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Arrested psychology professor may have charges dropped

By MEGAN MOWERY
Staff Reporter

A psychology professor who was jailed in June in a mental health program, and if the program is completed, his case could be dismissed, his attorneys said.

Charles Frederick Bond Jr. was arrested in June on a misdemeanor

charge of making a terroristic threat after police said he sent threatening e-mails to TCU staff members, said Mark Thielman, a prosecutor with the Tarrant County District Attorney's office. The district attorney's office later added a felony charge of making a terroristic threat because of the number of people threatened by

the e-mails, Thielman said.

In September, Bond was accepted into the Tarrant County Mental Health Court Diversion Program, which allows defendants with a mental illness to receive treatment through Tarrant County, said Tim Clancy, one of Bond's attorneys.

Clancy said Bond, 54, wasn't

threatening anyone with his e-mails and was trying to warn administrators about another faculty member.

According to court documents, while Bond was sending threats to staff members, he was suffering from Bipolar I disorder, which includes suffering from manic episodes with psychotic

features and mixed personality disorder.

"The Mental Health Court Diversion Program is for people we believe are not generally criminal," said Sylvia Mandel, a prosecutor in the Tarrant County District Attorney's office who deals with mental health issues.

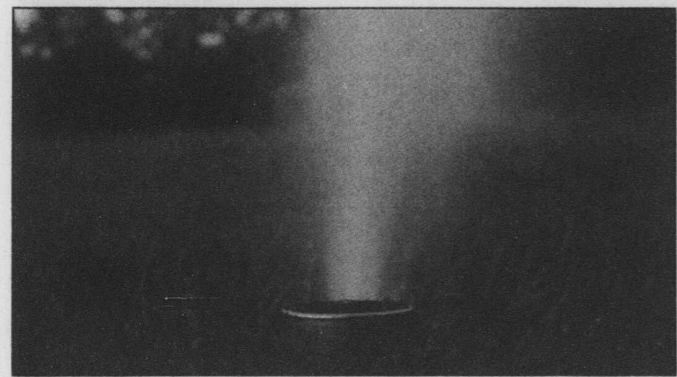
The district attorney will not prosecute Bond while he is in the program because it is an alternative to prosecution, Clancy said.

Bond will meet with a committee composed of health officials, a defense attorney, a prosecutor and a judge, Clancy said.

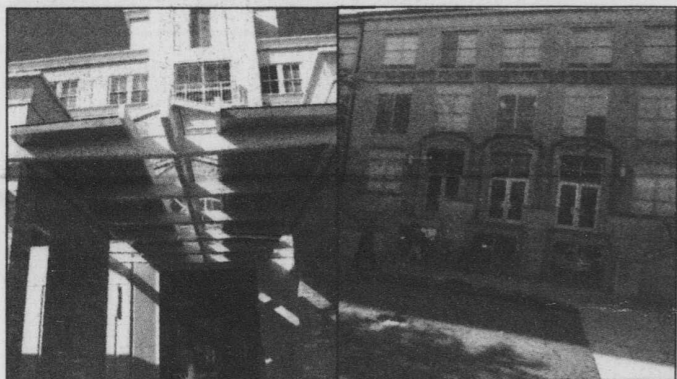
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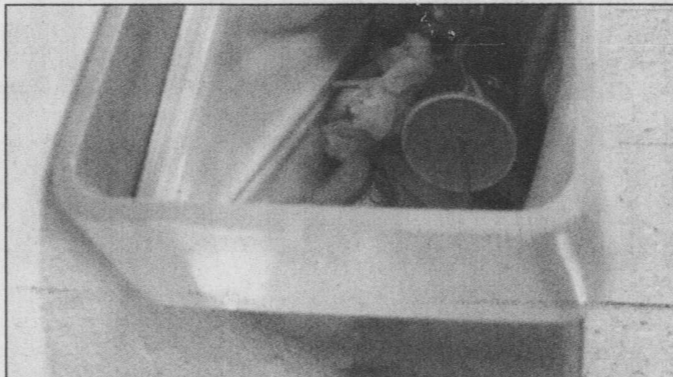
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RIDING With the Purple Bike Program, students can improve their environmental footprints.



NATURAL Biodegradable cups, silverware and straws are now available in The Main.



RECYCLING Student activists say TCU is close to having a campus-wide recycling program.

Luncheon to address disaster relief tactics

By AMANDA SHIMKO
Staff Reporter

TCU will host a luncheon today that aims to educate local clergy and citizens on dealing with disaster on campus.

"Calming the Storm: Effective Responses in Times of Disaster," will take place at 11:30 a.m. in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center.

The luncheon aims to facilitate relationships within communities, as well as with emergency organizations such as the American Red Cross.

"The lecture will focus on building effective communication and collaboration among local congregations and established response organizations, so they are all ready to work together when potential natural or human-initiated disaster strikes," according to a press release.

The luncheon will outline step by step what will happen after a disaster occurs.

The meeting is a baseline for knowing what happens and who the key players are, said Dana Riley, associative executive director of the Volunteer Center of North Texas.

Coordinators said they hoped different faith centers could use their strengths to help each other.

Attendees will be grouped according to their zip codes and locations to enable community faith leaders to meet one another.

"By allowing neighboring congregations to know what you have, you can help each other," said Sharon Canclini, a clinical instructor at the Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences. "Our goal is to help different congregations realize what resources they have. That might mean opening your facility to house others."

The event is free, includes lunch and is open to anyone but advance registration is required, said Judy Shannon, coordinator of faith and life.

FOR YOUR INFO

Luncheon Details

Those interested can visit the Web site at lifelong.tcu.edu or call 817-257-7132 before the event.

Campus first to host awareness campaign

By JORDAN HAYGOOD
Staff Reporter

Five hundred red signs cover Sadler Lawn, however, Red Flags are all around.

Red Flags are things people can be looking for, like insults or criticisms that could lead to a violent relationship, said Rebecca Farrow, vice president of community service for Safe Haven, a local women's shelter.

The Red Flag campaign, which is part of the statewide Texas Council on Family Violence project, consists of flags, posters and emergency cards that will be

passed out around Tarrant County, Farrow said.

"The signs on campus give such a visual impact to such a critical issue," Farrow said. "We wanted to make sure that students cannot hide from domestic violence issues, and by surrounding them with the political signs, it brands the campaign."

RealWorld Integrated Marketing Communications, a student-run advertising agency, designed the Red Flags campaign strategy for Safe Haven's relationship abuse prevention

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Red flags dotted campus as part of an awareness campaign designed by RealWorld IMC and Safe Haven, a local women's shelter. The campaign aims to end domestic violence.
MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor

Despite progress, facilities lag in eco-efficiency

By ALEX ZOBEL
Staff Reporter

Campus environmental activists point to recent progress at TCU: The cups, silverware and straws in The Main are now biodegradable, a campus-wide recycling program is almost a reality and there aren't nearly enough

purple bikes to go around.

But they warn that TCU is still far behind the trend in colleges and universities becoming more environmentally responsible and sustainable.

Keith Whitworth, sociology professor and founder of the Purple Bike Program, said TCU's behind in the

trend of environmental responsibility and it's a reflection of its failure to meet the mission statement.

"If we fail to educate students about being green and about sustainability, then we're not sending out ethical leaders or responsible citizens in the

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Center to help future teachers with grant

By LIZ DAVIS
Staff Reporter

A grant from a local bank is helping the TCU Center for Urban Education start a program to recruit high school students to become teachers, said a member of the Center of Urban Education.

University Advancement and faculty members at the center got the grant from Citigroup

to start Aspiring Educators, the new program, said Cecilia Silva, an associate professor of education.

"The Center for Urban Education has several goals, and one of them is to help high school students who are interested in teaching," Silva said.

One of the purposes of Aspiring Educators is to inspire students to become teachers,

Silva said.

"Aspiring Educators wants to support students by helping students apply for college, getting all the paperwork done and finishing all the steps involved with going to college," Silva said.

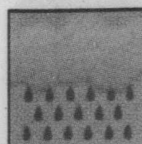
Members of the Center for Urban Education have been working closely with three high schools and with the Fort

Worth Independent School District, Silva said.

"The program has a lot of support from Fort Worth ISD, principals and students," Silva said. "Principals want these opportunities in their schools."

The program targets inner city schools and many students who will be first-generation

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WEATHER

TODAY: Showers, 67/48

WEDNESDAY: Few showers, 69/45

THURSDAY: Partly cloudy, 63/46

PECULIAR FACT

CANBERRA, Australia — An Australian cemetery is training gravediggers as lifesavers and has installed a defibrillator to jumpstart the hearts of grief-stricken mourners who regularly collapse at funerals.

—Reuters

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college students, Silva said.

"Deciding to become a teacher and entering college are two big steps for some of these students," Silva said.

The Center for Urban Education has been working with three schools: Polytechnic High School, Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School and O.D. Wyatt High School, Silva said.

"We have had a relationship with TCU for a while and have been trying to develop a program for their needs," said Debbie Taylor, director of community involvement for Citibank.

TCU was invited to apply for a grant for the Aspiring Educa-

tors program, the application was reviewed and an appropriate amount was decided upon, Taylor said. The request was sent to headquarters in New York where a check for \$25,000 was awarded to TCU, Taylor said.

"What is encouraging is the collaboration between higher education and public education," Taylor said. "We applaud TCU in being innovative in that way."

In a year Citibank will review the numbers and data from the program and decide if it wants to re-invite TCU to apply for the grant again, Taylor said.

"We wanted to work with TCU," Taylor said. "They are an important institute in the community. We were happy to find a program that fits with our priorities, as well."

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week, said Heather Tansill, RealWorld IMC account executive.

Tansill said half of people 16 to 24 have experienced dating violence, and TCU is the first campus in Tarrant County to participate in the Red Flags campaign.

"I wanted to create a campaign that would make students look, especially the students who feel violence will not happen to them," Tansill said.

She said Safe Haven came to RealWorld IMC in January for help to create awareness for domestic violence, or Red Flags, in Tarrant County.

The campaign will be moving to other campuses.

"TCU has been such a fabulous place to start the campaign," Farrow said. "Visually, everything looks wonderful. We have had so much positive feedback from the press and other organizations."

Claudia Butts, director of RealWorld IMC, said this campaign was a special project to work with.

"This job was important to us because you never think about all the aspects to abuse," Butts said. "We are trying to help Safe Haven get their voice out there before it gets really bad."

After a 10-month preparation, Tansill said she was satisfied.

"This campaign has gotten a lot of publicity and it's very exciting to see the product on TV," Tansill said. "It feels so great to spread the word about such a great cause."

BOND

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Bond will be admitted into the program for an indefinite period because treatments are based on Bond's needs, Clancy said.

If Bond completes the program, his case will be dismissed, and he will have the right to have his record expunged, Clancy said.

Tracy Syler-Jones, associate vice chancellor for marketing and communication, declined to comment about Bond because it is a personnel matter, but she did confirm he is on administrative leave from the university.

Bond's employment attorney, Charla Aldous, said no action has been taken by TCU. He is still employed by the university and is willing and ready to get back to teaching, Aldous said.

Mandel said Bond is not allowed on the TCU campus.

Forensic psychiatrist Kelly R. Goodness examined Bond before his release on bail and said he presented a low risk for future dangerous actions and the threats were brought on by an untreated illness, according to court documents.

After his release from jail in July, Bond received a Global Positioning System ankle unit, Clancy said.

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See copies of the arrest report and court documents online.

Former Notre Dame president honored for admitting women

By JODI S. COHEN
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — The Rev. Ted Hesburgh, University of Notre Dame's legendary president, is 90 years old, his eyesight waning to the point that he can no longer read.

So he hasn't yet dug into his most public birthday present, the sentimental book "Thanking Father Ted," a tribute to his decision to admit women.

The book includes thank-you notes from about 150 women — from the first female graduates in the early 1970s to current students — written as letters to Hesburgh in celebration of his 90th birthday.

The women thanked him for the education and job opportunities they received because of his decision.

They note the irony in Notre Dame, which means "Our Lady," a reference to the Virgin Mary, taking 130 years to admit women. And they describe how in 1972, the first year women were admitted, men held up signs rating their looks as they entered the dining halls.

Mary Davey Bliley, the first woman to earn an undergraduate degree from Notre Dame, describes the day she graduated: "Father, I still remember being up there and getting kissed by you. Thank you for one of the proudest moments of my life."

Many letter writers describe

a president who took the time to meet with students, sometimes in the middle of the night.

The book includes a letter from James Lynch, leader of the "better dead than coed" gang, which fought to keep women out. "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned," Lynch begins his letter.

"I am eating some very old, very old humble pie," he told a gathering of alumnae recently. His two daughters graduated from Notre Dame, in 1990 and 1993.

For his part, Hesburgh, who in 2000 became the first leader from higher education to receive the Congressional Gold Medal, said he considers coeducation among his greatest accomplishments.

"At the time, I would look out the window here and

see the lady on the dome. I thought, 'I will meet that lady someday, I hope.' At 90 years old, it will be sooner rather than later. I thought, 'When I meet her, she will say you had a great university named after me but there were no women there,'" Hesburgh said in an interview.

He said he will ask an assistant to read him the letters.

While he said it took a few years for some of the male alumni to come around to the change, he said complaints about coeducation are a thing of the past.

"Alumni were screaming at me until they realized that they have daughters as well as sons. With a lot of them, their sons didn't get in but their daughters did," Hesburgh said. "Once that happened, I was home free."



The Rev. Ted Hesburgh, former Notre Dame president, blows out candles on his 90th birthday. Alumni contributed to a book commemorating his decision to admit women.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You never monkey with the truth."
— Ben Bradlee

THE SKIFF VIEW

Environmental movement still falling short

There is a growing trend to make the world "greener" with the continual publicity of the global climate change phenomenon.

Some of these groups include the U.S. Green Building Council and the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design standards. Both of these organizations have evaluated TCU facilities and, unfortunately, the buildings on campus don't measure up.

The new student center currently under construction fell short of meeting the environmental standards of LEED and is going to be submitted for review by the USGBC.

With the higher demand for more sustainable buildings, the university should strive to go beyond the bare minimum. Having greener structures does cost more in the initial contracting, but money is a small price to pay for a healthy environmental footprint.

Several area campuses have made the effort to go above the levels set by the two

organizations. Southern Methodist University's new engineering building met LEED standards, and in Houston, Rice University has plans for all of its new facilities to pass the test.

Though sustainability is turning into a buzz-word among the environmental support factions, it is something that needs to be taken into consideration with ongoing construction and building development.

TCU scored low yet again when the "Sustainability Report Card" evaluated six Texas campuses. The highest scoring university was the University of Texas at Austin and TCU finished fifth out of six in the rankings.

Disputes still exist regarding global warming and going green, but more progress needs to be made toward environmental preservation than simply using organic silverware and riding a Purple Bike.

It is a start, but by no means is it a sufficient effort.

Associate editor Marcus Murphree for the editorial board.

BY LANA BLOCKER



Online playgrounds disconnect children from real world

It was not too long ago that you were playing with Beanie Babies.

You probably remember

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Teddy the Bear, Bones the Dog, Lizzy the Lizard, Nutty the Squirrel, Manny the Portuguese Man o' War ... OK, Manny was actually a manatee.

You might also remember having parties with your stuffed animals.

They would feast on air and sip imaginary tea while you totally monopolized the conversation.

You were hesitant to leave the room because you were convinced your toys would

start talking among themselves the moment you walked out the door.

No, I'm not schizophrenic. You know you did it, too.

Or maybe you were into cars and plastic dinosaurs. Your mom almost had a heart attack when you scratched her coffee table with your Hot Wheels.

But those good days are over. Kids today don't play like we used to.

The toy chest has been replaced by the computer screen.

An article in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram recently drew attention to the growing popularity of

"online playgrounds."

Toys such as Webkinz combine stuffed animals, video games and social networking in a new kind of interactive toy.

Each Webkinz animal comes with a code that gives the user access to the Web site and \$2,000 worth of KinzCash. Children must feed and play with

their virtual pets to keep them happy. Failure to do so results in a sick pet, which must then be taken to a virtual clinic.

KinzCash is spent in clothes, toys and home furnishings for the pet.

When children run out of KinzCash, they can earn more by playing games

online, working virtual jobs or buying another Webkinz in the real world.

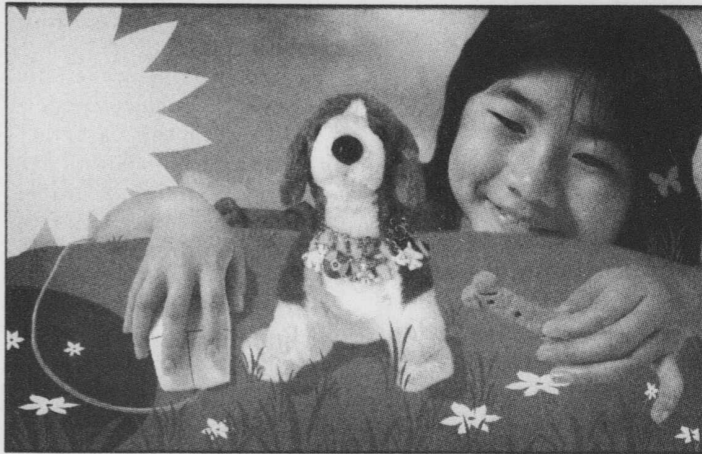
Does a fake pet merit so much trouble?

An obvious objection against these "online playgrounds" is that they promote consumerist values by making shopping a key part of the game.

Children are encouraged to buy and buy some more. Purchase and pleasure become synonymous.

The biggest problem with toys like Webkinz is they keep children glued to the computer when they could be interacting with other children in the real world.

The fact that we now have to make the distinction between the real world and the virtual world



should be enough cause for concern.

Yes, the Internet is a great resource and a wonderful tool for social networking. However, children have to develop social skills first, and that won't

happen in front of a computer monitor.

Rolling around in the dirt with other kids might be a better start.

Julietta Chiquillo is a sophomore news-editorial journalism major from San Salvador, El Salvador.

Action needed to end global warming; humans must purify planet for future use

We can't wait any longer to act against global warming.

COMMENTARY
Hank Kalet

With each passing day, the evidence supporting the theory man is making the planet dangerously warmer grows stronger and more ironclad.

A recent study in the science journal "Nature" says humans are responsible for increased moisture in the air. This, in turn, may be accelerating the warming of the atmosphere, the study says.

Over the last three decades, the amount of moisture in the lower atmosphere increased by about 2.2 percent, according to the study published earlier this month.

The scientists who conducted the study — Nathan Gillett, Katherine M. Willett and Philip D. Jones of the University of East Anglia in Norwich, UK, and Peter W. Thorne of the Hadley Centre for Climate Prediction in the United Kingdom — say the increased moisture could "exacerbate problems with extreme precipitation and tropical cyclones."

Translation: We could be facing more intense storms in the future.

The Union of Concerned Scientists says the warmer temperatures and higher humidities are leading to rising sea levels and

stronger storms and storm surges.

Critics of the link between climate change and growing storm intensity say, correctly, that natural storm cycles play a part in the frequency and power of storms in any given year. Long-term trends, however, indicate "global warming is the overarching factor" in the increase in category 4 and 5 storms around the globe, according to the Union of Concerned Scientists.

We need to move forward, immediately, with the kind of lifestyle changes that will be necessary not just to slow climate change but to reverse it.

This will require the United States to cut the emission of greenhouse gases to at least 80 percent below 2,000 levels by 2050 and to begin now — which won't be easy.

It will require technological fixes along the lines President Bush envisions. It will require changes in how much and what we drive.

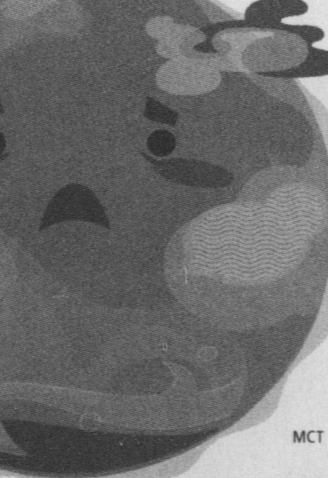
It will require an increase in the use of mass transit. It will require urban planning to concentrate growth and development in central areas to minimize suburban sprawl, placing jobs and homes closer together and preserving trees and other green spaces that help filter out pollution. It will require all of this and more.

And we need to start now. We have no choice. The planet is depending on us — and so are its future inhabitants.

Hank Kalet is managing editor of the South Brunswick Post and The Cranbury Press in New Jersey and a columnist for The Progressive Populist. His column was distributed by McClatchy-Tribune Information Services.

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Interest rate cuts no solution for debt

Americans have dug themselves holes of debt that run deeper and wider than the Grand Canyon.

That's why it made no sense that the Federal Reserve gave folks bigger shovels with recent interest rate cuts, encouraging people to borrow more money.

The stock market — like a drunk at an open bar — staggered on. But the debt isn't going to go away. It'll only get worse.

Credit card balances are out of control. A survey earlier this year found 13 percent of us with credit cards have balances of more than \$25,000.

At the end of 2006, U.S. residents altogether owed \$745 billion on general-purpose credit cards, compared with \$711 billion the previous year and \$412 billion a decade ago, according to CardWeb.com data.

The debt increase cuts into people's disposable income, giving them less flexibility to contend with the unexpected. Experts are finding that's led many people to use their credit cards as a safety net to pay for medical expenses, rent, gasoline, groceries, and car and home repairs.

Saving for rainy days has become one of those nostalgic things people's grandpas did. The Commerce Department reported earlier this year that the savings rate for 2006 was a negative 1 percent.

"...No one should expect the federal government to rescue them. The federal government has its own problems."
Lewis W. Diuguid

That means people dug into their savings and increased borrowing to finance what they bought.

The poor savings rate for last year was lower than the negative 0.4 percent in 2005. The Commerce Department reported 2006 was the worst since the negative 1.5 percent savings rate in 1933 during the Great Depression.

The blame seems to center on people who have gotten over their heads with subprime mortgages. The Wall Street Journal in an analysis last week of millions of home loans in the last decade found that poor, urban, rural, suburban, middle-income and wealthy people were sucked into the risky deals.

People desperate for homes took what looked like a deal that was too good to be true. It was. Finance companies took on clients better left alone.

The enormity of the problem has led to a record high number of homeowners getting foreclosure notices, the Mortgage Bankers Association reported last month. At the same time, RealtyTrac

Inc. reported there were 223,538 foreclosure filings in September, up from 112,210 in the same month a year ago.

Also, bankruptcy filings are up more than 48 percent, to 391,105 for the first six months of 2007, according to the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. The weight of the credit woes is slowing sales of new and existing homes and causing prices to slump.

The debt burden is spilling into other industries, affecting home-improvement and furnishing companies and other associated businesses.

A lot of companies are also struggling because of debt they took on with acquisitions, mergers or to keep up with operating costs.

But no one should expect the federal government to rescue them. The federal government has its own problems.

The national debt has been soaring by an average of \$1.36 billion a day since last September. So what did lawmakers do? For the fifth time since 2001, they raised the debt limit, boosting it by \$850 billion to \$9.815 trillion.

That's not the way to get out of the hole. It only allows the country — like nearly everybody else — to keep digging.

Lewis W. Diuguid is a member of The Kansas City Star's editorial board. His column was distributed by McClatchy-Tribune Information Services.

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global community," Whitworth said. "Were sending out business majors, students with MBAs, that are going out into the work world, and unless they have that understanding of what means to be sustainable, we're missing the boat."

From the ground up

Among TCU's biggest problems are its buildings, both old and new.

None of the structures on campus, including the ones under construction, are certified under the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design standards, or LEED, program of the United States Green Building Council.

Yet other top universities in Texas are making LEED certification a priority.

Southern Methodist University built a new engineering building in September 2006 that was fully LEED-certified, and all of Rice's future buildings will be LEED-certified, according to Barbara White Bryson, Rice's associate vice president of facilities engineering and planning.

The University of Texas at Austin has plans for several of its new buildings to be LEED-certified, according to the College Sustainability Report Card.

LEED certification has become an industry standard in assessing the sustainability and efficiency of a structure.

According to the United States Green Building Council Web site, for a building on a college campus to become LEED-certified it is evaluated in 29 categories within four sub-categories: the sustainability of the site, water efficiency, atmosphere and energy efficiency and materials and resources.

Of all TCU's new buildings, the Brown-Lupton University Union building, currently under construction, came closest to any sort of LEED certification but may come up short when the structure is submitted to the USGBC for review, said Will Stallworth, TCU's associate vice chancellor for facilities.

"The union is the first new facility to be designed under the LEED criteria," Stallworth said. "Our intent is to design all new buildings for LEED certification."

In a meeting with Whitworth, Stallworth said the new student union building was unlikely to be LEED-certified due to budget constraints, Whitworth said.

"In order for the building to become certified it would cost more than was budgeted," Whitworth said.

Michael Slattery, director of TCU's Institute for Environmental Studies and TCU geology professor, said he is disappointed TCU has no LEED-certified buildings.

"I think it is symptomatic of how we do business generally, not just on this campus," Slattery said. "Decisions are made on financial grounds, and then corporate America figures out what the minimum requirements are that have to be met in terms of environmental health."

Need to sustain

TCU's lack of LEED-certified buildings was a contributing factor to its poor performance on the College Sustainability Report Card, a study conducted by the Sustainable Endowments

Institute in January that graded 100 colleges on campus greening practices and endowment policies.

Of the six Texas schools evaluated in the study, TCU received the second lowest grade, a D. TCU received a C in the category of "green building," however the study says the yet-to-be completed university union "will be registered for LEED certification," which, according to Stallworth, may not be true.

Trinity University received the lowest overall grade of the Texas schools with a D-, and UT scored highest with a C+.

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Bethane Edwards
former president of Adduco Viridis Environmental club

Of the 100 schools evaluated, the highest sustainability grades were given to Harvard University, Stanford University, Dartmouth College and Williams College in Massachusetts.

Whitworth said he acknowledges that environmental issues at TCU are not as big of a priority as they are at most other universities. But he also said the TCU mindset is changing as people on campus are becoming more involved.

Student involvement

Over the summer an eco-conscious group of students began forming the Society of Sustainability, an umbrella organization that would consolidate the efforts of groups that focus on sustainability such as the Adduco Viridis (lead green) Environmental Club, Frogs for Fair Trade and the TCU chapter of Amnesty International.

Senior sociology major Sarah Warner, the Society of Sustainability treasurer, said the

group is waiting to get its constitution approved by Student Affairs before the beginning formal activities but one of their first initiatives will be to create a student-run recycling program in the University Recreation Center.

"Mr. Stallworth and the Physical Plant claims all our waste is recycled, because the custodial staff look at the bags and if it's majority recyclable they put it in recycle bins," Warner said. "But that's not an efficient way to get recycling done. We're going to put up our own recycle bins (in the Rec Center) and we're going to have students take the recyclable material across campus to the nearest recycle dumpster."

The main source of student activism last year came from the AV Environmental Club.

Bethane Edwards, AV's president last semester, said the club organized community clean-ups, various awareness campaigns, group camping trips and a Concert for the Macaws, which raised funds for preservation of the endangered Great Green Macaw habitat in Costa Rican rainforests.

Edwards said the group's main goal last semester was to encourage participation in dorm recycling.

"We wanted to get an idea of how many people utilize this program and how we can increase student awareness to make the program stronger," Edwards said. "We signed our school up in Recyclemania, which is a national

college recycling competition sponsored by the EPA, and counted bags of recyclables once a week in dorms for 10 weeks."

AV's current president, Kimberly Banzhaf, said Recyclemania was just a starting point and she hopes the group can continue to improve campus recycling habits and create more access to recycling.

Edwards said TCU is close to having a campus-wide recycling program, but there are a few kinks to be worked out.

"Many recycling dumpsters become contaminated with regular trash," Edwards said. "And we found that not all buildings have these recycling dumpsters in close proximity."

Room to grow

Both Banzhaf and Edwards agree that positive change are brought about by both students and administration and Edwards and Warner were in agreement that the biggest impact a student can have is directly on other students they know.

"Both groups (students and administration) have to be willing to work together and put forth the effort for improvement," Edwards said. "But I think students can have the biggest impact on their peers."

Warner agreed that the most noticeable impact has been in her "smaller sphere of influence."

"All my friends know that I'm a big environmental buff and I care about recycling," Warner said. "I've got them all in the habit of recycling. So in that kind of a sense I'm happy with what I've changed, but it's hard to think of what kind of revolution would be needed to change the views of TCU as an institution."

Slattery said he agrees that changing TCU's mindset is going to take more than student activism.

He said the cause of TCU's relative lack of environmental stewardship can't be pinned on a single individ-

ual or group.

"I think it's all of us — students, faculty, administrators — all of us," Slattery said. "There isn't a sense of urgency because we work and live on a beautiful campus, have everything at our fingertips, drive nice — fuel-thirsty — cars, and so on. Laying blame on one particular group isn't helpful and that's not just me trying to be politically correct. The fact is, we are all to blame. It's time to get off our backs and do something now."



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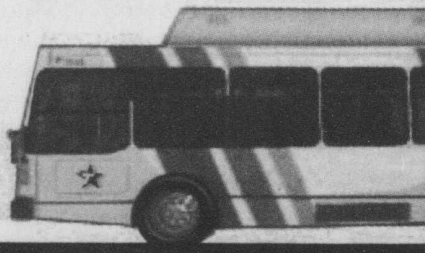
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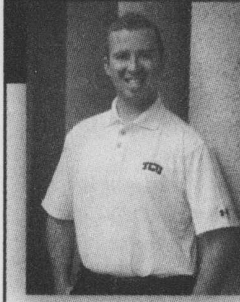


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Steve Rupp said he was nervous during his first Senseless Acts of Comedy show but soon realized the more he kept himself behind the stage, the more nervous he became. Going out on the stage, on the other hand, gave him confidence, he said.

Two improv performers join Four Day Weekend

By SONA THAPA
Staff Reporter

Two Horned Frogs light up the stage with humor when they perform with Four Day Weekend, an improvisational comedy troupe in downtown Fort Worth.

Steve Rupp and Carla Stoltenberg are part of Four Day Weekend's masters class, which makes them eligible to perform on Thursdays, Stoltenberg said.

"The first thought was, 'Wow, this is awesome,'" Rupp, a senior psychology major, said regarding his first performance at Four Day Weekend. "To look out and see a crowd full of people just there to watch you is an awe-inspiring experience. Just wow."



MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor
Carla Stoltenberg, a senior English major, said she was not very nervous during her first Senseless Acts of Comedy performance.

Stoltenberg, a senior English major, had a similar experience and said she was not very nervous during her first performance.

"It was not as intimidating as my first show at TCU, but it was different because it kind of meant more to me," Stoltenberg said. "This was kind of a semi-professional deal."

Before being recruited by Four Day Weekend, both Rupp and Stoltenberg were a part of Senseless Acts of Comedy, an improvisation group at TCU. It was while improvising with SAC that they decided to take classes with Four Day Weekend and were soon asked to perform.

Rupp said despite being the class clown in junior high, he was never trained in improvisation until he reached college and learned about SAC.

"When you're a lonely freshman, I suppose you

had to make my own fun."

Stoltenberg said she first heard about SAC during freshman orientation.

"The first semester they put all the new people in the sketch group," she said with a smile. "Then we had auditions and I got it."

Michael Flusche, president of SAC, said it was great working with Rupp and Stoltenberg.

"I developed a really good friendship with both of them," Flusche said. "They are obviously talented at what they do, so that made it exciting to perform on stage with them."

Rupp said he liked to perform alone in junior high because it was a creative endeavor and no one else would be responsible for the success or failure.

"But now, I look at comedy as a team sport where you cannot just be the

Despite the shaky start, Rupp said, he quickly learned what appeals to an audience.

"As I become more and more experienced, I have been able to focus myself more and more quickly," he said. "It's like the longer you're in the light, the more acclimated you become, like tanning," Rupp said.

Stoltenberg said she had a similar debut experience.

"Oh, my God! The first I performed at TCU I was so nervous, 'cause I was a freshman," she said, laughing.

However, after the first few scenes, she said, she became comfortable with the stage.

"I don't get nervous anymore," she said.

Rupp said being a psychology major helps him to understand the audience better.

"You learn how different people have different ways of thinking, which gives you insight into what a character might be thinking," he said.

Stoltenberg said she thinks her English major will help her get a job related to comedy since she can always write a comical script for a show.

"I definitely take improvising seriously," Stoltenberg said.

Both Rupp and Stoltenberg said they were unable to continue with SAC because of their commitment to Four Day Weekend. Both improvisational groups perform on Thursday nights. However, both members credit SAC for giving them the confidence to face audiences like the ones at Four Day Weekend.

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"I was always coming up with goofy ideas. I don't think I watched enough TV so I kind of had to make my own fun."
Carla Stoltenberg, senior English major with Four Day Weekend

kind of look for things to fill the time outside of (class), like meeting new people," Rupp said. "You kind of want to get involved."

Stoltenberg, on the other hand, said she had always been passionate about improvisation and used to improvise as a kid. She continued this in high school and was also involved in an improv group there.

"I was always coming up with goofy ideas," she said. "I don't think I watched enough TV, so I kind of

wide receiver demanding the 'ends of dollars,' he said. "You have to be someone who is in it for the love of the sport and who wants the entire team to succeed."

Rupp said he was nervous during his first SAC show and he barely went out, but soon realized that the more he kept himself behind the stage, the more nervous he became. Going out on the stage, on the other hand, gave him confidence, he said.

"It's almost like the stage lights for me had a calming effect in a weird way," he said.

Colorful Nothings Painter challenges viewers' imagination

By JOE ZIGTEMA
Staff Reporter

When Danny Owens sits down at his corner of Panther City Coffee Co., the surrounding walls decorated with self-written poems and Bob Dylan lyrics, he's going to work.

Donning his black beret, psychedelic print shirt and matching pants, Panther City's resident artist sits under lamplight singing Dylan to himself as he slashes across the board with his brush.

The 59-year-old self-taught artist, a former sales manager for a publishing company in Dallas, quit his job in 1986 to write, but said he soon discovered he could better express himself through painting.

Steve Watkins, who owns Panther City Coffee Co. along with his wife, described Danny as a "force of nature."

"He's just Danny," Watkins said. "His work is unique, his personality is unique, his life experience is unique, and he's just a blast to be around."

Owens said when he paints he starts out with simple brush strokes and juxtaposes those with one another in different spots on the canvas. He then ties those elements together to complete his works.

"Unless you have a sense of imagination you're not going to enjoy my work, because there's nothing there. I intentionally put nothing there."

Danny Owens

painter and resident artist at Panther City Coffee Co.

"(The art) is through you," Owens said. "You're just being the lightning rod. Your responsibility as an artist is to get your own ego out of the way, and just be a child."

Owens said his painting is different from others, because he purposely paints his pictures with no meaning.

"There's no inherent message in my work," he said. "It's just there to be."

He started to form this style, he said, after his paintings at an art show in Deep Ellum in April 1987 "fell on blind eyes."

"I was devastated," Owens said. "That evening I punched a hole through (painting) No. 42."

Owens said he was not successful that day because he was self-taught, and realized he did not have anything to say in his paintings. He said he stared at painting No. 43 and began striking it with the brush and spreading the pigment out, allowing the light of the paper to shine through.

"I knew that was not going to

hang in the Louvre, but I wanted to see what the colors would do," Owens said.

Now, he has thousands of paintings hanging — from his apartment to the coffee shop to places all over the country, including Miami and New York.

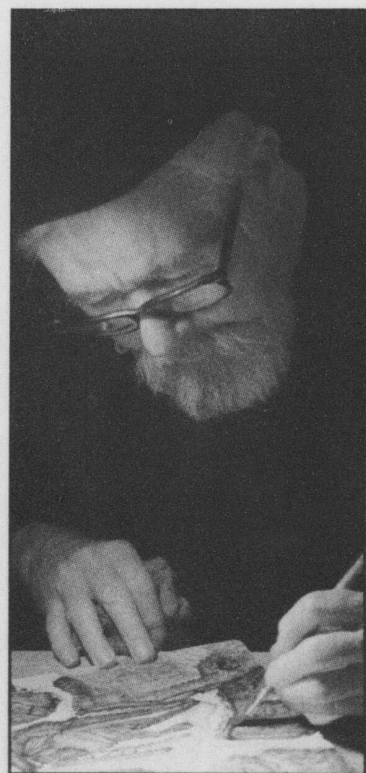
Eric Neal, a singer/songwriter and Owens' roommate, said Owens is ready to go somewhere.

"He doesn't feel like the world owes him a living, but he feels like he's doing something worthwhile," Neal said. "And I think he's doing something worthwhile."

When Owens paints, he puts the piece onto a circular table and spins the table as he paints. This, Owens said, helps his paintings move outward.

"I consider each time I pick up a brush and a piece of foam board and breathe deeply," Owens said. "It's an experiment, and if it doesn't work, I can throw it away."

Owens said that viewers must think while looking at



MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor
Danny Owens starts his work with simple brush strokes and counterposes those, with one another in different spots on the canvas.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Boston College climbs into BCS hot seat entering week nine

By BRIAN DAVIS
The Dallas Morning News

Bye, bye, South Florida. Now it's Boston College's turn in the hottest seat in college football.

Boston College moved up to No. 2 in the Bowl Championship Series standings this week behind No. 1 Ohio State. South Florida, one of the feel-good stories of the year, dropped eight spots to 10th after losing to Rutgers last Thursday.

BC was off last weekend but still moved up to No. 2 in The Associated Press Top 25 poll. The second-ranked team in the AP poll has lost the last three weeks. Boston College faces eighth-ranked Virginia Tech on Thursday.

LSU, Arizona State and Oregon rounded out the top five in the BCS standings. "There have been so many upsets and so many top teams have fallen, every time I push that button and watch it spit out a ranking, I shudder to think what the polls are going to look like," said Richard Billingsley, who contributes his

"It might as well have been 58-0. It's just the fact they played Iowa State, and Iowa State is a bad team."

Richard Billingsley
BCS rankings contributor

computer rankings to the BCS formula.

From Oklahoma's point of view, the updated standings weren't favorable. OU struggled against Iowa State and still won, 17-7. However, the Sooners dropped one spot in the BCS standings and now stand sixth overall.

Simply playing Iowa State hurt OU in the computer rankings, Billingsley said. Last week, the Sooners were 11th in the computers. This week, they were 14th. That minor drop was enough to drop OU overall.

"The score was not a factor at all, because the com-

puters don't factor that in," Billingsley said. "It might as well have been 58-0. It's just the fact they played Iowa State, and Iowa State is a bad team."

What hurt OU the most was losing to Colorado on Sept. 29, Billingsley said. That punished the Sooners in the computer rankings.

OU isn't getting any help from Texas, which has two Big 12 losses, and there aren't any high-ranked teams left on the regular-season schedule. The Sooners need one of the teams in the BCS top five to get upset and fall by the wayside.

As for other Big 12 teams, Kansas landed at No. 9 this week, and Missouri is No. 13.

Texas is 19th but getting absolutely no help from the computers. The Longhorns are not in the top 25 of the computer rankings. But they are 16th in the Harris and USA Today coaches polls, which make up two-thirds of the BCS formula.



Boston College's Taj Morris celebrates after intercepting a pass in the end zone during Boston College's 34-17 win over N.C. State at Alumni Stadium in Chestnut Hill on Saturday. ETHAN HYMAN / Raleigh News & Observer via MCT

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come at a better time. The team will get 33 practices this year compared to 18 last year, Schlossnagle said.

The team will use its practice time this week to work out any holes he observed before next weekend's final games.

"We screwed up a cut-off play (Saturday), so we'll probably spend some time working on that," Schlossnagle said. "It'll basically just be a tune-up for the last three games next weekend."

Of the 16 new players, 11 are freshmen. Junior right fielder Matt McGuirk said the veteran players have been asked to serve as role models.

"We've been asked to take over

the leadership role and show these guys how you're supposed to play," McGuirk said.

During practice, the pitchers are on a three-day throwing schedule to preserve arm strength, Holle said.

"Monday, I'll throw and catch," Holle said. "Then, we do a long toss the day after that, and then, I'll go back to the bullpen. I'll just keep redoing the cycle."

Holle said he prefers the competitive atmosphere of the series over drills.

"When you're finally able to put everything together out here in the game situations, it's a lot more fun," Holle said. "You get out there and sort of get a feel for what it's going to be like during the season."

The series continues Friday through Sunday at Lupton Stadium.

in a 9-6 shot advantage for UNLV. The same would go for the Rebels in the second half, losing the shot total, 10-8, to the Horned Frogs.

TCU missed a chance to get on the scoreboard in the 24th minute when a shot by sophomore forward Lizzy Karoly ended up hitting the right crossbar, saving the early shut-out for Lugo. Karoly would match Torda in shots with three, and trailed only junior defender Caroline Starns, who had five shots Sunday.

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Throughout the course of the game, both clubs faced howling winds that might have hindered the flow of their offensive sets.

The windy conditions would also play a role in the number of shots each team was able to engineer in each half. In the first half, TCU was going against the wind and resulted

PRO BASEBALL

Sox's game-7 win puts them in Series

By PAUL SULLIVAN
Chicago Tribune

BOSTON — The Boston Red Sox added one more chapter to their legacy of amazing comebacks Sunday night at Fenway Park, while the Indians' stunning collapse was the latest in a long line of Cleveland's great heartbreakers.

The Red Sox finished their climb from a 3-1 deficit in the American League Championship Series, knocking off the Indians 11-2 in Game 7 to advance to the World Series for the second time in four years.

Boston will host Colorado in Game 1 on Wednesday night, looking for another title after ending an 86-year drought in 2004.

Starter Daisuke Matsuzaka, the \$100 million Japanese import who lost Game 3 in Cleveland, pitched five strong innings for the win, allowing two runs and redeeming himself for his previous postseason flops.

"He pitched his heart out," manager Terry Francona said.

Said Red Sox slugger David Ortiz: "We've been down before, and we know how to come out. So all the new kids around, they're seeing the older guys, how we keep it together."

Second baseman Dustin

Pedroia homered and drove in five runs, while relievers Hideki Okajima and Jonathan Papelbon finished it off with four scoreless innings as the Red Sox broke open the game late.

"The veteran guys instilled a belief in us," Pedroia said. "The season's almost over, we're down 3-1, and you get that sense of urgency."

The comeback marked the 11th time in postseason history a team had climbed back from a 3-1 deficit to win a series. It was the third time Boston had done it, having also done so in the 1986 ALCS against California and the '04 ALCS against the Yankees.

"Games of a huge magnitude, guys don't get overwhelmed," Francona said.

Right-hander Josh Beckett, who won both of his starts, was named the most valuable player of the ALCS and will start Game 1 of the World Series.

The Red Sox celebrated on the infield late into the night, with Papelbon performing his traditional Irish step dance before the adoring crowd of 37,165.

For the luckless Indians, the collapse will go down alongside some of the city's other epic postseason failures. And third-base coach Joel Skinner's

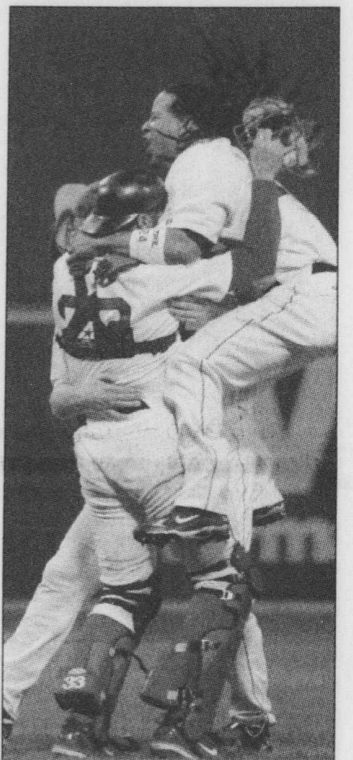
decision to hold Kenny Lofton at third base when his run would have tied the game in the seventh inning will dredge up memories of Earnest Byner's fumble against the Broncos in the '88 title game and Craig Ehlo's watching helplessly as Michael Jordan drained a series-clinching buzzer-beater over him in the first round of the 1989 NBA playoffs.

Boston held a slim 3-2 lead in the fateful seventh when Skinner prevented Lofton from scoring from second with the tying run. Lofton was rounding third on a Franklin Gutierrez single that ricocheted off the wall of a camera pit on the third-base side and into short left field, several feet from left fielder Manny Ramirez.

But Skinner stopped Lofton. From that moment on, everything that could go wrong did for the Indians.

"I didn't know what was going on," Lofton said. "My job is to pick up the third base coach. He stopped me."

After J.D. Drew's run-scoring single in the eighth, the Indians seemed lost in space. Blake and shortstop Jhonny Peralta collided on a Jason Varitek pop-up, letting it bounce into the stands for a ground-rule double. Pedroia's three-run double made it 9-2, and Kevin Youkilis,



PHIL MASTURZO / Akron Beacon Journal via MCT
Boston's Manny Ramirez jumps on his teammates to celebrate the Red Sox 11-2 win over the Cleveland Indians in Game 7 of the American League Championship Series on Sunday at Fenway Park in Boston.

who batted 500 in the series, added a two-run shot off Jensen Lewis to finish the six-run inning.

"That's baseball," Wedge said.

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BASEBALL

Intrasquad series gives rookies playtime

By MICHELLE NICLOUD
Staff Reporter

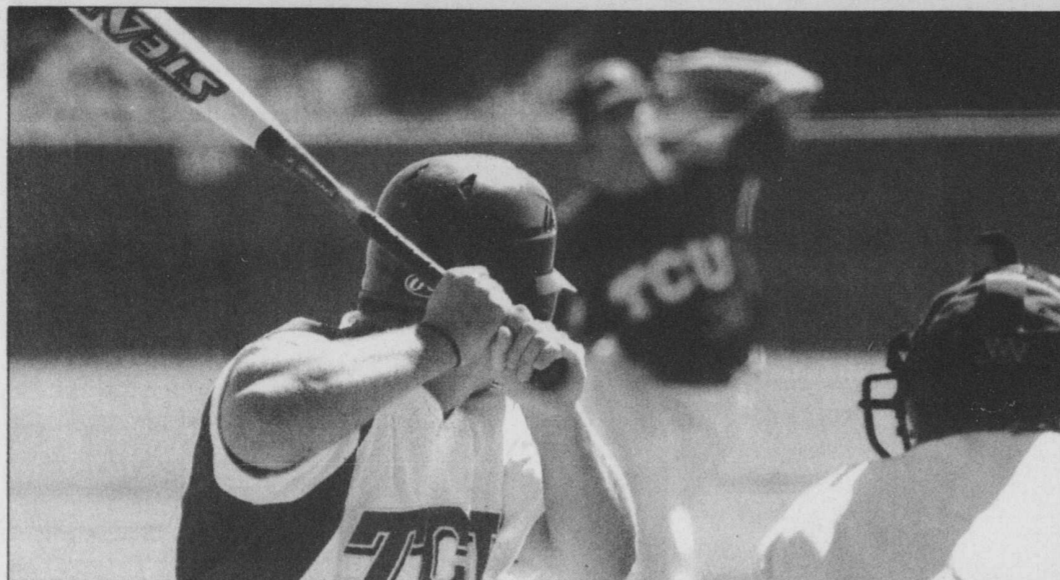
After two weekend games, the best-of-five Purple-White World Series is tied at one game all.

Each team had impressive showings in its respective victories, with the Purple-clad Horned Frogs taking game one, 7-2. The White team answered with a 7-0 win Saturday.

Head coach Jim Schlossnagle said he liked the way freshman second baseman Aaron Schultz looked at the plate for the White team through the first two games. Schultz had a hit in each game.

On the pitching side, Saturday's starters, freshman right-hander Greg Holle and sophomore left-hander Derek VerHagen, stood out for Schlossnagle.

Holle pitched 4 2-3 innings and allowed two hits and two walks in the shutout for the White team during game



Sophomore pitcher Derek VerHagen goes against freshman catcher Jimmie Pharr on Saturday during the second game of the Purple-White Series. Pharr's White squad bounced back with a 7-0 victory.

two. VerHagen received no run support, surrendering two runs on four hits for the Purple team. The lefty also had seven strikeouts.

For the Purple team, sophomore right-hander Tyler Lock-

wood racked up five innings in relief of junior right-hander Andrew Cashner, a transfer from Angelina College.

"Tyler Lockwood was steady, just like he was last year and did a great job,"

Schlossnagle said after Friday's game.

Schlossnagle said with 16 new players, an NCAA rule change that allows for more fall practice could not have

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TIM'S TAKE

Football break allows chance to catch up with other sports

By TIM BELLA
Sports Editor

OK, I am going to be frank for a minute: I do not know what to do for the next two weeks.

No TCU football for two weeks? After Thursday night's performance, that might be a good thing — but that's beside the point.

There has to be something to distract everyone from the 24-hour, vomit-inducing coverage of the

Boston Red Sox's return to the World Series, the New England Patriots' run toward an undefeated season and the thought of Ohio State and Boston College at No. 1 and No. 2 in the BCS standings, respectively.

Though the Barney-Soulja Boy video on YouTube is a great source of distraction for anyone like me, there has to be something else to drown out Joe Buck's lovefest with Curt Schilling's bloody sock and video packages on Bill Belichick's sweatshirt.

Unfortunately, TCU football, as inconsistent as it has been, cannot even distract me right now. At 4-4 and hopes of a conference championship all but gone, Horned Frogs Nation might have a hard time coming to terms with playing at a half-full Amon Carter Stadium on New Year's Eve in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl.

Look at it this way: Any bowl game with one less word in its title compared with San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl has to be somewhat of an

improvement. Try to convince yourself of that; it's fun.

So with TCU football taking a break for the time being, there has to be something else for me to write about, right?

After reading stories ranging from President Bush asking — in his best Dr. Evil voice, mind you — for an additional \$42.3 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan to Kid Rock's arrest at a Waffle House, one story rose above the rest.

Chuck Norris is pledging his support to Mike Huckabee's campaign for the Republican presidential nomination.

I really wish I could have been in the room to see Huckabee high-five his staff when he was informed of Walker Texas Ranger's support.

Something tells me the number of Huckabee supporters doubled when the news broke — he is now approaching the magic number of 50.

If we don't start seeing slogans relating to Huckabee's stance on national security that read "When the Boogeyman goes to sleep every night, he checks his closet for Mike Huckabee," I am going to be thoroughly disappointed.

So with no football, now is the time to get informed or reacquaint yourself with other proud athletic programs TCU has to offer such as Richard Sybesma's swimming and diving teams, Dan Abdalla's soccer team and Karen Monez's rifle team — all of which have home contests this week. You might learn something.

Go ahead and "Crank Dat Soulja Boy." It is going to be alright.

SOCCER

Horned Frogs kicked by UNLV golden goal

By TIM BELLA
Sports Editor

Editor's Note: The Daily Skiff was not allowed to interview the coach or players after the match.

It took 97 minutes and 19 seconds before the first goal was netted in Sunday's soccer match, but instead of an uproar from the home crowd, there was silence.

A free kick in the overtime period made it past the outreached arms of freshman goalkeeper

Kelsey Walters and gave the conference-leading UNLV Running Rebels a 1-0 win Sunday at Garvey-Rosenthal Stadium.

UNLV sophomore midfielder Shannon Hughes found the back of the net off of an assist from senior forward Katie Carney to give the Rebels their second conference road victory in three days.

The loss drops head coach Dan Abdalla's team to 7-9 on the season and

2-3 in conference play with three matches remaining before next month's conference tournament.

Both Walters and UNLV sophomore goalkeeper Alicia Lugo matched one another with their play between the goalposts, keeping their shutout bids alive heading into the extra period. They would both go the length of the match with Walters having five saves on the day compared to Lugo with four saves.

Walters jumped to make a save in the 73rd minute to keep TCU in the match. After Walters stopped a couple of more shots on goal in the final minutes of the regulation period, Lugo would respond. She fended off a last-minute effort by TCU that included a shot by freshman forward Jackie Torda, the team's leading scorer. Torda would finish with three shots, one of which was on goal.

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