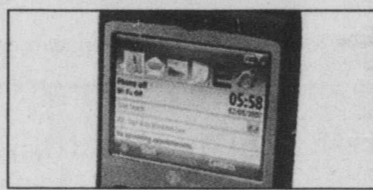
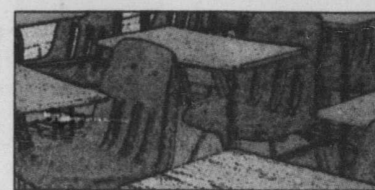


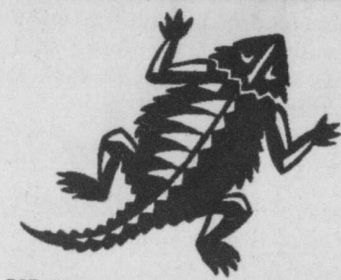
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## New York attorney general issues subpoena to study abroad provider

By JORDAN HAYGOOD  
Staff Reporter

One of TCU's study abroad providers is under investigation by New York's attorney general for giving universities financial incentives.

The Institute for the International Education of Students received a subpoena Thursday requesting information about its financial practices with 39 university

partners and, according to an IES statement, it will cooperate with the Attorney General Andrew Cuomo's office.

According to the statement, "IES will continue to place the interest of students first and our commitment to academic quality remains our highest priority."

For 10 years, TCU has used IES as its study abroad provider, and Jane Kucko, director

of the study abroad program, said IES only assists with the logistics and does not have any operation to give our program incentives.

"We do not receive kickbacks in any shape or form," Kucko said. "IES only enhances the academic experience by supporting housing, transportation and facilities."

Kucko said TCU hosts study abroad programs in

20 different countries with IES each semester and there has been "no under-the-table work going on." IES will continue working with these programs, Kucko said.

Cassie Bloss, a junior communication studies major, said she plans to study abroad despite the allegations brought against IES.

"I have heard nothing but good things from my friends

that have studied abroad," Bloss said. "Even though these problems have arrived with other colleges, I feel that this is an opportunity I cannot pass up."

Kucko said the investigation is defining good practices and will not hinder the study abroad program.

"I would hate to think their incentives are working against the students," Kucko

said. "However, that is exactly why I think it is good these See IES, page 4

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## ROCK THE LAWN



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Students wait in line as for hamburgers during Frogpalooza Tuesday on the Sadler Lawn. Event organizers said about 600 people attended the event, 100 more than last year's Frogpalooza.

## Lawyer: Professor jailed because of miscommunication

By LIZ DAVIS  
Staff Reporter

A tenured professor who was jailed over the summer for making threats was not threatening anyone on campus but was trying to warn administrators about another faculty member, his lawyer said Tuesday.

Psychology professor Charles Frederick Bond Jr. was charged with

a misdemeanor for sending threatening e-mails when he was arrested, said Mark Thielman, the district attorney prosecuting Bond. The district attorney's office added a felony charge later because of the number of people he threatened, Thielman said. Bond has not been indicted by the grand jury for the felony charge, Thielman said.

"At no time was Dr. Bond threatening any student at TCU," said Tim Clancy, one of Bond's attorneys. "He was trying to make TCU aware of (another professor). He had information on (the professor) that he

wanted the TCU community to know."

Clancy did not comment on what that information was. The other professor, also in the psychology department, said he could not comment on Bond's case.

When Bond, 54, was arrested, the court deemed him incompetent to stand trial, according to court documents. He was held without bail until he could regain competency, Thielman said.

"You are entitled to understand and respond to the charges against you," Thielman said. "If someone — a lawyer or judge — has reason to think there is a legitimate question about competence right now, the procedural mechanism is to have the defendant examined."

When police said Bond was sending threats to faculty, he was suffering from Bipolar I Disorder, which includes suffering from manic episodes with psychotic features and mixed personality disorder, according to court documents. ...

Dr. Kelly R. Goodness examined Bond and said he presented a low risk for future dangerous actions, according to court documents. The threats were brought on by an untreated



BOND

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## Students shrug off online evaluations

By JORDAN HAYGOOD  
Staff Reporter

After last semester's online course evaluation pilot test, the faculty evaluation committee reported the study was unsuccessful because of a low student response rate found.

Catherine Wehlburg, executive director of the Office for Assessment and Quality Enhancement, said, "A reason we had unsuccessful rates was because over 1,000 evaluations were caught in the TCU

spam filters so by the time the e-mails were sent back out, the timing was off due to finals week."

The online evaluations registered a response rate of 41.34 percent compared to the 75 percent response rate of the paper and pencil Student Perception of Teaching evaluations, otherwise known as SPOT evaluations, Wehlburg said.

The pilot study consisted of 200 course selections instructed

**BY THE NUMBERS**

<b>41%</b> of students filled out online evaluations	<b>75%</b> of students filled out paper/pencil evaluations
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by tenured professors. In addition to asking the same questions as the hand-administered evaluation, faculty members added course specific questions to each evaluation.

Wehlburg said she was disappointed in the response rate because the whole idea of evaluations was to modify and enhance courses.

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## Faculty member helps lead church

By AMANDA SHIMKO  
Staff Reporter

The president of the Brite Divinity School said he hopes through his background in the history of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) he can help the church evolve with the changing times instead of dwelling in the past.

President Newell Williams was elected as moderator of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) this summer at the church's biennial general assembly in Fort Worth.

Williams said in his position he will preside over the general and administrative boards, making sure all business matters are addressed, and will travel the country for various speaking engagements.

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has made news recently for officially forming and releasing a resolution

opposing the war in Iraq at its assembly this summer.

Members within the church have come out in disagreement with the resolution, causing some to ask why it was passed, according to the Disciples News Service, the church's publication.

Williams said he feels controversial issues need not be resolved in a large group setting where people don't always get a chance to grasp the issues through in-depth discussions.

Williams said he hopes his influence as moderator can bring small group discussions, where the people involved have a better grasp on the issue and can make more significant and informed decisions, to the next assembly.

Rodney Thomas Jr., a third-year student at Brite, said Williams is good at including

everyone and fostering better learning environments.

Another goal, Williams said, is to better inform the church as a whole and to encourage more conversation with not just those who attend the assemblies, but members everywhere.

Angela Kaufman, minister to the university, said this kind of recognition by the church is just one more example of Williams' "lifelong commitment to his faith, to the church and to the people of God."

Molly Taylor, third-year student at Brite and a member of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), said Williams' new role will not only help Brite students discover their own roles in the church, but "also help the denomination discover and honor who they are as a church."

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## Alumnus garners prestigious artist award; continues classical music career path

By CALLIE COX  
Staff Reporter

From Fort Worth to New York City and all places in between, TCU graduate Adam Golka is making a name for himself.

After being awarded the Gilmore Young Artist Award, Golka is now traveling the country, playing in major concert halls, said Dana Ramos, Golka's agent.

The Gilmore Award is given to two students under the age of 22 every two years. Each recipient receives \$15,000 to further his or her musical career.

The candidates for the award are judged discreetly instead of in competition form for musicianship and performing abilities over a long period of time.

"I remember getting the call on June 1," Golka said. "The director asked me if I was hav-

ing a good day. He then asked me if my day would be better if he told me that I had just been awarded the Gilmore Award. My day became very good."

Golka is a first generation American. His parents fled Communist-controlled Poland in the 1980s, he said. The youngest of three children, Golka began playing the piano and the violin at age 4. He said he enjoyed playing the violin more but ultimately could not deny his talent for playing the piano.

He had his first solo concert at age 9 at the Polish Embassy in Washington, D.C. Since then, he has had over 150 performances all over the world.

A few years after his first concert, he met TCU piano professor and renowned pianist Jose Feghali at a piano

festival in Texas. Golka said he knew from that first visit that he wanted to be taught by Feghali. Once a week his mother would drive him from Houston to Fort Worth for lessons.

"Feghali is not only my mentor, but my dear friend," Golka said. "He is an amazing musician and teacher."

Feghali said it didn't take him long to realize that Golka was very bright, special and talented.

"It takes a mixture of qualities to make a musician," he said. "He has a lot of talent, but he is the hardest working person I know. Some just rely on talent, but he matches it with his work."

At 15, Golka moved to Fort Worth and began the Artist Diploma Program at TCU. See PIANIST, page 4

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**BOND**

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illness, according to the documents.

Clancy said Bond is cooperating fully with the district attorney's office and TCU. He has been receiving treatment for his illness and until now he has had an exemplary record as a professor, Clancy said.

He said Bond has been continuing his research at home and hopes to resume teaching sometime in the future.

"He's dealing to the best of his ability," Clancy said. "He is being patient and waiting for the legal system to

"He's dealing to the best of his ability. He is being patient and waiting for the legal system to take its course."

**Tim Clancy**  
Charle Bond's attorney

The court placed a restraining order on Bond to keep him off campus, Chancellor Victor Boschini said. Bond has been put on administrative leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act, he said. The act requires that a professor receive up to 12

weeks of unpaid job-protected leave, according to the TCU Human Resources Web site.

"Since day one we believe that Dr. Bond never committed a terroristic threat and he had no intention of harming anyone in the TCU community," Clancy said.

Tracy Syler-Jones, assistant vice chancellor for marketing and communication, said she could not comment on whether Bond could return to TCU if acquitted, saying the university does not comment on hypothetical situations. She said it is also against TCU policy to comment on personnel issues.

Bond was scheduled

to teach two classes this semester. The undergraduate course was cancelled and Professor David Cross is teaching the graduate-level course.

**EVALUATIONS**

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"Even though the response rates were low, that was the whole reason for the test, learning from the outcomes," said Susan Staples, chair of the faculty evaluation committee.

Many faculty members noticed student evaluations were more honest because students felt they had more privacy filling them out

online, Wehlburg said.

Kendal Harlan, a sophomore advertising/public relations major, disagreed.

"I got the evaluation right in the middle of finals, but it was much more convenient for me to fill them out in class as opposed to on my own free time," Harlan said.

Amber Alston, a junior early childhood education major, said her evaluation sat in her inbox for about a week.

"It was not a long evaluation — it took me two seconds to fill out — but the problem was I had no incentive to do it on my own when I can just fill it out in class," Alston said.

Wehlburg said it would be at least a year before online course

evaluations are tested again.

"There was not enough positive feedback from the online evaluations," Wehlburg said. "As for now, we will stick to paper and pencil."

**BRITE**

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While Williams said he was flattered by this accolade and looks forward to his position, he feels that this is as high as he wants to go.

"At my age, I think that I now know that I am essentially a teacher," Williams said, referring to his life at TCU. "This is the world where I belong."

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"Take everything you like seriously, except yourself."  
— Rudyard Kipling

### THE SKIFF VIEW

## Evaluation submissions beneficial to faculty

Last semester's online course evaluation trial proved unsuccessful because of low student participation.

Before the online course evaluations get a second trial, students must first understand the implications of course evaluations.

Forty-one percent of the student body responded to the online evaluations compared to 75 percent who filled out the paper-and-pencil Student Perception of Teaching evaluations during class, said Catherine Wehlburg, executive director of the Office for Assessment and Quality Enhancement.

Thus, the course evaluations have returned to the classrooms and Wehlburg said the online evaluations will not be tested again for at least a year.

This hiatus is reasonable considering course evaluations don't hold a high place in most students' priority lists.

Ultimately, course evaluations exist to serve the student body. With adequate feedback, professors would be better equipped to improve courses and programs.

Eventually, increased interest in the evaluations has the potential to raise the value

of a TCU degree. Online course evaluations not only allow students to respond on their own time, they allow for course-specific questions, making it possible for students to offer more constructive and accurate feedback.

Some students say they prefer the hand-administered version of course evaluations because they would rather spend class time answering them as opposed to their free time.

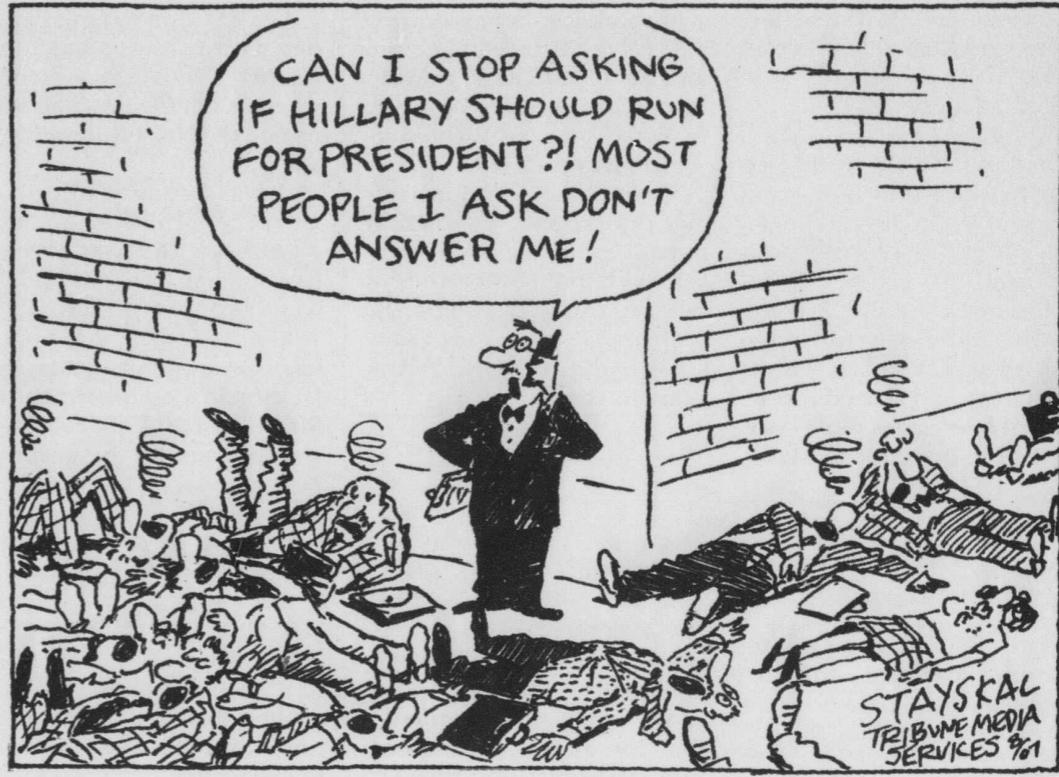
The potential improvements the online course evaluations offer the university outweigh any excuse for these students' failure to spend the two minutes to fill out an online evaluation.

Students should take time to think beyond their immediate convenience and consider the long-term benefits of their two-minute investment in course evaluations.

While it is too late to salvage the online evaluation option now, it is important to realize the significance of these simple opportunities to give a voice of the student body to the administrators.

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BY WAYNE STAYSKAL

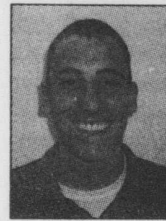


### POINT

## Early registration not harmful

As TCU students make their way to classes this fall semester, rumbblings and grumblings can already be heard about class schedules. It seems that no one can be entirely happy with the courses they have ended up with. Maybe they begin too early, maybe they run too late, or perhaps one of

#### COMMENTARY



David Hall

those all-too-rare "blow off" courses was already full when you signed up.

Sure, it's sad that there was more demand than "Sexy Naked People 101" or "Survey of Xbox" was able to handle, but bitter parties are all too quick to point fingers. Most of the time, the blame is directed at athletes and honor students.

While some would argue that these students are no different than any regular Horned Frog and aren't deserving of having first pick of classes, the truth is that not all students are created equal when it comes to class registration.

First of all, athletes are granted first pick of classes because of their busy schedules. With rigorous practice routines to adhere to, athletes need a little more flexibility when it comes to choosing classes. Travel is also a major barrier in the way of athletes falling in with general registration. If a member of the women's soccer team knows that she'll be consistently out of town on Fridays for games, she should have the chance to make her schedule accordingly. While some non-athletes liken having to lurch out of bed after a long Thursday night at Billy Bob's to some crazy Yugoslavian form of torture, they're still physically capable of being in class.

Also, don't forget the recruiting edge that the school would lose if it gave away early registration for athletes. Early sign-up is pretty much par for the course at most major American universities. With no star recruits in any sport, athletic performance would go into freefall. Money-making sponsorships would dry up. Total enrollment would fall. Chancellor Boschini would be forced to sell the land that TCU stands on to Campbell's Soup just to make ends meet. Now, instead of enjoying a well-rounded liberal arts education, TCU's best and brightest are pasteurizing tomato soup for \$7.00 an hour.

Farfetched? Absolutely. Impossible? You be the judge.

Intense hyperbole aside, early registration for athletes makes sense. With grueling practice schedules and dozens of flights throughout the country, not to mention the intense competition, a little preferential treatment when it comes to schedule making seems like pittance for athletes' sacrifice.

While some may always cry foul about athletes' and honor students' early registration, it's not a privilege that has been granted without careful thought or consideration to all parties involved. It's done for the general welfare of the university.

Furthermore, would you be willing to step up to the challenge of being a TCU athlete in order to sign up for classes first? Personally, if it's a choice between later registration or being a tackling dummy for a 350-pound defensive lineman named Peaches, I'll wait a couple of weeks.

*David Hall is a sophomore news-editorial journalism major from Kingwood.*

### COUNTERPOINT

## Students with extracurricular activity should get same day sign-ups for class selections

At TCU, students participating in the honors program and those that play intercollegiate sports are permitted early class registration.

This may not be surprising because many individuals at this university are granted class registration before others for a variety of reasons, one of the most obvious and frustrating — mainly for incoming freshmen — being credit hours. Despite this, the place in line reserved by the university for athletes and honors students is at the very front.

The argument could be made that this group deserves the most consideration for class scheduling because of their strenuous and demanding requirements, but it seems as though the university has overlooked the fact that the students in both of these programs have chosen to be participants.

It could easily be said that the majority of students that attend TCU are involved in organizations outside of school including clubs, intramurals and Greek organizations to name a few. Combine these activities with work and studying, and many members of the student body have a finite amount of time to relax.

Another flaw of the current practice is that it places the importance on those with the most credit hours, who are also likely have the most rigid class time availability for those upper division courses.

I do not attempt to make the assertion that honors and athletics do not deserve some

amount of esteem and consideration for early class registration, only that the administration thoughtfully consider the system which it upholds. Are the well-intentioned actions of those in authority actually serving the whole of this university as best they could, or might some manipulation of the current conventions be in order?

*Jacob Bloch is a sophomore radio-TV-film major from Southlake.*



Jacob Bloch



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# Media outlets make money off politicians

What's the worst thing about the media?

Everybody has a favorite peeve: Bias in reporting, hyper-commercialization, encouraging people to buy things they don't need and can't afford, undermining core values, nurturing cynicism.

There are others, and Web sites are refilled daily with fresh angles on the case you can make against the media — here, I mean specifically the U.S. media. A case can also be made for the media, but that's not my interest today.

I'm interested in introducing my nominee for the very worst thing about the U.S. media, the single greatest harm the media do to American society. That, in my opinion, is to hang a for-rent sign on our political system.

The latest in that story came in a recent article that reported on the growing bat-

tle between TV broadcasters and cable owners over the record amounts candidates, parties and interest groups are poised to spend on campaign advertising in the current electoral cycle, which began moments after the last one ended.

The article estimates 2008 spending by candidates and interest groups on TV alone will top \$2 billion, out of total expenditures on advertising and marketing of all kinds of \$4.5 billion. That's up 64 percent from 2004, in part because this will be the first race for the White House since 1928 without a sitting president or vice president — a presumed front-runner — among the candidates.

Those estimates, staggering as they are, may be on the low side — if a major independent enters the presidential race, if control of either congressional chamber hangs in the balance, if

local candidates take advantage of cheap production costs and divert money from producing ads to buying more airtime, if interest groups heavy up on advertising right before the vote, which is now legal thanks to a recent Supreme Court ruling.

Now that windfall is great news for the companies that own local TV stations or cable operations, which will be the main beneficiaries, and to a lesser extent for newspaper publishers and local radio.

It's the rest of us who pay. We pay by living under an electoral system that at every level is shaped by an unrelenting obligation among elected public servants to raise fabulous amounts of

money. As a result, months or even years before they come before us for final selection, candidates must be pre-approved by tiny numbers of very rich donors in Hollywood, on Wall Street, in Silicon Valley, in the oil patch.

It is from those early signs of fundraising prowess that the viability of a candidacy is assessed, and it is only by continuing to bring in money that anyone can hope to succeed.

That's all well known. But somehow this problem, of an insatiable need for campaign dollars, has been turned into an indictment of politicians: It is their fault, it's their greed and hunger for money, that has turned electoral democracy into a livestock auction in which public policy is led around by the nose.

But, in fact, politicians aren't the problem at all, for once. To get re-elected the average senator must raise \$20,000 every week in office, members of Congress a half-million a year. (That was for the last election cycle. We're looking at a nearly two-thirds increase this time.) They don't keep the money, and they don't spend it on luxuries. They don't get rich — not until they leave office. For now, all they get is to keep their jobs.

Where does the money go? Most of it goes to media, to making and airing those sharp, memorable, exquisitely produced and invariably deceitful TV spots that are the hard currency of modern, pay-as-you-go electoral jihad. In that respect we pay again, through a debased campaign discourse that is compressed, refined and distorted to comply with a corporate-owned media commons that ladles

out opportunities to address the public in fractions of a second.

Tweaking the rules of raising money is a perennial cause among reformers, but doing something about why anybody needs all that money rarely comes up. Every once in a while some no-hope politician raises the possibility that media might actually be compelled — in exchange for all the public largesse they feast on, whether airwaves or terrestrial rights-of-way — to do what media do in other republican systems, and provide real, serious, free air time for office-seekers to talk to each other and to us.

And surprise — when those proposals are floated, the media ignore them.

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## TEXTING

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would make him feel good knowing coaches were thinking about him. Of course, text messaging during the recruiting process is good if it is in moderation, he said.

"I think it can be a good thing, but I mean, if it's getting to where they're sending one every day, all the time, it can get out of control," Dalton said.

Junior Devon Kirk of the volleyball team would often receive instant messages from recruiters, and started receiving text messages after committing to be a Horned Frog.

She said recruiting through text messaging and instant messaging gives female student-athletes a comfort zone to think their decision through.

"I think it's more comfortable for the athlete to get IMs and texts," said Kirk, outside hitter and middle blocker. "Coaches can be intimidating sometimes."

While the discussion concerning the text messaging debate continues, coaches will need to find other methods, electronic or traditional, to bring the best student-athletes to Fort Worth in the years to come.

Staff reporter Brett Larson contributed to this story.

## Dalton looks to lead, earn respect

By BRETT LARSON and TIM BELLA  
Staff Reporter and Sports Editor

Andy Dalton was hanging out with friends, watching the No. 1 movie in America when he got the news he was named the No. 1 quarterback at TCU.

"I was actually told in a movie ... but I came up here on Sunday and that's when they told me," Dalton said. "I went and saw 'Superbad.'"

The redshirt freshman beat out sophomore Marcus Jackson in a contested battle for the starting quarterback slot, opened by the gradua-

tion of Jeff Ballard.

While the Katy native begins to prepare for the season opener against Baylor in less than two weeks knowing that the starting position is his, he said he knows his place on the team will have to be earned through what got him here: hard work.

"I've already started to earn the respect of my teammates," Dalton said. "I've just got to keep working hard and let them know that nothing is going to change. I'm still going to work hard and just prepare my best for Baylor. The coach-

es just saw something in me, and hopefully, my teammates can see that too."

Although Dalton has secured the starting job, head coach Gary Patterson said the team expected Jackson to play between the third and sixth offensive series against Baylor — a typical practice of Patterson-led teams during the first game of the season.

"We treat both those guys as ones — we just made a decision," Patterson said. "It was for various reasons and we're just going to go on ... We haven't had a 10-win sea-

son yet where the second guy didn't play."

In addition to Dalton officially leading the first-team offense, Tuesday's practice also saw the return of senior defensive end Tommy Blake.

Blake, a preseason All-American for multiple media outlets, missed several consecutive practices and was excused from the team for what was called "personal reasons." While those reasons still remain unclear and unanswered, Patterson said Blake looked good in his first day back on the field.

## PIANIST

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This program is geared for the most advanced and gifted young performers who show serious potential for becoming concert artists.

Golka said he loved his time at TCU and he loved the environment of the school and the diversity of the campus. He said he was treated as an equal even though he was younger than everyone else. Golka graduated from TCU at age 18.

All of his work culminated in July when he received the Gilmore Young Artist Award.

Feghali described this award as "the most prestigious of the young artist awards."

Golka said he views the award as a huge honor. He said it is still hard to believe he was actually chosen.

Ramos, from Verve Productions in New York, said, "To know Adam is to love him. He is very down to earth and real," she said. "Everyone who meets him likes him."

Golka said he loves music and he loves playing for people. He said he wants to popularize classical music and wants people to appreciate it and that classical music is "for deep expression and thought, not purely for entertainment."

Golka said his life revolves around music, and he hopes it stays that way for a long time.

## IES

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In recent months, Cuomo has also been investigating into university financial aid lenders, alleging widespread improprieties within the student loan industry. TCU has been part of Cuomo's lending investigation as well.

## SOCCER

From page 6

The Horned Frogs first preseason game is tonight against the Stephen F. Austin University Ladyjacks in Nacogdoches.

The game is the first of two preseason contests and Abdalla said this game will give the players an opportunity to showcase what the team has accomplished during preseason training.

"It's been a good preseason and now we can see how it

will translate against opponents," Abdalla said.

Senior Angie Nickens said there is an excited air about the team and that she is ready to finally start playing.

"The freshmen have stepped up and done exactly what we expected from them," Nickens said. "There's a good vibe on the team knowing we have talent and we're going to be able to achieve what we want."

In terms of leadership this season, Abdalla said the team will look for leaders to guide the team, but that there is

enough talent that they don't have to rely on one player to score all the goals.

Four players from the 2006 squad graduated in the spring, but the team keeps the core of its offense for the 2007 campaign. Last season's lead scorer, striker Lizzy Karoly and assist leader, midfielder Michelle Nguyen will both return for their sophomore season.

"We've got a couple of players who have potential to score 10-plus goals, but they aren't going to have to because we have eight play-

ers who have the ability to be dangerous," Abdalla said.

Last season TCU finished the season with an overall record of 6-8-4 and injuries to several players including Nickens and then-junior Lauren Pope.

This season the Lady Frogs return to the field healthy and will face an SFASU team that went 9-8-1 last season.

TCU will return home to play Oklahoma State University Saturday, Aug. 25 before beginning the regular season at the University of Texas at Austin.

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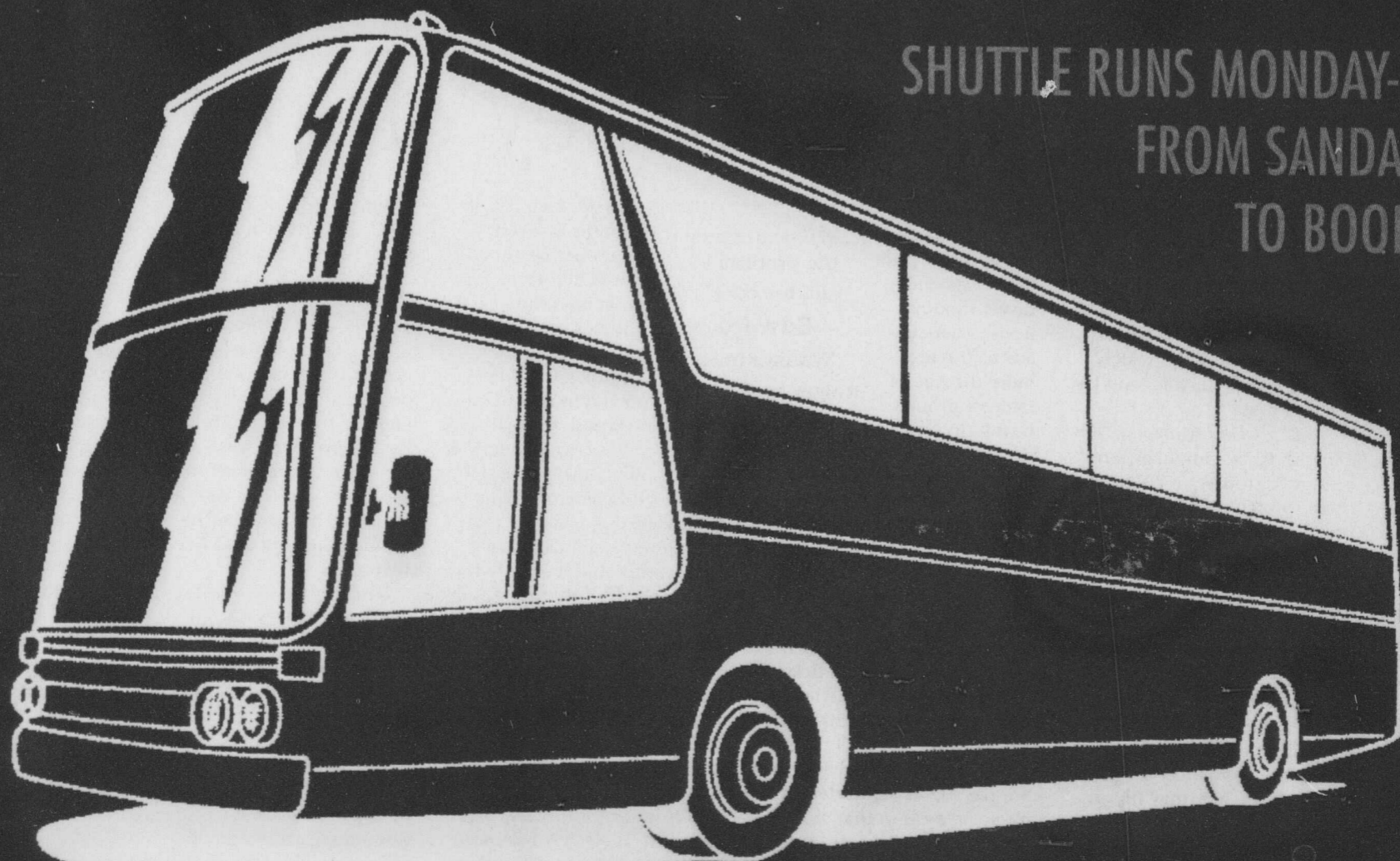
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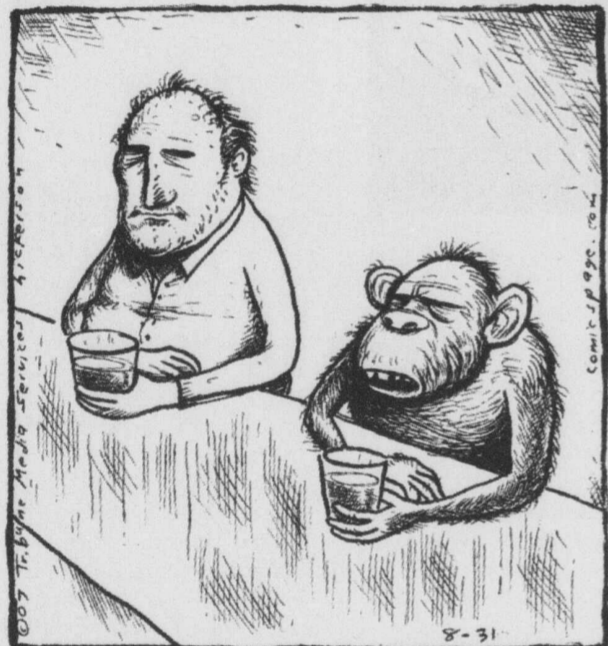
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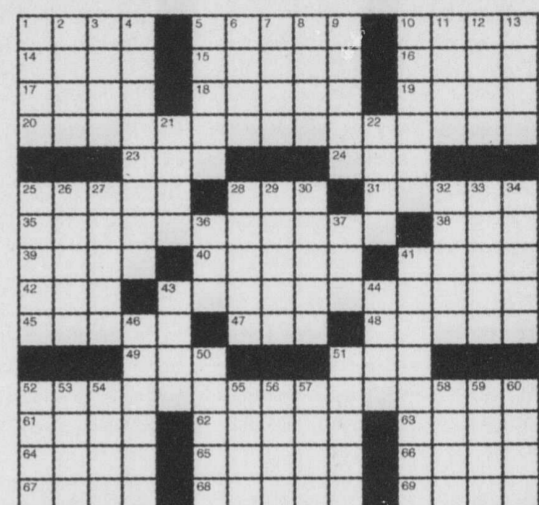
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By Philip J. Anderson  
 Portland, OR

**Tuesday's Puzzle Solved**

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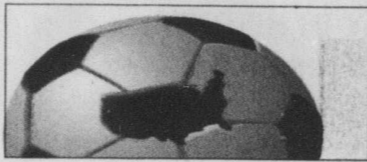
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RECRUITING

# Text ban halts coaches

By TIM BELLA  
Sports Editor

Whether it's during class or out at the movies, text messaging, instant messages and e-mails have grown in popularity among the adolescents of this generation to the point where it has arguably changed the communication landscape.

That changing landscape of electronic communication has forced the NCAA to ban the use of text messaging as part of the recruiting process for college athletics.

The ban, which was approved in April and implemented on Aug. 1, also eliminates other forms of electronic communication that include video conferencing and message boards on social networks such as Facebook or MySpace, according to a revision made in the 2007-08 NCAA Division I Manual.

In order for the ban to be overturned, a 5/8 majority would be needed at the NCAA's National Convention in January 2008, said Andrea Nordmann, the associate athletics director for compliance at TCU.

Nordmann said while she believes the ban will eventually be overturned, restrictions would have to be implemented in order to keep up with the continual evolution of electronic recruiting.

"I would like to see an all or nothing rule put in place," Nordmann said. "Monitoring text messaging will be very difficult for compliance offic-

es across the country if they put time-of-day limitations on it."

**An Alternate Route**

The text messaging ban has had mixed feelings by coaches and players regarding the issue.

Football head coach Gary Patterson said that while the ban is positive by saving recruits from hefty text messaging bills, texting should be allowed when the official contact period opens in December or January.

"It's a lot easier to get a hold of kids," Patterson said. "People are less likely to break rules in contacting kids because they can get a hold of them easier and, with kids, that's their use of communication nowadays."

Despite the restrictions on some forms of electronic recruitment, Patterson has found an indirect, legal way to promote TCU football to potential recruits via an informational Web site giving background on the university, the program and himself as a coach.

CoachPatterson.com is just one of many informational Web sites on some of the nation's best college football programs that can give recruits a better idea of what the university and the program are all about. Patterson said the site provides an easier avenue for recruits to see what camps the football program offers, and gives prospective student-athletes a look to see what makes

Patterson the type of person he is.

"People want to touch people if they decide that's where they want to go to school at, and it's a way for me to show them a little bit more of my personal life and what I'm all about," Patterson said. "A Web site is definitely an advantage. It's not something that takes up a lot of my time, and it gives more access and that's what people want."

**Impacted Recruitment**

Although the majority of the debate may center around the more publicized college sports such as football and basketball, the ban affects athletic programs from sports big and small. Prentice Lewis, head coach of the volleyball team, considered text messaging to be more beneficial to smaller schools such as TCU so that athletes could become more aware of what the institution has to offer.

"We're very upset about the change," Lewis said. "Texting was a pure factor for getting our kids. For us to get kids on campus, they have to know the name 'TCU.'"

**Reaching the Athletes**

During his time at Katy High School in Houston, red-shirt freshman quarterback Andy Dalton said that while electronic recruiting did not play as much of a role during his recruitment process as did official visits and various camps, receiving a text message or e-mail from a coach

See **TEXTING**, page 4

WOMEN'S SOCCER

# KICKSTART



Sophomore midfielder Michelle Nguyen crosses the ball against the Sam Houston State Bearkats in a match at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium last season.

## Rated rookies go east to face Lady Jacks

By ELISA GOMEZ  
Staff Reporter

The incoming rookie talent for the soccer team has gained recognition in the collegiate soccer world as exhibition play begins.

With a recruiting class ranked 40th by Soccer

Buzz Magazine and 16 returning players, head coach Dan Abdalla said the preseason training was used to get the players acquainted with one another to see how the team will fit together.

See **SOCCER**, page 4

**QUICK SPORTS**

## Vess out for season, still on team

TCU's vaunted defense took a blindside hit this week as James Vess was ruled ineligible to play this season.

Vess, a junior defensive tackle from Fort Worth, was one of nine starters slated to return for a defense that ranked No. 2 in total defense in the country last season. Despite the season-long suspension, head coach Gary Patterson said he was informed Tuesday that Vess is still allowed to practice with the team.

While it is unknown what infraction(s) caused Vess to be ineligible for the season, Patterson said in Tuesday's Fort Worth Star-Telegram that Vess would continue to take classes at TCU. Freshman Kelly Griffin from Irving is expected to take over for Vess.

Vess was coming off of a breakout year, totaling 85 tackles for loss and 4 sacks, while starting 11 games as a sophomore.

This is the latest story in what has been an eventful week for TCU football. "Personal reasons" kept Tommy Blake at home, forcing the senior defensive end to miss several practices before returning to practice Tuesday. Also, Patterson announced Sunday that redshirt freshman Andy Dalton beat out sophomore Marcus Jackson for the starting quarterback position.

Sports editor Tim Bella

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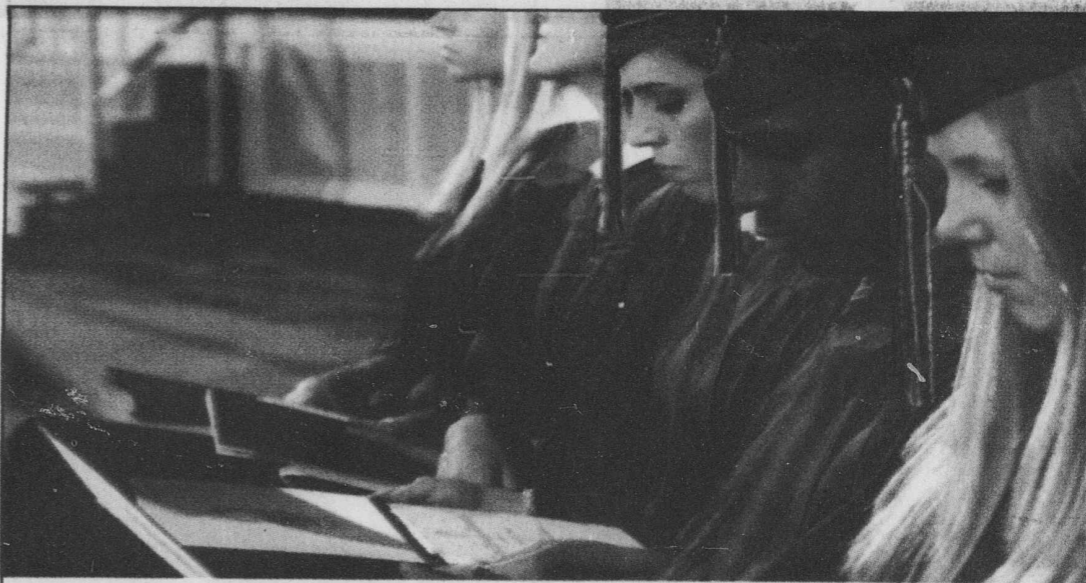


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