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Coke fights milk firm over new product's name

CHICAGO (AP) — Coca-Cola Co. has the urge to sell a soda pop called Surge, but the makers of an automatic milking machine claim they've had the Surge since 1925.

Coca-Cola plans to launch its Surge, a green, high-calorie, high-caffeine drink, with a \$50 million advertising blitz on Super Bowl Sunday.

Babson Bros., based in Naperville, Ill., contends it has held the trademark on the name Surge since 1925 for its automatic milking equipment and industrial cleaning products and wants a judge to block the start of the ad campaign.

"Allowing Coca-Cola to go unchallenged could lead consumers to perceive a link between our company and a caffeinated, artificially colored, fully-loaded soda pop," said Nick Babson, chief executive of Babson Bros.

Closing arguments heated in Simpson case

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — A plaintiff's lawyer challenged jurors Tuesday to hold O.J. Simpson responsible for two slayings, pointing to him and declaring: "There's a killer in this courtroom."

In an angry closing argument, Daniel Petrocelli attacked Simpson's character, calling him a liar whose sense of superiority prevents him from taking responsibility for the killings of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman on June 12, 1994.

The most dramatic moment in Petrocelli's early remarks came when he confronted Simpson face-to-face with the allegations, saying the physical evidence proved Simpson was a killer.

Trial begins in cadet rape trial

WEST POINT, N.Y. (AP) — A female cadet told a military court Tuesday that she woke up to find a male classmate raping her after she had spent the evening drinking at a party.

The 20-year-old woman gave the testimony as court martial proceedings against James P. Engelbrecht, 22, of Conroe, began at the U.S. Military Academy.

Engelbrecht is accused of assaulting the woman May 24 at the home of another cadet in Stockholm, N.J., where they were attending a Memorial Day weekend party.

Under questioning from prosecutors, the woman said she had been "highly intoxicated" during the party and later awoke in the middle of the night in pain as Engelbrecht sexually assaulted her.

Engelbrecht has claimed the woman climbed into the top bunk bed where he was sleeping and initiated the consensual sex.

State Social Security number to be required for driving

PLANO (AP) — Texas drivers soon will be helping the state track down deadbeat parents.

Beginning Feb. 3, anyone applying for a Texas driver's license or a renewal must show proof of a Social Security number. Only drivers renewing their licenses by mail will be exempt.

The requirement, approved by the legislature in 1995, is part of Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' effort to enforce court-ordered child support payments. By cross-referencing Social Security numbers in driver records with the Social Security numbers of delinquent parents, Morales' office hopes to find valid addresses for people and make them pay.

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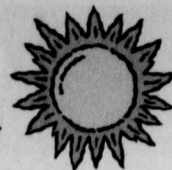


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Judicial Board to assist Greeks

By Michael Bryant
SKIFF STAFF

The words "Judicial Board" tend to illicit a cautious glance or an hostile feeling among the Greek community, but newly elected Chief Justice Ricky Paradise said he would like to see those reactions turn more toward cooperation between the board and the students it serves during the upcoming year.

Paradise, a sophomore business major from the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, said the members of Judicial Board want it to be more than a policing body.

"We want it to be a pro-active body to help fraternities and sororities do things that don't get them in trouble," he said.

Second-year member of the board Shelly Jordan, a junior Alpha Chi Omega business major, said the board is planning to pursue a pro-active stance partially by organizing programs that will focus on risk management.

Kristen Kirst, director of fraternity and sorority affairs and faculty adviser for the board, said pro-active efforts were a staple of the board's founding three years ago. She said

fraternity and sorority members, however, have tended to view the board only as a body that enforces rules.

Paradise said there are ways to change this image of the Judicial Board.

"If we can help (chapters) by giving them more information, giving them new ideas, then we've done our job," Paradise said. "If we can help do it by communicating amongst different chapters of what's going on and what different chapters are doing and what's acceptable and what's not acceptable, then I think

we've done our job."

Paradise said a lot of chapters have developed methods to curtail underage drinking, including using wristbands and birthday lists at events to help determine which members are 21 years old. Paradise said these success stories should be better publicized.

"People who don't like fraternities and sororities only hear about the one party that got busted instead of the 15 parties that did a good job of taking care of and limiting underage drinking," he said.

Kirst said Paradise is strongly

committed to pro-active efforts, such as teaching risk management and eliminating hazing.

"It would make his year if a case was never brought before the Judicial Board," she said.

The board, comprised of eight voting justices, a chief justice and two alternates, will meet every Thursday throughout the semester.

Paradise said the board is "a group of students basically unregulated by faculty, independent of administration, that deals with any kind of infraction or any kind of

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Students toe the line for TV in clip-a-thon



William Thomas Burdette SKIFF STAFF

Kevin Meany, a comedian on Comedy Central's "Comics on Delivery," watches as sophomore Ratna Goenardi, a graphic design major, clips her toenails Friday evening. Meany was on hand to help student clippers celebrate the collection as part of the Clark Hall clip-a-thon.

By Kirk Shinkle
SKIFF STAFF

TCU students may or may not be proud to hold the new, albeit unofficial, world record in the field of toenail clipping.

Shouts of "give me the clippers" echoed from the Clark Hall lobby Friday evening as juniors Andrea Small, a business finance major and Jeremy Faust, a music education major, collected the last of the 3,005 clippings and placed them in a small glass jar for safekeeping.

The television show "Comics On Delivery," which airs on cable's Comedy Central, was on hand to tape the event for the Comedy Central network and brought comedian Kevin Meany to help celebrate the event.

The jar of toenail clippings was initially filled by Faust to frighten a roommate, but it evolved into a social event as friends made their own contributions at unscheduled gatherings.

Faust, who shoulders the "awesome responsibility of maintaining and protecting the jar," said the group has been meeting for more than two years and even has official

music (the Tijuana Brass) that is typically played during clipping sessions to inspire contributions.

The Friday gathering, known by many as the "clip-a-thon," was the largest session the group has hosted to date. The crowd of nearly 60 chanted "Big toe, big toe" as the cuticles flew and the cameras rolled.

Meany, an 18-year-veteran of the comic world, said he "couldn't be prouder" to be a part of the event and had his toenails clipped professionally before bringing them to the event.

"People from Hollywood don't cut their own nails. Get some class," Meany said with a smile.

Julie Markus, a junior speech communication and psychology major, said the event was "fabulous" and the turnout was much greater than the usual eight or 10 people.

Ron Kantor, a producer for "Comics On Delivery," said the event was "just too surreal." He presented Small and Faust with a cake in the shape of a bloody toe and a trophy topped with a giant foot and the inscription "Best Toenail

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IRS package helps taxpayers file over the phone

New voice command system may be quicker and easier for students than using the traditional forms

By Christopher Rose
SKIFF STAFF

College students who file their own federal income taxes might view this task as similar to preparing for and taking a final exam. But there could be an easier way.

Students are among the 26 million taxpayers who will receive Telefile, an Internal Revenue Service tax package that allows them to file their taxes using a touch-tone telephone.

"This is as easy as picking up the phone and

talking to a friend," said Philip Beasley, IRS North Texas District public affairs officer. "It's simple, fast and free."

To access Telefile, qualified taxpayers dial a 24-hour, toll-free number. First, they enter their personal identification number that can only be found in their tax package.

Beasley said students should have received their tax packages at their college addresses by now. If they haven't, students should look for the tax package at their parents' address, pos-

sibly during spring break.

Once Telefile verifies the PIN number, the taxpayer enters wage and tax information from his or her W-2 tax forms through voice-prompted instructions.

Telefile will automatically calculate the amount of refund or any tax a person owes.

Eduardo Mercado, an IRS North Texas District public affairs specialist, said the service is quick.

"It takes about 10 minutes to complete," he

said. "In most cases, people will get their refunds in three weeks if they direct deposit or in about four weeks through the mail."

Mercado said the PIN number replaces the physical taxpayer signature used on other IRS income tax forms. The number also serves as an identification number if a taxpayer has any questions.

Students qualify to use Telefile if they made less than \$50,000 in taxable income and have

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Faculty pianist to play in downtown recital broadcast

By Charles Bandy
SKIFF STAFF

TCU music faculty member and pianist John Owings will perform at noon today in the first broadcast of a recital from the recently opened Contemporary Art Center in downtown Fort Worth.

His recital will be the first in a series of performances that are scheduled to take place at noon at the center on the first, second and fourth Thursdays of each month

from now through May.

The performance is sponsored by the College of Fine Arts and Communication and admission is free.

Dallas classical radio station WRR-FM will broadcast Wednesday's performance via live remote.

Owings said the center will provide a great new venue for both faculty and staff.

"First of all, it's going to give

us some exposure in the community," he said. "I think it'll give us some great PR."

Owings said the live broadcasts will give those who are typically unable to attend the concerts a chance to experience live music.

Owings said live performances mean that everyone involved is taking a chance.

"There's a spontaneity in a live performance that's sometimes not there in a recorded performance,"

he said.

Located on the ground floor of the Gainsco Building at Fourth and Commerce streets, the art center displays regional art in an informal setting.

Owings said he thinks the location will be great for lunchtime crowds who are interested in attending the performances.

"It's an ideal location," he said. "It's right across from the Bass Center for the Performing Arts."

The Bass Center is scheduled to open in spring 1998.

John Burton, associate dean of TCU's College of Fine Arts and Communication, said although most performances will feature TCU faculty and students, the center plans to include institutions and groups in the schedule.

"To me this is a way of showcasing what TCU has, as well as what's available in the community," he said.

Orientation Student Assistant applications now available

By Andrew Rexrode
SKIFF STAFF

Students who want to develop their leadership and public-speaking skills while providing assistance to incoming students could have the opportunity to do so as assistants in the New Student Orientation program.

New Student Orientation is a program that introduces new students and their parents to the TCU community. Acting as counselors in the program are Orientation Student Assistants, who provide necessary information to students for a smooth transition into the university.

Kay Higgins, director of New Student Orientation, said she looks for students with a great deal of energy, enthusiasm and an appreciation for the university when choos-

ing OSAs.

Higgins said being an OSA gives students a chance to know more of the TCU population.

"It's an opportunity for students to spend time and work with other students in the TCU community," she said.

OSAs serve as peer advisers, group leaders and resource people to assist new students during the registration process.

Rene Benson, a senior math major and former OSA, said her experience was stressful but fun.

"It was really beneficial to me because I know a lot of people on campus now," she said.

Benson also said the OSAs, as leaders, had to understand the team aspect of learning to listen.

TCU's orientation program

includes several informational and group activities about diversity, goal setting, academics and co-curricular opportunities on campus.

Jeff Crane, a junior marketing major, said he appreciated the experience he gained as an OSA.

"I would say it was the most fun time I have ever had working hard in my entire life," he said. "I would highly recommend it."

Crane said he thinks OSAs paint a realistic picture of TCU to incoming students. He said the job of an OSA is mainly to act as an ambassador for TCU and help new students get excited about coming to TCU.

OSAs are also encouraged to keep in touch with the students they meet in the program.

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Special to the Skiff

Members of the 1996 Orientation staff show their Horned Frog spirit during a skit at one of this summer's orientation sessions.

Pulse

CAMPUS LINES

STUDENTS FOR ASIAN-INDIAN CULTURAL AWARENESS will sell tickets for their fourth annual "Experience India" fundraiser today and Friday. A table will be set up in the Student Center, and students can charge the tickets to their meal cards. The fundraiser will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 1 in the Student Center Ballroom and will feature a traditional buffet lunch, dancing, singing and fashion shows. Proceeds benefit Mother Teresa's orphanages and the Church of South India Leprosy Mission. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for students with IDs and \$5 for children under 10. For tickets and information call Doll Ghosh at 924-3708.

STUDY ABROAD will hold a reception from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. today in the Woodson Room (Room 207 of the Student Center). Everyone interested in international education is welcome.

WOMEN'S CLUB VOLLEYBALL TEAM will hold an information meeting at 7 p.m. today in Room 105 of the Rickel Building. For more information call Kelley Kimmel at 920-2031.

DELTA SIGMA PI BUSINESS FRATERNITY will have introductory meetings at 4:30 p.m. today and Thursday in Room 140 of Dan Rogers Hall. For more information call Alison Reed at 921-6887.

ACADEMIC SERVICES will hold a study skills workshop at 9 p.m. on Feb. 3 in Room 106 of the Rickel Building. The workshop will discuss time management, study skills and test-taking skills. For more information call Robert Crawley at 921-7486.

TCU HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES has vacancies in several committee chair positions. Positions in the House include Chairman of the Student Concerns Committee and Chairman of the University Relations Committee. The Programming Council position for Chairman of the Fine Arts Committee is also vacant. Those interested can stop by the House office in the Student Center annex for more information.

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charges having to do with a fraternity or a sorority."

He said the Judicial Board's authority over disciplinary issues has increased, as the board has begun to establish itself as a consistent body of justice.

"If the Judicial Board says 'guilty and probation', then 99 percent of the time, that's what the administration is going to say," he said.

Members of the board serve one-year terms and can then ask for either reappointment or withdrawal from the board. Only two members, juniors Shelly Jordan, a business major, and Chad Parsons, a political science major, chose the reappointment option.

The remaining positions were to be filled in early December after the chief justice was chosen, but Paradise said there were only nine applicants. As the chief justice, Paradise had the authority to select members for the board, and he only selected three members, he said.

"With the administration giving the Judicial Board more authority

with the chapters, and with everybody kind of seeing last year what the Judicial Board can do, as in removing a fraternity from campus, I thought it was my duty to select quality justices. And if there were seven out of those nine that I thought were at that standard, then I would have selected them," he said.

Due to the vacancies, a second selection process was held last Friday. Paradise said the remaining five positions were filled from out of 17 applicants.

For the first time in the Judicial Board's short history, fraternity and sorority chapter presidents were allowed to participate in the applicants' interviews. Paradise said their input, concerns and praises will help bridge the separation between the chapters and the board.

"We want to somehow challenge the chapters to be more intelligent in what they're doing, because it's just not a good time for fraternities and sororities in the nation," he said. "As a national average, fraternities and sororities

It's a fact

INCOMING JUDICIAL BOARD MEMBERS

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LAUREN SYLER

are leaving campuses faster than they are coming to campuses."

Paradise said he believes Greek life is important to the university as a whole.

"We definitely believe that Greek life adds a lot to a university. We don't want to see fraternities and sororities go by the wayside, so we want to encourage behavior that keeps them on campus," he said.

Paradise said members of the Greek community are using the board more to help in their programming.

"A lot of the chapters are beginning to see Judicial Board as a resource, as a body that can be there to help them as much as it can be to punish them, and chapters want to contribute their members and their members' talents to the board," he said.

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W-2 forms for all taxable scholarships or fellowship grants.

They are ineligible if they have changed their name, address or social security number. Also, they can't have a taxable income interest more than \$400.

When the system was introduced for the first time last year, 248,223 Texans filed their taxes by telephone. Approximately one-third of Telefilers were students, according

to an IRS 1996 user survey.

Twenty-four percent of all users were 20 years old or younger, and 33 percent ranged from age 21 to age 25.

Based on the user survey, Beasley said eligibility has been expanded to include married couples with no dependents and who file jointly.

Telefile is available for the hearing-impaired who have TDD/TTY equipment, but Spanish instruction

is no longer offered because of the low usage rate in 1996.

According to the IRS survey, 94 percent of the total users said they were satisfied with the system.

William F. Yancey, an assistant professor of accounting, said the service has benefits and trade-offs.

"This simple way to file a tax return would seem to work, especially if a person wants to receive his or her return as soon as possible,"

Yancey said. "But it must be very simple. Otherwise, there could be problems in the file method."

Yancey said he believes most people who qualify for Telefile have used the single page, Form 1040EZ, before.

"The question is," he said, "Do you want to fill out a one-page return and then make a copy of it, or do you want to sit at the telephone and follow the voice commands?"

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Collection 1997."

Rob Eigenbrod, a two-year donor to the jar and a junior theatre major, said collecting the clippings is a noble cause.

"They could get stepped on and cause an infection," Eigenbrod said.

Absentee clippings were also donated from several concerned students and were even sent from as far away as Mexico.

While the clipping record is still unofficial, "Comics On Delivery" will contact the Guinness Book of World Records to see if the new

record can be added.

Allison Dunn, an associate producer for "Comics On Delivery," said the show will be part of several segments featuring Texans who need help from comedians.

Other segments will include a 23-year-old businessman who

needs help eliminating "hard butter" in restaurants, and a man who will be taught bull riding by comedian Steve White.

Comedy Central producers said they are not sure when the episode featuring the toenail clipping ceremony will air.



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The ladies of Zeta Tau Alpha would like to congratulate their Honor Roll members.

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	Hilary Penzel
	Jennifer Plimpton
	Jennifer Woodward

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Glacier National Park seeks summer help

Montana preserve offers students variety of jobs

By Ryan J. Rusak
SKIFF STAFF

Many students find summer employment in food service and hotel jobs, but collegiate workers generally do not have the added bonuses provided by the location within a picturesque national park.

Glacier Park, Inc., the corporation that operates hotels for Glacier National Park in Montana, will hire 900 college students from across the country to work in hotel and entertainment jobs at the park this summer.

Cari Bowers, a human resources clerk for Glacier Park, Inc., said students are paid \$4.75 an hour for a 40-hour work week. Students are charged \$8.50 per day for room and board, including three meals a day. The fees are deducted from students' paychecks.

Students majoring in hospitality management, culinary arts, travel and tourism, accounting, music and theatre are the company's top

choices as prospective employees, according to the release.

Students with more experience in the hospitality management field can apply for management positions at a higher rate of pay, Bowers said.

Positions available include front desk clerks, room attendants, cooks, food servers and bus drivers, according to a Glacier Park news release. Students can also work for the American Cabaret Theatre, which provides entertainment to park guests.

Glacier Park operates seven hotels and lodges inside Glacier National Park, including Many Glacier Hotel, located on Swiftcurrent Lake. Another lodge, Glacier Park Lodge, has a nine-hole golf course and a restaurant, the Goat Lick Steak and Rib House.

Bowers said all the activities of the park — including hiking, fishing, rafting, rock climbing and

cycling — are available to students when they are off-duty.

John Breyer, a professor of geology, said students who work in national parks often gain respect for nature.

"My experience with students who visit national parks is that they come back with a whole new appreciation for nature," Breyer said. "They are more conservation-minded and likely to support the social and political steps necessary for conservation, which is needed."

Glacier Park occupies 1.4 million acres in northwestern Montana and contains 50 active glaciers. It is home to several species of wildlife, including bald eagles, bighorn sheep and grizzly bears. The park was created by the National Park Service in 1910.

Students who are interested can call Glacier Park at (602) 207-2620 or write: Glacier Park, Inc., 1850 North Central; Phoenix, Ariz., 85077-0924.



Glacier National Park in Montana offers students scenery such as this along with hotel and entertainment jobs. Glacier Park, Inc., is now hiring 900 students to work this summer.

New website helps college students navigate the Internet

By Aimee Courtice
SKIFF STAFF

Students who venture into the World Wide Web these days will find a seemingly endless amount of websites to visit. All Campus Media, a college media and promotions company based in Santa Barbara, Calif., has developed a new website targeted for college students.

The website, AllCampus.com, provides a quick way for college students to find other websites by providing links to those typically used by the average collegian.

Kevin West, executive vice president of All Campus Media, said AllCampus.com saves time for students.

"The greatest need that we see in the college market on the Internet is

to find the fastest, easiest way to provide students with the information they need," he said.

AllCampus.com provides links to national and international college home pages, online campus newspapers and career and travel resources. Students who visit the page will also find advertisements, games and contests.

West said the website is constant-

ly updated by a team of college students at All Campus Media.

"We are constantly changing the special contests and offers on the page; we are adding more and more online college newspapers, and our team of college-aged web surfers are updating every category page with new and exciting sites and information all of the time," West said.

He said the company has found that students love this website because it is easy to use and allows students to link up to the college market's most popular web pages.

Lisa Harmon, a freshman nursing major, said AllCampus.com is convenient.

"I really like this website because there are so many things that I can link up to," she said. "I am not that

familiar with things on the Internet, but this page makes it easy for me to find a lot of information that I never knew was out there."

Currently, AllCampus.com is offering a contest to give away "Mortal Combat" videos and cash prizes.

Questions or comments concerning the website can be delivered via e-mail directly from the website.

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Ben Roman, a junior radio-TV-film major, has worked in the Orientation program for the past three years.

"At first, when you meet your students, they're really shy and to themselves," he said. "But by the end of the semester you can see them with their circle of friends and how successful they've become. I personally sent out letters and called as many people as possible."

Crane said the best part of his

OSA experience was when he received letters from the new students thanking him for his work and telling him how excited they were about being TCU students.

"I thought that was really cool," he said.

OSA applications are available from the Student Development Services office, in Room 220 of the Student Center. Students may also call 921-7855 for more information.

Scouts request more dough from cookie sales

By Linda A. Johnson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TRENTON, N.J. — Girl Scout troops in Mount Laurel want more dough from their cookies this year.

Denied an extra dime per box, leaders of 27 troops in southern New Jersey have begun a sales slowdown in protest.

The move appears unprecedented in 61 years of annual cookie sales by the 2.5 million-member organization, which sold 174 million boxes of Thin Mints, Do-si-dos and other treats in the United States and its territories last year.

"I'm not aware of that at all any place in the country," Marianne Ilaw,

spokeswoman for the Girl Scouts of the United States of America in New York, said Tuesday. "Things seem to be going well" with this year's sale.

Not in Mount Laurel, a middle-class Philadelphia suburb of 31,000.

The trouble began in November when Mount Laurel's Girl Scout community coordinator, Jan Snyder, said her troops were unsatisfied with the 50 cents their governing council offered per \$3-box sold — even though that was up from 40 cents last year.

Snyder, arguing the council keeps too much of the proceeds, requested 60 cents per box, said Joanne Goldy, spokeswoman for the council, Girl

Scouts of the South Jersey Pines. In exchange, Snyder offered a guarantee that sales would average 110 boxes per scout, slightly more than last year.

"It was really too late to act on it this year," Goldy said, because arrangements were set for sales to start Jan. 10. The council governs 11,000 scouts in six southern New Jersey counties.

Besides, she said, the council administrators did not want to be unfair to other troops: "How would the people in the next town feel if they weren't offered the same thing?"

Currently, the bakery gets 81 cents per box, troops get 50 cents, and the council spends the remaining \$1.69

on maintaining three Scout camps and other properties, recruiting and training troop leaders, program development, insurance, administration and fund raising.

After being turned down by the council, Snyder instituted a sales slowdown, under which girls in 27 of the township's 35 Girl Scout troops are selling only the minimum of 12 boxes required for troops to participate in other Scout fund-raising projects.

"We feel (the council) has been taking advantage of them," Snyder said. "They need to give us more money and they need to operate on less."

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EDITORIAL

TICKET FIASCO

Students' seats should not be sold

It has become a sad fact that the TCU student body tends to take an apathetic stance when it comes to sporting-event attendance of any kind. Admittedly, there hasn't been a lot to cheer about in the last few years, other than a lone bowl appearance by the football team.

The Committee of 100 has successfully revived an interest in TCU sports within the communities in and around Fort Worth. The only problem has been getting the students to show their support as well.

Now, after an appeal by men's basketball coach Billy Tubbs, the students have finally started taking an interest. A 12-6 record and several games on ESPN and ESPN2 haven't hurt matters either.

Unfortunately, it seems the administration is more concerned with filling the stands with paying ticket-holders than with the students. According to athletic ticket manager Tommy Love, tickets were sold in the student section Saturday after the 7:30 p.m. start time for the TCU vs. Utah men's game.

Several *Skiff* sources (students and faculty) have said they were turned away from the gates earlier than that. Approximately 20 other students to whom the *Skiff* staff spoke were offered a seat at the normal ticket price of \$10 because the student section was sold out.

First, a plea was issued to the TCU community to attend sporting events. Then, the seats that are supposed to be reserved for students and faculty were sold right out from under them. We see a definite contradiction.

Coach Tubbs made his plea for student support in the Jan. 14 issue of the *Skiff*. He wrote, "We're really the student body's team. We need the student body to get behind us because, more than anything else, we are *your* basketball team." Notice the word "your" is italicized. That means us. The students and faculty. We should be given priority, not whoever happens to hand over \$10 at the box office.

Saturday's game against Utah was only the second home contest since Tubbs' plea for more support. The students and faculty should have been given a chance to answer his call to arms. As a matter of fact, many did, only to be turned away. Love said "only a handful, 20 or so," were denied entrance.

It doesn't matter how many were turned away. We pay for tickets through our student fees and tuition. Thus, we are ticket-holding people. We are supposed to be guaranteed a seat.

Love said the reason student seats were sold was to assure a full house. He said there are 2,345 seats available for students and faculty. At games earlier this season, at most, 1,500 seats had been used for one game. This doesn't make it right to sell tickets to the seats that supposedly belong to students and faculty.

Here's the point: Don't cry to the students, faculty and staff about low attendance and then sell our seats the first chance you get. The students pay fees and the faculty members buy tickets at discounted prices to go to athletic events. Love said the money each individual pays doesn't equal the amount for a season pass to football games. So what!

This is our school. We still pay, even if it's not as much as the regular ticket buyer. Does this make us less important than someone who pays full price? Without students there would be no basketball team.

The *Skiff* believes that even though students and staff may not always show the support the university asks for, they should still not be turned away from an opportunity to cheer on our teams when they do attend.



Greeks' worldview limited

Grow up and shut up; being independent not that bad

I was trying to get to sleep the other night, devising a theory of how quantum physics might help me get into free movies, when my mind wandered to more mundane topics.

My mental ship landed on the Greek system. I can hear the collective sniveling from the Worth Hills section of campus now: "This is going to be another column criticizing the Greek system from someone who is not part of

Commentary



Richmond Williams

and will never understand it." Guess what? It is.

Fraternities and sororities on campus are much like the United States. Their relationship with the rest of TCU is much like

America's relationship with the rest of the world. Let's start with something for which Americans are known the world over: ego. Citizens of the United States are as cocky as they come. Most people between Mexico

and Canada can't imagine a life worth living outside these borders. (Pop quiz for U.S. high school grads: Where are Canada and Mexico?)

Sound familiar? Many Greeks have tried imagining life as an "independent." Unfortunately, this mental picture often looks like a bookworm who shrivels up alone on Friday and Saturday nights, nose planted firmly in the books. Independents are people who Greeks pity, much like we pity the children on Suzanne Sommers' commercials.

That brings me to my next point. For years, citizens of the United States have pointed to the many worldwide charitable ventures they undertake. Hey, this is the country that produced "We Are the World." MTV will be quick to point out that they put together a concert this summer to help out human rights in Nepal. We are always there to "lend a helping hand" to developing countries. But guess what: on the other 364 days of the year, we are still taking up 20 percent of the world's resources, far more than our fair share. A few tax-deductible donations don't make up for the exploitation of the world's labor force that goes on every day.

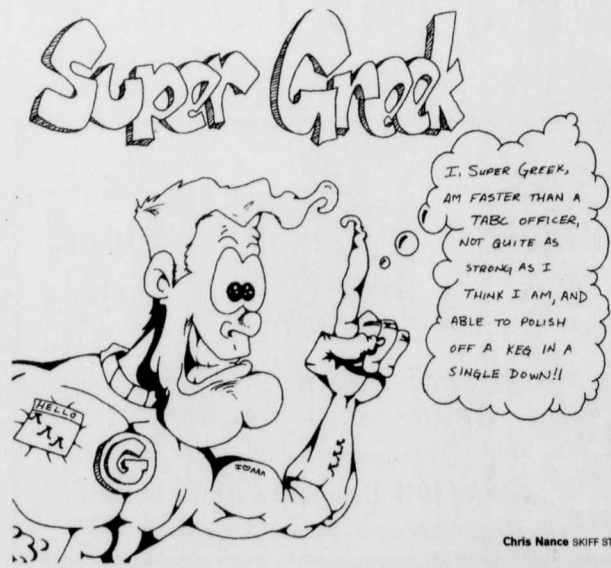
Likewise, philanthropies are the Greeks' trump card. It's like a "get out of jail free" card. Busted for blatant TABC violations? Been caught stealing? Hazing, anyone? Just point to the (insert your week of events here) supporting (insert your philanthropy here). See, Greeks aren't so bad after all. Or at least they're not any worse than the Pirates of the Caribbean.

Back to ego. Not only are Americans ignorant of other countries' customs and languages, but they take this parochial attitude one step further. Proudly displaying the stars and stripes (or stars and bars, but that's another column entirely) on any article of clothing or accessory, Americans claim that we can "kick your little country's butt!" This leads to a lot of military muscle-flexing.

Again, think about the Greeks. They do anything short of tattooing their letters on their foreheads and then proclaim "Our girls are prettier than theirs," or "Their guys suck! We kicked their butts!" You don't have to go far to see this intense "patriotism." Ever hear an American whine about how crappy and unfair life is in this country? "Oh, we have to pay taxes, and the government is so corrupt, and wah wah waaahhh..." Well, listen to the Greeks every once in a while. "The one class that I bothered to show up for this week (well, you know, I had to go out on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday night, and no professor can expect me to show up on Friday), well, anyway, the professor assigned a paper and he expects it to be in by the end of the semester! The nerve of that guy!"

Americans, life is better here than anywhere else on earth, but there is life worth living elsewhere. And Greeks, shut up and grow up. There's life outside of Worth Hills.

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Letters to the Editor

Smith summation not taken seriously

In a recent issue of the *TCU Daily Skiff*, senior commentary writer Chris Smith wrote an article giving his summation of the first semester at TCU during the 1996-97 academic year. To some readers it was offensive and it raises the question of whether Mr. Smith expects to be taken seriously.

First of all, I will give him credit to his writing content. He does captivate the reader with his lush use of superlatives and extreme words that are hidden deep in *Webster's New World Dictionary*. That kind of writing keeps readers on their toes. But what about his style? Does he want to be considered one of those crabby, bitch-and-moan-type people whom everyone hears but doesn't pay attention to? His writing style says that he does.

Mr. Smith's view of the first half of our year is not totally false. He does include some truth in his content. Also, Mr. Smith's comments on faculty and athletics are strictly opinion, and strong ones at that. When I finished reading his article, I considered him one of those stereotypical high school writers who points out problems with everything and doesn't offer one solution. And when someone presents the problem and doesn't offer up any sort of serious solution, that someone just becomes part of the problem. Anyone can show what's wrong around campus, but it takes a real intelligent person to come up with a solution. If the solution is made merely for a laugh, or a chuckle, then chances are that his ideas are going to be considered the same thing.

In all, Mr. Smith is without a doubt a creative person, but this particular article was destructively creative. When I finished reading this article, I couldn't help but laugh. And the type of laughing done was not with Mr. Smith, but rather, at him.

Omar Villafranca
freshman journalism major

Clinton not protected by "executive privilege"

I was a little surprised and disappointed to read Kevin Arceneaux's column titled "Court should delay trial: Executive privilege shields Clinton from lawsuit." Considering that Kevin is a senior political science major, I was a taken off guard by his incorrect understanding of executive privilege. Kevin proposed that the law's "executive privilege" clause protects the presidency from civil suits. However, several presidents, including Teddy Roosevelt, Harry Truman and John F. Kennedy, faced civil suits during their presidencies. The court case that spawned the idea of executive privilege was Nixon vs. Fitzgerald (1982), which gave the president protection within the "outer perimeter" of his or her official duties. Now, unless dropping one's pants and making lewd advances is now part of the president's national duties, Paula Jones has every right to plead her case at the present time.

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Snowboarding: not a sport for flakes

Adrenaline rushes are interesting things. Whether you are making a tackle, realizing you lost your wallet, being shot at or falling out of a plane, they are tough to beat for natural excitement. I was able to experience the "rush" of snowboarding over the semester break. The Macho Man is always asking if I want a little excitement; someone should tell him that snowboarding is 10 times more exciting than anything stuffed inside an animal skin.

My friend, who, compared to me, might as well have been a seasoned pro, took me to Bear Valley, Calif., because, "It was time I learned what I was missing." He assured me that it was a lot like surfing. I laughed a little here. To quell any misconceptions, I am not a surfer, and I probably never will be. I have surfed before, and I understand the mechanics of surfing. I've even taught a friend to surf.

At any rate, I chuckled because surfing is often done where the climate is warm and the water isn't frozen and hard. He assured me, however, that I should have no problems because snowboarding is "just like surfing."

To share this experience, for those of you who have not done either activity, here are the basic tenets of the sport:

Surfing is all about standing up at the right time and not falling off until you run into the beach or an oblivious mother and her equally oblivious and very fragile child.

If you fall off, though, it's really no big deal, because there is forgiving, liquid water beneath you. Merely grab the leash and duck your head. This is to keep from being struck by a nine-foot slab of waxed fiberglass.

Controlling the speed of the board is a matter of positioning. In general, surfing is easy enough that a 7-year-old can figure it out on his first try (as evidenced by my less-than-modest little brother).

Snowboarding, on the other hand, is all about putting on heavy, baggy clothes and a funny hat so that you look warm and stylish while you sit on the mountain. At least that's what experi-

enced snowboarders do. For the novice, it's about standing up on a giant tongue depressor and then hurtling down a mountain until you either hit a tree or attempt to turn, in which case you fall over, and rather violently at that.

When you do fall over, and I emphasize "when," you have one of two choices: You can either fall on your tail, which is not so bad, or you can fall on your face, which invariably feels like you got punched in the stomach. There is also snow and/or ice beneath you, which is not nearly as forgiving as a warm Waikiki wave.

There are also several side effects of snowboarding that are not felt in surfing. One is called "very sore calves." This is because your feet are strapped to a board by things called bindings, which are very aptly named. There are also "very sore arms," resulting from getting up off the snow, and "very sore ribs," coming from landing on your face. There is no way to counter these side effects while in the novice stage.

The funny thing about snowboarding is that it's fun. In fact, the rumor is that once you have a few sessions under your belt, it becomes natural and enjoyable. Even for the first time, it was enjoyable. I spent a good five hours hurtling down the mountain (those of you who have never been out of Texas should probably look up the definition of mountain); I think I even got my money's worth. I would have liked to go again, too, except for the fact that four of my toes were frostbitten.

I like to wear sandals when there is warm weather, and when you are missing two of the middle toes, it makes for an odd appearance with sandals.

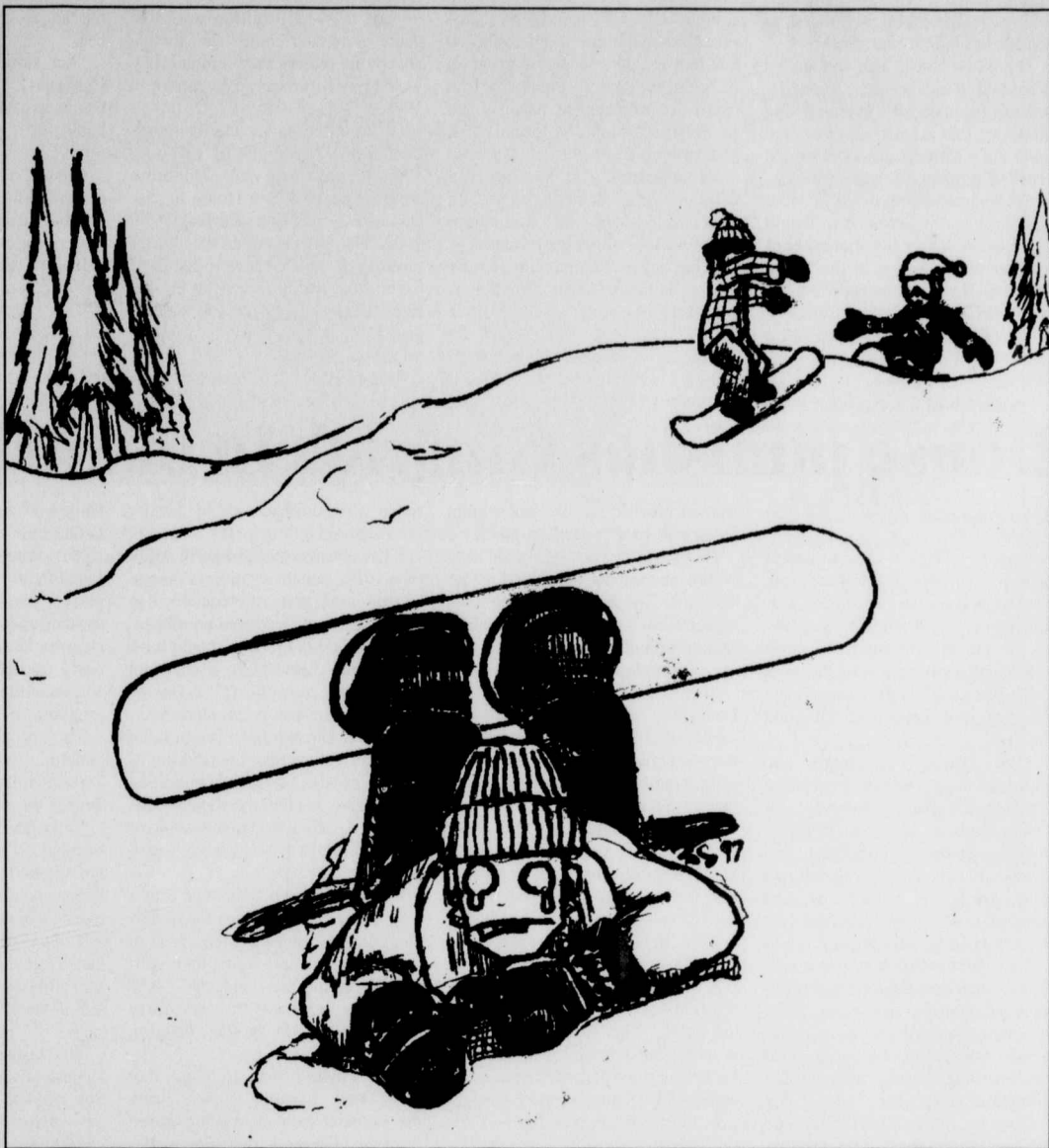
In spite of the potential loss of lower digits (and thus the great reduction in my counting ability) and having cramped muscles, I recommend snowboarding to everyone. With luck I'll get better at it. Then I can sit on a mountain and look cool, too.

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Commentary



Steve Steward



Steve Steward SKIFF STAFF

The toenail collection isn't newsworthy

TCU students should be recognized for their classier, less-grotesque leisure activities

I was sitting in class last Thursday, enjoying one of my favorite in-class activities, reading the *Skiff*. I skip the front page and go straight to the opinion page. I am mostly interested in seeing what my fellow columnists are up to.

After that, I skim the rest of the paper for the topics I find important. When I first glanced at the front page, it seemed normal. But after focusing a little harder on the picture in the bot-

tom-right corner, I was shocked. It was a jar of toenails. My professor was shocked too when I blurted out, "What is a jar of toenails doing on the front page of the paper!"

I felt a slight twinge in my stomach as I passed the paper to the people sitting next to me. By the end of class, everyone in the room was disgusted.

I am a strong believer in the freedom of speech and freedom of the press, but there are some things that people do in their spare time that are sacred. I would not have expected something like this to be front-page news.

Everyone has at least one bad habit. Some people even have more than one. But such habits should be left to the assumption that no one else has them, and therefore, there is no need for discussion. Toenail clippings should not be glamorized as some cool, new fad that needs to be covered by a highly recognized television station.

We should be left to believe that only "Ren and Stimpy" fanatics col-

lect things like bellybutton lint, ear wax and boogers. But of course not. Here at TCU, "Comedy Central" covered a toenail clip-a-thon in Clark Hall. Isn't our school under enough scrutiny?

I can't believe these adult men and women could do such a disgusting thing and get news coverage. Not only did it receive news coverage, but it also earned a spot on a cable television show. I can't even believe that people sent in their own toenails through the mail for the collection. This only proves that it takes very little to entertain people in America these days.

I was not convinced that this was a positive thing for TCU by the

claim that keeping toenails actually eliminates floor waste. I never thought that we had a great problem with floor waste.

There should be a rule in the *Guinness Book of World Records* that restricts the collection of any type of body excrements, including toenails. Things that grow from our body are not meant to be collected and kept in a jar.

With this new-found excitement about toenail collecting, I found some of my stereotypes being re-evaluated. For instance, only sick, twisted individuals have the need for a collection of dried, dead skin and toenails. Although I don't know these collectors personally, I assume they

have intelligence and don't suffer from any psychological disorders.

I guess what's missing here is class. I have always thought of TCU as a place where our student body is made up of individuals who take this world seriously.

Any person with proper hygiene and etiquette understands that an act like this is only done by people with so much time on their hands that they need to do outrageous things to have some meaning in their lives. TCU needs recognition for the more civilized things that happen on campus.

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Commentary



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Euthanasia is a form of killing, whatever the circumstances are

I was reading a story in *U.S. News and World Report* the other day about euthanasia. The Supreme Court was hearing this case and may

allow doctors to "speed up the end for people who are terminally ill." I ask myself this question: Does anyone have the right to decide if someone should die or not, and when? I think that euthanasia is wrong, under any circumstances, but not everyone else feels that way. Killing is justified in war, self-defense and as punishment for some types of crime.

Killing is killing. I have a hard time justifying to myself any instances of killing another human being. Euthanasia is no exception. Acts of violence against our fellow humans are tantamount to playing God. Who are we to decide when it is time for another human to die?

Doctors play a crucial role in almost every person's life. They decide what type of treatment to administer to a patient and how well that treatment is likely to work. I highly respect every doctor who has helped me in the past because of the

tremendous responsibility they have for helping people live. Now, doctors may not only be able help us live, but to help us die too. From this perspective, doctors will be given a much greater responsibility.

I think that euthanasia spells a lack of hope in this society. By speeding the process of dying, people lose hope in the fact that the sick person will recover. I believe that people will die when the time is right. There are drugs and medications that can help make the person more comfortable, especially terminally ill patients. Now, marijuana has been touted by many as a good relief for the pain. No longer is marijuana just a fun pastime for some people.

In the Netherlands, assisted suicide is no big deal. Doctors there do it all the time and are able to detach themselves from the killing. It is one of the only countries in the world that openly allows assisted suicide. Why? Because the Dutch feel the

doctor-patient relationship is central to medicine and they know the patient's chances of survival.

I disagree with this rationale because if the doctor, who knows the patient's condition inordinately well, can consciously kill that patient, he or she can also use the patient's medical history to help find ways to aid survival.

Some people also have gone to great lengths to help doctors kill them. One lady even had a dying ceremony and made a passport authorizing her own death. I think it's great that people are not scared of death and dying. But it frightens me that some of these patients have so little faith in medicine and in their own body's ability to heal that they expend such great energy to kill themselves.

I am simply stating that euthanasia is just another form of killing in society. In a world overrun with violence in the classroom, media and at home, I wish that people would spend more time acting as a catalyst for hope and faith. We are all going to die; why should we permit doctors to end our lives sooner?

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Commentary



Theresa Hill

Clinton tackles Medicare, finances

By Terence Hunt
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Grappling quickly with headaches of his second term, President Clinton put forth a Medicare budget plan Tuesday that won surprisingly strong Republican praise. Clinton also launched a drive for campaign reforms he promised but failed to achieve in his first four years.

The White House also announced it was taking tougher steps to restrict access after last year's embarrassing disclosure that at least one convicted felon and a Chinese arms dealer had attended campaign-related events.

Yet presidential spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton still would feel free to invite big-money contributors to sleep over in the White House in the Lincoln bedroom, as high-rollers did in his first term.

"He has a right as a human being and as president to say thank you," McCurry told reporters.

On the politically explosive issue

of Medicare savings, the president said he was "meeting the Republicans halfway" by offering to scale down spending by \$100 billion over five years to balance the budget by 2002. "I hope they'll meet me halfway," he said.

The savings would be \$138 billion over six years. The savings are substantially more than Clinton proposed when budget talks collapsed last January. The Medicare program of health-insurance benefits for the elderly is projected to be insolvent by 2001; Clinton has promised a plan to keep it solvent for 10 years.

Republicans, who had accused Clinton of demagoguery on Medicare during the campaign, spoke warmly about his proposal.

"The fact that he has unilaterally moved halfway in our direction is something that is very, very positive for us," said Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. He called it a "tremendous move" but said

Republicans would have to study the details.

House Budget Committee chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, said, "This brightens the prospects to get a budget agreement."

Most of Clinton's savings would be achieved by reducing payments to doctors and hospitals. But a portion of it — \$10 billion over five years — would come from recipients by increasing the premium they would pay for coverage beginning in 1999.

A day after his second inauguration and a late night of partying, Clinton met with his economic advisers at the White House to discuss a plan to balance the budget by 2002. He later went to the winter meeting of the Democratic National Committee and issued a call for the Republican-led Congress to enact a package of campaign finance reforms.

The president renewed his support of a bill co-sponsored by Sens.

John McCain, R-Ariz., and Russell Feingold, D-Wis., seeking to ban political action committee contributions to all federal candidates and end unlimited soft money donations. "Soft money" is a term for political donations that individuals and corporations can give to avoid limits on direct giving to candidates. Instead the money goes to the political parties.

"Act now," Clinton encouraged Congress. "While the public is watching, while the momentum is building, act now. Don't delay. You've got a good bill here."

Clinton had promised sweeping campaign finance reforms four years ago, but never made them a high priority of his first term.

In last year's campaign, Clinton had said Republican rival Bob Dole "filibustered the bill to death." Warning anew of the filibuster danger, Clinton said, "Delay will mean the death of reform one more time, if it happens."

Clinton sworn in

Inauguration full of moving moments

By Angela Seutter
SPECIAL TO THE SKIFF

The planning and preparation for the last Presidential Inauguration of the 20th century is over. The ceremony went off without a hitch.

Of course, as some observers have noted, the day followed Clinton's time schedule.

The events, including the inaugural luncheon, complete with foods fashioned after those eaten at Thomas Jefferson's inaugural luncheon, ran about a half-hour late.

From the roof of the Department of Labor, a huge crowd swelled in front of the Capitol to applaud the President's speech.

Clinton's speech was short and to the point and was followed by much more vibrant moments.

Jesse Jackson's daughter sang a beautiful rendition of the Star-Spangled Banner. Miller

Williams, a professor at the University of Arkansas, read the inaugural poem.

As expected, security was tight. A four-block radius around the parade route was blockaded. The Secret Service had staked out the area for a number of weeks.

And there are apparently no hard feelings between Clinton and Dole. Clinton presented Dole with the Presidential Medal of Freedom last week.

And Bob Dole's dog sent Socks, the Clinton family's famous cat, some catnip as a symbol of friendship between the traditional enemies.

The whole event has gone quickly, and the smooth ceremony will help pave the way to the 21st century.

With all the work to be done in preparation for the afternoon of live coverage, I have not been able to see some of the special exhibits set up for the week. The mall was covered with heated tents containing exhibits open to the public.

Angela Seutter, a senior broadcast journalism major, was asked by NBC to help with their coverage of the 1997 Presidential Inauguration.



Angela Seutter
Guest Commentary

House punishes Gingrich in historic vote

By Larry Margasak
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — In a day of dishonor for Newt Gingrich, the House voted for the first time in history Tuesday to discipline its speaker for ethical misconduct. After months of partisan strife, the vote was a lopsided 395-28 to reprimand Gingrich and impose a \$300,000 penalty.

"The penalty is tough and unprecedented," ethics committee Chairwoman Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., said at the start of a 90-minute debate. Republicans and Democrats agreed that Gingrich had done wrong — indeed, he had admitted it — but they clashed over the gravity of his misbehavior.

The partisanship that permeated the two-year investigation was undiminished Tuesday despite the overwhelming vote. At one point, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., questioned whether Gingrich was "ethically fit" to continue as speaker.

However, most of the 435 seats on the floor — and most in the visitors' gallery — were empty.

Gingrich was attending meetings in his office and did not watch the debate, said his spokeswoman, Lauren Maddox. When admitting his guilt Dec. 21, Gingrich acknowledged in a written statement that he "brought down on the people's house a controversy which could weaken the faith people have in their government."

After two years of denials, Gingrich confessed to committee findings that he failed to "seek and follow" legal advice that would have

warned him not to use tax-exempt projects to further partisan goals.

He also agreed that he should have known statements submitted under his name — denying his political organization's connection to the tax-exempt activities — were "inaccurate, incomplete and unreliable."

There were 196 Republicans, 198 Democrats and 1 Independent who supported the penalty. Twenty-six Republicans and two Democrats were opposed, and five members merely voted "present."

Still unannounced is how Gingrich will pay the \$300,000. Some Republicans said he would risk further political uproar if he used campaign money or established a legal defense fund rather than using his own money.

A vote to reprimand a member is reserved for "serious violations" of the rules. The financial penalty, never before imposed, was to reimburse the ethics panel for costs associated with expanding the investigation after Gingrich submitted his misleading statements.

Gingrich's lawyer, J. Randolph Evans, and ethics committee special counsel James M. Cole watched from members' seats as Mrs. Johnson told the House, "No one is above the rules."

While Gingrich agreed in advance to the penalties, the lone dissenter in the committee's 7-1 vote last Friday to approve the sanctions, Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, argued the sanction was too harsh.

He and Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said that in the past misconduct not found to be inten-

tional was punished only by a letter of criticism.

"This speaker has had every detail of his life examined under a microscope, and that microscope has exposed some flaws, some sloppiness or some things that should have been done better, but it has not exposed corruption," DeLay declared. "Let's stop this madness."

The Democrats contended Gingrich violated tax law and intentionally misled the ethics committee — and they blamed the Republicans for downgrading a planned week of public hearings to a single day's proceedings.

The Republicans countered that a majority of the committee found neither tax law transgressions nor an intention to mislead. And, they contended, Democrats subjected GOP committee members to previously unheard-of attacks in their election campaigns.

The situation was so tense that Rep. Doug Bereuter, R-Nebr., took the unusual step of reading aloud from the House rule that admonishes lawmakers to "maintain an atmosphere of mutual respect." A few moments later, the proceedings were briefly disrupted by a spectator who began shouting a religious message. He was removed.

While the vote leaves Gingrich a weakened speaker, it allows him to keep his leadership post. A Democratic speaker, Jim Wright, resigned in 1989 after he was charged with ethics violations.

"Seven years ago the Democrats abandoned Jim Wright, today the Republicans rescued Newt

Gingrich," said Rep. Jim Traficant, D-Ohio.

The vote also set the stage for Republicans to focus anew on the party's legislative agenda. The speaker and other House GOP leaders were leaving Tuesday for a previously scheduled retreat in the Virginia countryside to discuss their program.

They're already lagging behind Senate Republicans, who on Tuesday unveiled their top 11 priorities for the new Congress.

Rep. Steven Schiff, R-N.M., a member of the subcommittee that investigated Gingrich for a year, said the speaker's misleading statements resulted from "a comedy of errors."

"Lawyers thought staff would fact-check. Staff thought the opposite. Nobody checked out the facts to see if they were accurate," Schiff said.

That brought a blast from Pelosi, a Democratic subcommittee member. She said she believed "Mr. Gingrich gave these different answers to the committee, not because of a comedy of errors, but because he thought he could get away with it."

Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin, D-Md., said the ethics panel was "subjected to repeated attempts to obstruct its work."

Even after Gingrich admitted his violations, the committee found the speaker broke his agreement not to comment about the findings or send his surrogates out to do so.

This "raises serious questions about the extent to which he has sought to mislead the committee," Cardin said.

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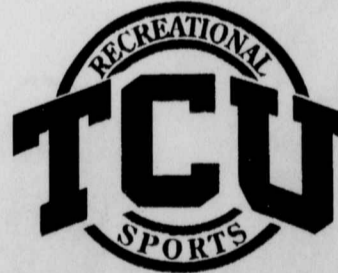
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Football players to transfer

(AP) — TCU running back John Williams and offensive lineman Clifton Clemons, both of whom just finished their red-shirt freshmen years, have decided to leave the program.

Williams was the team's second-leading rusher last year. Clemons started at guard and was the favorite to replace highly rated Ryan Tucker at center.

"We feel that both John and Clifton are key people in our offense, and they both will be missed," Horned Frogs coach Pat Sullivan said. "But, for their reasons, they felt they could no longer be part of the program, and you have to respect that."

Williams, a former Odessa Permian standout, was forced to sit out his first year of college for academic reasons. Sullivan said Williams was doing well in school despite the added pressures of being married and having a child.

Sullivan said Clemons would likely go to Texas A&M-Kingsville in his hometown. Clemons has been home all spring semester because his father was ill.

Frogs begin track season

The TCU men's and women's track team competed in its first meet of the year Saturday in the Oklahoma Invitational in Norman, Okla., where the University of Oklahoma's men's and women's teams both raced to victory against the University of North Texas, University of Texas at Arlington and TCU.

In the men's 800-meter run, TCU sophomore Khadevis Robinson hit gold with a first-place finish and a time of 1-minute, 52.20 seconds. Freshman Johnny Collins placed third in the men's 400-meter dash, just over half a second behind Oklahoma's Robert Martin.

In the 55-meter dash, the Lady Horned Frogs' Catoshia Lewis placed second with a time of 7.07 seconds and third-place finisher sophomore Tinesha Jackson recorded a time of 7.09 seconds.

Utes edge Frogs in 81-77 win

By Paul Corliss
SKIFF STAFF

TCU men's basketball coach Billy Tubbs finally got a loud, unruly crowd all year.

Saturday when the Frogs took on fifth-ranked University of Utah to the sound of 7,166 screaming fans at sold-out Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

The team fell just short of a win against the Runnin' Utes, 81-77, despite a strong effort on national television against a team that's gone 39-9 over the past two seasons.

"I'm proud of our basketball team," Tubbs said. "We have a lot of good basketball life left in us."

All-American forward Keith Van Horn, who led the Utes with 23 points and 13 rebounds, agreed that Tubbs' Frogs aren't ready for the grave.

"TCU's headed in the right direction," he said. "They never gave up. We feel lucky to get out of here with a win."

With just under 15 minutes left in the game, junior forward Dennis Davis tied the game with a free throw.

The Frogs held their ground for 20 seconds until Van Horn gave Utah the lead by knocking down two char-



Junior forward Dennis Davis meets the floor while attempting to recover a loose ball during Saturday's basketball game against University of Utah. The Frogs lost to the Utes, 81-77.

ty shots of his own.

With 2:45 remaining, TCU narrowed the margin to two points as junior Malcolm Johnson hit a jumper coming off a screen at the foul line to make it 73-75.

However, Van Horn drilled a huge three-pointer from the left corner, which gave Utah the 78 points it needed to win the game with 2:15 left.

Johnson led TCU's com-

back effort with 28 points on six of 12 three-point shots. Fellow junior college transfer Mike Jones also contributed 18 points and seven rebounds for the Frogs.

Despite the loss, Johnson said he thinks TCU's season still has a bright future.

"We're disappointed, but we're still ready to take on any team in the country," he said.

Van Horn downplayed his heroics, calling the Utah win a "total team effort."

"We have the athletes to compete nationally," he said. "We just feel like we need to put a total game together."

Johnson cited Utah's rebounding and interior defense as the key to the Utes' win, but the telltale statistic may have been

field-goal percentage.

Tubbs said he felt his team could have pulled off the upset if they had shown more patience in their shooting.

"I thought we would and could win this game," Tubbs said. "We just rushed and forced too many shots. They're an excellent basketball team, but I think we're pretty good too."

NBA reps present at Utah game

By Paul Corliss
SKIFF STAFF

Fans looking upon the court during Saturday's TCU-Utah game may have noticed some middle-aged men sitting at a long table behind the media table.

These fans may not have realized these men, scouts for the NBA, teams were there not only to take note of a certain player from Utah, but one from TCU as well.

That scouts came to Fort Worth to view Utah's All-American Keith Van Horn. The senior forward has been averaging more than 20 points per game and is expected to be chosen as one of the top picks in June's NBA draft.

These scouts, however, were also at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum to watch TCU sharpshooter Malcolm Johnson, who scored a game-high 28 points.

"When a player can shoot like Malcolm Johnson he always has a chance to play in the National Basketball Association," said Kip Bass, a scout for the NBA's Charlotte Hornets.

Johnson, who leads TCU in scoring with 19.8 points per game, said he was surprised the scouts were looking at him.

"I figured all the scouts were for Van Horn," said Johnson, a 6-foot-4-inch junior who transferred to TCU this season from Seminole Junior College in Lawton, Okla.

Billy Knight, a scout for the Indiana Pacers, said, "He needs to improve his ball handling and play making to move up to the next level, however."

Johnson said he has his work cut out for him: "I'm not worried about the NBA right now. I want to stick around another year and graduate. Then, hopefully, with some hard work, I think I'll get to where I want to be."

Men's basketball individual statistics

No.	Player	G	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	FT	FTA	PCT	Rebound	AVG	AT
23	Johnson, Malcolm	18	136	305	.446	57	149	28	41	.683	5.4	19.8	2.3
24	Jones, Mike	18	107	236	.453	16	50	45	67	.672	5.9	15.3	5.1
22	Penny, James	18	103	179	.575	11	27	34	48	.708	5.1	13.9	1.6
33	Walker, Damion	18	86	210	.410	1	2	61	72	.847	7.4	13.0	0.8
44	Davis, Dennis	17	41	80	.513	0	0	38	50	.760	6.0	7.1	0.2
21	Jacobs, Jeff	18	38	110	.345	25	77	12	13	.923	1.8	6.3	3.7
12	Burks, Anthony	14	26	55	.473	11	26	16	24	.667	0.9	5.6	2.2
34	Tuialii, Saipale	18	31	78	.397	4	9	16	22	.727	3.5	4.6	0.2
42	Barrett, Scott	8	6	14	.429	0	0	9	10	.900	1.0	2.6	0.1
10	Fowler, Prince	16	8	38	.211	4	15	6	7	.857	1.6	1.6	2.3
20	Allan, Luke	4	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	0.5	0.0	0.3
	TCU	18	582	1305	.446	129	355	265	354	.749	42.2	86.6	17.7
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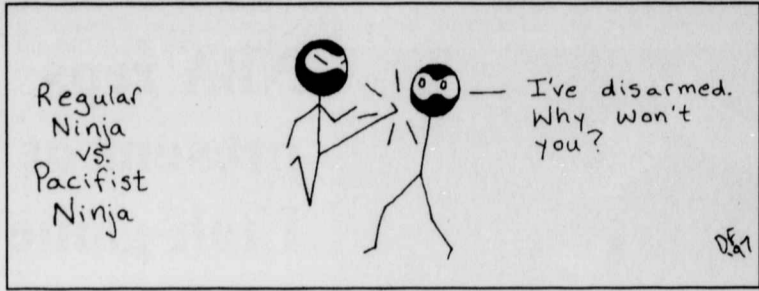
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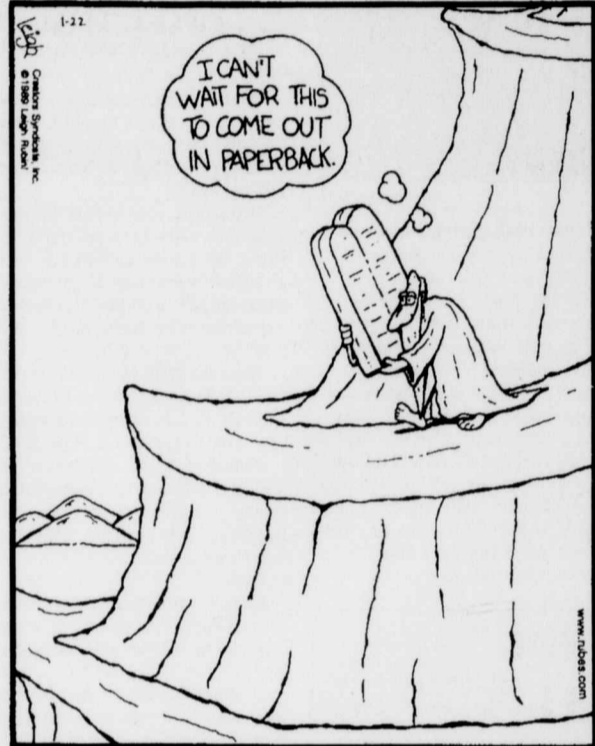
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- Ridiculed
- Health farms
- Funny one
- Bolt together?
- Prepare dinner
- Matty or Felipe of baseball
- Kind of boom
- Green Gables girl
- Shipshape
- It requires a signature
- Ice-cream portion
- Time period
- Hoare rope
- Bears witness (to)
- Bread spread
- City on the Allegheny
- tree (stuck)
- Vocalized message
- OPR expert
- Permanent location?
- Pro's opposite
- Tuxedo accessories
- Acted autocratic
- The lot
- It, island
- '62 tune
- Istanbul native
- "Yes ___?"
- Bright signs

DOWN

- Planiat Darné Myra
- Out of kilter
- ZIP code's predecessor
- Grand-scale
- Agree (on)
- Sell tickets illegally
- Watering hole
- Top-of-the-line
- Racer Luyendyk
- Contort
- "See the point?"
- Sow's mate
- Louis and Carrie
- Tiffs
- Bony
- Jib material
- Nautical term
- Hearty laugh
- Import tax
- Football filler
- Dunne or Papes
- Gardener's need
- Out on ___ (at risk)
- Slow, in music
- Get dressed, with "out"
- Countertenors
- High schooler
- Rotations
- Outpouring
- Stare at
- In the course of
- Basketry fiber
- Establish conclusively
- Chevron offering
- Pedestrian
- "Flie"
- Primates, for short
- Organ parts
- Brief effort
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