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## Director shows Frog pride more than a four-year stint

By KATHY MEYERSOHN
Staff Writer

From the purple walls of his office to his extensive collection of frogs, TCU buttons and other Horned Frog paraphernalia filling his shelves, Dale Young oozes school spirit.

"The color purple is one of my favorite colors," said Young, director of placement for the School of Education. "When I see something purple I buy it.

"A saleswoman at Marshall Fields in Houston calls and tells me when new purple things come in," Young said.

Young, a former TCU cheerleader and 1966 graduate, is in his fifth year as director of placement for TCU's School of Education.

"Even when I travel I put my 'Frog on board' sign in the rental car," Young said. "Thank goodness we have purple ski clothes now."

"I really like TCU — every aspect of it," Young said. "I really believe in TCU. That's why I'm so enthusiastic. I want the students to be that enthusiastic, too."

After graduating from TCU, Young taught at Wedgewood Middle School in Fort Worth for 10 years and coached the school's basketball team. He retired when Wedgewood won the city championship.

Young returned to TCU in 1978 as director of teacher certification.

"When I came back to TCU, we'd gone through one of the worst seasons," Young said. "We had no spirit organization."

That year Young started the Spirit Wranglers, a spirit group consisting of 10 representatives from each residence hall and two representatives from each organization on campus that sported western uniforms, in an effort to promote greater school spirit.

In 1983, Young was elected as president of the Texas State Leadership Organization, which required that he take a one-year leave from TCU.

When Young returned the Spirit Wranglers had dwindled.

"During the dry time the Wranglers served to promote spirit but, when I returned I needed to go on to something else," Young said.

Young took on the project of improving school spirit by combining the efforts of Kappa Delta Pi, the honor society for the School of Education, and the TCU chapter of the Texas Student Education Association to make signs before games and decorate all three floors of the Bailey Building for Homecoming.

Every Friday during football season, all of the teachers in the School of Education wear purple to show their spirit, Young said.

Young's effort to improve spirit on campus paid off when the School of Education won the Spirit Award last year.

"TSEA tries to let people know that there are a lot of teams to support at TCU and that we're here to support them," said Melanie Kaplan, president of the TCU chapter of the Texas Student Education Association.

"Melanie is an outstanding president," Young said. "She has great spirit."

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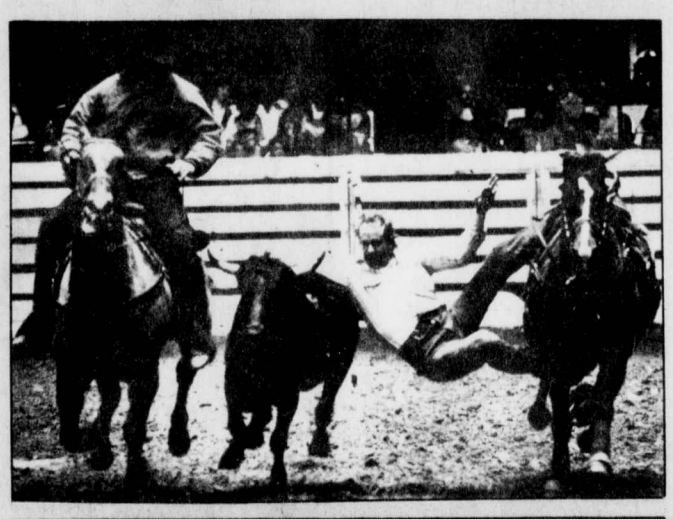
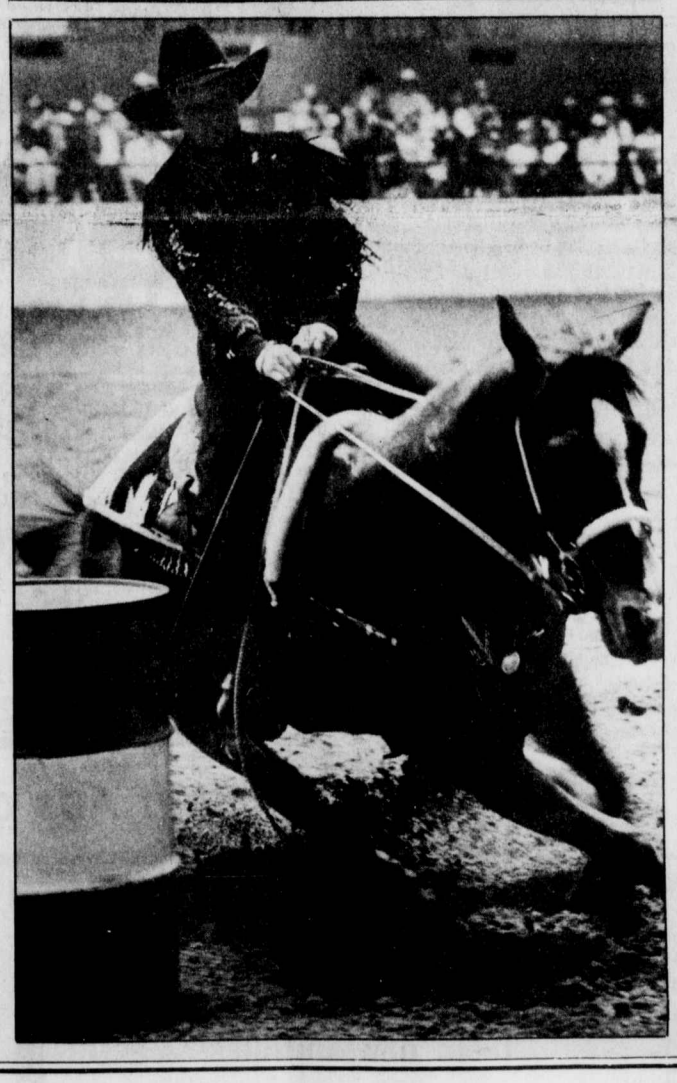
## *Rough ridin'*





Photos by **Suzanne Dean**

**Bronc busters of all ages:** Clockwise from left, two-year-old Phillip Parker-Lancarte, displays his finest cowboy duds Thursday at the Fort Worth Stockshow and Rodeo. The calf-wrestling competition pits man against beast in an endurance test of brute strength. The barrel race combines the skill of the rider with the training of the cutting horse in a breath-taking display of agility.

## Wright to spend week on campus

### Former speaker to teach classes

By MARY SALTERELLI
Staff Writer

Jim Wright, former speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, has been named as visiting university Green Chair professor for the week of March 5 through 9.

Wright's upcoming Green Chair professorship is being sponsored by the political science department and coordinated by the chairman, James Riddlesperger, associate professor of political science.

Riddlesperger said Wright's tentatively scheduled activities include lectures to political science and American history classes, a fireside chat with the Honors Program students and a public lecture and reception.

"It's going to be exciting and interesting for students," Riddlesperger said. "We want to make it as visible a visit as we can.

"We're going to make extensive use of him — it will be a really good experience for a lot of students," he said.

Wright's week at TCU will be his first visiting professorship since he resigned as speaker in June 1989 amid allegations of ethical misconduct.

"He's had a lot of offers, but he's holding out for TCU first," said Larry Shannon, Wright's administrative assistant.

Shannon said Wright has been busy speaking on college campuses around the country.

Wright, who couldn't be reached for comment, is also scheduled to speak to 16 students preparing for Washington internships next fall in the nation's capital.

Eugene Alpert, associate professor of political science and supervisor of the Washington Internship Program, said he will encourage the interns to ask Wright questions about policy issues.

"What a loss to this nation and to his constituency," Alpert said, referring to Wright's resignation. "He was the ultimate congressman in terms of making people feel good.

"He was one of our most effective legislators and he led one of the most productive congressional sessions in decades," Alpert said.

Riddlesperger said Wright was asked to be a visiting Green Chair professor because of his close ties to TCU. Wright donated his working papers from 34 years of serving Fort Worth's 12th congressional district to the TCU library shortly after his resignation.

"The Green Chair professor endowment to TCU allows us to bring in distinguished lecturers to enrich the lives of students," Riddlesperger said.

## Faculty Senate votes to form academic honesty committee

By SARAH NORMAND
Staff Writer

A motion to form a Faculty Senate select committee on academic honesty was approved by the faculty senate yesterday in their first meeting of the semster.

The motion was made by David Graham, chairman of the Student Relations Committee.

The Student Relations Committee's charge, as stated by the Executive Committee, is to "organize university-wide programs that would address the issue of academic misconduct with special emphasis given to techniques or strategies that may be used to prevent or discourage such activities."

Graham said the Student Relations Committee recommended forming the select committee because the Student Relations Committee would be unable to handle all of the activities dealing with academic dishonesty unless that were the committee's only task for the year.

"I think there is a wave going across campus with support from different factions about some academic honesty issues," said Jennifer Watson, professor of speech communications. "It's not like it's a brand new issue," she said.

The committee also moved that the Executive Committee of the Senate make a request to the appropriate persons and offices that sessions on academic honesty be included in orientation sessions for new faculty and students.

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## Brite gearing up to host 'ministers' homecoming'

By MARGARET THILL
Staff Writer

Ministers from all over the country will be filling University Christian Church next week during TCU's annual Ministers Week.

Leo Perdue, dean of Brite Divinity School, said that Ministers Week is mainly an educational event, but that the lectures and worship services create fellowship among the ministers as well.

Perdue also said that 50 to 60 percent of the ministers participating in Ministers Week attended Brite.

"In a way, it's sort of a ministers' homecoming," he said.

The Rev. John Butler, university minister, served on the committee that planned the week, which he said has a long history at TCU.

"Ministers Week has been going on at TCU through a series of lectureships since 1944, in one form or another," Butler said.

The focus of Ministers Week will be a series of talks — the Wells Sermons, the McFardin Lectures and the Scott Lectures — given by three guest speakers.

The Rev. K. David Cole, pastor of Swope Parkway United Christian Church in Kansas City, Mo., will present the three Wells Sermons.

Cole's lectures will follow the theme "God's Grand Purpose" and will use the text of Ephesians.

Toni Craven, associate professor of Hebrew Bible at Brite, will give the McFardin Lectures. The theme for her three lectures will be "The Book of Psalms."

The Rev. George W. Stroup, professor of theology at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga., will present the Scott Lectures.

Stroup's lectures center around the theme "Is This Not the Carpenter's Son? A Narrative Christology," and will draw from his research in Cambridge, England.

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### Outside

Today's weather will be partly cloudy with high temperatures in the mid-60s, dropping tonight into the mid-30s with a 20 percent chance of light rain.

Saturday's weather also will be cooler and partly cloudy. The high will be near 50.

## Talk radio

### KTCU to team up with BBC for interview with author

By GREG LYNCH
Staff Writer

With a little help from KTCU, TCU's former LBJ Chair of History from 1976 to 1983, Paul F. Boller, will bring Nancy Reagan and Jackie Kennedy to the British airwaves.

Boller and his latest book, "Presidential Wives," will be featured on the BBC radio show "Age to Age" this month.

The author of several books, including a trilogy on U.S. presidents, Boller said he was first approached some time ago by BBC interviewer Vivian Beeby, who wanted to do an interview with him concerning his book.

Boller said the topic for the interview would be wives of presidents in general, but would also concentrate on the roles of first ladies, such as their role in the women's movement and their special causes and crusades.

Until the 20th century, first ladies had a low profile because women weren't supposed to be noticed, Boller said. Eleanor Roosevelt, Franklin Roosevelt's wife, was the turning point.

"She was such an activist," Boller said.

Recently, Boller said, wives have become like candidates, and their special causes like platforms, from Jackie Kennedy's renovation of the White House to Barbara Bush's campaign against illiteracy.

When "Presidential Wives" was published in 1988, Boller began a tour of 18 cities and did more than 100 interviews.

Boller said he is looking forward to his interview on BBC.

"I've done interviews before, but Vivian was a little different," he said.

Boller said Beeby was well-prepared and professional when she contacted him.

"The more they know about the book, the better their questions are," he said.

Boller said he was surprised by BBC's interest in "Presidential Wives," but said his books are published by the New York branch of Oxford Press, and are distributed to all the Commonwealth nations as well as the United States.

At 10 a.m. today, equipment at KTCU will be used to conduct a telephone interview between Bristol, England, and Fort Worth, said Constantino Bernardez, KTCU manager.

Bernardez said he was contacted last week by the BBC in New York, who were trying to find a facility with the proper equipment to do the interview. Bernardez said the equipment and procedure for putting together a radio interview over the telephone are fairly simple.

"Any call that comes into our studio, we can record," Bernardez said.

Boller will be in the KTCU studio, listening to Beeby's questions through a telephone interface, said Bernardez. His answers will be recorded on an open-reel tape and sent to Britain to be spliced with another tape, to produce the fin-

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# Happy hog feet

## Rodent should lift spring off the ground

Today is Groundhog Day. Groundhog Day should not to be taken lightly.

After all, when the rascally rodent peeks up out of its hole, the very balance of the western world is up for grabs. The comfort and happiness of the human race hinges on whether or not the groundhog sees its shadow.

Of course, if the groundhog sees its shadow he will be spooked and will correspondingly condemn the human race by altering weather patterns to such an extent that the heavens will deal out six more weeks of winter, whereas if he doesn't see his shadow, he'll jump out of its hole and dances a merry zipijig about the surrounding turf, and spring will begin.

There will be much rejoicing.

We can only hope that said groundhog will not see said shadow. Winter is icky and cuts down on recreational options.

So after we boogie down with Mr. G. Hog this afternoon and the specter of extended winter has faded away, may the heavens part and shine its light on our bare feet.

# Censorship stymies student journalists

By BRENDA WELCHLIN
Columnist

When the *Jacket Journal*, the school newspaper of Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth, is distributed today, readers will notice white space where the results of a student survey usually run.

The survey results could not be printed because the principal forbade the students to conduct the survey, which had already been distributed to randomly selected homeroom teachers.

The staff of the award-winning newspaper that had previously handled topics ranging from date rape to murder was prevented from conducting a survey on homosexuality.

It seems that a teacher who was offended by the questions sent word to the front office, and the principal shut down the system. An announcement was made over the public address system telling teachers who had been asked to distribute surveys in their homerooms to refrain from doing so.

As could be expected, this sent many students and teachers scrambling to see what the survey was about and sparked conversation about homosexuality.

The top editors of the paper have appealed the decision to Fort Worth Independent School District Superintendent Don Roberts, and they await a ruling that is supposed to be delivered Tuesday.

Although the fear of exposing high school students to the topic of homosexuality is ludicrous, it is not surprising to find such narrow-minded paranoia in a city bristling with news of the latest purges at Carswell Air Force Base.

It is not surprising to find it 30 miles from Dallas, where a district judge who told a reporter that he handed down a light sentence because the victims were homosexual is still hearing cases.

Data released this month based on a survey of entering college freshmen throughout the United States showed that 45.4 percent agreed that "it is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships."

TCU data from 1988 show 48.4 percent agreeing with that statement.

Small wonder.

The Heights case does not end with homophobia, however. By restricting the students' right to distribute surveys, the principal trampled on the ability of student journalists to collect data, a process several steps removed from editorial decisions about how to present it to the paper's readership.

Although celebrated cases in which school administrators have censored student publications and prevented the distribution of information are relatively common, this case involves prevention at the point of information-gathering.

In *Near vs. Minnesota*, the Supreme Court ruled that prior restraint of newspapers was unconstitutional, and consequences of false or libelous stories could only be imposed after their publication.

The approach of the Heights principal is a novelty in that it places a prior restraint on the legwork and lifeblood of journalists.

It prevents them from using the trade's master tool — the interview. A survey on paper is simply a written interview.

Perhaps the next step in such a system is to require students to have their topics and questions approved before they interview other students or teachers face-to-face or over the phone. They might be prohibited from following an unexpected turn in the interview without checking with the designated authority.

Whether Roberts realizes it, the decision he has been asked to make could have profound impact on the rights of student journalists, who should be defined as much by the term journalist as by the term student.

# Letters to the Editor

### Chance to chat

Due to the positive response that we received last year, the House of Student Representatives is proud to announce the date of the first "Chat With the Chancellor" for 1990. On Wednesday, Feb. 7, Chancellor Tucker will sit down with interested students to discuss any of the concerns or questions you might have about TCU.

The "Chats" are designed to provide students with the opportunity to talk with Chancellor Tucker in an informal setting and the agenda is set by you, the students. So whether there is a university policy that you do not understand or you would like to hear Chancellor Tucker's opinion on pertinent issues, this is the perfect program for you.

If you are interested in being a part of this year's first "Chat With the Chancellor," please come by the student activities office and fill out a request form to ensure that your issues will be on the agenda. If you have any questions or concerns, please come by or call the House of Student Representatives office at 921-7924.

**Matt Hood**
President, House of Student Representatives

### Amnesty aim

Ron Roberts' letter in Thursday's *Skiff* presented an argument against Amnesty International that is not only immature, but also based on a misquote. Mr. Roberts quotes an Amnesty member as saying "Public opinion should not constitute law." The true statement was "Public opinion is not always right." These are very different.

The most wonderful thing about democracy is that we have the freedom to choose from a variety of stances on issues pertinent to society. One of its regrettable drawbacks is that most voters do not educate themselves on issues before voting on them. The anti-death penalty protest organized by Amnesty was not an assault; it was a plea. We feel that the death penalty is such a drastic form of punishment that it is irresponsible for people to vote on it without knowing all about it.

Granted, Amnesty fact sheets are hardly the most objective things in the world, but I would ask Mr. Roberts and everyone else to learn more from whatever source you feel is reliable. Literature is available through the U.S. Justice Department, the United Nations, the FBI and several other organizations.

Obviously, I cannot speak for my fellow Amnesty members, as Mr. Roberts feels he can, but I can do so for myself. I am not a communist. One need only look at the crumbling Eastern Bloc to see that communism is not only oppressive, but also that it just doesn't work. I would cite every letter of protest that Amnesty has written to China, El Salvador, the U.S.S.R., etc., to see that our members oppose oppression of free speech wherever it may exist. Furthermore, inane insults such as "nutty," "devious" and "malcontents," coupled with such McCarthyist statements as "The main concern of these people is to destroy the fabric of America . . . " reflect both the immaturity and the weakness of Mr. Roberts' argument. He would have us denied those same First Amendment liberties that make our country great.

I love America. It is my home and my heritage. Indeed, I love it enough to give a damn when I see it doing things I feel are foolish. We have seen what "Love it, or leave it" attitudes have done in the past. It is no expression of hate to call for change.

Again, if you think the death penalty is proper, then that is your right. But do not make the decision (whether for or against) without educating yourself on its meanings and repercussions, both domestically and internationally. I will end by posing a question after stating some facts that can be found in places both liberal and conservative. The U.S. has the highest murder rate per capita in the western industrialized world — second is South Africa. The U.S. and South Africa are the only western industrialized nations with the death penalty. Is it a deterrent or a stimulus?

**Stuart Minnis**
Sophomore
RTVF

### Rape response

I was appalled by the lack of concern shown by the TCU administration toward the victim of the rape described in Thaai Walker's stories in the Jan. 24 *Skiff*. In fact, the administration seems confused as to the identity of the true victim. "Tim" said that TCU told him "they were sorry that the whole thing had happened." The adminstrators seem to be denying the possibility that a TCU student could be guilty of such a crime.

In addition, when a friend's concerned parent called the day after the rape, Dean Proffer repeatedly said that the girl had been drinking, as if that excused the violation of another human being. Are we to believe that rape is justified if the victim has had a margarita first?

Vice Chancellor Barr, rather than confronting the issue and dealing with it using sensitivity and compassion, placidly assumed that "Christie" was OK and she never will be. She will live in fear for the rest of her life.

Rape is a rampant and horrible crime in society today, and TCU is not doing its part in alleviating this problem by sending attackers away with no more than a slap on the hand and the victims away with nothing more than their shattered lives.

**Meredith McLean**
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# Letter policy

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# Cheney's picks ignore the quick fix

By STEVE RUBICK
Columnist

A common complaint about the United States is our propensity toward convenience and immediate gratification. If Defense Secretary Richard Cheney's budget proposal is to be taken at face value, the government is apparently taking steps to improve this character flaw.

The Pentagon budget proposed by Cheney for Fiscal Year 1991 is a futuristic-looking budget that diminishes America's short-term military capabilities in exchange for long-term stability through modernization. This budget reflects either an extremely optimistic view of the world on Cheney's part, or a rather short-sighted fascination with high technology.

Cheney's $295 billion Pentagon budget, delivered to Congress Tuesday, proposes the elimination of five of the Army's 28 active-duty and reserve divisions (this proposal does not include the troop reduction proposed by President Bush in his State of the Union address Wednesday), the deactivation of two of the Navy's four World War II battleships, the deactivation of 14 of the nation's B-52s and the outright cancellation of several high-profile weapons systems. Cheney also proposed a list of 35 domestic and 13 overseas military bases he wants closed or reorganized.

The new proposal includes funding for five new B-2 Stealth bombers, funding for the new Midgetman missile and continuation of the Army's LHX attack helicopter program.

This budget does not make much sense.

Cheney's proposed cuts reduce the military's defensive capabilities while forcing the military to rely on unproven and sometimes undeveloped weapons systems. Essentially, this budget reflects a willingness on the part of Cheney to risk the nation's security, in the short term, on the development of a technologically-superior military.

The Air Force's B-2 Stealth bomber, the Navy's A-12 attack bomber, the LHX helicopter program, as well as the Strategic Defense Initiative and the new Advanced Tactical Fighter are all promising weapons systems that could greatly enhance the military's capabilities in the future. All are programs, however, that are being developed and designed. None of these systems are ready to go on-line, yet these are the weapons systems that the Defense Department has entrusted with our national security.

In light of the recent events in Eastern Europe, and the Soviet Union's on-going reduction in troops and tanks, Cheney's decision to cut Army divisions and close unnecessary bases is a good one. Likewise, his decision to do away with programs like the V-22 is rational — despite local opinion to the contrary, the V-22 is not a necessary weapons system.

But Cheney's decision to cancel the Army Helicopter Improvement Program in favor of the development of the LHX program is somewhat circumspect. The AHIP program would have provided the Army with renovated helicopters to provide close ground support for its troops in the short term at a fraction of the cost of the LHX, which will not provide any ground support because the LHX does not yet exist in blueprint form.

Economically, the United States is facing tough times, and the Pentagon budget has to reflect this reality. Secretary Cheney has decided to cut proven weapons now so that the military can be modernized down the road. Cheney's proposal is rather polarized, however — he has chosen to go the modernization route seemingly all at once, and has drastically cut procurement of proven weapons to fund research and development, rather than gradually phasing in new systems to replace the old ones.

This is a bad move. Cheney has decided to ignore the country's tendency toward immediate gratification. He has decided to wait for the weapons he feels will satisfy the nation's security needs. Our immediate needs are not being served.

Only time will tell if Cheney is right.

# *Bush slaps his sap in America's lap*

By JOHN BURLESON
Columnist

When the president spoke last night in double-talk as subject to interpretation as a newspaper horoscope, I was not surprised.

But when he read from a letter that was given to him by the parents of a young soldier who was killed in Bush's Panama fiasco, I was appalled. The ideals of the fallen soldier were admirable. The young man said that although he was afraid of death, he wanted his family to remember that the Army was his own choice.

Bush's cloaking of himself in that young man's last words amounted to nothing short of insulting to his death. It was a gesture as hollow, transparent and cheap as enacting a law requiring the worship of the flag.

More show business followed when Bush appealed to the family heartstrings and announced the birth of his 12th grandchild. The president is understandably proud, but what does that event have to do with the State of the Union address? It was just fluffy cotton-candy filler in a speech devoid of real content.

Bush repeatedly gave himself credit for positive changes around the world which have occurred in spite of him, not thanks to him. He mentioned moves toward democracy "in the Far East and Africa." He said, "For the last 40 years, America and her European allies held communism in check."

How does George Bush deserve credit for the past 40 years? What has he done for Africa? How did he hold communism in check in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos or Cuba in the last 40 years? The only effective check on communism I have seen in the past 40 years was the CIA assassination of Salvador Allende, a socialist who in 1967 was democratically elected to the presidency of Chile.

What about Bush's inactivity and silence as hundreds of unarmed people were slaughtered in China? What about Bush's unwillingness to grant a safe haven to Chinese students now in the United States? There was no mention of China in the "Catch-Phrase of the Union" address. Keeping business lines quietly open with totalitarian states is apparently more important to Bush than voicing the disgust and outrage of the people who elected him.

The frightening aspect of the address was not its misleading meaninglessness. This is no surprise. What scares me is that people complacently buy this stuff.

When I am expected to pay for shoddy service or flimsy products, I get angry. You wouldn't automatically pay for a big delivery without checking the accuracy of the bill, would you?

Well, it's happening now. We are expected to believe emotional slogans and thinly disguised pap from our own leader. You who voted for him are being had, so where is your indignation? Do you think your civic responsibility was fulfilled when you walked out of the polling booth? Democracy is a process that requires constant examination.

You were handed quite a list of goods Wednesday night. You had better check each item before accepting it.

# News

## Hazard spawns facelift

By MELISSA WHITAKER
Staff Writer

Following fire marshal's orders given in August, the University Theatre's prop-storage and tool rooms have a new look.

Other than sanding and painting, which should be completed today, the construction that began at the beginning of January is finished, said Terry Powell, technical director for the University Theatre.

The all-wood structure, was condemed by the fire marshal because it posed a fire hazard, he said.

The new structure, which is constructed of steel and concrete, cost $37,542, said Don Palmer, director of facilities planning for the Physical Plant.

The condemed structure was torn down before the beginning of the fall semester, leaving the theater department without a scene shop, Powell said.

The shop functioned by moving props and tools around from week to week and by moving many props to off-campus storage facilities, he said.

The first production last semester was performed in Ed Landreth Hall, and the second, which had minimal scenery was performed in the University Theatre, Powell said.

The first show this semester will be a dinner theater performed in the student center ballroom, he said.

"If all goes well, we'll be moved in by the fourth production," Powell said.

The three-level structure is a bit larger that the former structure and has more storage areas and improved lighting, Palmer said.

The structure extends 14 feet from the wall and is about 48 feet long, Palmer said.

The first level will be fully enclosed, he said. Saws, drills, work benches and other tools will be stored in this area, he said.

The second level will be enclosed by a partition and the upper level will be enclosed by a chain link fence, Palmer said.

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**Jeff Bateman, sophomore theater major, builds sets for TCU Theater Department's upcoming performance of "Godspell," while Ritzlaf Construction Company overhauls the theater building. The reconstruction is a result of the fire marshals ruling that the theater's storage rooms were fire hazards.**

## Cabinet elects three officers

By BRENDA WALLACE
Staff Writer

Three new officers, who all ran unopposed for their positions, were elected to the Honors Cabinet Tuesday.

New Honors Cabinet Chairman Andrew Wright said the uncontested race may be due to the heavy involvement of Cabinet members in other activities.

Wright said another reason for the lack of response might be that all members except the seniors and the newly elected secretary, Kat Bolinger, are new to the Cabinet. However, this should not be a problem for the new Cabinet, he said.

"There are a lot of interesting people on the Cabinet, and they're a very spontaneous group," Wright said.

The other new officer is vice chairman Steven Benoit, a sophomore psychology major.

Wright is also new to the Cabinet and will replace Scott Boone, a junior who resigned at the beginning of the spring semester.

Wright said he had expressed his interest in an office to Benoit, who nominated him for the position.

"Because I am new to the Cabinet, I hadn't thought I'd have the opportunity to chair," he said, "but because everyone is coming in new, I was able to get it."

Benoit said he had not even considered being a Cabinet officer until he was nominated by Phebe Inman, a former Cabinet member.

"After seeing what it (Honors Program) is all about, I thought there might be some changes I could make that would make a diffence," Benoit said.

Bolinger, the only officer to have been previously on the Cabinet, said she was interested in her new position because of the secretary's role in putting the Honors Bulletin together.

"There are a lot of things that can be done that no one's ever done," she said. "It can be a really neat little newsletter if someone devoted more time to it."

David Lawrence, former chairman, said he did not run again simply because the office runs for one year and he will be graduating in May.

"I am interested to see how it works out since most are new, but they have all been involved in the program," he said.

Lawrence said he is looking forward to a semester of not being an officer on the Cabinet because he will have more time to devote to other activities.

"Now, I get to concentrate on my senior honors research project," he said. "I really like to do that."

## Fireside chat offers clues to literature

By BRENDA WALLACE
Staff Writer

More than 30 students and faculty heard Kathryne McDorman explain how popular literature can reflect the age in which it is written during an Honors Fireside in her home Wednesday night.

Specifically, McDorman, associate professor of history, discussed the works of Ngaio Marsh and other classic detective fiction of the 1920s and '30s. McDorman said any popular literature can help a historian understand what is going on in the the minds of the people of that age.

She said the reason she teaches history by including literature goes back to when she was an undergraduate and could not decide between history and English as a major. She said as far as detective fiction is concerned, though, it was a long time before she read it.

"I was reared with my father reading them (detective novels) and my mother grumbling," she said. "It took me a long time to realize it really is OK to read them."

McDorman showed how Marsh, a New Zealander, explored the unease below the surface of New Zealand and England. She read excerpts from her own book, "Ngaio Marsh," that dealt with this theme.

McDorman said Marsh not only analyzes what New Zealanders think of England in her books, but what they think of themselves.

Most of the students who attended said they liked what McDorman had to say about popular literature.

"I liked how she took popular literature and did an in-depth inspection of it," said sophomore Heidi Krueger. "She brought it out so that it is showed as an inspiring genre and not just trash."

Laura Brennan, a junior English major, said she came to the fireside because it sounded interesting, although she has never read detective fiction.

"All literature seems kind of mysterious because you are trying to find something out," she said, "but detective literature sounds so much more intense."

Krueger said McDorman is a dynamic speaker.

"If I ever have a chance, I'll take a class fom her," she said.

## Delta Sig gears up for rush

### Business fraternity to host party for applicants

By MARLA MORRIS
Staff Writer

The Delta Upsilon chapter of Delta Sigma Pi, TCU's business fraternity, will hold its annual spring rush beginning Monday.

To be eligible to rush, students must be at least second semester freshmen, be business or pre-business majors, and have at least a 2.5 cummulative grade point average, said Jane Hess, Delta Sigma Pi senior vice president.

All interested students are invited to an informal party on Monday, to meet the chapter and to pick up an application, said Hess, a sophomore pre-business major. The party will be at 4:30 p.m. in Dan Rogers Hall Room 140.

The second formal party on Tuesday will include a speaker. Rushees will return their applications on Thursday and have a brief formal interview.

On Feb. 9, another informal party will be held for all rushees in order to get better acquainted with members before the members vote, Hess said.

Invitations will go out on Feb. 12 to all prospective pledges.

"Rushees should attend as many functions as possible," Hess said. The more members that rushees can meet and get to know, the better their chances will be at being invited to join, she said.

Delta Sigma Pi sponsors a Business Week each year, Hess said, which includes a recruiters' reception, a tour of a business in the Fort Worth area, and several speakers. The fraternity also sponsors mixers and holds its Spring Rose formal each year.

In addition, the fraternity has brought speakers to campus such as Texas Rangers owner George W. Bush and gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams, Hess said.

Delta Sigma Pi is an international business fraternity with over 220 collegiate chapters worldwide, which include over 135,000 members. The fraternity was founded at New York University in 1907. The TCU chapter was established in 1959.

There are currently 47 Delta Sigma Pi members at TCU and the chapter expects to pick up between 15 and 20 more members during rush, she said.

The 1990 Delta Sigma Pi officers are Ralph Manning, president; Hess; Anna Price, vice president for chapter efficiency; Yvonne Arredondo, treasurer; Shelly Burton, historian; Dahn Le, ritual chairman; Thom Rogers, correspondent; Cheryl Cherry, pledge trainer; Dena Fuquay, secretary; Joel Whidden, chancellor and Kevin Gregory, vice president for professional activities.

For more information, contact Jane Hess at 921-4186 or Kevin Gregory at 924-7271.

### Case memorial

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Carey Ann Case will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday in Robert Carr Chapel.

## Soprano opens faculty series

### Voice professor's program to feature classical music

By CASON LANE
Staff Writer

Soprano Sheila Allen, associate professor of voice, will open this semester's TCU Faculty Series at 8 p.m. Monday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium.

Allen's program will include pieces by Schumann, Bartok, Debussy and arias from Bach contatas, with cello and oboe d'amore.

Allen said that while she loves to sing Bach, she also likes contemporary music.

"I do contemporary music because I enjoy the challenge," she said. "I can make a lot of music out of what seems to be so random."

Freshman business major Ronnie Baugh, a student in Allen's diction class last fall, said he sang in a male back-up chorus for Allen last semester.

"She has a wonderful voice," Baugh said.

Allen said she has performed a lot at TCU and has also had recitals in Switzerland and Germany. Allen has also sung in operas and with symphonies and chamber orchestras, she said.

Allen's piano accompanist is her husband, David Yeomans, author and head of piano at Texas Women's University.

Sheila Allen

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# ROTC senior cadets receive assignments

By GREG LYNCH
Staff Writer

While many seniors are nervously anticipating what life beyond graduation has in store for them, senior ROTC students found out some concrete information Wednesday night about how they would be spending at least the next four years.

Wednesday night at 7 p.m. 17 senior cadets gathered in the Faculty Lounge of Reed Hall for the branch announcement ceremony, where they found out their post-graduation branch assignments.

Seniors received assignments to regular army, active duty or reserve, which involves both the reserve corps and the National Guard, said Lt. Col. Frederick N. Terasa, TCU Army ROTC professor of military science.

Until the ceremony, seniors didn't know where they were going or when, Terasa said.

"Some will be surprised. Some will be disappointed," Terasa said.

Of the 17 ROTC seniors, four were assigned to regular army active duty, five were given reserve active duty, four were put on reserve duty and four were given educational delays to complete graduate school.

An appointment to the regular army is the best a graduating senior can hope for, and is similar to active duty. In both regular army and active duty, the military is a full-time job. In reserve duty, however, the reservist serves only two weekends a month and two weeks of annual training.

Over the next few months, seniors will be filling out what they call their "dream sheets," which are lists of preferred first duty stations. Before graduation, they will find out where their first duty station will be.

Jonathan Howerton, a criminal justice major, was assigned to regular army, field artillery division.

"I didn't get my first choice, but I got my second," Howerton said.

Tammy Foxworth, a chemistry major, said the appointment she received to the chemical corps of the reserves was not exactly what she had anticipated.

"I asked for active duty and I got reserve," Foxworth said.

Rodney Brown, a finance major, was appointed to reserve duty, field artillery branch.

"I want to go to grad school — some place up east," he said.

Brown said he was happy with his assignment, even if it wasn't exactly the branch he wanted. He said he wanted an appointment to the finance branch.

David Rhone, a political science major, was assigned to regular army, aviation branch.

Rhone said he had always wanted to be an aviator, and was happy with his appointment.

"I've always wanted to fly," he said.

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**Senior ROTC cadets Steven Reed, Jon Howerton, and Michael Petty view the senior plaque with the cadet's branch assingments.**

Each of the 17 seniors received a different assignment. Gary Balk, a criminal justice major, was appointed to delayed duty in the military police. Gina Barnes, an accounting major, received an active duty commission to the signal corps. Brown was assigned to the field artillery branch of the reserves.

Sarah Campbell, a marketing major, was appointed to active duty in the signal corps. Dathan Dunn, a marketing major, received reserve duty in the armor branch. Philip Elmore was assigned to active duty in the engineering branch. Foxworth was given reserve duty in the chemical corps.

Howerton was appointed to field artillery in the regular army. Karen Marion, a speech communication major, received reserve duty in the adjunctant general corps. Carolyn Miller, a biology major, was given delayed duty in the medical service corps. Thomas Moore, a criminal justice major, was assigned to active duty in the aviation branch.

Matthew Perry, a marketing major, was appointed to active duty in the ordinance branch. Michael Petty, a criminal justice major, was assigned to the military police branch of the regular army. Steven Reed, an accounting major, was given delayed duty in the adjunctant general corps.

Stephen Renshaw, a political science major, was appointed to regular army, chemical corps. Rhone was assigned to the aviation branch of the regular army. Elina Xanos, a biology major, received delayed duty in the medical service corps.

# Chorale students to sing in opera

By CASON LANE
Staff Writer

Nineteen TCU students will be singing in the chorus of "Tosca," presented by the Fort Worth Opera March 2 and March 4 at the Tarrant County Convention Center Theater.

The Fort Worth Opera is contracting the TCU Concert Chorale to provide 12 singers for "Tosca," and the Fort Worth Opera chorus will provide the other seven students, said Carl Johnson, artistic administrator and chorus master of the Fort Worth Opera.

"They pulled people from TCU because we have a really good reputation," Concert Chorale member Krista Lang said. "I'd do it for free because it's a really good experience to see how an opera works."

The students will be singing in a chorus both on and off stage, said Ronald Shirey, 14-year director of choral activities at TCU.

The students will get to learn from their work, and they should take full advantage of the opportunity to sing in an opera chorus, he said.

Shirey declined to give the figure of money included in the opera contract to protect the privacy of the individual singers.

Lang, a sophomore music education major, said she is excited about singing in the opera and speculates she will be paid about $100 for her work.

Junior voice major Tam Johnson said he is a member of the Fort Worth Opera chorus and the TCU Concert Chorale. He performed in the opera "Elixir of Love" earlier this semester.

"I was contracted by the Fort Worth Opera as if I were working a job," he said. "I'm treated like a professional as well as a student."

Senior vocal performance major April Eaton said she is also a member of the Fort Worth Opera chorus but not of the Chorale chorus. The two groups will be rehearsing and singing together, she said.

The Chorale chorus has performed in about six operas over the past years, including "Marriage of Figaro" and "Fidalio," in 1980, Shirey said. The Chorale chorus will be on stage for two scenes very important to the progression of "Tosca," he said.

"Students will get richer from the experience and richer from the money," Shirey said.

The Chorale members will perform only in the first act, while the Fort Worth Opera chorus will sing throughout the opera, Carl Johnson said.

Shirey said he is the director of the Dallas Symphony Chorus and was director of choruses for the Fort Worth Opera a couple of years ago. He said he is still involved with the administrative board of the Fort Worth Opera.

"We have a very good working relationship with the Fort Worth Opera," Shirey said. "'Tosca' needs good choral music and the choral work at TCU is good enough to be used."

Carl Johnson, a TCU alumnus, said he was a student in the Chorale 10 years ago when TCU and the Fort Worth Opera were making arrangements. Several members of the TCU faculty are on the Fort Worth Opera Board of Directors and Mario Ramos of the Opera administration is a TCU alumnus, he said.

# Double vision

## Departments to buy state-of-the-art SEM

By CAROLINE KOBE
Staff Writer

A $195,000 grant from the Keck Foundation is going to provide the TCU geology and biology departments with a piece of state-of-the-art equipment usually found only at larger universities, said Kyle Hoagland, associate professor of biology and team teacher for the electron microscopy course.

The two departments plan to purchase a scanning electron microscope, commonly known as an SEM. An SEM is used to examine the surface of specimens at great magnification ranges, said Nowell Donovan, Charles G. Moncrief professor of geology.

"Kyle and I talked about what a great thing it would be, and two years ago we were asked to fill out a wish list expressing what biology would like and what geology would like and so it happened on this one that we dove-tailed," Donovan said.

"We both come up against great technological barriers in our research," Donovan said. "What this usually means is that when you come up against such a barrier, you usually stop the research. . .this machine enables us to overcome those barriers."

Both professors said that the geology and biology departments will benefit greatly from this equipment. In geology, the principle use will be to examine tiny particles and determining the elemental composition of unknown minerals. Detailed examination of specimens will be the primary use in the biology department.

The SEM has a magnification range of 50 to 100,000 times compared to an optical microscope's 40 to 1,500 time magnification.

"The SEM provides images on a small video screen in 3-D which can be manipulated for viewing of different angles," Hoagland said. "It will also be able to store these images for further study and manipulation."

The SEM will also be accompanied by an energy dispersive analysis system.

"Rather than using light, this microscope uses an electron beam, and when the beam strikes the specimen it will give off characteristic X-rays," Hoagland said.

The SEM will offer new opportunities for graduate students to participate in state-of-the-art research presently conducted by faculty members.

Installation is currently planned for mid-spring.

"We are negotiating with companies trying to decide what brand to buy and what model to buy," Hoagland said. Renovation will also take place on the room decided upon to house the SEM.

The Los Angeles based Keck Foundation was established in 1954 by the late William M. Keck, founder of Superior Oil Company.

Keck created in his will the W.M. Keck trust for the benefit of the foundation.

The primary focus of the foundation is to provide grants to American universities and colleges with emphasis in the fields of science, engineering and medicine.

The foundation is one of the nation's largest foundation in terms of annual grants.

## Young/ from page 1

TSEA has over 110 members this year, the largest membership in 10 years and one of the largest in the state, Young said.

"Besides having students become good teachers," Young said, "I want them to become good alumni."

Young also helped start the School of Education Alumni Association two years ago.

TCU's School of Education is really improving and getting lots of attention, Young said.

"Personnel directors who are responsible for hiring teachers say that TCU has the best first-year teachers in the state," Young said. "Our students are the best prepared to do an excellent job of teaching. Most students are selected by the best-paying school districts."

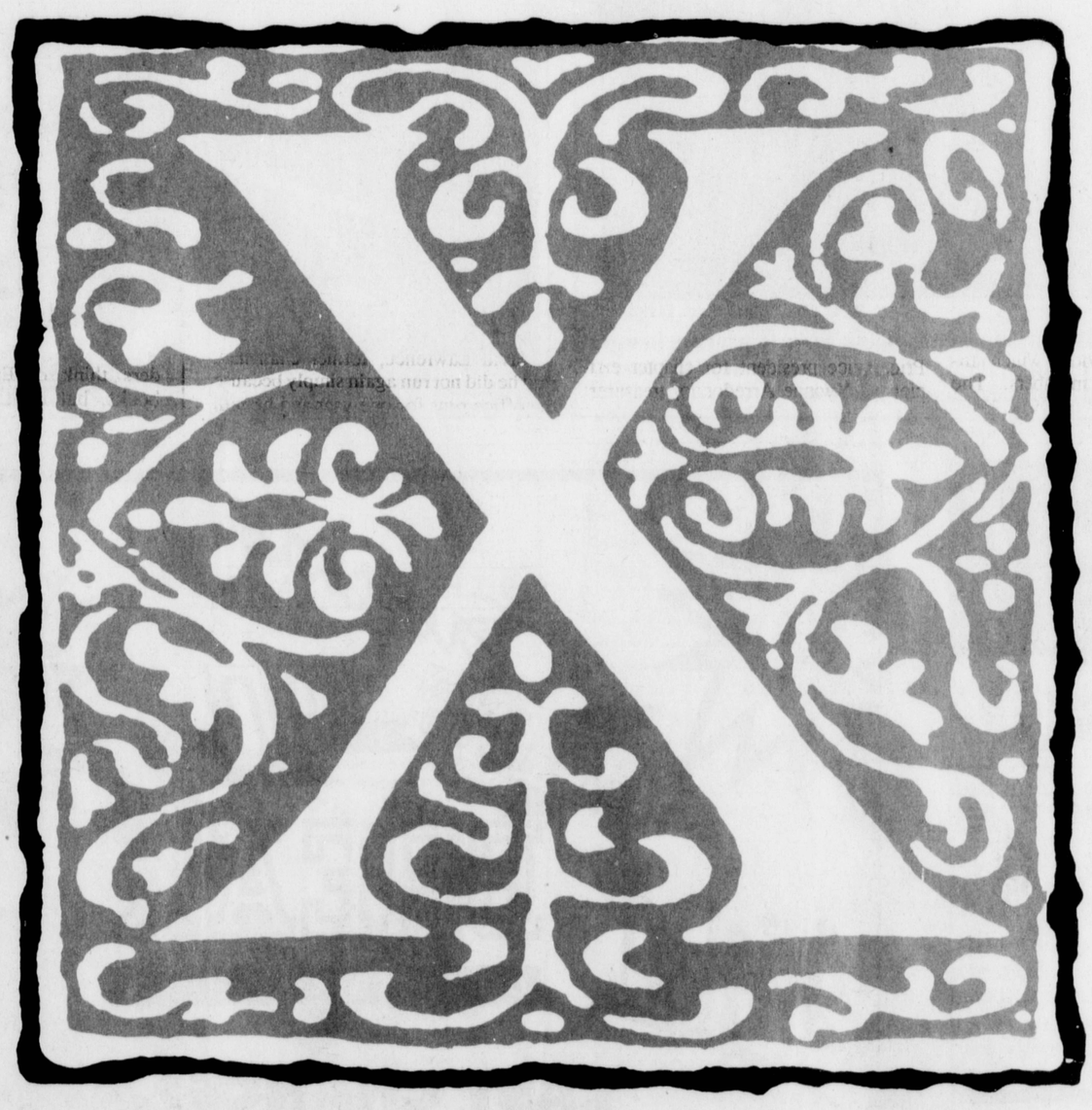
Former students and professors maintain a good rapport after they graduate, Young said.

"We get lots of calls from former students who have questions or want to ask for advice about a particular teaching problem," Young said.

"I love to talk about TCU, the teaching profession and working with students," Young said. "That's what I find real joy in."

"He cares so much about TCU — the students, the teams and organizations," Kaplan said. "He has the most enthusiasm of anyone on campus.

"He's a great person to get to know," Kaplan said. "He's willing to help anyone out. He'll drop everything and talk to you."

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# Women look to continue SWC success against SMU

By PATRICIA PATTISON
Sports Writer

TCU's women's basketball team begins it's second half of Southwest Conference play at 2:30 p.m. this Saturday when they take on the Mustangs of Southern Methodist University in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

"SMU has had a hard season. They've lost a few players to academics and injuries, but they are really working at it," said TCU coach Fran Garmon. "We can't count them out as contenders."

TCU enters the second half of conference play with a 5-3 record, 8-10 overall, and is tied for third place in the conference with Texas Tech, (5-3 conference, 12-7 overall).

***"TCU probably has the most consistent one-two punch on the inside in this conference, behind Texas, with Dziuk and Zeller. If you can cover one, the other usually makes up for it."***

**WELTON BROWN,**
SMU head coach

The Mustangs enter Saturday's contest on the heels of their first conference win this season. SMU beat the Baylor Bears Wednesday evening at home. With the win SMU improved it's record to (1-8) conference and (3-17) overall.

SMU coach Welton Brown expects a tough game with the Frogs.

"It's kind of hard to tell how we'll do against TCU," Brown said. "TCU is playing very well right now and anytime you play them over there (Daniel-Meyer Coliseum) you're in for a good fight."

Leading the Frogs fight will be senior center Janice Dziuk. Dziuk enters the second half of conference play averaging 16.6 points per game and 7.8 rebounds per game. Her scoring average is second only to Baylor's LaNita Luckey who is averaging 18.8 points per game. As far as rebounding is concerned Dziuk ranks fourth in the conference behind Houston's Darla Simpson (9.2 per game), Luckey (8.8) and Texas A&M's Louise Madison (7.9).

In addition to scoring and rebounding, keys to future Frog success lie in their ability to handle pressure says Dziuk.

"We are taking each game as it comes and I think if we can stay cool and work we should do well," Dziuk said.

SMU will be looking to three players for support on the court: Suzanne McAnally, Shanell Thomas and Missy Parker. Sophomore guard McAnally leads the Mustangs with 13.9 points per game and 4.9 rebounds. Freshman forwards Thomas and Parker follow with 13.1 and 9.6 points per game, respectively.

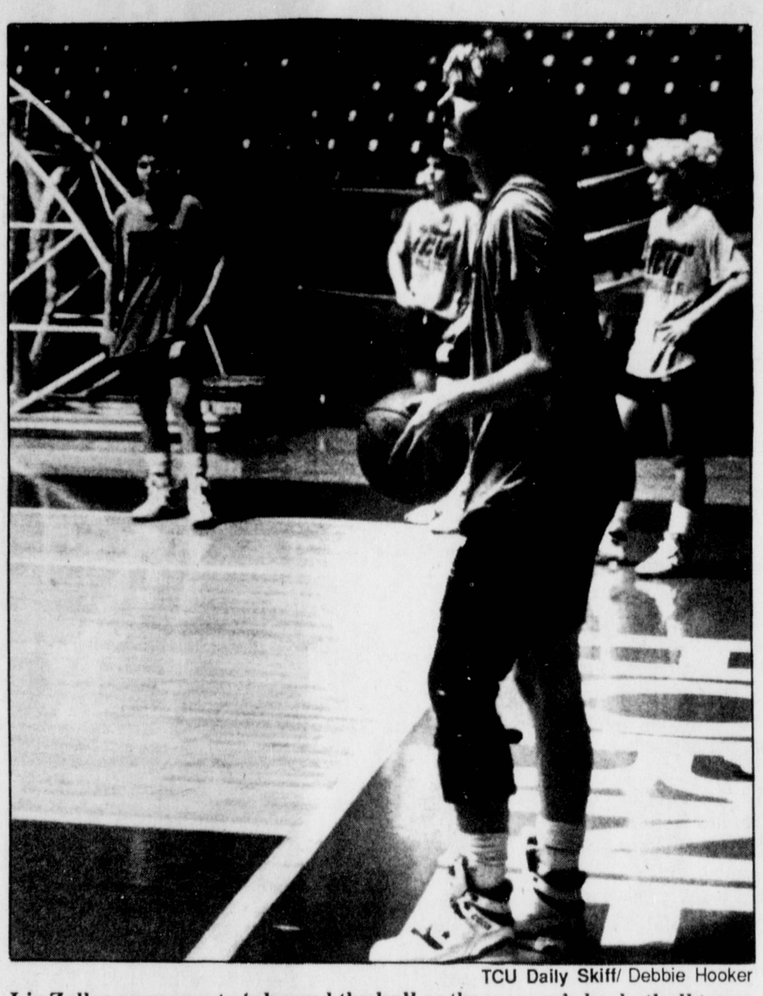
TCU will need to counter with it's own power at forward to slow the Mustangs. Freshman forward Liz Zeller has provided needed help around the basket during the first half of the season, averaging 12.3 points and 5.7 rebounds.

Zeller is ranked 12th in conference scoring standings, an unusual place to be for a newcomer to NCAA Division I basketball.

"I didn't expect to be doing this well my first year," Zeller said. "I'm really excited for the team and I really like working with everyone and being a part of it all."

Brown said he sees the power of Dziuk and Zeller as the main force behind TCU's program.

"TCU probably has the most consistent one-two punch on the inside in this conference, behind Texas, with Dziuk and Zeller," Brown said. "If you can cover one, the other usually makes up for it."



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**Liz Zeller prepares to inbound the ball as the women's basketball team prepares for SMU.**

In addition to play by Dziuk and Zeller, TCU will need to lean on senior point guard Jody Elkin for leadership on the floor. Elkin who is averaging 9.9 points per game has proven herself time and time again to Garmon who sees her ability continuing to blossom as she enters her last round of college games.

"She has developed a lot of poise, and I think she's improving every game we play," Garmon said.

Elkin's play is key for the young Frogs who need the solid presence of her and Dziuk to help develop their confidence and a strong on court presence. While Elkin and Dziuk are the team leaders they appear to be getting a run for their money from newcomers Zeller, Andrea Boris, Rachel Hesse, Tami Wise and Traci McKinley.

Freshman guards Boris and Hesse are rapidly developing reputations in the conference as they consistently provide strong defense work and combine for steals and assists.

Others leading the Frogs include sophomore guard April Ham and sophomore forward Deana Giles. Both have fought successfully for starting honors with Dziuk, Elkin and Zeller and are working hard to improve their play.

While she feels confident, Coach Garmon is cautious in her predictions for the month ahead.

"This is the time of the year where players start to get fatigued, physically and mentally, and it's going to be tough," Garmon said.

In addition to watching her own team members for signs of wear and tear, Garmon is interested to see what other conference teams have in the works for the rest of the regular season.

"It's always interesting to see what other teams put together for the second half of conference play," Garmon said. "There's no one in our conference that we can just walk over. We have to play really good every game."

Zeller is cautious also and has her own ideas as to what the Frogs have to do to win.

"I think we need to keep being aggressive and keep our intensity up," Zeller said.

TCU has never won more than five games in conference play since it's entrance into the Southwest Conference in 1982, and a win on Saturday would make for another entry in the record books as well as one more step towards the post-season conference tournament, an event that has thus far eluded the Frogs.

**SWC women's standings**

| Team | SWC record | Overall record |
|---|---|---|
| Texas | 8-0 | 14-3 |
| Arkansas | 7-1 | 14-3 |
| TCU | 5-3 | 8-10 |
| Tech | 5-3 | 12-7 |
| Houston | 5-4 | 12-8 |
| Texas A&M | 4-4 | 12-7 |
| Rice | 2-6 | 5-13 |
| SMU | 1-8 | 2-14 |
| Baylor | 0-8 | 3-17 |

# Frogs plan new start against Mustangs

By MARK PACKER
Sports Writer

The TCU men's basketball team hopes to get off to a strong start for the second half of Southwest Conference play when they host the SMU Mustangs at noon Saturday.

The Frogs are a disappointing 3-5 in conference play and 10-9 overall. Sophomore center Reggie Smith says the Frogs can look forward to better times in the second half of the conference campaign.

"We should win all of our games from here on out," Smith said. "We've beaten SMU already and will do it again."

The Mustangs like to get the ball down low and work the inside game. Coach John Shumate is an advocate of slowing the ball down and being patient on offense. If the Mustangs have their way, spectators can expect to see a slow-paced game on Saturday. However, sophomore guard Michael Strickland said he didn't think the Frogs would fall into the Mustangs' trap.

"One of the main keys for us to win this game is to speed up the tempo," Strickland said. "They like to play slow and get the ball to their big men."

The Frogs started Southwest Conference play on a positive note, beating the Mustangs in Dallas, 63-61. Tony Edmond's driving lay-up at the end of regulation got the Frogs off on the right note to the conference season. However, since then it has been all down hill for the men in purple and white.

"We need to play a complete 40 minutes to win," Smith said. "In the past few games our defense and offense have been breaking down at the wrong times.

***"We need to play a complete 40 minutes to win. In the past few games our defense and offense have been breaking down at the wrong times. We have lost some games that there is no way we should have lost."***

**REGGIE SMITH,**
TCU center

We have lost some games that there is no way we should have lost."

The main man for the Mustangs is senior forward John Colborne. The senior is the spiritual leader of the club and is the man Shumate goes to in the crunch.

**SWC men's standings**

| Team | SWC record | Overall record |
|---|---|---|
| Arkansas | 9-0 | 18-2 |
| Texas | 7-2 | 14-5 |
| Houston | 6-3 | 15-6 |
| Texas A&M | 4-4 | 11-11 |
| Rice | 4-4 | 9-9 |
| TCU | 3-5 | 11-9 |
| Baylor | 3-5 | 11-8 |
| SMU | 2-6 | 7-11 |
| Tech | 0-9 | 5-14 |

"They have some good players," Strickland said. "They love to get it to those guys in the paint. They will try to force us to shoot the ball from the outside. It is up to our guards to make the shots and force them to extend their zone to the perimeter."

The main key for TCU is to get senior Craig Sibley the ball close to the basket.

"Sib had a great game against Baylor," Smith said. "He and Erik did a good job for us inside."

Smith said the Frogs will need the good games from them on Saturday.

After TCU entertains SMU, they travel to College Station to play the Shelby Metcalf-less Aggies. The head coach for 27 years was fired several weeks ago due to disagreements with John David Crowe, athletic director.

Tip-off Saturday against the Mustangs is noon.

# Track newcomers continue tradition

By REGINA ANDERSON
Sports Writer

The Caribbean has once again proved to be a gold mine for TCU head track coach Bubba Thornton. Thornton scored instant success with Jamaican natives and former TCU all-Americans Raymond Stewart and Leroy Reid.

And now, with the addition of transfers Ralston Wright and Derick Thomas, Thornton has once again struck gold.

"They are going to add strength and depth to our team," Thornton said. "Both have obviously got potential and they are going to fit right in."

Thomas and Wright transferred to TCU from Southwestern Junior College in Terrell. They attended the same high school as Reid and Stewart, and in fact it was Stewart and Reid who encouraged the young men to attend TCU.

***"It's always been my dream to come to TCU. This has always been my number one school."***

**RALSTON WRIGHT,**
Flyin' Frog

"The first time we saw them run was at the Penn Relays," Thornton said. "We watched them them come up through the junior college system and Raymond and Andrew (Smith, a TCU track stand-out and native of Jamaica) helped keep me up on what was going on."

For Wright becoming a Horned Frog was a dream come true.

"It's always been my dream to come to TCU. This has always been my number one school," Wright said.

Thomas said it was the atmosphere of the school that made up his mind.

"After the visit, we said this was it," Thomas said.

The young men chose TCU over several schools including Texas A&M, Florida and Houston.

The two have been running track since secondary school, after they decided that soccer, the number one sport in Jamaica, wasn't for them.

"I tried all the other sports and I didn't like them," Thomas said. "Soccer is too much of a physical sport. In track all you have to do is stay in your lane."

Wright agreed.

"I didn't like soccer, God gave me the talent to run and I'm going to use it," he said.

Making the transition from junior college competition to division I competition would worry some athletes, but Wright and Thomas are taking it one step at a time.

"Competition is competition," Thomas said. "You just go out there and perform, there is nothing to fear."

"I'm not worried about division I. I'm taking it one step at a time," Wright said.

Although the outdoor season doesn't officially begin until March, Thornton has already begun preparing his squad for the outdoor season.

"I really think we'll be as good as we've ever been," said Thornton, who is entering his ninth year with the Flyin' Frogs. "When you add all the ingredients together, it gives us the opportunity to finish in the Top 10 and win a relay championship."

Thornton believes that the success of the Frogs lies in tradition and pride. A tradition of excellence that began with Phillip Epps and continued with James Maness, Michael Cannon and Raymond Stewart.

"We've had 62 All-American honors earned, and I think this group has a real good foundation," he said.

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**Ralston Wright and Derick Thomas decided against the favorite sport of their Jamaican homeland in favor of running track.**

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### Friday

❧ The Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo and Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show continues today at the Will Rogers Complex and ends Sunday. Rodeo performance times are 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets are $10. Grounds admission is $4 for adults and $1 for children 12 and under. Rodeo show ticket prices include grounds admission. The midway grounds hours are 8 a.m. to midnight. For more information, call 877-2400 or 877-2420.

❧ "The Boys Next Door" continues its run at Stage West through Feb. 24. Show times are 8:15 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays and 4:15 and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays. Tickets for admission are $11 and $13. Students and senior citizens may attend all Saturday matinees for $5. For more information, call STG-WEST.

❧ Rock and roll singer Lou Ann Barton, a native of Fort Worth, performs tonight and Saturday at Caravan of Dreams. Show times are 9:30 and 11:45 p.m. Tickets are $12.50. Admission is two-for-one with rodeo ticket stub tonight and Saturday. For more information, call 877-3000.

❧ Ricky Van Shelton performs at Billy Bob's Texas tonight. Show time is 10:30 p.m. Tickets are $7.50 for general admission. For more information, call 624-7117.

❧ Programming Council's Films Committee presents "Lethal Weapon," starring Mel Gibson, tonight in the Student Center Ballroom. Show times are 7 and 10 p.m. Admission is $1.50.

❧ Mylon and Broken Heart perform tonight at the Fort Worth Tarrant County Convention Center. Tickets are $10.75 advance purchase and $12 at the door. Tickets are available at Joshua's Christian Stores. For more information, call 429-5388.

### Saturday

❧ Randy Travis will perform at Reunion Arena in Dallas. Special guests are Shannandoah and Tammy Wynette. Show time is 8 p.m. Tickets are available at all Rainbow TicketMaster and Ticket-Quik locations, including Sears, Sound Warehouse and select 7-Eleven stores. For more information, call Metro 787-1500.

❧ Programming Council's Films Committee will show "Lethal Weapon II," in the Student Center Ballroom. Show times are 7 and 10 p.m. Admission is $1.50.

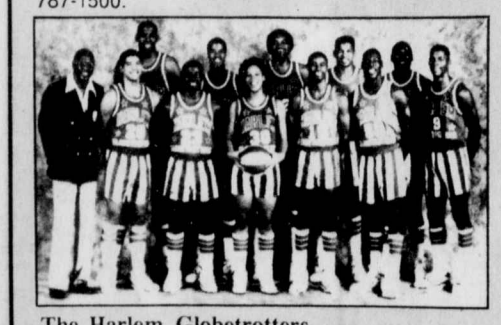
❧ Alan Jackson will perform at Billy Bob's Texas. Show time is 10:30 p.m. and tickets are $5 for general admission. For more information, call 624-7117.

❧ The Plunge will perform at The HOP. Show time is 10 p.m. and cover charge is $4. For more information, call 923-7281.

### Sunday

❧ New age keyboardist and composer Dan Siegel, a CBS recording artist, will perform at Caravan of Dreams. Show times are 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets are $17. For more information, call 877-3000.

❧ The Harlem Globetrotters will bring their magical comedy routines to the Fort Worth/Tarrant County Convention Center when they compete against their long-time rivals, the Washington Generals, Sunday. Show time is 2 p.m. Tickets to see this game are priced at $14, $11 and $9 and are available at all Ticketron and Rainbow TicketMaster locations. For more information, call Metro 787-1500.



The Harlem Globetrotters

# Acrobats, dancers set to perform

By SHANNON KELLEHER
Staff Writer

Unbelievable.

That's what Program Coordinator Lynn Newman is calling the best show ever to come to TCU.

"It's like the circus is coming to TCU," said Beth Monach, performing arts chair.

Bao Dao, Taiwan's authentic troupe of acrobats, dancers, musicians and magicians will be reaching new heights at Ed Landreth Auditorium Sunday at 2 p.m.

The feats these 45 performers attempt include diving through a ring of fire blindfolded, forming a moving human scultpture, and jumping through a ring of knives.

The troupe, under the direction of Danny Chang, celebrates Taiwan's 2,000-year-old folk tradition along with contemporary performing arts.

Bao Dao, which loosely translates as "treasure island" or "beautiful island" offers the audience excitement and intrigue.

"The visual parts of the show are the treasure," Newman said. "You get to see so many surprises and stunts that you've never seen before. It's colorful and beautiful."

Janet Trepka agreed.

"The acts they put on are truly amazing," she said. "They really are impressive."

Newman, who was director at Eastfield College in Mesquite, said fellow staff members saw a similar show under the same director, Danny Chang.

"They loved it," she said. "It was a sell out."

Bao Dao, sponsored by the Programming Council, made plans to visit TCU in their spring tour in early November.

This is the first time this particular troupe has been to the United States," Newman said. "In California, the group received two standing ovations."

The troupe is scheduled to perform at Caesar's Palace, Rice University in Houston, Brookhaven College in Dallas and TCU.

"We are incredibly lucky they fell into our laps," Monach said. "Normally, Bao Dao would cost us $10,000 dollars. We got them for $3000."

Monach said the cost was cut because they didn't have to pay for hotels or other arrangements since the group was already performing in Dallas.

Trepka said she encourages people to mark it on their calanders.

"I'd hate for someone to wake up Monday morning and say I wish I went," Trepka said. "It's so cultural and entertaining. Rarely do people have an opportunity to see a group like this."

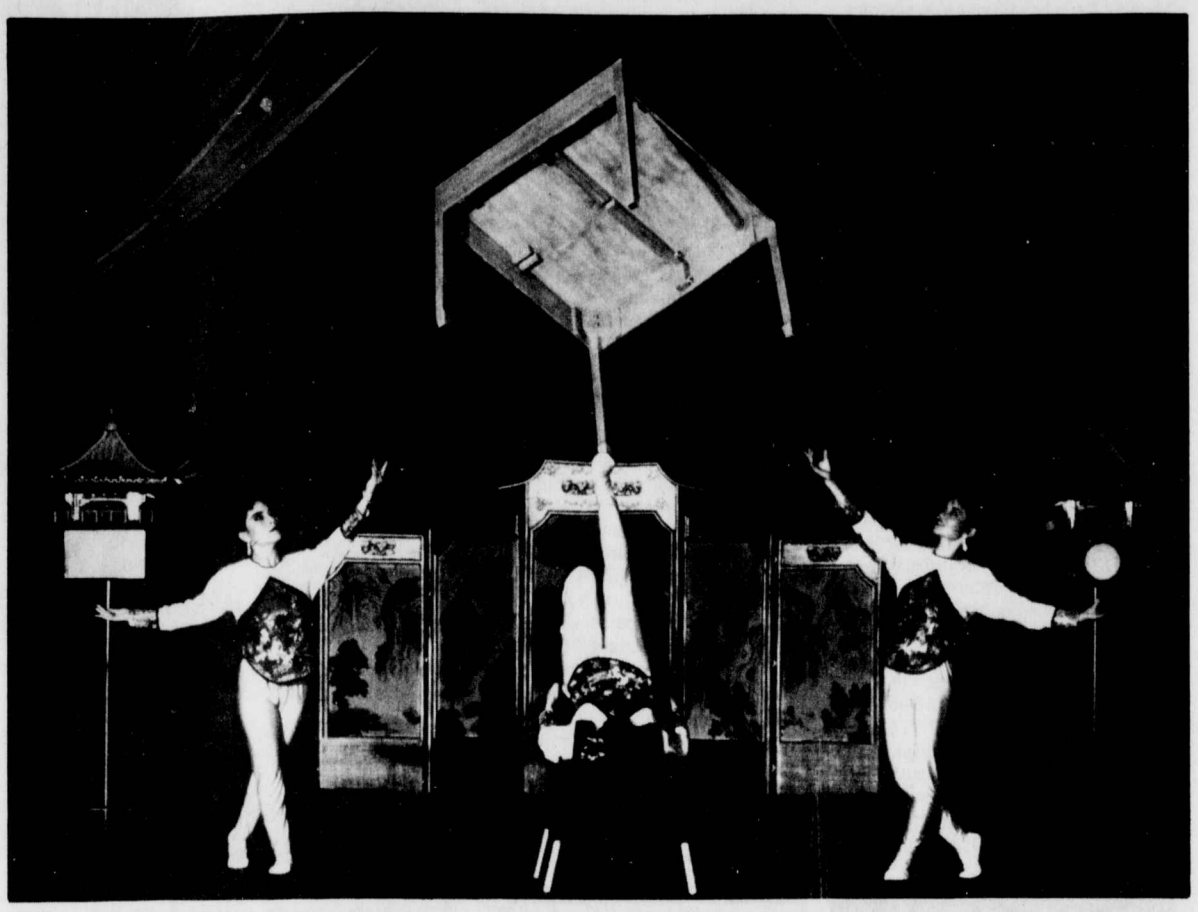
"It is a neat opportunity to see other people's culture," Monach said. "Don't be left out."

Students interested in helping set up or down for the show will receive free admission.

Tickets for the show are on sale now at the information desk in the Brown-Lupton Student Center. The prices are $8 for adults, $5 for children and $3 for students.

Tickets are also available at the door.

For more information, contact Beth Monach at 921-7926.



**The Bao Dao Acrobats' production highlights a live orchestra which provides an exciting accompaniment of original Chinese music to daring feats of acrobatics, magic and dance. Bao Dao performs Sunday at 2 p.m.**

# *Aerobics instructor jumps toward wellness*

By HEIDI WEAVER
Staff Writer

She has a body that some can only dream of and that others would kill for, but Kim Blake's personality prevents the jealous remarks that people with her physique often generate.

"Energetic," "fun," "enthusiastic," "cooperative," and "pleasant" are just a few of the adjectives that popped up as Blake's coworkers and students described her character.

Blake, a senior social work major, is the Frog Fit aerobic coordinator, and a primary reason why the program has been so successful. She began with the program in the fall of 1987 and was one of the six original instructors.

Blake's aerobic background is based on dance, in which she began taking lessons at the age of three. She participated in aerobics programs during high school, but a tragic situation eventually led to her desire to teach aerobics and fitness.

"One of the reasons exercise is so important to me is that when I was a freshman in high school my dad had a heart attack," Blake said. "I watched him physically deteriorate until his death two years later. He had poor eating habits. He didn't exercise and really didn't look out for his health."

"This has been a very influentual factor in my life, and has made me become more aware of total 'wellness'," she said. "I felt that if there was something I could do to convey to people how important this is, I would do it."

Steven Kintigh, director of recreational sports and facilities at TCU, said that Frog Fit's biggest strength is "clearly the instructors." The four-woman team includes Blake, juniors Jennifer Jegers and Terri Suiter, and freshman Traci Upp.

"This semester we have around 275 people registered, and the number will continue to rise as more people trickle in," Kintigh said.

He said that last week attendance at one class reached an all time high of 80.

"Second semester is generally very popular. January through March are huge months for Frog Fit, but attendance seems to drop down to its regular size after spring break," Blake said.

"That bothers me — it leads me to believe that their (people in Frog Fit) attention is more 'I have to be skinny by March' and not that fitness is an important part of their lives," Blake said.

Blake said she does have a "fitness idol," Dr. Kenneth Cooper, who has been called the "father of aerobics." She received certification from Cooper's Institute for Aerobic Research in Dallas in 1987. To become certified she had to attend an intensive one-week program and pass a writtten and practical exam at the end of the week.

Blake is also certified by the International Dance Exercise Association, which is internationally recognized. It has no formal training program, but requires Blake to attend continuing education classes to maintain her certification, she said.

"My certifications have given me an advantage over other instructors in that I have knowledge to back up what I do in class and I know precisely what I'm doing. I can tell my students why a particular stretch or move should or shouldn't be done," Blake said.

Jegers, who has participated in aerobics for ten years, said Blake is a very positive coworker.

"She is a very safe and very precise instructor, and students find her easy to follow," Jegers said.

Christy Bumgardner, a junior who has attended Frog Fit regularly since last spring, called Blake's class "a lot of fun."

"Kim is a good motivator — just looking at her body can be motivation enough for coming to aerobics class," Bumgardner said.

Blake addressed the subject of body image, acknowledging that looks are important and can be a motivating factor for exercise.

"I would hope that a person's goal is to be fit — not to be as thin as a stick, but rather to be at a healthy weight and not obsessed with looking like somebody else," Blake said. "Everybody is different due to genetics."

Blake, Kintigh and Jegers all agreed that they wish there was more male participation in Frog Fit.

Blake said that males might be wary of the dance coordination that is required for her class but "if they would try and it stick with it awhile, they would get it."

George Shaw, an assistant professor of radio-tv-film, said he was the first male to regularly attend Frog Fit.

"I am a slight diabetic, so I keep my condition in check with exercise," Shaw said.

Shaw doesn't know for sure why more males don't attend aerobics, but guessed it might have something to do "the macho image."

"People don't think about it, but in reality, males actually have to work harder to move their larger frames and keep up with the females," he said.

Shaw joked about how he stands out in the classes.

He said, "There are even things I won't do. Real men don't skip, so I just jog while the others do that."

On a more serious note, Shaw said, "There is absolutely nobody who is too fit to benefit from Frog Fit classes."

Though Blake will graduate this May, she plans to keep teaching aerobics and to try to convey her "wellness" message.

She is currently interning at the Medical Plaza Hospital, working with people who are undergoing speech and walking rehabilitation.

"I will miss the students, staff and everything involved (with Frog Fit). I hope the program continues to grow and improve. I would like to see the program stay current regarding reseach related to exercise and keep moving forward," Blake said.

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**Kim Blake**

# Fort Worth movie theaters graded for entertainment features, value

## Review

By DAVID ANDRIESEN
Film Critic

Let's face it. Going to the movies has become an expensive excursion. The going rate for adult admission now is six bucks, and that's before you pay the outrageous prices at the concession stand. So it seems obvious that you would want to try and get your money's worth.

The first and foremost way to spend your money and your time right is to pick the right movie, but almost as important to your enjoyment is picking the right theater in which to see it. We are blessed with multitudinous multiplexes in the immediate vicinity of our beloved institution. In fact, you probably have me to thank for the number of theaters around, since I've single-handedly paid for them through my patronage.

So this week, we're grading the theaters, from the sublime to the ridiculous. Except where otherwise noted, prices are $3.50 before 6 p.m. and $6.00 after six. They are listed in order from best to worst.

**Cinemark Ridglea 3 — 6029 Camp Bowie Blvd: A**

This place is what going to the movies is supposed to be about. It has a giant marquis in front, huge sweeping staircases leading to the balconies, a giant lobby with plenty of plush benches, restrooms with marble fixtures, and all the rest of the amenities reminiscent of the golden age of movie theaters. Each of the three theaters is enormous, with intricately decorated walls and real curtains over the screen. The only problem with the size of the theaters is that they are not particularly conducive to stereo sound, but I can overlook that.

If all that isn't enough to interest you, adult admission is $5.00 and matinee is $2.75.

The movies at Ridglea are usually split between exclusive engagements of quality limited-release features, like last year's extended re-release of "Lawrence of Arabia" and really stupid wide-release films like "Ernest Saves Christmas". If you haven't ever seen a movie there before, you have to go at least once.

**AMC Hulen 10 — Hulen Street, south of Hulen Mall: A-**

The main draw for the AMC Hulen is that they have a student discount of $4.75 when you show a TCU ID. Also of note is a "twilight discount," meaning that all movies starting between 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. cost just $3.00.

I think this place has the best popcorn in town, and if you get a drink to go with it, they have handy-dandy little cup holders in the armrests of the seats.

The employees are consistently the friendliest you'll find. And AMC is a great place to catch popular or limited run films for another month or two after everybody else has moved on.

**General Cinema Ridgmar Town Square — Green Oaks Road, north of Ridgmar Mall: B**

Only about a year old, Ridgmar Town Square is well-located and has the nice atmosphere characteristic of most General Cinema theaters. It tends, however, to have long lines during peak times.

**General Cinema Town Center 8 — Fort Worth Town Center Mall: C**

It is a nice enough theater, but the staff is often clueless and the location is a neighborhood in which many people don't feel very comfortable.

**United Artists Hulen 10 — behind Hulen Mall: D**

I have usually liked UA complexes before, but this one is the exception to the rule. The lines are always enormous. The lobby is much too small for a ten screen theater, and you wind up packed like sardines trying to get in and out. I have also sat through several bouts of technical problems there.

**Loew's City View — Bryant Irvin and I-20 next to The Funny Bone: F**

How this place stays in business is beyond me. They raised their price to six dollars almost a year before anyone else, the location is terrible, and the employees, for the most part, are rude. But first and foremost, maybe it's just a coincidence, but almost every time I've been there the film has been interrupted by technical difficulties: the film breaks, the sound disappears, the lights stay on, etc. Avoid this place at all costs.

Well, there you have it — one guy's opinion. Happy movie-watching!