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## Brite award may curb alumni giving, official says

By DAVID HALL and VALERIE HANNON  
Staff Reporters

Reactions have been strong and donations to the university may be jeopardized because of Brite Divinity School's decision to honor the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, the parent relations director said Tuesday.

April Culver, director of parent relations, said she has received numerous angry phone calls from students' parents threatening to stop giving to the university if Wright is given the Black Church Leader Award. Culver said, though, that none of the donors have

pulled their funding yet.

Wright is scheduled to be honored by the Brite on Saturday for his career in ministry. However, Chancellor Victor Boschini has said TCU would not give a similar award to the controversial pastor.

"We're trying to get people

to understand that there's a difference between TCU and Brite," Culver said.

It makes little difference to the donors who still threaten to stop giving even after explanations of Brite's status as a separate institution from TCU, Culver said.

TCU's Phonathon program, which hires students to solicit donations for the university's annual fund, has also received negative reaction regarding Wright.

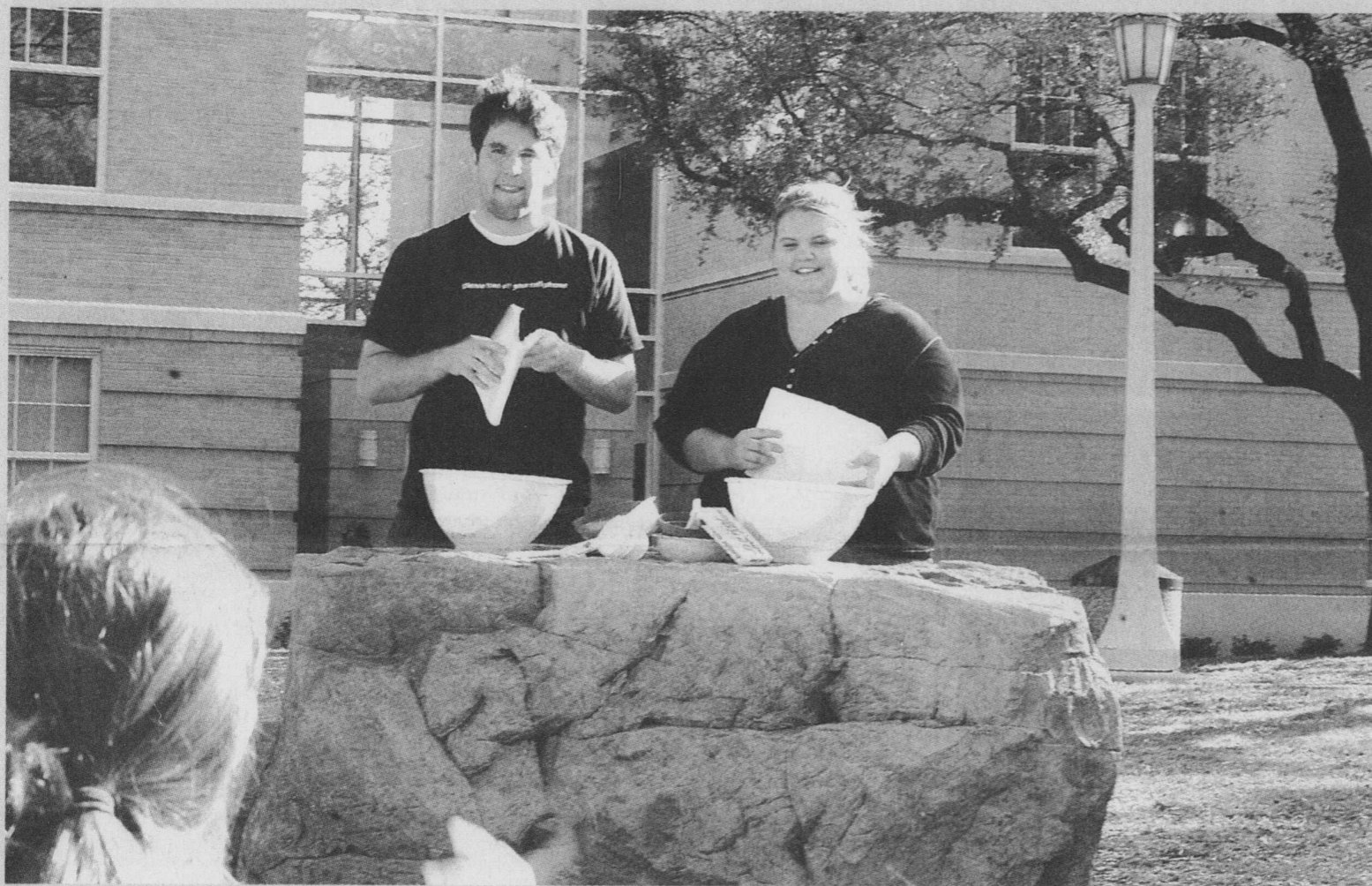
"We've had a few people who have asked not to be contacted because of this issue,"

said Jerome Douglas, Phonathon director.

Douglas said the people who asked not to be contacted by Phonathon weren't regular givers.

He said some regular donors had voiced concern, See **FUNDING**, page 2

## WHAT'S COOKING?



Theatre majors Eric Dobbins and Samantha Clayborn rehearse a scene from a short production called "Bake Off" under senior English major Carla Stoltenberg's direction Tuesday afternoon.

## Professor: New dean 'perfect fit' for Neeley

By CHRISTINA DURANO  
Staff Reporter

The new Neeley School of Business dean is a perfect fit for TCU because of his ties to the university and his record of research, the chairman of the Neeley dean search committee said.

Homer Erekson, dean and professor at the Henry W. Bloch School of Business and Public Administration at the University of Missouri-Kansas City for six years, will replace Dan Short as dean of the Neeley School of Business this summer.

"He really fit the job description," said George Low, chairman of the Neeley marketing department and the Neeley dean search committee. "He will help improve the reputation of the Neeley School of Business in Dallas-Fort Worth and with alumni."

Erekson graduated from TCU in 1974 with B.A. degrees in economics and political science. He also serves as a member of the national alumni board.

Low said Erekson will help connect the constituencies within the Neeley School and build relationships with other departments on campus.

Erekson said he is excited to help advance TCU and the Neeley School of Business to the next level.

"There's no better place for me to be right now," Erekson said.

Erekson said he plans to assess the market niche for TCU's MBA program and continue connecting students with faculty and giving them more experiential learning opportunities.

"All business schools need to be market See **NEELEY**, page 2

### CORRECTION

The Lady Frogs' quarterfinals game at Texas Tech is at 7 p.m. today. The date was incorrect in Tuesday's Skiff.

## Professor to speak on presidential pastimes

By CHRISTINA SCHAMS  
Staff Reporter

President Andrew Jackson knew winning was not guaranteed, but still loved to gamble.

President Bush uses nicknames within his administration.

Buried beneath the political history that defines presidents are their pastimes.

At 91, Paul F. Boller Jr., best-selling author and TCU professor emeritus of history, will discuss the unheard habits of presi-

dents in an interview symposium tonight called "Presidents at Play: Observations by Dr. Paul F. Boller Jr.," said Ann McDonald, director of development for the AddRan College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

McDonald said Boller will answer questions based on his current book, "Presidential Diversions: Presidents at Play from George Washington to George W. Bush."

"He is a delightful man and sharp as a tack," she said.

Bob Ray Sanders, an adjunct journalism professor and Star-Telegram columnist, will conduct the interview with Boller.

The format of the event, a live interview between an author and reporter, is similar to the Star-Telegram's author series, McDonald said.

Students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members will have a chance to ask Boller questions as well, and books will be available for purchase and signing.

AddRan, the Britain Society, which is a planned giving society, and Golden Frogs, a group of alumni who graduated between 1930 and 1959, will host the event.

A few of the books Boller has written include "Presidential Wives: An Anecdotal History," "Presidential Campaigns," "Presidential Anecdotes," "Not So! Popular Myths About America From Columbus to Clinton," and "Congressional Anecdotes."

## Speaker to discuss education strategy for deaf Latino students

By PATTY ESPINOSA  
Staff Reporter

From teaching at the only university for the hearing impaired in the country to establishing bilingual education for the deaf in Barcelona, Spain, Thursday's Green Honors Chair speaker has raised awareness of the need for multicultural education for deaf and partially deaf students.

Barbara Gerner de Garcia, the speaker, is professor and chair of the educational-foundations and research department at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C.

The majority of students who are deaf and partially deaf at TCU happen to be part of the Hispanic population, said Terri Gonzalez, program coordinator for the habilitation of the deaf

program. Gerner de Garcia has the expertise of communicating with those students, she said.

William Ryan, chair of the department of communication-sciences and disorders, said people like Gerner de Garcia who specialize in the area are much needed.

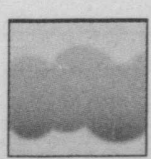
"Not only does she combine deaf/hard of hearing expertise with the Hispanic culture, but

she brings in the ability to use sign language," Ryan said.

Gerner de Garcia will also have a workshop broadcast via satellite to educators all over Texas from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Thursday from Region XI in Fort Worth. Region XI is one of 20 educational-service centers that provide information, staff-development help and support to schools in Texas.

"Hispanics make up the majority of deaf and hard of hearing students, and yet, there are strategies out there that teachers are not aware of," Daniel Diffie, consultant for deaf education at Region XI, said. Gerner de Garcia will focus on those strategies and main points to help Texas educators work with the students and parents as well, he said.

Gerner de Garcia will have two on-campus presentations — one from 6:30 to 8 p.m. today in Sid Richardson, Lecture Hall 2 and one from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday in the Palko building, Room 130. Both lectures will focus on deaf Latino students and are free and open to the public. A Spanish translator and a sign-language interpreter will be present.



**WEATHER**  
TODAY: Cloudy, 81/63  
TOMORROW: Afternoon sun, 86/63  
FRIDAY: Isolated storms, 74/53

**PECULIAR FACT**  
McLEAN, Va. — A high school coach unpacking his luggage was bitten by a small rattlesnake that had gotten into his bag.

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— Associated Press

**NEELEY**  
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focused," Erekson said. "I will help develop programs that are market focused."  
The 14-member dean search committee recommended four of the more than 30 applicants for the position of Neeley dean based on the candidates' applications, references and interviews. Provost Nowell Donovan selected Erekson.  
"During the past few years,

the Neeley School has made considerable progress under the more-than-able leadership of extraordinarily capable deans," Donovan said in an e-mail to TCU faculty and staff Tuesday. Short worked with Erekson at Miami University for seven years and said TCU will quickly grow to love Erekson.  
"He is wonderful in working with people to get agreement on new directions," Short said. "He'll come with a different set

of ideas and perspectives." Although Short is stepping down as Neeley dean, he is not leaving the department. Short will teach one course next fall and teach financial accounting full time in fall 2009.  
"It's a life cycle," Short said. "I love being the dean but I also love the classroom."  
Short said he is ambivalent about his change of position. "Some moments I'm elated and some moments I'm depressed," Short said.

**BASEBALL**  
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That was the close as it would get for the Islanders.  
In the fourth inning TCU found its offense and never looked back, scoring on hits by designated hitter Jimmie Pharr and redshirt freshman outfielder Brett Medlin to give TCU a 3-1 advantage.  
A sacrifice bunt by pinch hitter Hunt Woodruff in the seventh inning brought home utility infielder Corey Steglich, extending the Horned Frog lead to 4-1. A final Islander error in the eighth helped TCU end the game with a final score of 5-1.  
The win brought the Horned Frogs' record to 13-10, while the struggling Islanders rest 12 games below .500 with a 5-17 mark. The next games for TCU are on the road against Mountain West Conference rivals UNLV this weekend.

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but said they will wait until Brite awards Wright to make a final decision.  
Karin Lewis, the chancellor's administrative assistant, said the chancellor's office also received numerous calls at the height of the controversy from alumni and other donors from the community saying they would no longer donate to the university.  
"There were some who said they had thought about donating to TCU in their will, and this decision made them reconsider," Lewis said. "Others just said they wouldn't donate to TCU anymore."  
Lewis said she has also received calls from past football-season ticket holders saying they would no longer be purchasing season tickets.  
She said calls have significantly lessened since the

announcement that the event would be moved off campus. She said she received three such calls Tuesday, down from last week when the office was handling calls continuously.  
The university's board of trustees voted to move the event off campus citing "security issues."  
The banquet honoring Wright has been moved to Friendship-West Baptist Church in Dallas, said Elizabeth Payne, the pastor's assistant at the church. Carolyn Ray, president's assistant at Paul Quinn, said the luncheon will be at the college Saturday.  
However, Joan Harrell, minister of communications for Wright's Chicago church, told the Dallas Morning News late Tuesday that Wright's schedule wasn't final yet and that his presence in Dallas is still up in the air.

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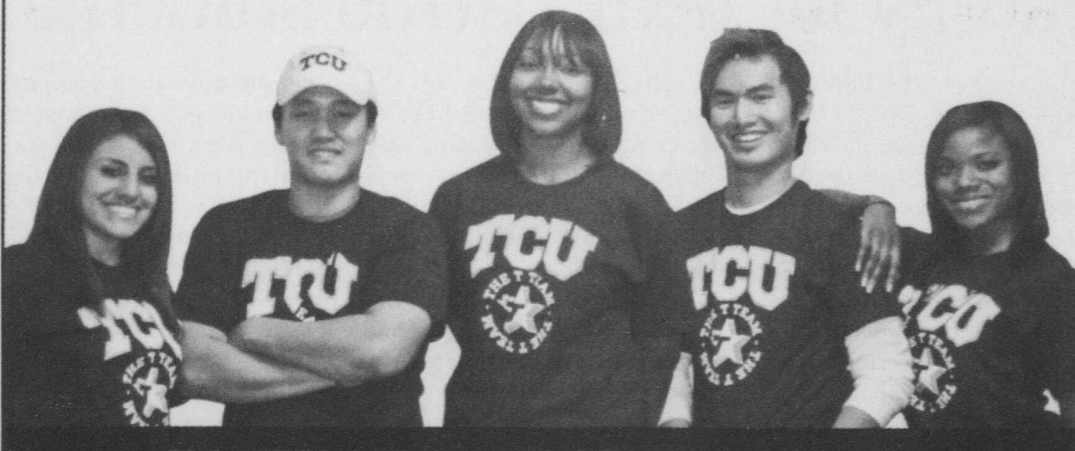
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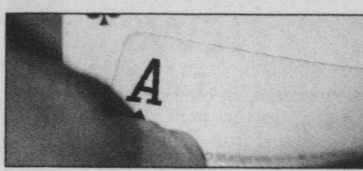
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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**  
"Life is like a game of cards. The hand that is dealt you is deterministic; the way you play it is free will."  
— Jawaharal Nehru

### THE SKIFF VIEW

## Move to Dallas stifles opportunity

In the face of controversy, TCU is shying away.

The university has distanced itself from the Brite Divinity School's efforts to bring the Rev. Jeremiah Wright to TCU, voting to move the event involving the controversial pastor off campus.

Many of the comments by Barack Obama's Chicago pastor are certainly offensive, but should be tolerated for an optional event on a college campus. TCU and Brite have both made it clear already they don't endorse his comments anyway.

But the university has deprived students of this opportunity to hear Wright, citing safety concerns but offering little information for their concern.

A university should encourage discussion of the important issues he raises, not shy away from them, and students should have the opportunity to hear Wright's views. Also, Wright's association with

Obama is rapidly becoming an issue in the presidential election.

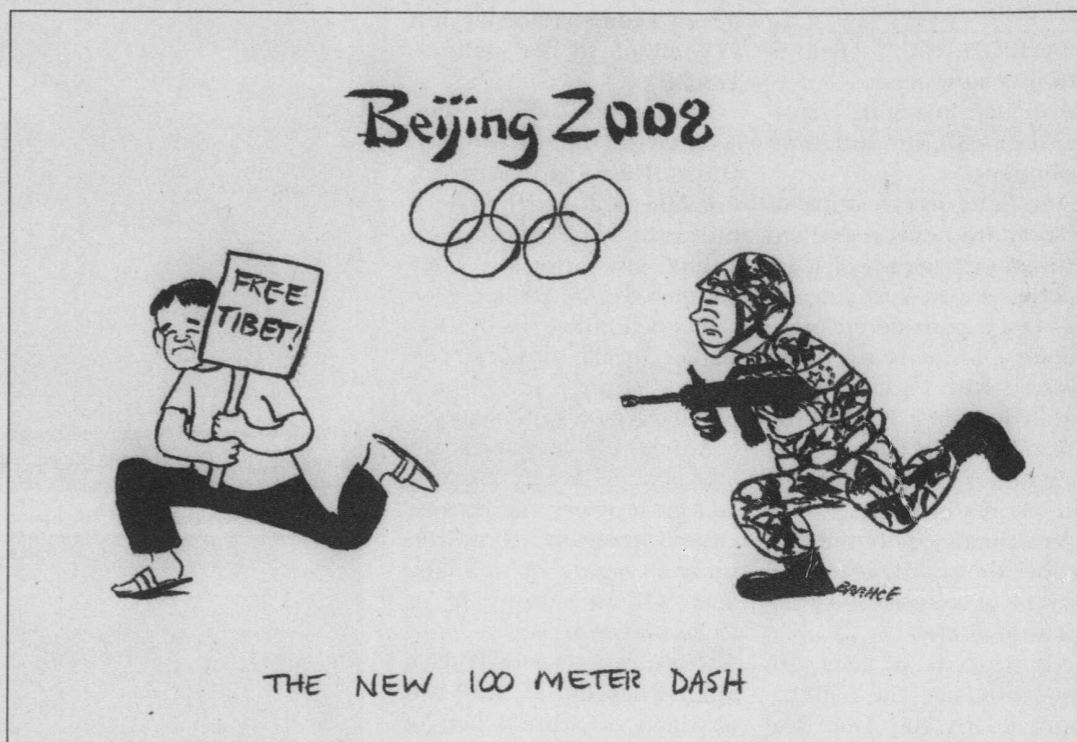
Now students will have to drive 41 miles to Paul Quinn College where he's scheduled to speak Saturday. That's because the small liberal arts college in south Dallas was willing to stick its neck out when TCU wasn't.

TCU has been reluctant to release any information about the "security issues" cited in moving the event. Students deserve to know what those concerns are if they're being deprived of the opportunity to see a national figure on campus.

In the face of controversy, the university should encourage discussion, not shy away from it. The chancellor said last week that "TCU supports the right of free speech even when the opinions expressed are controversial," but the recent decision doesn't seem to show that.

*Editor-in-chief Andrew Chavez for the editorial board.*

BY JACOB BRAHCE



*Jacob Brahce is a freshman criminal justice and political science major from Cedar Park.*

## Ignoring handouts, information halts growth of local activism

Ever pretend to talk on your cell phone or finish the crossword to avoid talking to people sitting at tables in the Student Center? I have, and I'm ashamed to admit it.

During the weeks leading up to the March 4 primary, students manned tables and encouraged other students to register to vote. I was shocked by the response of passing students — none seemed to notice the table, and many didn't even answer when asked, "Hi, are you registered to vote?"

Not only is this rude, it also negatively affects campus activism (political or otherwise) and the overall TCU environment. Admittedly, as students, we are busy. We're often minutes away from the start of a

class and seem to have more pressing issues on our minds. Sometimes I don't have the minute needed to talk to organization representatives. But most of the time I do, and so do other students.

If you pass through the Student Center on your speed-walk to class, you will likely pass through again on your way back to your dorm, car or Frog Bytes.

Sometimes we don't feel like talking to the representatives, and sometimes we're uncomfortable because they ask for money. Other times we might disagree with their cause or simply not care. In any case, we should consider how our reactions affect the campus environment, and at least, mind our manners.

You may consider their cause unworthy of your two-to-three min-

utes, but obviously they don't.

Their cause is worth hours of their own time spent manning a table and enduring body-language beatings from passersby. Even if you don't care about a cause or completely disagree, why not take 10 seconds to say, "I'm in a hurry, do

you have something I can take with me?" No one will argue if you need to run to

"Students should try to unite as a community and listen to new ideas."

**Candace Ruocco**

class. Most likely, the thrilled representative will be eager to distribute information. How saddening and discouraging it must be to not even dent the stack of materials you've compiled to distribute after hours of trying to enlighten other students.

Two weeks ago, running to class as usual, I passed a shivering student outside the bookstore on Berry Street holding a huge presi-

dential campaign sign. I dislike the candidate he promoted but was impressed enough to say "Hey, good for you, it's nice to see some political activism on this campus!"

His response? "Oh, well I don't go here, I go to TCC. But thanks for the encouragement, I haven't talked to anyone all day."

Wow, he must be accustomed to better responses if he thought his strategy was effective enough to deploy to other local universities.

Students should try to unite as a community and listen to new ideas. By ignoring each other, we sacrifice both potentially important information and the supportive atmosphere TCU strives for. What's worse, we discourage others from reaching out to the Horned Frog community in the future.

*Candace Ruocco is a junior political science, English and fashion merchandising major from St. Louis.*

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Wright's dialogue raises important societal issues

The Rev. Jeremiah Wright was Barack Obama's pastor and TCU has more than an academic interest in this story.

TCU is related to the Disciples (for at least a little longer), and the Disciples are related to the United Church of Christ. Wright is a UCC minister. I know Wright, and as a Disciple and twice a graduate from TCU, I'll fall on my sword for him because we must have the big conversation on race.

Racism became brutal for me when I became intimately involved with immigration, migration, refugees and persons seeking political asylum.

Race is in our public policies and in our congregations. I talk about race in church. A pastor can say anything — anything — to his or her congregation so long as it is said in love. Jeremiah loves his people. Just ask them.

Still, loving pastors and loving congregations can divide along race questions.

Those who reel at Wright damning America are probably unfamiliar with the tradition of prophets damning ancient Israel. It's clearly in the Hebrew bible. Listen to Wright's words again, "It's in the Bible!" Prophets suffered for it, but it's there. They suffer here too.

I worry about prophets, TCU's and Brite's.

The U.S. is damned in one U.S. church or another every week in one way or another, even if the rhetoric is calm. Some Rabbis need to come forward to say that Wright and others stand in the tradition of thousands of years of similar preaching. Those who reel at mixing religion and politics in the pulpits saying they don't mix probably understand neither. Religion and politics have always mixed well.

When pundits rant about separation of church and state and tax-exempt status, they are off base. Current laws and policies have more to do with Lyndon Baines Johnson's 1950s campaigns than the U.S. Constitution.

A good challenge or two directed at the tax-exempt status of congregations based on speech and free exercise would probably lead to the lifting of some bans, not their enforcement. Who should judge words of congregations? Who has that authority, moral or otherwise?

Silencing a candidate or a church engaged in the questions of the day is the very worst form of political correctness. Some Christian Zionists

who care little for Jews want a nuclear war in the Middle East so Jesus will come again. Some "green" theologians want to turn God into nature and vice versa. More to the point, any nationalist religion decrying the global nature of God's love that gives prophetic voices a place and tradition in which to stand is dangerous. Who is going to police them?

Rhetoric and behavior should be considered. Martin Luther King Jr. was non-violent. Yet, the struggle while he was alive was very bloody. Malcolm X's rhetoric was abhorrent to all people in my opinion, yet his followers were actually quite peaceful. Could we learn to judge actions instead of just words?

Wright's Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago can and does put all congregations I know of to shame

in terms of outreach, community-building programs and deep spiritual formation of future leaders. Thousands of people contribute millions of dollars to all manner of good deeds. To be clear, Obama can't say he didn't know about Jeremiah's preaching.

I voted for Obama in Arizona's presidential primary, so I can't be accused of partisan behavior and helping him here. While he's distancing himself from Wright, he's also allowing just about everyone to chew up a whole prophetic tradition when the subtext of those with the teeth is race and nationalism and some of the nastiest forms of identity politics.

Horned Frogs familiar with the "C" part of the acronym should recall that presidents Garfield, Johnson and Reagan all came out of the "C" religious tradition related to Disciples and the UCCs. What I'd like to see would be more people who can affirm, and not denounce, the fiery outcry of the America's pulpits and even the ideological extremes found in congregations, which are some of the only places left for truly free speech and free exercise of religion in these states.

Today I give thanks to Obama for a fine speech. His roots and his pastor helped shape the message. TCU should choose to stand close to some greatness. It's a better message for students.

*The Rev. Robin Hoover is a pastor at First Christian Church in Tucson, Ariz.*

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Greek impact should not be ignored by Skiff

As a member of the Greek community, I feel, as a whole, we are overlooked and under-represented in the Daily Skiff. I have made several attempts to have stories written covering various events regarding my particular organization with no success. The reason for the Skiff's lack of interest is beyond my comprehension.

Greek or not, we are all TCU students and should be represented in a periodical reflecting the institution as a whole — with no prejudice. The Greek community is working more diligently than ever to become a greater part of the student body and have a positive impact on the TCU community

— in my experience this has not been reciprocated by the Skiff, as our efforts are overlooked.

I firmly believe those who are not fond of Greeks are being enabled by the Skiff — which only reports the stories that reflect the Greek community negatively. As with any organization on campus, there is always negative news, but in the Greek community, the positive things, which outweigh the negative, are overlooked.

Each Greek organization hosts philanthropies, which raise thousands of dollars to benefit various charities. Several chapters do community service projects that range from help-

ing with FrogHouse to homeless shelters. TCU's second Greek Week begins March 31, and there will be a "Greeks in the Streets" aspect where all organizations will be doing community service in various locations around Fort Worth.

I encourage members of the Skiff to step out of the norm and write stories that address the good things the Greek community is doing on campus and for the local community. I am confident that when this happens, the stereotypes will begin to change. People will see Greeks for who they really are, and not as a newspaper makes them out to be.

It is important to rec-

ognize the Skiff is an organization and Greeks comprise many organizations — but as a whole we are part of the TCU community. It is our responsibility as a small part of a much larger community to work together for the overall betterment of the TCU community as a whole.

Having said all this, I look forward to reading articles that cover Greek Week, various Greek philanthropies and Greek activities in the future as we work together to include more TCU community activities in our institution's newspaper.

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# New class of lawsuits asserts pets' rights

By SARAH OVASKA  
McClatchy Newspapers

RALEIGH, N.C. — Fido is getting a new name — several, in fact: "plaintiff," "trustee," "beneficiary" and even "defendant."

Dogs, cats and creatures of all sorts are being redefined in an emerging area of legal practice known as animal law. Once considered mere property, animals are being invested with legal standing as they're increasingly being named as partial beneficiaries of estates, subjects of lawsuits and victims of abuse.

As animals rise in the law, so does the profile of animal lawyers, or lawyers who practice animal law.

Ninety-two of the 196 law schools in the country approved by the American Bar Association now offer courses on animal law, up from the nine that offered classes in 2000, according to the Animal Legal Defense Fund.

"You're seeing this real snowball effect," said Pamela Alexander, director of the defense fund's animal law section.

Part of the push has come from animals' rise in prominence in people's lives, with owners routinely spending thousands of dollars to give a cat chemotherapy and sending dogs to day care, therapists and groomers.

High Point publisher Randall B. Terry Jr., whose name will adorn North Carolina State University's new veterinary hospital, left an estimated \$1 million to ensure that his six golden retrievers would be cared for after he died in 2004. After her death

last year, New York hotel queen Leona Helmsley left \$12 million to her Maltese, Trouble.

A number of top law schools, including those at Duke, Harvard, Stanford, Columbia and Northwestern universities, bolstered their animal law offerings after each received \$1 million from a foundation set up by Bob Barker, former host of "The Price is Right" and animal philanthropist superstar.

Animal law disputes still take place in largely uncharted legal territory and revolve around questions about the inherent rights of animals, said William Reppy Jr., a Duke law professor.

Reppy, who started Duke's animal law clinic, said the newness of animal law is inviting to activists who see a chance to define new rights, as the areas of civil rights and environmental law have become more established and settled.

"Here's an area where it's still bad," Reppy said. "People with an activist mentality can see there's room to do something."

At Duke, an animal clinic puts law students to work on animal-related issues, from cruelty to the drafting of animal control ordinances, Reppy said.

But the increased training has outpaced job creation in animal law. Reppy said many of his students are taking conventional jobs in law firms and offering their expertise when animal issues come their way, or they're doing pro bono work for local humane societies and shelters.



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Calley Gerber rests with her dog Presley after playing at her home in Raleigh, N.C. Gerber quit her job as a corporate lawyer and is trying to get into animal law, a field that is opening up in some law schools.

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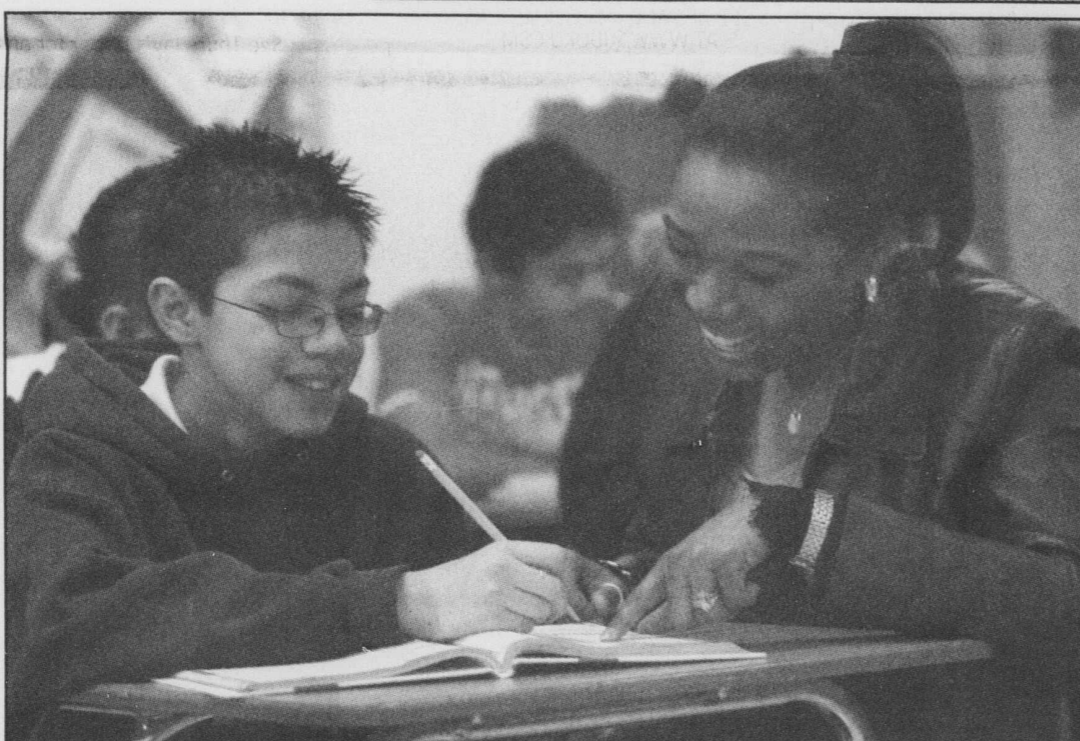
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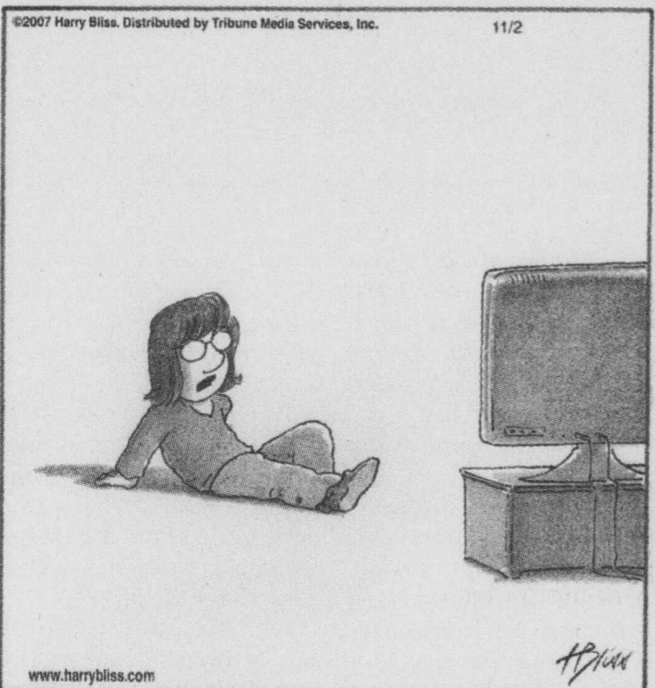
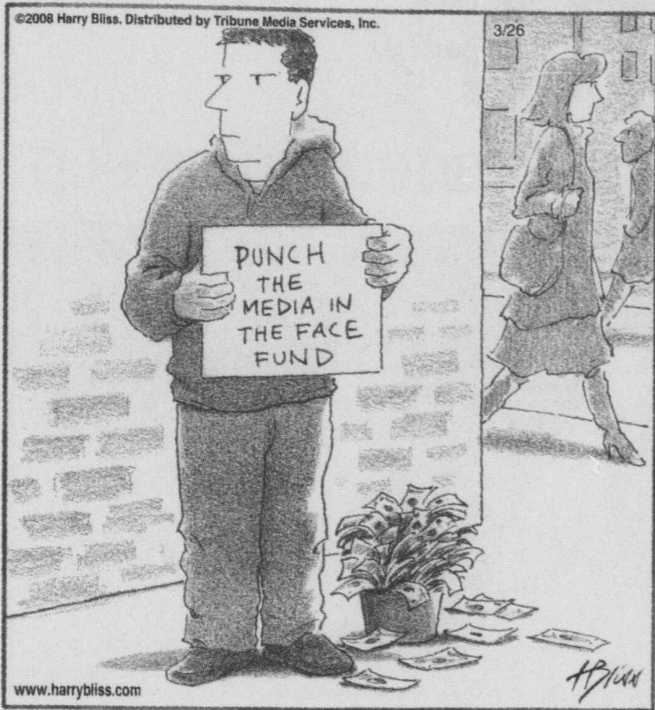
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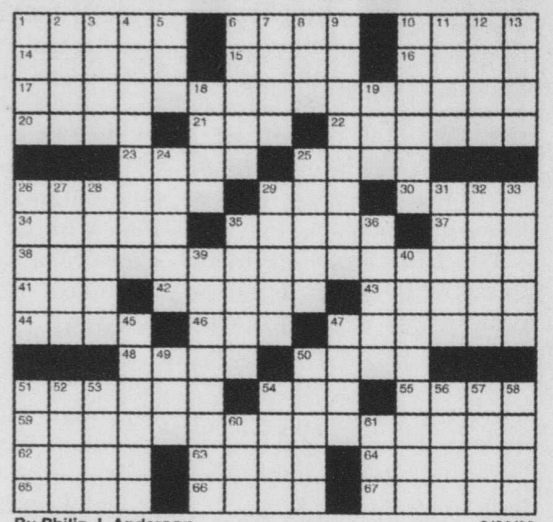
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29 "Michael Collins" star  
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By Philip J. Anderson  
Portland, OR

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**Tuesday's Puzzle Solved**

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**BRETT'S BREAKDOWN**

**WNIT appearance good consolation**

By BRETT LARSON  
Sports Editor

Every college basketball team starts each season dreaming of an invitation to the Big Dance in March. For 128 teams the COMMENTARY



Brett Larson

NCAA Tournament eventually becomes reality.

For another 64 schools, instead of a great night's sleep, it's more like a good nap. The Lady Frogs are living this slightly-lesser dream as competitors in the Women's National Invitation Tournament. They already demolished the women from Boise State by 29 points and take on Texas Tech today in the quarterfinals in Lubbock.

The WNIT may not be the ideal dream, but it certainly beats missing the postseason completely.

For the Lady Frogs their quarterfinal matchup against Texas Tech is a perfect example of the partial dream.

After seven straight years of NCAA Tournament invites, TCU's extremely impressive run is over, but its postseason streak remains alive thanks to the WNIT.

It's the consolation prize most schools are disappointed to win, but completely dedicated to winning.

TCU's slow start to its season and loss in the semifinals of the Mountain West Conference Tournament made it a team on the bubble, which it ended up on an unfamiliar side of.

Credit to the ladies, though, whose slow start to the season can be credited to their games against five teams who would eventually make the tournament.

TCU started its season with games against tournament No. 2 seeds LSU and Texas A&M, tournament three-seeds University of California at Berkeley and Oklahoma State, and 14-seed Fresno State.

TCU's absence from the NCAA Tournament does seem like a bit of a slight when considering two of the three Mountain West teams were selected.

The University of Utah, the University of New Mexico and Wyoming all represent the Mountain West in the NCAA Tournament, but New Mexico and Wyoming both finished behind TCU in the conference standings.

Not only did TCU finish ahead of the Lobos in conference, they also swept the season series and had a better overall record.

It's peculiar and confusing, something unavoidable with March Madness selections, whether it be for the women's or men's tournaments.

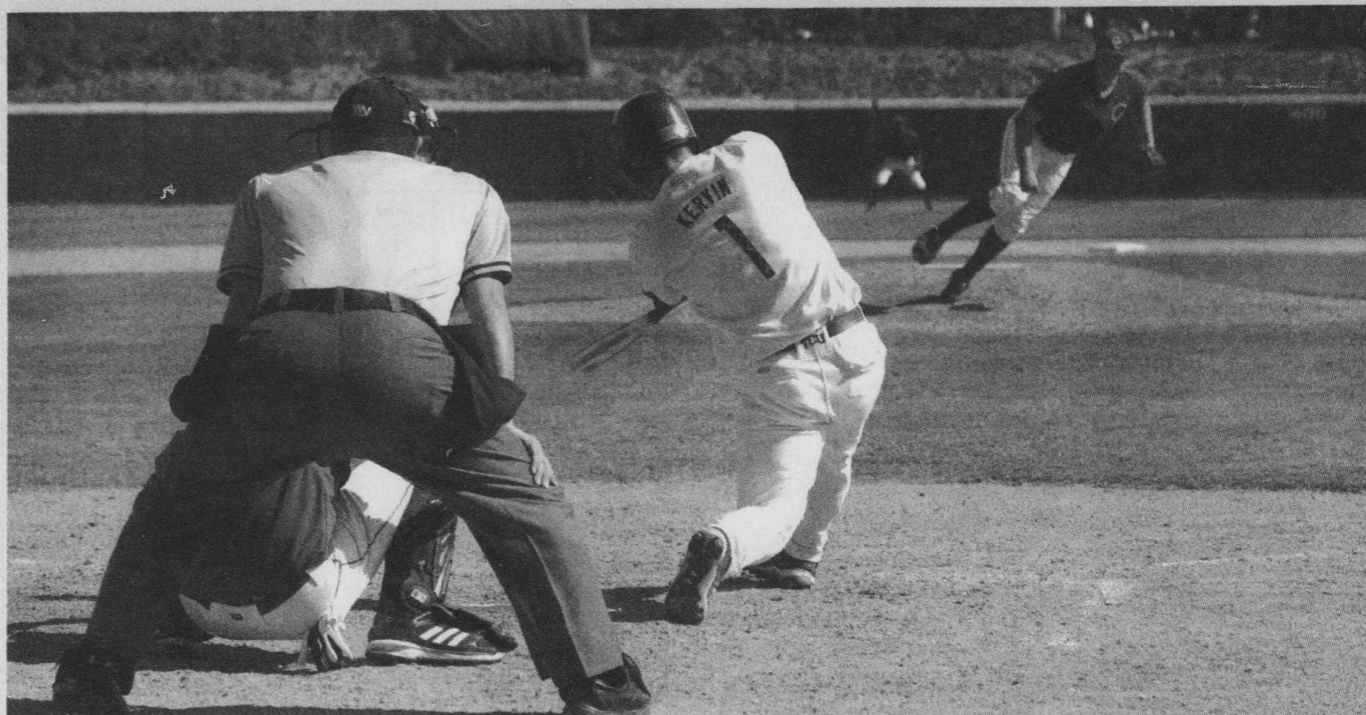
Major tournament slight aside, the Lady Frogs are showcasing their quality, dominating their first game against Boise State and advancing to the quarterfinals of the WNIT.

The team is playing great basketball and proving the selectors wrong — not that there's anything wrong with the WNIT.

**BASEBALL**

**DOUBLED UP**

**Horned Frogs wash over Islanders in sweep**



Senior shortstop Bryan Kervin attempts to hit off Corpus Christi's Trey Hernandez in the Horned Frogs' 1-0 win in the first game of their double-header. TCU got the sweep on the day, winning the second game 5-1.

By JORDAN SMITH  
Staff Writer

In a night of standout pitching by the entire TCU rotation, the Horned Frogs allowed only one run in two games Tuesday leading to a double-header sweep against the Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Islanders.

The wins were TCU's second and third in 24 hours.

The Horned Frogs also defeated Dallas Baptist University on Monday night 20-3, scoring all the runs in the last three innings. Some players felt the surge might have contributed to the offense's slow start Tuesday.

"It's always tough when you score that many runs as an offense, usually the next day you can expect not to score as many," first baseman Matt Vern said. "We swung a lot, took a lot of swings last night, but (tonight) we did what we had to do to win."

The first game featured a pitcher's duel, as each team held the other scoreless through the first eight innings. In the ninth inning, TCU sophomore Eric Marshall came in to relieve starting pitcher Seth Garrison after pitching the first eight shutout innings. Corpus Christi attempted a ninth inning

push, leading off with a long double, and a ground out moved the runner to third. Marshall walked the following runner then responded with a strikeout and a fly-out to hold the game at 0-0 for TCU.

In the bottom of the ninth, third baseman Matt Carpenter led off with a walk. Center fielder Clint Arnold didn't convert a sacrifice bunt attempt and had Carpenter forced out at second. Vern stepped in next and launched a hard line drive down the third base line, bringing Arnold home to win the game 1-0.

TCU's offense came to life in the second game, building on its momentum to put five runs on the board while only allowing one.

The Horned Frogs' first run came in the first inning, when sophomore catcher Bfyan Holaday drove a line drive into left field, allowing junior second baseman Ben Carruthers to score.

The Horned Frog's only run allowed came in the top of the second inning, when freshman starting pitcher Greg Holle allowed the Islanders' starting pitcher Trey Hernandez to score.

See **BASEBALL**, page 2

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

**Senior leadership deciding factor in third-round matchup**

By JOE ZIGTEMA  
News Editor

The women's basketball coach was full of hopes on his way to Lubbock on Tuesday as his WNIT-champion hopeful Lady Frogs will try to steal a win from Texas Tech in the third round of the tournament tonight.

Head coach Jeff Mittie said he hopes his senior-laden team's experience will give the Lady Frogs an advantage over a young Lady Raider squad that lists just one senior and includes nine transfer players.

"Our group has been in a lot of big games before," Mittie said. "They've played in front of a lot

of hostile crowds."

Senior guard Adrienne Ross, who contributed 22 points and four steals in the Lady Frogs' 85-56 win over Boise State on Sunday, said senior leadership will play a role in the run and gun-type game that both teams play.

"With our experience and our strong veteran group, if we can build a little bit more discipline, it will definitely be an advantage for (today's) game," Ross said.

Ross said bench play will also play a key role in keeping players fresh.

"We don't get winded as much (for) as much as we run because we have so many play-

ers on the bench that can come in," Ross said.

Mittie said TCU's bench play has been a strength for the team all year.

"If you have a couple of players who get into foul trouble or struggle you have some players who can come off the bench and give you good minutes," Mittie said. "I hope it comes into play in Lubbock."

TCU (22-11) will need to play disciplined defense to contain Texas Tech (17-15) leading scorer Dominic Seals, who averaged 14.1 points per game this season and is the No. 13 leading scorer in the Big 12. In Tech's second round win over Texas

State, Seals led all scorers with 24 points and pulled down 11 rebounds for her ninth double-double of the season.

"We'll try not to give her the same look many times in a row," Mittie said. "Hopefully with that we can cause a little bit of confusion. She scores so many different ways ... hopefully we can just make it a tough night for her and force her into a lot of tough shots."

Mittie said though he was concerned going into the Boise State game, he thought his team played well and didn't have anything to prove from not making the NCAA Tournament.

"You always have something

to prove," Mittie said. "Unfortunately we weren't selected but we finished strong, and I think we'd like to finish this tournament strong."

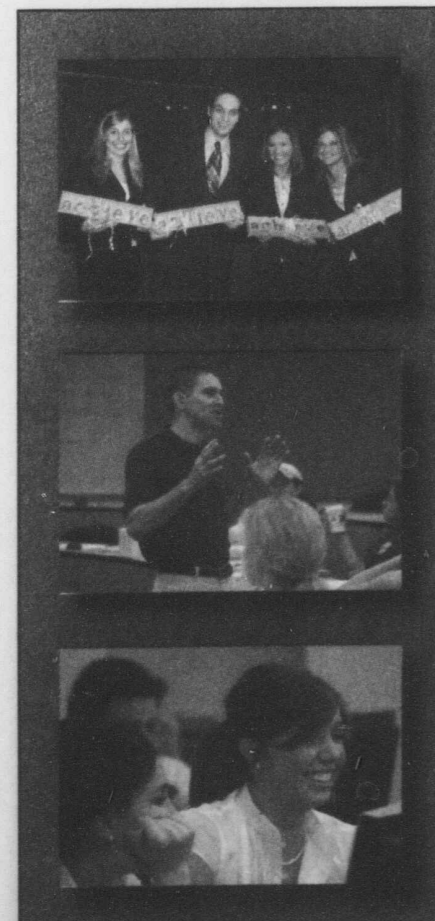
Ross said the team is excited about playing in March, regardless of what tournament

it plays in.

"It's March and it's time to play," Ross said. "There are a lot of teams that aren't playing right now, whether it be in the NCAA Tournament, the WNIT or any other tournament, so it's still good to play right now."

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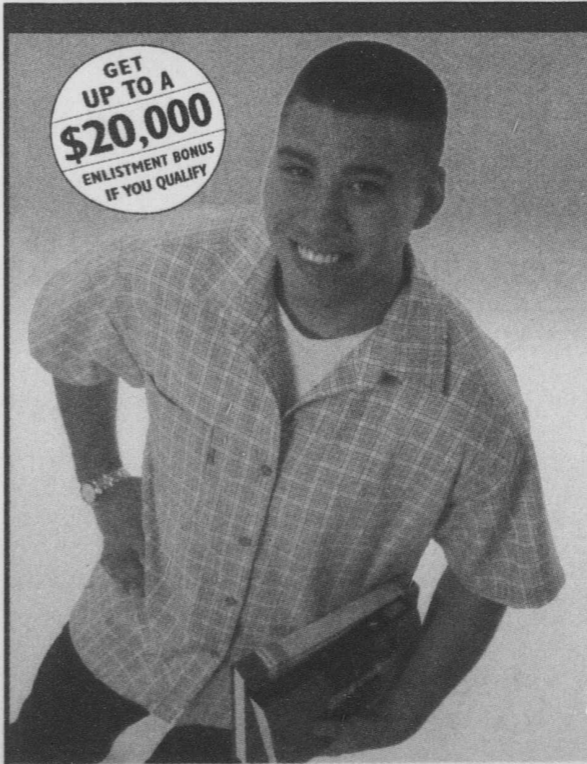
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