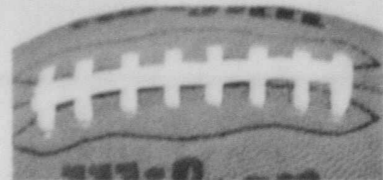




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## Dancers compete for annual scholarship award



By REBEKAH HOOD  
Staff Reporter

When she came to TCU, Laura Barbee was uncertain how long her stay would be. Dealing with her father's recent death, Barbee and her family thought she may need to take some time off from school. This all changed when she received the Nordan Fine Arts Award Scholarship. This weekend, TCU dancers will compete once again for the Nordan Award which, if they win, could give them \$8,000 to \$10,000 per year toward their TCU educations. The award was established by Lester Nordan and his wife in 1965. Nordan

received an honorary law degree from TCU in 1964. Students in all four departments of the College of Fine Arts vie for the award. For students in the dance department, only two out of 70 to 80 auditioning dancers receive it each year. Ellen Shelton, chair of the ballet and modern dance department, said winning the Nordan takes a special type of person. "The award goes to someone who is a passionate dancer and shows a high level of expertise," Shelton said. The recipients are expected to be role models in the department. If their performance or grades slip, the award

can be retracted, Shelton said. "It's kind of a probationary thing," Barbee said. "You have to re-audition every January." If the award is renewed after a recipient's freshman year, the student advances to the status of Nordan Scholar. "I was totally relieved and excited," Barbee said. "Getting the scholarship was reassurance that 'Yes, I was in the right place, at the right time.'" Before dancers may receive this award, they complete a three-hour audition process consisting of both a ballet class and a modern dance class. The department's faculty members

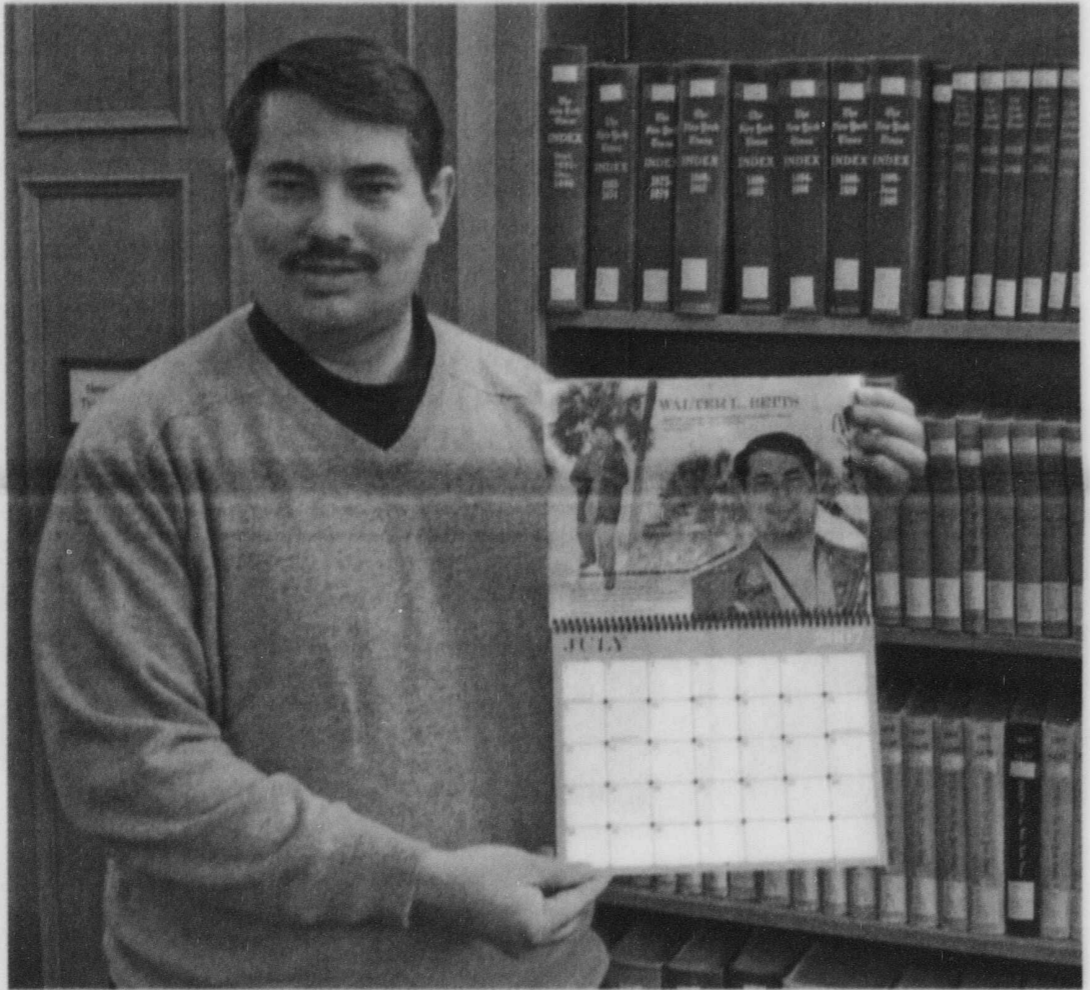
observe these classes and discuss the students' capabilities and talents. "Students come to audition from all over the United States," Shelton said. "About 26 to 27 states are represented." Before auditions, the students send in VHS or DVD solos for the faculty to consider. The faculty members also look at the students' strength of technique and whether they have strong ballet backgrounds, Shelton said. "I really, really hoped that my best was good enough," Barbee said. "Thankfully, it was." Now a 2006 graduate with a degree in ballet and modern dance, Barbee See **DANCE**, page 2

## Program to group students by interest

By MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE  
Staff Reporter

Soon, upperclassmen will be able to participate in a new on-campus housing program that will group them with students of similar interests. TCU Residential Services will launch the "Living Learning Communities" program February in the dorms. The program will allow students to select an interest they share with other students and group them in the same wing of their residence hall. The nature of the program is to give students who have not found their niche at TCU an opportunity to lay a social foundation within their hall, said Craig Allen, director of residential services. Stephanie Stanley, area director for Foster, Waits and Jarvis halls, said the LLC program will enhance students' on-campus experiences. The program will add to the students' residential life and their experience on campus in general, Stanley said. The LLC is designed to build on Chancellor Victor Boschini's Vision In Action program which aims to create a "richer residential community and reflect a recommitment to TCU's residential heritage," according to the VIA Web site. "We want to provide an atmosphere where students can take what they have learned in class and apply them in an environment which fosters intellectual stimulation," Allen said. "The LLC program is a way to further that action in the residence halls." Allen said the Monday at TCU program will be used to market the "Living Learning Communities" to incoming students; however, the program will only be available to juniors and seniors. Linda Moore, professor and chair of the social work department, said programs like the LLC are not new to the TCU campus. See **PROGRAM**, page 2

## Meet Mr. July



Walter Betts, or Mr. July as other library workers have come to know him, posed in the 2007 Men of Texas Libraries calendar. Calendar sales will benefit disaster-stricken Texas libraries.

### Librarian poses for calendar to benefit relief fund

By BAILEY SHIFFLER  
Staff Reporter

In 2007, TCU systems librarian Walter Betts will be known by a different name: Mr. July. Betts, who joined the Mary Coats Burnett Library staff in August, is among 18 Texas librarians and library

supporters featured in the 2007 Men of Texas Libraries calendar, a fund-raiser put together by the Texas Library Association. Proceeds from the calendar will benefit the TLA disaster relief fund, a fund established to help libraries affected by natural disasters. The fund has been in need of extra resources in recent years, due to the hurricanes that hit the Texas Gulf Coast.

Betts said after a disaster, such as hurricanes Katrina and Rita, it can often take a while for libraries to get back on their feet. He said the fund exists to provide libraries in need with a financial and morale boost. Betts said he has never considered himself to be the typical pin-up model and the calendar was done in fun. He said he has suffered no more than a little See **CALENDAR**, page 2

## Authors to offer leadership class

By KATIE GIANGRECO  
Staff Reporter

Much like a sherpa guides climbers up a mountain, an executive coach helps employees with leadership skills for the workplace. That was the idea authors Brenda Corbett and Judith Coleman had when they wrote "The Sherpa Guide: The Process-Driven Executive Coaching," said Deb Baker, director of executive development for Tandy Hall. The authors of the book developed a course that teaches consultants, executives and human resource professionals how to become better leaders, Baker said. The three-part course, which costs \$7,500, will be take place in eight days in January through March. Both authors will teach the course in Tandy Hall for Executive Leadership at the Neeley School of Business. "A sherpa coach will develop a one-on-one assessment on someone — focusing on strengths, weaknesses and habits he or she may have in order to help them attain a higher position," Baker said. The course will help students understand what skills they are lacking and how to improve upon those, Corbett said. It will also help individuals build on positives, rather than focus on negatives when trying to achieve a higher position in



the workplace, Baker said. Baker said there is a need for executive development as the baby boomers begin to retire in the next few years and take their knowledge, experience and leadership with them. "When the baby boomers retire," Baker said, "they will be replaced by a generation half its size. Companies are panicking that their senior leadership will be gone, and this has made executive development a priority." Executive development classes used to focus on fixing a problem in someone, Baker said. "Now it's used to enhance leadership skills and focus on positives rather than negatives," she said. This course is the only one offered in Texas, Corbett said. Other courses are offered at the University of Louisville, the University of Cincinnati, Pennsylvania State University and Kent State University. Baker said enrollment will be limited to 25 to 30 participants to ensure better interaction with the coaches. An executive development program needs to be small and personalized, so the graduates come out of the course with the knowledge and abilities needed to be an executive coach, Baker said.

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## Service-learning center offers students grants for community programs

By VALERIE COOPER  
Staff Reporter

Undergraduate students can now receive grants for projects supporting community service, thanks to a growing service-learning program at TCU. Mark Dunleavy, a junior physics major, received \$500 this semester to fund a physics olympics program for local high schools. The olympics, in its second year, is coordinated by TCU's Society of Physics Students and will expose high school students to experi-

ments and presentations in the sciences. "Last year we had four schools attend, and it cost us right about \$500," Dunleavy said. "This year, we're expecting eight schools." With help from a faculty steering committee, Vision In Action funding and a recently passed resolution from the Student Government Association, TCU's Center for Community Involvement and Service-Learning is aiming to expand this semester, making such assistantships possible.

Service-learning encompasses both academic learning and real-world experience by "combining service tasks with structured opportunities," according to the National Service-Learning Clearinghouse. TCU's service-learning program started in 2001 as a division of student ministries but later moved to Student Development Services and became the Center for Community Involvement and Service-Learning. In 2005, the center started receiving VIA funding to pro-

vide grants for classes with a service-learning emphasis. With the growing support, TCU hired Rosangela Boyd as director of service-learning and created the faculty steering committee at the beginning of the 2006 school year. "At this point, we're really not sure what the best structure would be for TCU," Boyd said. "I've seen several models at other universities, such as making it a requirement, offering minors or having certificates." SGA has also taken an

interest and passed a resolution that encourages more student input into the program. SGA will put out a survey within the next two months, which will include questions focusing on student perception of service-learning. "SGA is putting our hand into this on behalf of the student body," said Justin Brown, chairman of student relations. "We're trying to see how this can really benefit students." Boyd said she hopes to See **SGA**, page 2

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can look back and see that winning the Nordan Award was a key factor in her decision to stay at TCU.

"In my heart of hearts I felt that I'd made the right decision," Barbee said. "Receiving the Nordan was another answer in the right direction."

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There was a similar program in Brachman Hall in the 1980s, Moore said.

Other colleges, such as the University of Texas at Austin and Rice University, have major-specific programs, like the LLC, that group people who are majoring in the same field together in the dorms.

Moore said she would like to see a wing that emphasizes languages.

"It would be really fun to be on an international wing which specializes in Spanish," Moore said, "so then I could use that opportunity to use my Spanish."

**SGA**

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continue expanding the program with increased input from both the faculty steering committee and students.

"If you look at our mission statement, you can't accomplish it by sitting in a classroom and reading books," Boyd said. "You have to be interactive with the community, play a role in it and make changes. It's not all academic."

**CALENDAR**

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good-natured teasing from co-workers.

Each month, in the 18-month calendar, features a photo along with an information box containing quick facts about the man-of-the-month.

For the photo shoot, Betts was told to wear what he felt comfortable in, which, for him, was a Hawaiian shirt.

Betts posed with his saxophone, since he has a degree in saxophone performance.

Steve Brown, president-elect of the Texas Library Association, said the idea for the calendar came almost a year before production began.

"The library community is probably 80 to 85 percent women," Brown said. "If you're going to make a calendar to sell to the library community, it needs to have pictures of guys."

Gretchen Hoffmann, a former president of TLA, said the calendar breaks away from traditional views of librarians.

"Having male models was a great way to poke fun at stereotypes of librarians," Hoffmann said.

Betts said the calendar has been a success so far.

"They sold out the first printing, and they are doing well with the second," Betts said.

TLA Texas Men of Libraries calendars sell for \$20 each. Betts said that because most of the work was done in-house, the cost of producing the calendar was low, giving it a strong profit potential.

**Art Buchwald provides his own online obituary**

By STEVENSON SWANSON  
Chicago Tribune

Even in death, Art Buchwald had the last laugh.

The comic columnist's passing had no sooner been announced Thursday — nearly a year later than his doctors had predicted — than a video of him appeared on The New York Times Web site.

"Hi, I'm Art Buchwald and I just died," the humorist says, an impish smile playing across his face.

The video, recorded last year at Buchwald's summer home on Martha's Vineyard, is the first in a series of online obituaries to be made public by the Times. The newspaper said it has recorded more than 10 interviews with the famous and powerful, including a former president, that will remain unseen until the person's death.

In the 14-minute video, Buchwald, who was 81, reflects on how his ability to make people laugh helped him compensate for an unhappy childhood.

"If you can make people laugh, you get all the love you want," he says.

Not to be outdone, Buchwald's syndicate, Tribune Media Services, released his farewell column, which Buchwald wrote 11 months ago for publication after his death. At the time, he was in a Washington, D.C., hospice, having elected to forgo debilitating kidney dialysis treatments.

"What's interesting is that everybody has his or her own opinion as to how you should go out," he wrote, striking an uncharacteristically serious note. "All my loved ones

became very upset because they thought I should brave it out — which meant more dialysis.

"But here is the most important thing: This has been my decision. And it's a healthy one."

Buchwald did not die on schedule. His doctor had told him that without dialysis, he would probably not last more than three weeks. That was in February.

Five months later, after a steady stream of visitors from among the highest ranks of Washington's political and journalistic elite, Buchwald was still alive, still cracking jokes. He moved to the weathered, gray-shingled house on Martha's Vineyard where he and his family had summered since the mid-1960s.

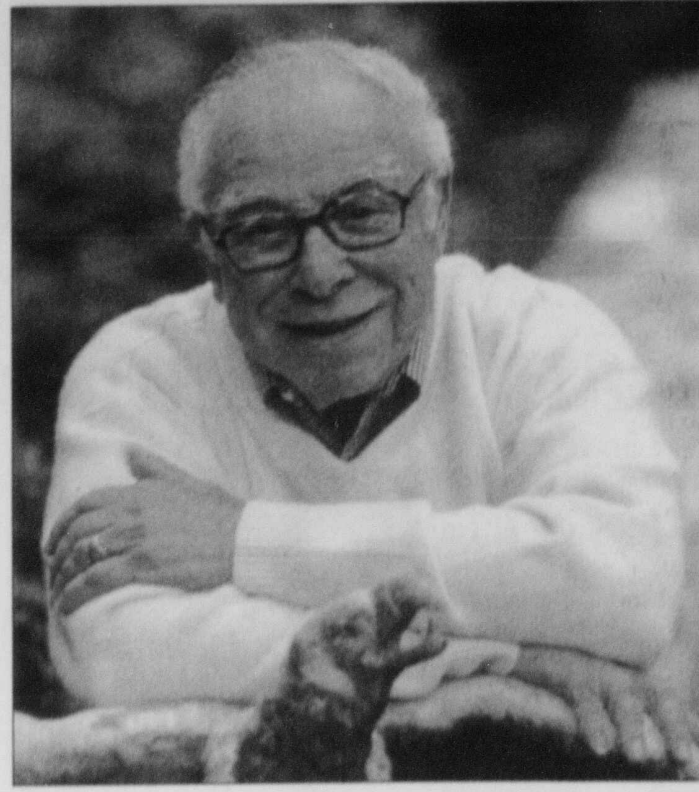
That's where he granted an interview with the Tribune. He had resumed writing his newspaper column, and he had just polished off what would prove to be the last of more than 30 books, "Too Soon To Say Goodbye."

Over the course of the next 45 minutes, he reflected on his improbable life, from his start as an unhappy foster child in New York City, to a 14-year stint as a Paris-based humor and night-life columnist, and then his four decades as a widely read political satirist in Washington.

Given that run of luck, he said, his decision not to continue dialysis treatments was straightforward.

"I've done it all, I've had a good life," he said, speaking slowly and with difficulty. "Why should I want to stick around?"

He sat on the enclosed back porch of his house, his



Columnist Art Buchwald died Jan. 17, 2007, nearly one year after deciding to check into a hospice with kidney failure and stopping his dialysis.

legs propped up on an ottoman. Because of a circulatory problem, his right leg had been amputated below the knee. His artificial leg, wearing a white sock and a black walking shoe that matched the ones on his left foot, stood near the screen door.

The loss of his leg meant that he was dependent on others. That had sealed his decision to accept death, whenever it decided to come.

Not that he couldn't see a bright side to his condition.

"Everyone wants to know what I want to eat," Buchwald said, popping sugar-free candy into his mouth.

"I get the best seats at any sporting event, and the best of all is, I get parking. I don't drive, but I get parking stickers. And when I speak now, funny enough, people listen."

Toward the end of the interview, Buchwald noted that his wife Ann was buried in a nearby cemetery, as was his friend John Hersey, author of "Hiroshima." And someday, he would join them.

But first, he wanted to be cremated.

"And I want some of my ashes to be taken up in an airplane and scattered on all the cocktail parties on Martha's Vineyard," he said, cracking a wide grin.

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THE SKIFF VIEW

## Leadership not shown in 'new' Congress

The Democratic Congress is in the throes of finishing up its "100-hour" legislation, which ended up taking almost two weeks, or 336 hours. It would seem that the Democrats, despite taking an entire day off for the BCS Championship Bowl, are finally in a position to take a stand against the Bush administration. And so, one would expect that in the midst of Bush's increase of more than 20,000 troops to Iraq, the Democrats would be on fire with opposition. Senators, such as Joe Biden, D-Del., have made statements opposing this move, calling it a "losing strategy" and "the worst foreign policy blunder since Vietnam." But it's not enough. Our country needs more than the leadership in the House and Senate standing idly by, wagging a finger at Bush as he continues to spiral America down with this war. We need leadership that can stand up and propose a viable solution to this problem. One has to ask what the Democrats are afraid of. Despite having all the chances in the

world to make a difference, the Democrat's first few weeks as the majority of the House and Senate could be described as mediocre. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., seemed sincere in her promise to advance aggressive legislation that failed to get done under the Republicans. And, in some ways, she has. In "100-hours," or two weeks, the majority Democratic House passed bills that will put some cramps in the Bush administration's style, such as capping spending that will add to the already oversized deficit. They've also voted in the House to raise minimum wage to \$7.25 an hour, cut the interest rate on college student loans and are attempting to get federal funding for embryonic stem cell research past the president. The final bill the House will attempt to pass is a crackdown on big oil companies with higher taxes and fees that would amount to \$15 billion. Already it's been proven that mediocrity is not going to stop Bush as he prepares to deploy more troops to Iraq. Where is the leadership in this country?

Features editor Amber Patcher for the editorial board.

BY RICKY ANDERSON



POINT

## Designer embryos sign progress

Many advances in modern medicine are pushing ethical and moral boundaries farther than ever before. According to an ABC article, "Embryo Bank Churns Out Designer Babies," infertile parents now have the opportunity to choose certain characteristics of their baby that are important to them. Parents can select physical and personality traits from donors.

COMMENTARY



Michelle Anderson

so. When a couple desperate to have a baby of their own is asked to select which donors they want their embryo to come from, the last thing on their mind is creating a "designer baby." Jennalee Ryan, who runs the center, said, "People that come to me aren't doing it because they want designer babies; they just want a baby." Hopeful parents spend \$14,000 to \$18,000 on this option. One woman said she is not looking for genetic perfection, she just wants a child who will look more like her to make the process even more fulfilling. The Abraham Center of Life is accused of creating "made-to-order babies."

According to Reason Magazine, creating embryos from sperm and egg donors instead of using left over embryos from a fertility clinic has its advantages. "Made-to-order" embryos are higher quality and do not have to undergo as much legal scrutiny as a leftover donated embryo. Leftover embryos have proven successful and are still a great option, but keep in mind, they are created by couples who are struggling to have a child and may not be as successful as a "made-to-order" embryo. Couples today have a tremendous opportunity to overcome infertility and have a baby of their own. They cannot design the baby to look exactly how they want, but they can choose a few traits that are best for them and their future baby. What parent wouldn't want the best for their child?

Michelle Anderson is a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Tyler. Her column appears every Friday.

Many people see the parents' ability to choose donors based on specific traits such as race, hair color and eye color as unethical. Many are concerned that science has made it possible to turn babies into a product which dehumanizes them tremendously. "Human beings are not commodities," said Robert George, a bioethicist at Princeton University. "They're not products."

The Abraham Center of Life reports that it is the first human embryo bank in North America. Couples can "adopt" unused embryos from another couple or create new embryos from donors' sperm and eggs. The embryo bank gives infertile couples who want to experience pregnancy a valuable alternative. It does not seem outrageous that parents would want to decide on some traits they hope their child will have if given the opportunity to do

In a Jan. 8 article of The Washington Post, John Robertson, of the University of Texas at Austin, said, "I know some people say: 'This is shocking. Embryos made to order.' But if you step back a little bit, you realize that people are already choosing sperm and egg donors in separate transactions. Combining them doesn't pose any new major ethical problems." Being able to choose traits in a baby by knowing what the embryos' biological parents look like is nothing like picking each trait for the child. The term "designer babies" is too extreme. Couples are allowed to see photos of donors as babies and children to help them choose the donors who are right for them. Scientists are in no way manipulating or harming the embryos to ensure specific traits in a child beyond fertilizing an egg.

COUNTERPOINT

## Embryo design crosses boundary

The Abraham Center of Life in San Antonio is fueling a debate on the ethical issues surrounding the "design" of babies for would-be parents seeking a child when unable to do so naturally, according to ABC News. The center allows parents to choose the physical traits and even personality of the donors, which means if a client wants a brown-haired, green-eyed female child, they can receive just that.



Marissa Warms

Jim Cummins, a molecular biologist at Murdoch University in Western Australia told Washington Monthly his opinion on the topic at hand. "To deliberately create individuals with multiple mitochondrial genotypes without knowing the consequences is really a step into the dark," he said.

In essence, he is telling the public these scientists don't really know what will happen if and when they begin designing babies. There is no way to be completely certain what will happen to the child, what it will look like, or how it will act after conception.

Monthly makes light of the situation in her article "Designer Babies," in which she addresses the ethical concerns many are facing with this issue.

"Today, Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn would have been diagnosed with attention-deficit disorder and medicated," she said. "Tomorrow, they might not be allowed out of the Petri dish."

When we take away God's power of creation, what are we telling him? We are saying, "God, you can't create well enough, so we are taking this job into our own hands." Who gave us the intelligence we have to break through science? Why would we want to undermine someone so powerful?

There is no indisputable evidence the genetic alteration of children will not lead to some type of irreversible consequences that could change the gene pool forever.

Over a year ago, the Oregon Regional Primate Research Center announced that it had created the first genetically engineered primate, this following the genetic engineering of a horse, a cat, a llama and many more.

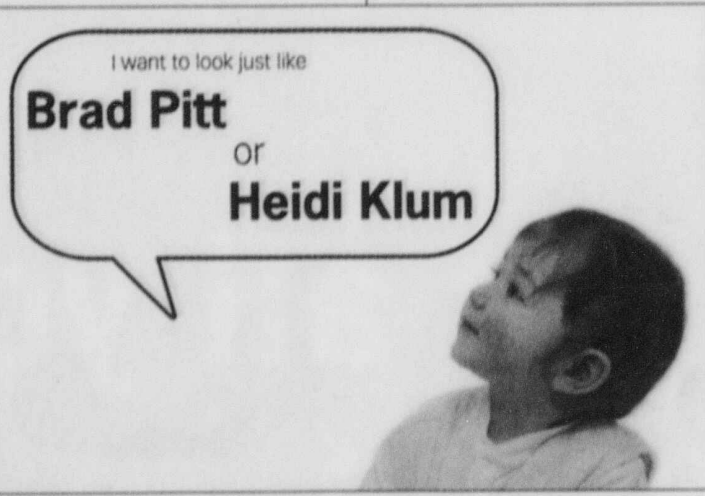
Primates have a much closer genetic relationship to humans than any of the other animals that have been genetically engineered all over the world. This means scientists are dangerously close to practically growing a human being in a Petri dish. While there are laws forbidding this, it is the possibility that is unnerving.

Shannon Brownlee, a writer for Washington

Some may say that God is still creating the embryo, he is still giving us the blueprints, but we must realize that we are taking that embryo, and we are genetically altering it to the point where it does not have the ability to become the person God designed.

Even those out there who do not have a religious background can understand why this is, in fact, a moral and ethical issue. We must soon face the reality of seeing those with a few thousand dollars to spend, creating their children in a laboratory. Are you ready?

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## Don't let relationships hinder a fulfilling, rewarding college experience

At a bar in Kansas City, I ran into an ex-boyfriend who asked me if I was single. It made me sad to answer no — and not just because he's cute.

COMMENTARY



Adrienne Lang

always been someone who has loved being single and free — and for good reason. I barely have time for a boyfriend my senior year of college; it amazes me how people have made time for relationships their freshman year, a time of transition into an entirely different environment.

College life has so many aspects that should be priorities in a student's life, such as friends, extracurricular activities — and I may or may not be referring to beer pong tournaments. And, oh, I don't know, maybe students should make that little thing I like to call "school" a priority. It's not fair to put a boyfriend or girlfriend on the backburner to experience all that college has to offer. It leads to a difficult relationship and, chances are, a sticky breakup. Translation: It leads to a more stressful life in general.

What's worse is if the boyfriend or girlfriend is the first and foremost priority. All of the experiences a student should have seem less likely to happen. I've made my closest, lifelong friends in college. These four, five or seven years should be the best in people's lives, and these past three years have been the best years of mine. I'm glad to have been able to spontaneously go to Aus-

tin and Lubbock on week-ends and come back with stories that start off with: "Yeah, we met these guys at a gas station and ended up at their house. I ended up exchanging screen names with one of them — don't ask how or why. Turns out my roommate went to high school with him."

Not only has the single life provided me with stories that are probably better suited for my friends and not so much

my future children, I know myself so well. College is a time when people should be able to figure out themselves and what they want in life. I know what I don't want in a friend; I know what I do want.

I learned to be real and embrace who I am and what is important to me, which, today, happens to be Fuzzy's Tacos.

Adrienne Lang is a senior news-editorial journalism major from Olathe, Kan.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

As a 14-year reader of the Skiff, I must tell you how impressed I was by Ylona Cupryjak's opinion piece in yesterday's paper about Oprah's academy

for girls. What a mature, thoughtful and well-written editorial. It makes a strong (and potentially unpopular) point, while eloquently presenting both

sides of the issue. Whether the reader agrees with Ms. Cupryjak or not, the editorial is certain to provoke reaction and discussion regarding the nature

of philanthropy. And isn't that the true purpose of an editorial, to enhance and encourage dialogue on important, relevant issues? Ms. Cupryjak's piece is cer-

tainly worthy of syndication, and I hope it receives that consideration. Wider publication of such an excellent piece of journalism would certainly be an

impressive way to demonstrate the level of quality we are capable of achieving here at TCU. Professor Richard Allen, Chair, Radio-TV-Film

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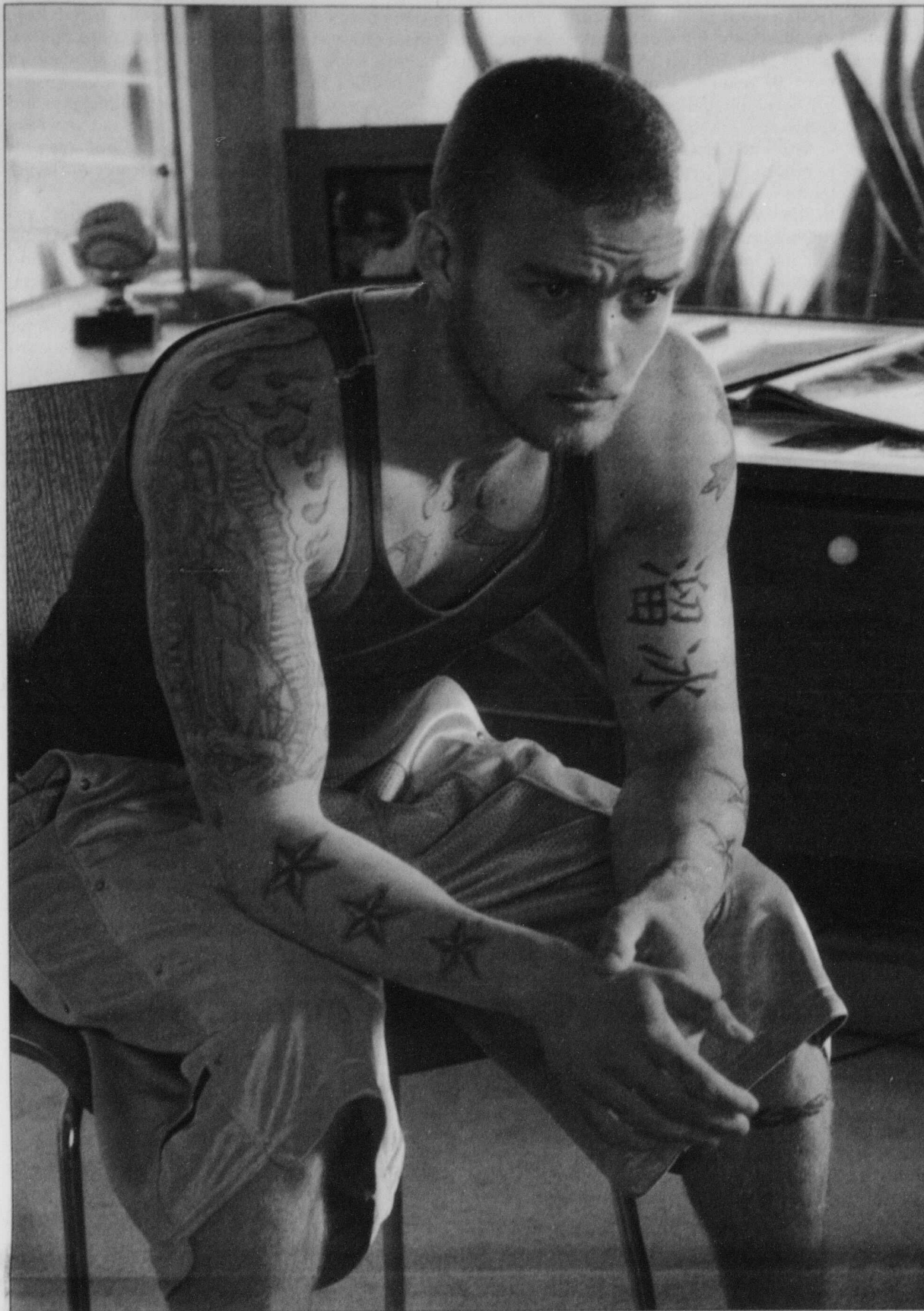
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Justin Timberlake stars as conflicted kidnapper Frankie Ballenbacher in the new film "Alpha Dog" from Universal Pictures. MCT

## What's up, dog?

Young guns dominate silver screen with realism

By MICHAEL DODD  
Copy Desk Chief

Take one part "Boyz n the Hood" and two parts "Kids," and you get "Alpha Dog," a slightly atypical look at an increasingly overdone plot: disillusioned youth.

Posing as a partial documentary, "Dog" follows the story of real-life drug dealer Jesse James Hollywood, played by Emile Hirsch ("The Girl Next Door" and "Lords of Dogtown"), as the fictionalized Johnny Truelove.

When a deal goes bad, Truelove resorts to kidnapping the younger brother of his sociopathic, drug-addled partner, Jake, played by Ben Foster ("X-Men: The Last Stand" and "Hostage"). Jake's younger brother Zack, played by Anton Yelchin ("Fierce People" and TV's "Huff"), is given every opportunity to escape, but declines after finding his captor's partying ways more than fulfilling for his 15-year-old self.

But, Truelove figures out you can't just kidnap someone and have not one person care; a realization that leads to the film's intense ending.

Directed by Nick Cassavetes ("The Notebook" and "John Q"), "Dog" portrays a vivid look into what happens over a three-day period in August 2000, but the plot becomes a backdrop as Cassavetes, like so many filmmakers before him, followed the activities of the youths.

What could have been a truly realistic look into the actual crime instead becomes a commentary on the decline of youth and innocence. The story always remains, but Cassavetes seems reticent

to return to it until he has fully explored the impropriety of the youths depicted throughout the film.

While Cassavetes makes a half-assed attempt to actually follow the story line, the exploration of the disillusionment of youth is expertly crafted, especially under the superb acting of the film's cast.

Hirsch, Olivia Wilde (TV's "The OC" and "Turistas"), Shawn Hatosy ("Outside Providence" and "A Guy Thing") and Foster are examples of actors who, when casted to their strengths, can portray their characters to the fullest while turning in performances that could make the surest of parents fear their child's leisure time.

But, it is Justin Timberlake as Frankie, one of Truelove's top cohorts, who turns in the best performance of the film. Showing all degrees of emotion in a believable manner, Timberlake, in his first starring role, captures the audience's empathy as a kid caught in a tumultuous battle he can neither win nor escape. He and the audience know what the outcome will be and yet Timberlake still holds the viewer's attention, managing to give them hope in a hopeless situation.

While Jesse James Hollywood's story is told vividly and without remorse, the forefront of "Dogs" is just how deteriorated the American teenager has become. It may have been a fictionalized look into occurrences of those fateful days, but its message is all too real and Cassavetes makes sure that no viewer leaves the theater without it.

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## Indie flick 'Flannel' weaves love, emotion into intricate plotline

By KIMBERLY BURTON  
Staff Writer

The romance drama "Flannel Pajamas," a nominee for the Grand Jury Prize at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival, is an indie film depicting a realistic view of relationships in today's society.

This film explores the harsher and more realistic side of relationships, and how love is sometimes not enough.

The premise: two 30-something New Yorkers, Stuart and Nicole, fall madly in love while on a blind date and eventually marry. Unfortunately, their marriage isn't the bliss they expected, and they encounter obstacles ranging from differ-

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ences in career choices and religion to eccentric family members.

Writer/director Jeff Lipsky made the right decision in choosing lesser-known, but somewhat familiar talent for this film. Nicole is portrayed by Julianne Nicholson ("Little Black Book," and TV's "Law and Order: Criminal Intent"), while Justin Kirk ("Angels in America" and Showtime's "Weeds") plays Stuart. Nicole's mother Elizabeth is played by Rebecca Schull, known for her role as the ticket agent 'Fay' in the 90s ABC sitcom "Wings".

"Flannel Pajamas" not only explores the intricate complexities of familial relationships, but also exposes the raw emotions and nerves of two people who love each other, and the families and friends who surround them. It not only depicts the high points of new love, but the low points after the newness wears off.

This movie is full of dialogue — some of it seemingly unnecessary. It doesn't detract from the story, however.

Be forewarned: this movie does deserve its "R," rating. There is some brief nudity and strong language. For optimists, realists and pessimists alike, this movie has a little something for everyone.

★★★★★



GIGANTIC PICTURES

## Dallas duo brings grace, skill to Bass Hall

By KIMBERLY BURTON  
Staff Writer

Music-lovers braved the winter weather and ventured downtown to Fort Worth's Bass Performance Hall on Jan. 13 for an evening of music by the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra.

The performance was directed by Miguel Harth-Bedoya and featured piano virtuosos Alessio Bax and Lucille Chung.

The first piece performed was "Blue Cathedral," composed by American Jennifer Higdon as a memorial to her younger brother who died of cancer. Higdon's use of Chinese health reflex balls and tuned water goblets seemed to only add a little bit of that cathedral-like quality she was attempting, and the piece seemed to lack something at the end.

"Symphony No. 4," composed by Robert Schumann, was the second piece of the evening. Its orchestration was good, though not great, and failed to hold the full interest of the audience.

Highlighting the evening was the third piece, "Concerto for Two Pianos," by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. This piece was performed by Bax and Chung, a married piano duo living in Dallas.

Chung is a Canadian native and, after her debut at the age of 10, has performed all

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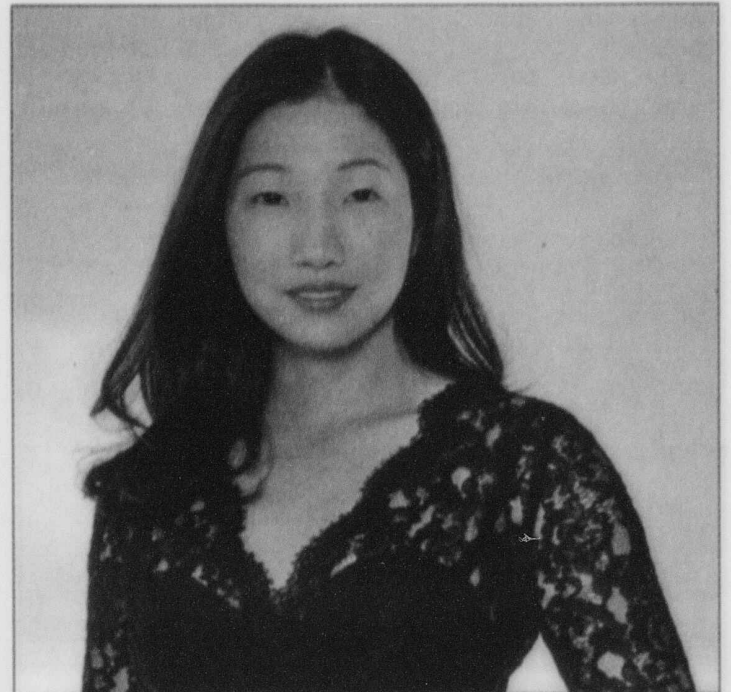
Although Bax and Chung were only in town Jan. 13, the Fort Worth Symphony is always putting on a show. For more information, go to [fwsymphony.org](http://fwsymphony.org).

over the world. She graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music, the Juilliard School, as well as many other schools, the most recent being Southern Methodist University.

Bax won first place in the 2000 Leeds International Piano Competition, and has appeared with numerous symphonies all over the world. He graduated with top honors from the conservatory in his hometown of Bari, Italy, at the age of 14. He teaches at the Meadows School of the Arts in Dallas.

This concerto was beautifully done, with Bax and Chung's performance outshining the rest of the orchestra (who played backup to the duo). Though "Concerto for Two Pianos," is a lesser-known work from Mozart, Bax and Chung did not play it with anything less than perfection.

Bax played with an understated, simplistic passion. He appeared almost methodical but that did not detract from the urgency with which he played.



Lucille Chung highlighted the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra on Jan. 13 with her husband Alessio Bax.

His counterpart and wife Chung played with a more artistic flair. She played with an elegant, fluidic vigor — her hands flying up gracefully from the piano's keyboard throughout the concerto.

Bax and Chung portrayed two players from two different worlds, united in both marriage and in music. Whether these two virtuosos were playing in unison or in a responsive manner during the concerto, it was clear they were playing as one.

For anyone who loves listening to music or watching people who love what they do perform, a concert with the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra at Bass Hall is the place to be. You can hear and see the performances well from just about anywhere, and tickets are quite reasonably priced. The Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra is a cultural gem, and everyone should take the opportunity to see a performance.

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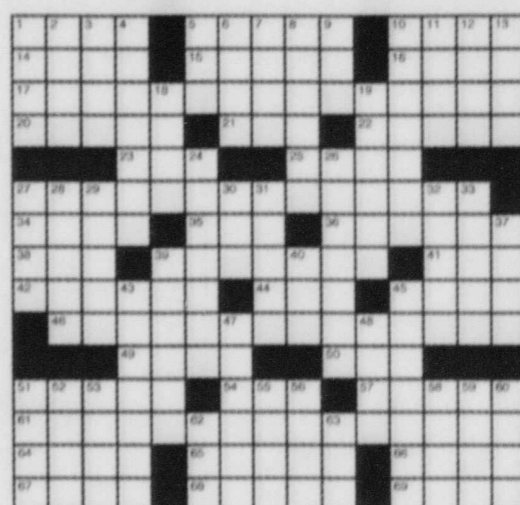
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By James E. Bueli Edgewater, FL 1/19/07

**Thursday's Puzzle Solved**

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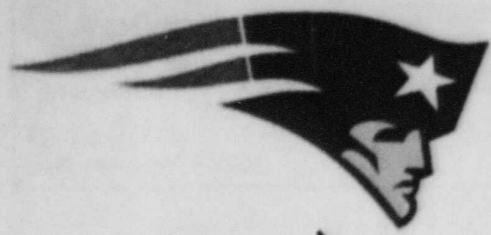
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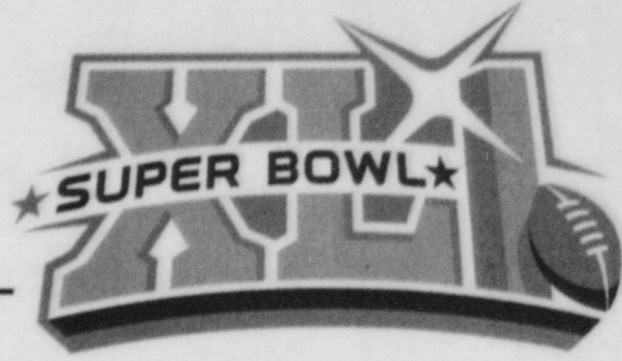
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# PLAYOFFS: THE FINAL FOUR

By Marcus Murphee  
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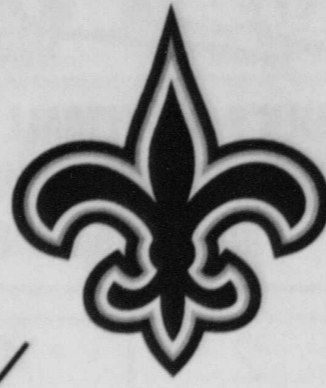
The AFC title game will be the final test to see if the Colts can shake their postseason curse of the Patriots. Two out of the past three seasons, Peyton Manning's Colts have been embarrassed by the Patriots when January football rolls around. The Colts are favored by three points over the Patriots, according to [sportsbetting.com](http://sportsbetting.com). However, the Patriots have won three out of the last five Super Bowls.



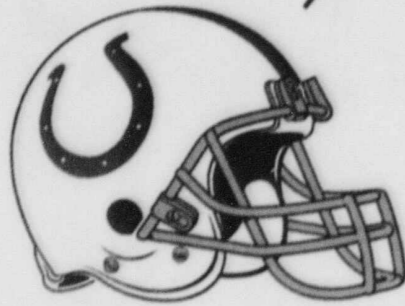
Super Bowl XLI is on the horizon, and Sunday's Conference Championships will be the end of the road for two teams, while the best of the NFC and the best of the AFC will live to play another day.

Nobody from last season's Super Bowl remains in postseason play, so a new champion will be crowned on the turf of Dolphins' Stadium.

This season's halftime show will be headlined by a musical performance from Prince.



A year after a dismal 3-13 record, the dark horse New Orleans Saints are now in the hunt for a Super Bowl title. Even if the Saints upset the touted Chicago Bears defense, there is still the Super Bowl stigma of NFC teams. The past 10 seasons, the NFC is 3-7 in Super Bowl contests.



## No time like present to celebrate sports

By BILLY WESSELS  
 Photo Editor

Now is the time for all sports fans to rejoice. There is just so much going on in the world of sports right now that even the most die-hard sports fans in the world struggle to keep up with everything. The biggest sport at the moment has got to be football, since we are two days away from finding out who will be playing in the biggest sporting spectacle in the United States, the Super Bowl.

Even if you are a Cowboys fan, things are interesting right now. Who knows if Terrell Owens or Bill Parcells will be back next season? Even though it is a tough time for the fans of the 28 teams not playing anymore, for the fans of the four teams remaining, things are spectacular.

I know just how it feels to see your team not succeed. I have been a New Orleans

Saints fan my entire life, and this is the first time I can say that with pride.

Before this season, I grew accustomed to having to watch other teams in the playoffs while finding myself just "wanting to see a good game" and not really caring who won or lost.

College football still has some interesting things taking place, too. I know the season has just ended, but what an ending.

The Florida Gators' upset of the Ohio State Buckeyes was probably the biggest national title shock since Ohio State beat the Miami Hurricanes in the 2003 Fiesta Bowl.

Speaking of the Fiesta Bowl, how about them Boise State Broncos? That was the most ridiculous couple of minutes of football I have ever seen.

That game gave hope to all teams playing in small conferences, for example TCU.

If the Frogs could go undefeated next season, TCU could be on its way to a BCS bowl game. I even think, if the Frogs have just one loss to the Texas Longhorns, there still could be a chance of snagging a BCS bid.

## Top competition awaits men's tennis at tourney

By TIM BELLA  
 Staff Reporter

"Progress" is the message the men's tennis head coach is preaching to his team heading into the Met Collegiate Indoor Invitational this weekend in Houston.

Head coach Dave Borelli said he wants the team, which has a preseason national ranking of No. 36, according to the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, to put more of an emphasis on progress instead of just winning.

"Sometimes, winning doesn't come all the time, but those experiences will help you later down the line," Borelli said.

Even though the tournament includes two of the top three teams in the nation — the No. 2 Baylor Bears and the No. 3 Ohio State Buckeyes, freshman Mike Donovan said the team is eager to get the spring season under way. Graduate student transfer Chris Biro said the team's chemistry has been very upbeat heading into Houston.

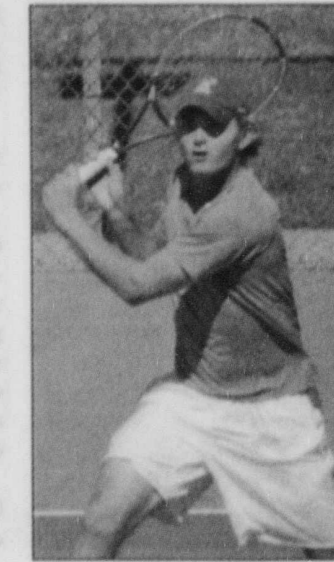
Donovan said he agreed with Biro that the team has come together.

"I couldn't have asked for a better group of guys," Donovan said.

No matter what the result

may be for this weekend, this season will have a different feel for Borelli as it will be the first time in his TCU career that he will be exclusively coaching the men's team. Borelli said that while it may be a different game compared to the women, the men's game has the same type of hardworking, respectful players the women's team has had.

"You appreciate the value of working for something when they work hard," he said.



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