people who will get along swimmingly. Dates for just two will be marked by long chats and pithy discussions. It's time for your new love to meet the gang, perhaps, so start the evening with a little party. Right through Sunday, volunteer events, worship services or even exercise classes are friendly and fun — put on your brightest smile and best new outfit and get out to enjoy it.

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Geology department meeting advertisement. Chair of the department, will also lecture on the geology of Scottish castles. Kulow said he hopes the meeting will allow him to make contacts in the field of geology because many scientists will be in attendance. "I think it will give me a good idea of what I'd have to do in this profession," Kulow said. During symposia, workshops and short courses speakers will discuss shallow ground-water systems, environmental concerns of the Dallas/Fort Worth area and petroleum of the South-Central United States. The meeting will also discuss scientific drilling to solve geological problems, carbonate rocks of the southern mid continent and caves and porous limestone regions known as karst. The geology department is anticipating between 200 and 300 participants from colleges and universities, private industrial research programs, governmental agencies and secondary schools from all across the country, Breyer said.

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# Opinion

## Promoting genuine racial unity involves more than annual festivals

In an effort to promote "racial unity" in a suburban school during "Multicultural month," officials have organized what they call a "Multicultural Festival." The object of the game is for each student who attends to bring an ethnic dish to share with other students; they all eat and then everyone goes home.

Now, by no means am I belittling the school's efforts at promoting racial harmony, but it saddens me to think that the school's administration believes such a current and often touchy issue can be dealt with so lightly during a month where it should be a focal point.

Why is emphasis on multiculturalism confined to simply one month anyway? One would think that in a country that claims to be a melting pot of races, multiculturalism would be an everyday thing, a



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fixed part of our lives in school and at home, not merely a "festival." It's a good idea, no doubt, but it could use some revamping.

For instance, students have the choice to graduate with one of three classifications: basic, advanced or advanced with honors. To graduate with advanced or honors, a student must take two years of a foreign language. But basic graduates never have to enter that foreign language class-

room. As years have past, school boards everywhere have tacked on additional requirements to graduate. Students must now have a certain computer credit, a certain fine arts credit and a physical education credit; yet a foreign language is not mandatory.

Times have changed. Different cultures surround us every day, and we come in contact with them in all levels of our life. So these "languages" are no longer exactly foreign. These classes should become a must for all student levels regardless of their academic level.

As for students who wish to delve out of their own cultural history and look into another race's, to put it lightly, they are flat out of luck in most high schools. With the exception of college classes, courses like these are virtually nonexistent, but

hey, what's more important, racial understanding or office procedures?

What little cultural education students receive does not even begin until high school. By that time, opinions and misconceptions have already been formed about different cultures and races. Because of this, cultural awareness must begin at an earlier age when children are fascinated by different things and accept different ways of life faster than an older person will.

As a 14-year-old, I enrolled in a World Geography class. My teacher centered her course around the different people and places around the world and in the United States. Through that class, I was exposed to cultures and people I had never heard of and ones I had formed misconceptions about over the years. It was disappointing to see that a class like that was required for

only one year and that there were no electives offered that resembled it. I cannot help but wish that a class like that could be made available to younger children. One can only imagine how much they would gain from seeing a different place and people every day and learning about their ways of life.

Racial harmony can by no means be brought about by holding a festival and then moving right on to "Teacher Appreciation Month." It's created by incorporating it into our lives in an everyday manner, and it starts with a child's education. As the child grows, so should his or her awareness of the world and its people.

*Vanessa Salazar is a senior at L.D. Bell High School and is working as an intern with the Skiff this semester.*

## Dealing with the Branch Davidians presents dilemma

I wrote last week's column on the Branch Davidians, fully expecting to throw my word in and get it over with, leaving the scraps of unfinished issues to other columnists and commentators. That was my intent, but circumstances beyond my control make that impractical; the cult continued its standoff with law enforcement officers and David Koresh's ramblings increased in militancy by an octave and a half.

For those of you who missed last week's column, tough luck, because you won't be hearing what I had to say again (though those of you that did read my column might be grateful for that). With that word of introduction, I offer what I hope are fresh opinions on an increasingly stale topic.

"Why don't we kill them?" a friend asked me the other day, almost rhetorically. "Break out the napalm," my friend continued. "Waste the cultists." It follows logically that if the Branch Davidians broke the law, then they've surrendered their rights. If they'd been killed in their shootout with the ATF, there would be no question about whether it was justified. Furthermore, isn't the old "set a deadline then bomb 'em until they're paste" the same thing we used on Saddam Hussein in the Gulf War? There was no question then as to whether we were on the moral side or not! Was there?

Looking closely at the Desert Storm analogy, the No-Fly Zone over Iraq, was designed to keep Saddam from using air support against his own people. Yet these people were revolutionaries, admitted criminals and threats to the government. It puts us in a caveat: The use of heavy weapons is the best and perhaps the only way to clean out David Koresh's Waco farmhouse without risking the lives of officers, but using heavy weapons against our own citizens, even criminals, would brand us as hypocrites. It's not an easy choice.

Despite my inability to think of a way around this, there is a part of me that thinks the police should just give an ultimatum and, if it is not met, destroy the compound and its looney-toons messiah with it. The FBI is in a position to do just that, having been loaned armored personnel carriers and tanks by the army. This level of military hardware, although present, is not being used. The officers are continuing the waiting game.

In a time when both Republicans and Democrats are calling for budget cuts, I'm puzzled as to how we can allow this gross excess. The cost of tear gas or napalm would be infinitesimal as compared to maintaining a full contingent of manpower watching the compound in Waco, not to mention incidental costs, like running an extra phone line out to David Koresh.

Is it the same, though? Perhaps cutting budget allotments and cutting costs for crisis response are not the same? The deficit does not distinguish between the expected and the unexpected costs. An overrun in a department budget because of some crazed cultist who keeps the cops busy around the clock is just as much an overrun as if the doughnut lady bought gourmet chocolate rather than plain glazed. A recent quote placed the cost of watching Koresh at more than \$2 million per day.

Besides the competing political and budgetary considerations, there is this nagging thing about rights. All criminal justice issues, even the simplest, get sticky when you look at the Constitution. Fortunately, though, the Constitution grants little or no rights to people holed up with guns in defiance of the government. If you don't believe me, think about the Civil War. Even if we can justify torching them, though, the United States still has to think in terms of image. How can we rebuke China for the Tiananmen massacre while obliterating our own citizens for their beliefs? That isn't quite the way it is, but we have the eyes of the world on us.

The question here is not what is going to happen. By the time this column runs, the situation may or may not have resolved itself. If it has, these points can be ignored, but they'll be back next time some religious fanatic goes ballistic. If it hasn't, I have this creeping feeling the FBI couldn't care less about what I have to say anyway. Regardless, breaking the problem down to political capital versus cold cash is heartless and leaves out the human factor. All that said, I say we should nuke 'em...

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Aging

In Elizabeth Lunday's column on Thursday, March 4, she described the horrific aspects of nursing homes and the feelings associated with seeing family members and loved ones in them. At length, she explored the memories attached with her grandmother, who now sits restrained to a wheel chair in the pungent hallways of a nursing home in Haltom City.

Unfortunately, many nursing homes do not have sufficient funds to provide decent care for their patients, and far too often, neglect to fulfill sanitary practices. This is something I have witnessed firsthand for the last ten years of my life. One of my relatives lives a similar life to that of Elizabeth Lunday's grandmother.

My grandfather suffers every day — from Alzheimer's disease. The illness leaves its victims' bodies crippled and devoid of rational thought. The complications that ensue can lead to numerous difficulties in maintaining health such as: pneumonia, strokes, inability to move appendages, etc. The innocent victims also drool quite a bit, and several of them live in nursing homes. Like my grandfather.

I feel cheated. My grandfather gurgles air into his liquid-filled lungs every five seconds, and I know — if he could speak — he would also feel ignored and neglected by Ms. Lunday's words. Lunday's articles have a reputation of taking on a feminist tone (and I harbor reservations from wanting to say this, because I have the utmost respect for women and their voices), but it seems that she has let it pervade every aspect of her writing.

What, in her article on Thursday, seemed innocent enough at the beginning, has changed into a reluctance to acknowledge that men bear the same deep pain as women. Somehow, I don't feel she should neglect the other half of society for her views. Everyone gets old. Like Ms. Lunday's grandmother ... like my grandfather ... and the other men and women who suffer in nursing homes as well.

**Todd W. Simmons**  
Senior  
English

#### Funded Art

After reading Regina Young's response to an article by Clay Gaillard concerning art funding, I was prompted to respond to her attack with my own letter.

While I, too, disagree with Gaillard's proposal, I do recognize it as a legitimate opinion. Young's letter also sets forth some legitimate opinions and even a few rather profound ideas, for instance, "A country without art is a country without soul." Furthermore, I agree that the NEA is a necessity and worthwhile cause. My problem with the letter is in some of the allegations and advice that Young hands out to Gaillard. I would call attention to the introductory paragraph: "His lack of knowledge on his subject matter is quite apparent. You need to do some research, buddy." I have the advantage of knowing

Clay Gaillard quite well, and I can assure you that he is more knowledgeable on the subject than Young gives him credit for, and I am quite certain that he is not her "buddy." Whether or not you or I agree with it, Mr. Gaillard was making an intelligent proposal based on his opinion.

Secondly, I would like to direct attention to the conclusion: "The NEA has taken a terrible beating from right wing conservative fascists in the past few years. Please do not add to this negativism without first keeping an open mind and educating yourself to both sides of the issue."

In one breath, she calls conservative government "right-wing fascists," and in the next, she says to "keep an open mind." It would seem from this that if I do not fall on the same side of the ideological fence as you that I, as well as Gaillard, are close-minded and uneducated.

Remarks such as these only serve to undermine the credibility of the good points set forth in the letter. My suggestion to Young is to listen to your own advice. Open your mind and accept that there may be two valid sides to an issue before you assault someone else's opinions.

**Dee McWilliams**  
Sophomore  
Criminal Justice

#### Economics

In response to the letter to the editor by Linda DuQue, I would like to point out her apparent disregard for the structure of the tax system. She has also attempted to rewrite the '80s.

There are reasons for the current tax structure. The government needs to tax its citizens in order to fund expenditures. There are simply more people in the middle brackets. That is where the money is. The higher brackets are lower to push people to succeed and consume. Why should anyone make more money so the government can take a larger percentage from them? This push to do better pushes business to expand and hire more people. This expands the economy and helps the nation.

Linda DuQue has taken it too far in saying that supply-side economics does not work. President Reagan was obviously successful in his 1980 pledge to reduce the level of inflation. Reagan used supply-side economics to set a record 93 months of growth, declining interest rates and unemployment, 17 million new jobs, doubling exports and increasing the real GNP by one-third. I doubt anyone can refute this record of supply-side economics.

As far as another plan, Clinton's plan reminds me of certain Marxist ideas. Did Marxism work? Just because in your opinion something has not worked for you does not mean that we should just try the first thing that comes out at us.

**Brian Nenninger**  
Freshman  
Communication Graphics

## Television soaps allow individuals to escape reality

Every day millions of college students sit at the edge of our seats, staring at the soap operas that dominate the television, secretly dreaming about the lives being depicted in their plots. With Kleenex in hand, we wile away the hours staring at the beautiful people on our screens. We follow their adventures, endure their trials, suffer their sorrow, and revel in their happiness.

For 60 minutes a day, we become a unique part of their lives, sharing the tears, the fears and the joys of their storybook lives. And as we develop special bonds and intimate relationships with the characters we meet, they too become a unique part of our lives, providing thrills, chills and a remedy for an otherwise boring afternoon.

Who are the beautiful people? Their ranks include the doctors, the lawyers and the occasional well-paid police detectives. They flash their perfect teeth and unblemished complexions, these buxom young vamps and their broad-shouldered beaus. They are the free spirits who always have plenty of money and never concern themselves with water bills, property taxes or Triple Coupon Days at Kroger's. They are our dreams, our hopes and our aspirations all wrapped up into a neat hour-long package.

And what about the world where the beautiful people roam — where there are never any minor problems or bad hair days, only major disasters and epic tragedies? We long to escape from the reality of our drab and dreary day-to-day existence and boldly enter their realm.

We desperately hope to venture where diabolical Greek businessmen like Victor Karras plot to poison long-lost children. We are transfixed by the shootings and explosions of our daytime alter-egos, and silently wonder if Paulina will ever discover Frankie is the brother she presumed dead. We are engrossed by who is having an affair with whom, and pray that Roman and Isabella will end up dead.

And just when it appears darkest and seems that all is lost in these beautiful lives, we rejoice in the last minute rescues and the daring escapades and the courageous declarations of true love that always save the day.

In these beautiful lives, the role are well-defined. Good versus evil. A larger-than-life hero combats a villain spat from Hell. And in the end, the forces of truth and righteousness always triumph as everyone is ultimately united with his/her one true love. And everyone lives happily ever after — at least until Friday's episode.

But we never allow ourselves to grow too attached, for the lives of our nearest and dearest television friends are only as long as their contracts — once one expires, so does the other. But we never fret, because despite the immense power of the explosion at the docks, poor deceased Bennett or Chandler or Shane can be revived just in time to become next year's plot twist.

It is this environment that people covet. We seek to inherit massive fortunes while barely managing to scrounge up enough money for the rent. We long to dance until dawn in the arms of a stranger instead of watching reruns of "Green Acres" with the tabby cat. We yearn for candlelight dinners and glasses of champagne while cursing our frozen dinners and warm Diet Pepsi. We pray for a time bomb but must settle for a mild outbreak of dandruff.

We live the lives we can never have. We embrace the lovers we can never hold. We search for who we are in those we can never be. We seize the opportunity to become the beautiful people.

Nevertheless, we continue to search daily for where the beautiful people roam. For as the world turns, the bold and the beautiful have one life to live with all my children at the general hospital as the young and the restless follow their guiding light into another world, all the days of our lives — where the beautiful people roam.

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# SWC Classic XVIII

## Frogs hope to redeem themselves in tourney

by Ty Benz

Sports Columnist



After a season of uphill battles, the TCU men's basketball team will have one huge last mountain to climb this season.

After a season filled with heart-breaking defeats, injuries and tragedies, the Frogs will attempt to redeem themselves and shine some light on what has been a dismal season Friday night, when they play first-place SMU in the Southwest Conference Post-Season Tournament.

"It (the tournament) is a whole new season," said TCU senior point guard Brent Atwater. "Everyone starts with an 0-0 record. It will come down to who plays the best."

But TCU head coach Moe Iba has another view of the tournament — he sees it as a reward for the players who have persevered throughout a difficult season.

"That (reward) is the way you have to look at it," Iba said. "It gives the kids a chance to do well and gives something to feel good about."

And this team is in desperate need of something that they can smile about, because the year has been like a nightmare.

TCU lost its starting shooting guard Chris Foreman for the season to a knee injury. It only got worse for TCU when the foundation-to-be, center Kurt Thomas, broke his ankle, leaving the team without its base in the middle. This forced 6-6 power forward Eric Dailey to move over and created a season-long shuffling of players.

Then Iba's father, the legendary Hank Iba, died in midseason, forcing TCU to play two games without its coach. After playing above their heads in back-to-back home upsets against Texas and Houston, the Frogs came crashing down to earth and finished the season with an eight-game losing streak, a 5-21 overall record and a 2-12 SWC record. This has left the tournament as the Frogs' only chance to make its mark in 1993.

"We're going in trying to show everyone what we're capable of," said TCU senior forward Allen Tolley. "When we beat UH and Texas, we showed a glimpse of it."

Now TCU will play a role that is unfamiliar to them in the Moe Iba era, the role of spoiler. TCU will try to upset the No. 1 seed and SWC regular season champion, SMU, who has beaten TCU twice this season.

"We're the spoiler instead of the spoilee," Tolley said. "We've got the advantage because we've got nothing to lose."

This is also a different atmosphere for TCU. The last couple of years, the Frogs were fighting for post-season play; this year the spotlight is shining on SMU, Rice and Houston.

"This year is different because nobody's noticing us," Atwater said. "Not too many people are looking at us right now, so maybe we can sneak up on them."

But it might take a miracle to beat the red hot Mustangs. The Frogs face an SMU team that got hot in midseason and stayed that way, singeing all its SWC foes along the way to its title.

With his bench's depth stripped away by the injuries, Iba hasn't been able to look to the bench for any help, forcing TCU to run its starters into the ground. Atwater has played an average of over 39 minutes a game while Tolley has averaged over 36.

While Atwater has persevered, the minutes have taken their toll as his shooting percentage has dipped to an icy 36 percent.

It has been worse for Tolley. Not only has he been forced to be the main man on offense, but he also guards the opponents' star players. The grueling minutes have shown lately as Tolley has scored 10 points or less in four of the past five games, including a dismal shooting day last Saturday at Houston, where he made only 1-of-11 shots.

"I'm broke down," he said. "It's been a long grinding season, but I have to look through the injuries and play well because I'm at the point where every game is my last."

And when Iba has looked to the bench for play, the results have been disastrous, as the Frogs' bench has averaged under 10 points a game. Meanwhile, the opponents' bench has gone wild, averaging over 17 points a game and has outscored

## SWC Men's Post-Season Basketball Classic XVIII

FRI. March 12	SAT. March 13	SUN. March 14
No. 3 Houston	Game 1 Winner	<p>Game 6 Winner</p>
No. 6 Texas A&M	Game 1 - 12 noon	
No. 2 Rice	Game 2 Winner	
No. 7 Texas	Game 2 - 2:00 p.m.	
No. 1 SMU	Game 3 Winner	
No. 8 TCU	Game 3 - 6:00 p.m.	
No. 4 Baylor	Game 4 Winner	
No. 5 Texas Tech	Game 4 - 8:00 p.m.	
<p>Game 7 - 2:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>SWC Tournament Champion</b> (Automatic NCAA Bid)</p>		

TCU by almost nine points a game. Somehow someone must step up and provide inspired play off the bench.

Freshman center Byron Waits gave TCU a lift Saturday at UH when he came off the bench to score a game-high 24 points and grab nine rebounds. This must continue if TCU is to have any chance at all.

When you combine all these troubles with TCU's inconsistent offense, the Frogs finished last in the SWC in scoring with a meek average of only 64 points a game. It would appear that TCU doesn't stand a chance against the Mustangs.

But despite all this, the Frogs remain undaunted and point to their earlier games (79-65 and 60-53 SMU victories) as an indication that an undermanned TCU team can play with the Ponies.

"We've been in every SMU game this year, except for the last five to 10 minutes," said junior center Eric Dailey. "If we could have gotten some breaks, who knows what could have happened?"

"You've always got a chance to win," Iba said. "If we play well, we'll be in the game until the end."

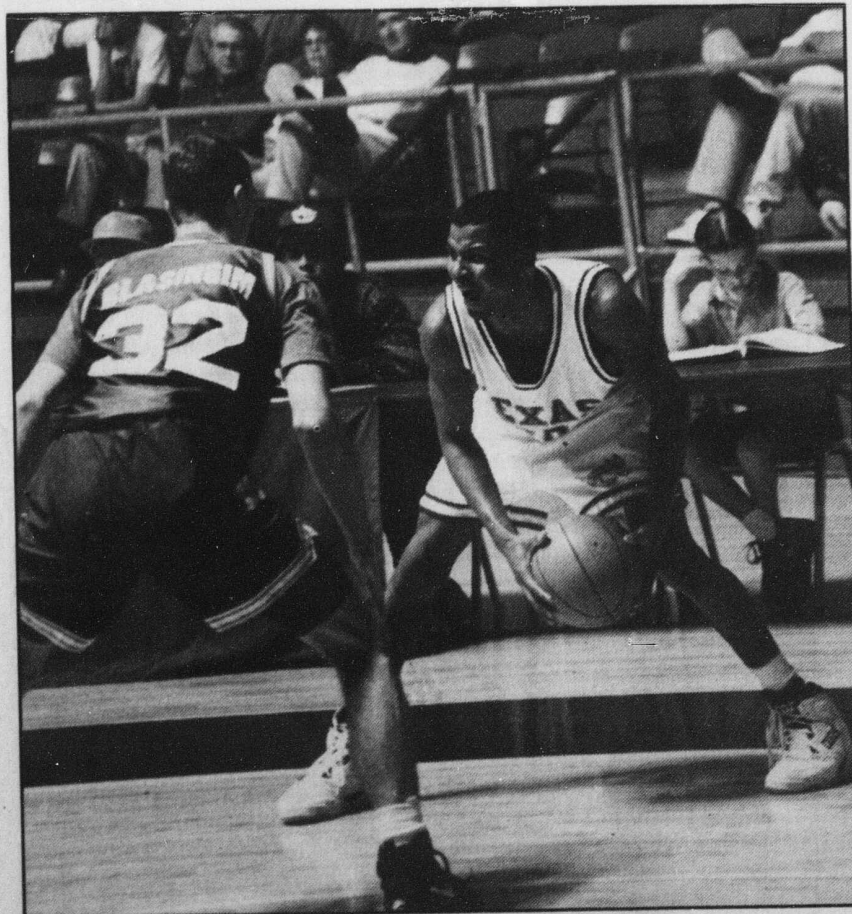
Either way, an upset over SMU can ease only some of the burden of a disappointing season off of TCU's back as a tumultuous season winds down.

"It can't make your season with all the problems we've had," Iba said. "The only way to do that is to win it all."

Meanwhile, the players continue to dream of an upset and think about what might have been.

"We did it (played the spoiler) against Houston and Texas and came close a couple of other times," Dailey said. "Maybe we can do it again, that's all we've got left, to play spoiler for SMU."

"I'd love to go to the tournament, win a few games and stir things up," Atwater said. "If we play hard and play together, then we have a chance to beat some people."

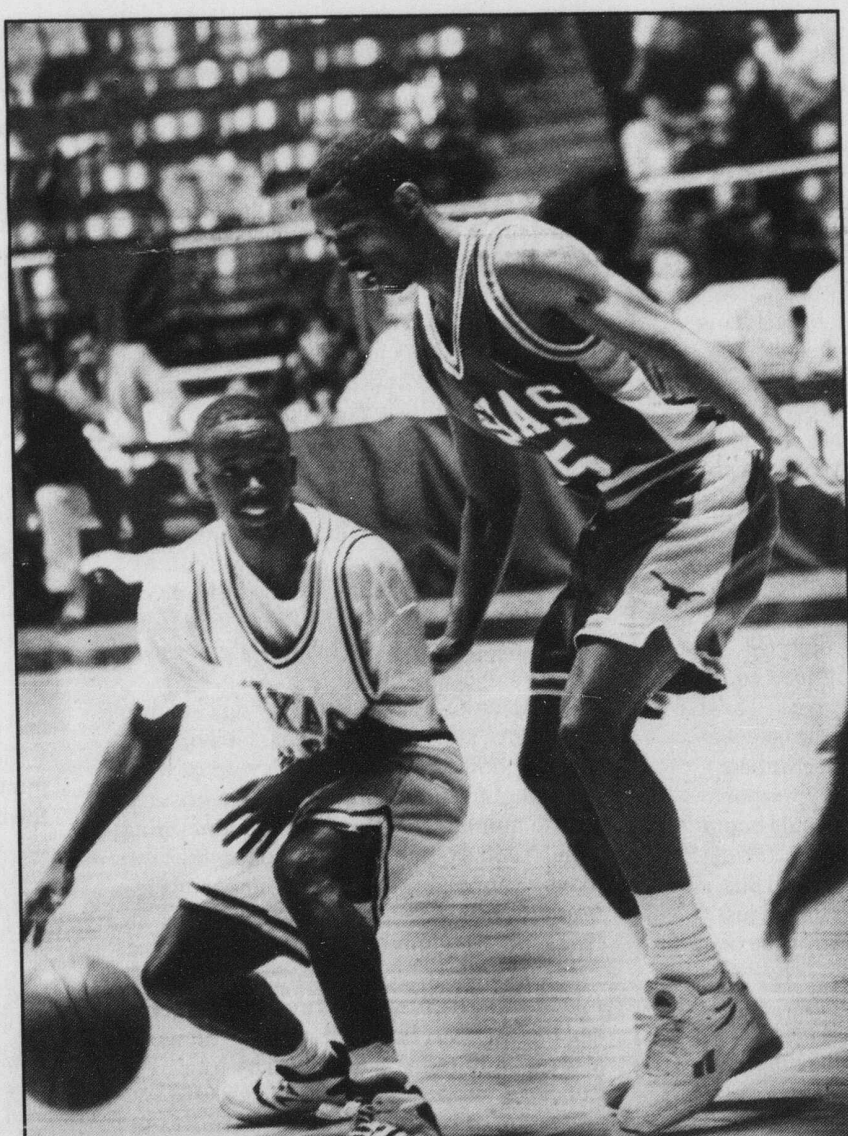


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Freshman guard Jentry Moore provided the Frogs with some key three-point shooting and offensive leadership this year.

Senior point guard Brent Atwater will direct the Frogs' attack when they face SMU in the first round of the SWC Tournament Friday at Reunion Arena. Atwater led the Frogs with 135 assists this season.

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## Cinderella Frogs wishing for SMU upset

**TCU vs. SMU**

When: Friday  
Where: Reunion Arena  
Time: 6 p.m.

By TY BENZ  
TCU Daily Skiff

Sometimes the third time is the charm.

This is what the TCU men's basketball team hopes when the Frogs face first place SMU for the third time this year in the Southwest Conference Tournament Friday at 6 p.m. at Reunion Arena in Dallas.

The Mustangs (20-6, 12-2 SWC) have defeated TCU (5-21, 2-12 SWC) twice this season. In the first meeting at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum on Jan. 20, the Ponies dominated TCU on the boards, out-rebounding the Frogs 54-40; unleashed their fast break; and used a late run to win, 79-65.

The second game was nip and tuck all the way as TCU slowed the game down and frustrated SMU all night long. The Frogs led at halftime 28-25, only to see SMU rally in the second half and pull it out 60-53 in Moody Coliseum.

Despite the two losses to SMU, the Frogs are confident going into Friday's match up.

"I feel like we match up real well against them," said TCU senior point guard Brent Atwater. "We've played them well. If we get a couple of breaks in the end, then we come out on top."

But TCU will have their work cut out for them because SMU has been the hottest team in the SWC, if not the country. After defeating TCU twice, the Ponies never looked back and raced to the SWC regular season championship, winning 16 of their last 18 games.

"We've had a great season and a big reason for it has been our senior leadership," said SMU head coach John Shumate, who was named SWC Coach of the Year. "They have been here for four years and have persevered through a lot of adversity. The championship is very special and is a great achievement."

And SMU knows what's on the line in the SWC Tournament, because despite their regular season championship and 20-win season, they are not guaranteed an NCAA Tournament berth if they lose to TCU.

"We're going in with nothing to lose, while SMU has everything to lose," said TCU senior forward Allen Tolley. "If we beat them, it might hurt them with the NCAA Tournament seedings."

In the first two games, TCU tried different tactics with neither bringing the desired results, a win.

In the first game, the Frogs tried to run with the Ponies only to be plagued by poor shooting. TCU shot only 40 percent from the field, and poor rebounding did them in.

But the second game was different as TCU slowed the pace down, controlled the boards, and kept it close throughout. In the end, SMU's defense and TCU's icy cold shooting (the Frogs shot only 30 percent for the game) were too much to overcome. So what tactic will TCU use this time?

"We'll run our regular game on offense," Atwater said. "But the key will be our defense; we'll have to turn it up a couple of notches."

And defense should be a major concern for TCU because they have to slow down "The Pony Express."

Shumate opened up the Ponies' attack this season and the result has been a helter skelter offense based on the three-point shot. It has worked well as SMU has averaged over 81 points a game.

TCU has stressed defense all week long in practice and must find a way to slow down SMU's big three on offense. They are led by forward Mike Wilson, the SWC's Offensive Player of the Year, who has averaged almost 20 points a game; guard Gerald Lewis; and forward Tim Mason. If TCU is going to pull off an upset, these three must be slowed down.

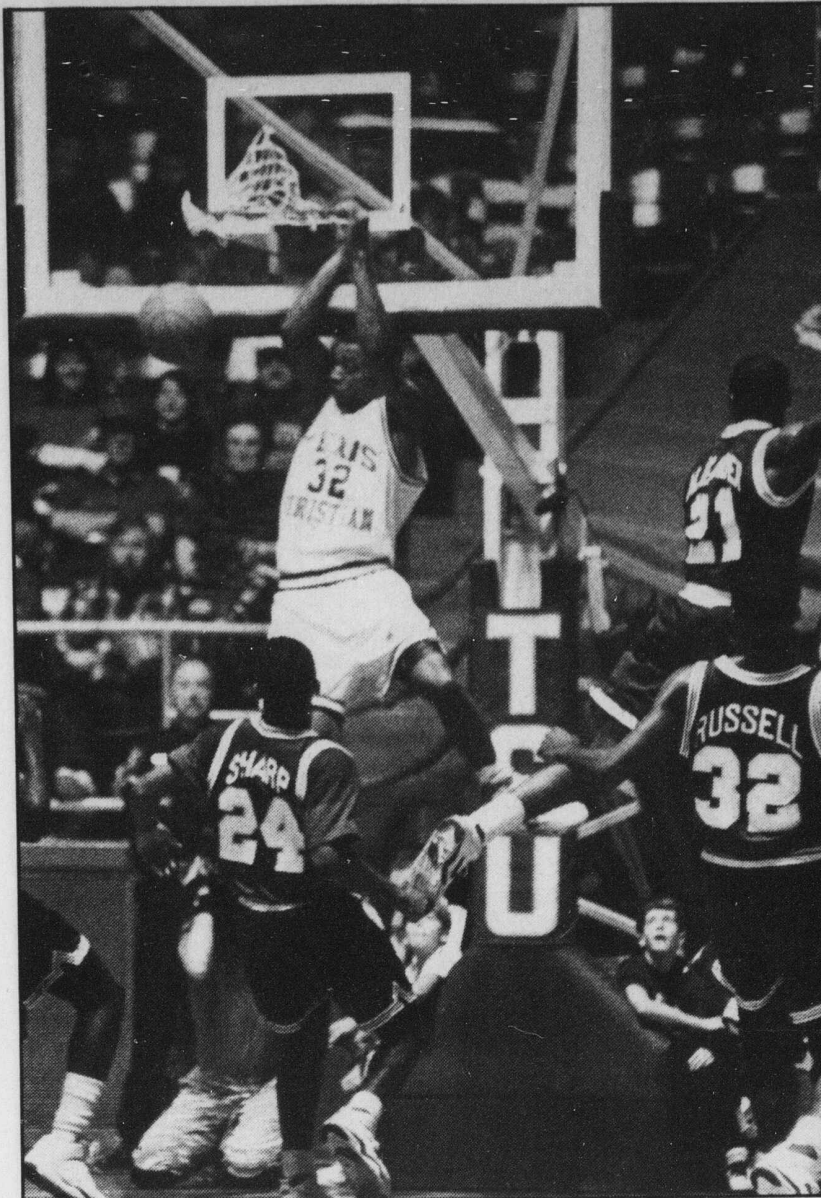
"It all starts with defense," said Tolley, who was a member of the All-SWC Defensive team. "If you hold a man down on defense, then it takes the pressure off of you offensively because you don't have to match him scoring."

And now the Frogs have the task of making sure that SMU doesn't beat them for the third time this season. Because the Frogs have played SMU twice already, it should be tougher for the Ponies to do it again.

"It's hard to beat a team three times in one season," Tolley said. "I think coach Iba and I are the only ones here who realize how difficult that is to do."

"You've got to give them credit because they've beaten us twice this year," said TCU head coach Moe Iba. "Now it's our job to make sure that they don't do it again."

"If we play well, we'll be in it until the end," he said. "But if we don't execute then we could have some serious trouble because SMU is playing very well right now."



Senior forward Allen Tolley led TCU in scoring this year with 14.4 points per game.

## SWC Tournament features wide open race

By GREG RIDDLE  
TCU Daily Skiff

The sun has set on another Southwest Conference basketball regular season.

The Rice Owls tipped off the season by giving No. 1 Michigan all they could handle.

In the season finale, Texas A&M upset Rice to hand SMU their first SWC Championship since 1988.

In between, it was a year filled with upsets, fantastic finishes and one of the most exciting and dramatic conference races ever.

It was the year of the private school as SMU and Rice battled tooth-and-nail down to the final wire before the Ponies finally laid claim to the title.

Perennial national power and defending SWC Co-Champion Texas saw its season go down the drain when point guard B.J. Tyler went down with a broken foot and center Albert Burditt was declared academically ineligible.

Then there was Houston upsetting Louisville and A&M knocking off Florida, while Baylor, Texas Tech and TCU lost to South Alabama, New Mexico and Centenary respectively.

But none of that matters now. The sun will rise above Reunion Arena Friday morning and it will be a whole new season for all eight of the teams in the SWC.

The SWC and its fans will descend upon Reunion Arena for three days of pure madness, with an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament awaiting the winner.

And unlike the past when Arkansas, Texas and Houston dominated, there is no clear cut favorite heading into the SWC Post-Season Classic. Everyone from conference champ SMU to the cellar-dwelling Horned Frogs has a chance to get on a three game roll that will end with an invitation to the NCAA's "Big Dance" that will be announced on Sunday.

Going into the SWC Tournament, it appears that the SWC will be lucky to get at the most two teams into the NCAA Tournament. The SWC just better be glad that every conference is guaranteed a spot in the "Big Dance," because the SWC's reputation has taken a severe beating this year, as evidenced by its pitiful record of 4-22 against teams that will probably make the NCAA Tournament.

Here's a look at the contenders and pretenders for the SWC Tournament title and a spot in the NCAA Tournament.

SWC STANDINGS MEN'S BASKETBALL				
Skiff SPORTS	conference		season	
	W	L	W	L
SMU	12	2	20	6
Rice	11	3	17	8
Houston	9	5	19	7
Baylor	7	7	16	10
Texas Tech	6	8	15	11
Texas A&M	5	9	10	16
Texas	4	10	10	16
TCU	2	12	5	21

Contenders:

**Houston:** The Cougars at 19-7 (9-5 in the SWC) have the best shot of anybody in the SWC at making the NCAA Tournament, even though they finished third in the conference standings in the regular season.

Houston is the only team in the conference with any quality wins outside the conference. The Cougars knocked off Louisville and DePaul, while losing to North Carolina and UCLA by only eight points apiece. That will bode well when the NCAA Tournament Selection Committee evaluates the Cougars for a spot in the 64-team field.

"I think we have a good shot at making the NCAA Tournament," said Houston head coach Pat Foster. "The SWC Tournament is wide open this year, so everybody has a shot at winning the thing and going to the NCAA Tournament. We just need to be sure we come ready to play."

It appears that all it will take for the Cougars to get to the NCAA Tournament is an opening round win against Texas A&M. Houston knocked off the Aggies by scores of 81-69 and 78-51 earlier this year, so that shouldn't be too big a hurdle to clear.

However, Texas head coach Tom Penders says that anything is possible this year.

"There are no heavyweights this year," he said. "Houston is in the NCAA Tournament if they win their

opening round game and SMU is in if they make the finals. However, I guarantee you will see some upsets this year. It just depends on who plays the best for three days."

Houston's top six players all averaged in double figures this year, led by guard David Diaz's 18 points per game. If UH takes home the tournament title, look for some big games from guard Anthony Goldwire and center Charles Outlaw. However, if the Cougars have a weak point, it is their lack of depth. Foster has gone primarily with a six man rotation towards the end of the season and it could cost Houston with three games in three days.

Prediction: The lack of depth won't be a problem. Houston will prove they are the most talented team in the SWC with a win over Baylor in the finals and an invitation to the NCAA Tournament.

Rice:

Rice played probably the best game of any team in the SWC this year when they lost to then-No. 1 Michigan 75-71 in the opening game of the season. However, although the Owls finished second in the conference and beat Houston twice, Rice must win the SWC Tournament if they want to go to the NCAA's.

If Owl fans think a 17-8 record (11-3 in the SWC) deserves a spot in the "Big Dance," all they have to do is think back to last year when Rice finished 20-11 and didn't even get invited to the NIT. Talk about a snub.

Things are even bleaker this year, as the Owls have losses to Delaware, Colorado State, Fordham and Texas A&M blemishing their slate.

Center Brent Scott and guard Marvin Moore had better step up and show their senior leadership if Rice is to go anywhere in the SWC Tournament. The Owls also need strong performances from forward Torrey Andrews and forward Adam Peakes to be successful.

Rice opens the SWC Tournament with Texas, who they have beaten twice already this year by scores of 92-87 and 101-83.

Prediction: The Owls will struggle in the first round of the SWC Tournament, but will squeak by Texas. However, in the second round, Houston will avenge their earlier two losses to their cross-town rival. Rice will be left out in the cold when NCAA Tournament bids are handed out on Sunday, but will be invited to the NIT to make up for last year.

SMU:

With five returning starters this year, SMU was predicted to have a good season.

Well, the Mustangs did a little bit better than just good.

SMU captured its first conference title since 1988 with a 20-6 record and a 12-2 mark in SWC play. The Ponies clinched the title and the No. 1 seed in the SWC Tournament when Texas A&M upset Rice 82-76 on the last day of the regular season.

However, despite the impressive record, SMU must at least reach the finals of the SWC Tournament if they hope to make the NCAA field.

The Mustangs haven't beaten a team ranked in the Top 25 all year and were blown out by both Oklahoma State and Arkansas. The Mustangs have also lost to both Houston and Rice during the course of the season.

SMU featured an up-tempo style of play this year, that included a barrage of three-point shots. Guards Mike Wilson and Gerald Lewis lead the outside attack, while center Greg Kinzer and forward Tim Mason do the brunt of the work inside. All four will need good tournaments if SMU hopes to win the title.

The Mustangs open the tournament against TCU. Both games between the two teams earlier in the year were close, with SMU winning 79-65 and 60-53.

Prediction: Look for SMU to handle the Horned Frogs, but to be upset by Baylor in the second round. SMU may deserve a berth in the NCAA Tournament, but they won't get it. The Mustangs will join Rice in the NIT.

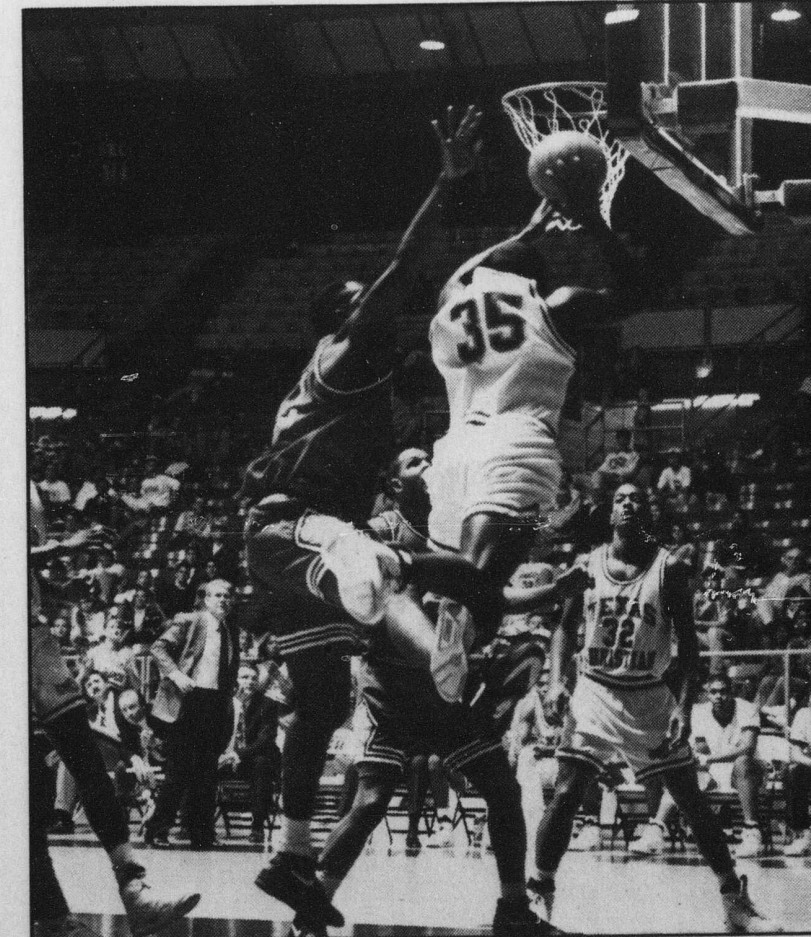
Pretenders:

The bottom five teams must all win the SWC Tournament and the automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament or pack their bags and go home for the season.

Baylor (16-10, 7-7 SWC) started the season 10-2, but has been below the Mendoza Line (.500) ever since. One factor the NCAA looks at is how teams play at the end of the year. Doesn't bode well for the Bears. However, if any team is capable of getting on a three game roll it is Baylor. Center Alex Holcombe averaged 19 points and nine rebounds a game and gives the Bears a strong force inside. Baylor showed during the

year. Texas (10-16, 4-10 SWC) went from the penthouse to the outhouse in one year. The 'Horns were hurt by the loss of center Albert Burditt to academics and point guard B.J. Tyler to a broken foot. Tyler is back, so the 'Horns could surprise some people. Add in Terrence Rencher, Tony Watson and Michael Richardson and Texas has a team that will run and gun until they drop.

Texas A&M (10-16, 5-9 SWC) has knocked off South Alabama, Rice and Florida this year and lost in overtime to UNLV. The Aggies don't have a single senior on the team and will be a force to be reckoned



Junior Eric Dailey was a force inside for the Frogs this season after taking over for the injured Kurt Thomas at center.

course of the season that it is not shy about shooting three-pointers. The Bears averaged 22 treys a game. Aundre Branch and Willie Sublett are Baylor's big gunners.

Texas Tech (15-11, 6-8 SWC) was expected to be a contender this year, but struggled with a young lineup. Center Will Flemons averaged 20 points and 10 rebounds a game, but wasn't the dominating force he needed to be. Lance Hughes, Koy Smith and Jason Sasser must provide Flemons with plenty of support, because the Red Raiders bench has been almost nonexistent this

with next season. TCU (5-21, 2-12 SWC) struggled with nine new players on the roster after a 23-11 record a year ago. Allen Tolley, Brent Atwater and Eric Dailey all had stellar seasons for the Frogs, but TCU must find some consistency on offense to be any kind of threat in the SWC Tournament.

Predictions: Baylor will knock off Tech and upset SMU, before falling to Houston in the finals. Texas Tech, Texas, A&M and TCU will all give strong first round showings, but will fall short and can get a head start on recruiting for next year.

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## University offers on-campus break activities

By JENNIFER VOKOLEK  
TCU Daily Skiff

The sunny weather of the past few days teased and tempted many students away from needed studying.

Sun chasers have been sighted with books and baby oil between Colby and Sherley Halls catching a few rays in preparation for spring break.

And, finally, after much anticipation, it will officially be SPRING BREAK in less than 12 hours.

Many students will scurry to the beach, others will rush home for some home-cooked meals, still others will stay on campus or in the Fort Worth area.

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Junior accounting major

It is not known how many students will be on campus over the break, said Emily Burgwyn, the interim director of housing, but it isn't usually many.

The students staying will have a limited selection of campus activities to choose from over the break.

Two movie nights are planned in Brachman Hall, said Andy Williams, the hall director for Brachman Hall.

The shows are tentatively scheduled for Sunday and Thursday.

Tom Brown Hall residents will be treated to a movie and pizza one night over the break, said Don Myers, the Tom Brown Hall director.

Signs will be posted to encourage students still around campus to attend the TCU v. Texas A & M baseball game at 2 p.m. on March 19, said Geoff Rich, the hall director for Moncrief Hall.

Although planned activities are sparse, many of the resident assistants staying will notify residents of various spontaneous activities, said Robyn Summers, the Sherley Hall director.

Students who are interested in planning activities for themselves over the break may want to consider Six Flags, seeing a new film release, or taking in a show.

## SPRING BREAK 93

March 12 - Russell Simon's Def Comedy Jam Dallas Convention Center Arena

March 13 - Robert E. Orall Billy Bob's

March 14 - Donna Reeves at Cowboys

March 15 - Rotten Rubberband The Hop

March 16 - Waylon Jennings at Billy Bob's

March 17 - Grapes of Darwin at The Hop

March 18 - Dead King's Pillow at The Hop

March 19 - New Music Night at The Hop

March 16 - Digbee's and Mumblety at The Hop

March 17 - Collin Rye at Cowboys

March 18 - Cream and Mushroom at The Hop

March 19 - November at The Hop

March 20 - USA Motor Spectacular at TCCC

March 21 - Hal Holbrook in "Mark Twain Tonight" at Will Rogers

March 22 - Gibson Miller Band Billy Bob's

March 20 - USA Motor Spectacular TCCC

March 21 - Kentucky Headhunters Billy Bob's

March 22 - Tabyla Rasa The Hop

March 23 - USA Motor Spectacular TCCC

March 24 - Garrison Keillor's "American Radio" Will Rogers

March 25 - Spring Break Out! - Six Flags open 12th-21st 10a.m.-8p.m.

March 26 - Phantom of the Opera - Fair Park until April 17th

## TCU Jazz Band wins top magazine honors

By LAURIE BERLIND  
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU Jazz Band was honored as one of the best university jazz bands in Down Beat magazine's search. The only problem is the band is not sure whether it won first or second place.

The magazine, which caters to amateur and professional musicians, called and had to leak information about the award to get photos of the band. But no one will say exactly what the band won until those awards are published in the May issue, said Curt Wilson, director of the jazz ensemble.

The band competed in the contest by sending in an audition tape. They

played "Signs of a Time" by Cal Lewiston, who earned a master's degree in music from the university in 1990. Lewiston was Wilson's graduate assistant.

Wilson said that Kurt Sprenger is also to be congratulated for the award. Sprenger, director of orchestral studies, helped direct the ensemble.

The May edition will also spotlight TCU senior Roger Martin, Jazz Ensemble saxophonist and music education major.

Down Beat magazine caters to music students and teachers and features articles by professional musicians. Down Beat also features profiles of recording artists and stories on the latest musical products.

### Arabs reject April peace talk plans



JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian negotiators spurned an invitation Wednesday to Middle East peace talks, but offered to reconsider if Washington convinces Israel to reverse the expulsion orders of nearly 400 Palestinians. Israel accepted its invitation. But

the Palestinian decision was a setback to the Clinton administration's hopes of restarting the peace negotiations April 20. The talks have been stalled since Israel expelled 403 suspected Muslim fundamentalists to Lebanon Dec. 17.

It was not known whether Syria, Lebanon and Jordan would stay away from the talks in support of the Palestinians. In Washington, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said he believed he had "not heard the last word" from the Palestinians.

### Parliament limits Yeltsin's power

MOSCOW (AP) — The Communist-dominated Congress whittled away more of President Boris Yeltsin's powers Thursday and canceled a national referendum he had sought to cement his authority. The criticism was so biting that Yeltsin walked out of the Congress of People's Deputies on its second day of an emergency session. Yeltsin has haggled for months with Parliament Speaker Ruslan Khasbulatov over who should wield supreme power: the president or

parliament. Without his present power to issue decrees, Yeltsin loses the ability to implement market reforms. And without the threat of the proposed April 11 referendum, lawmakers may be emboldened to attack Yeltsin further. Yeltsin's supporters in the 1,033-member Congress claimed the restrictions, if given final approval, could make Yeltsin a lame-duck president. The resolution was sent to an editing committee — which includes Yeltsin and Khasbulatov — and could be presented for a final vote Friday.

### Clinton to help those hurt by military cuts



BALTIMORE (AP) — Looking to wean the nation off Cold War military budgets, President Clinton on Thursday promised help to people and places hurt by deep Pentagon cuts and a new

round of base closings. He also pledged to spend billions of dollars to promote civilian uses of military technology. Clinton plans to ease the pain of military cuts with a five-year "defense conversion" budget of \$19.6 billion, a fraction of the \$112 billion he plans to slash from the Pentagon budget during the same period.

Republicans said the conversion program won't provide enough help to victims of Pentagon cuts.

### EPA administrator visits El Paso area



EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Environmentalists and health officials want new EPA Administrator Carol Browner to see the possible dark side of the proposed free trade pact when she visits the border next week. Browner, in her first trip to the border as head of

the Environmental Protection Agency, is scheduled to visit the El Paso-Ciudad Juarez area Tuesday after attending Monday's discussions on the agreement in Mexico City. Local health officials and environmentalists believe the North American Free Trade Agreement could create more pollution and health risks along the border. Mayor Bill Tilney, who is hosting a breakfast for Browner, will likely tell Browner about his recommendations for the immediate creation of a presidential task force on the U.S.-Mexico border environment.

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