

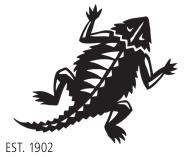
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Students not satisfied with communications advising

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By LINDSEY BEVER News Editor

Students in the College of Communication are not satisfied with academic advis-

faction with advising. And tutional Research. within the college itself, the

ism is rated the worst.

Sixty-eight percent of Neeley School students who took the advising in the journalism School is planning an exten-2006-2007 Graduating Senior ing. Although the college is Survey said the Neeley School's looking toward advising mod- academic advising was "good" els on campus, administra- or "very good." And, an almost tors say there are no easy equal sample, 65 percent, of Schieffer School students said The College of Communicathe Schieffer School's advising tion ranks lowest among the was fair at best, according to colleges for students' satis- a study by the Office of Insti-

Dean William Slater of the of the Schieffer School, said the still not enough faculty mem-teaching each semester.

which includes the Schieffer details on why students were new students, he said. School, said the survey showed not satisfied, so the Schieffer school is more of a problem sive survey this semester to than the other units in the College of Communication.

"I was disappointed," he indication of the severity of the problem. I knew we had as severe as it is."

Schieffer School of Journal- College of Communication, senior survey did not provide bers to accommodate all of the assess students' perceptions of advising.

Dean William Slater of the said. "It certainly did give an College of Communication said the school's enrollment has grown significantly over a problem. I didn't know it was the last seven years. Though

faculty members who are it comes to advising, all of our teaching a full-time load and are trying to advise 45, 50 and back into those 13 advisers." 60 students," he said. "That's just too many."

issue is related to the high number of adjunct professors. Currently, the Schieffer School has leave, Thomason said, which the number of faculty has 13 full-time faculty and more leaves 10 advisers with about Tommy Thomason, director increased as well, there are than 30 adjuncts — about 25 55 advisees each.

"The number of adjuncts is a weakness because the adjuncts "So, consequently, we have don't advise," he said. "When almost 600 students funnel

And of the 13 advisers in the Schieffer School, one is an Thomason said part of the administrator with a limited advising load, one is on sabbatical and one is on medical

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PROTECT & SERVE



MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor

Tom Shelton works the midnight shift for the Fort Worth Police Department, which he has done for seven years. He sleeps until 3 p.m. and works until 6 a.m., but Shelton says these hours give him more time to spend with his family

Officer finds benefits in night shift

Keynote speaker: Passion key to success

be followed, Jacobus said. He to their work or have lost it

The most successful peopeople is important because they will do whatever it takes he has learned from his father

Jacobus focused on prin- the end of that statement,"

Jim Jacobus, president involved being passionate, graduating, they will be learn- industrial organizational psy-

he added.

bus said.

to die."

By MEGAN MOWERY $Staff\ Reporter$

By SONA THAPA

Staff Reporter

Tuesday.

Eating breakfast at 4 p.m.

night shift in the TCU area ters. from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. for the

ple are not the smartest peo-

ple in the world, but they

are men and women who

that said "I love my wife" and

Memorial Lectureship in Val-

To live a compelling life,

ues and Ethics.

But he doesn't mind.

is perfectly normal for Tom enjoys his hours because he or in danger are the most dif- her husband is an officer and Shelton, 34, has worked the his wife and three daugh-

About the time he wakes ion. Fort Worth Police Department up, his children are coming for seven years, so he usu- home from school, and when eight years, said she is scared one of the suspects in alleged ally sleeps until 3 p.m. every he goes to work, they're get- at times for her husband's

putting people in high esteem

motivational speaker said as being of extraordinary a vision in their lives and

Jacobus said great attitude

"I believe everybody in this

room was created to do some-

valued only when both sides about, you will have all the ate director of the TCU Lead-

money you will ever want."

both these behaviors should ple who are not committed Jason Jacobus.

puts them in high esteem.

ting ready for bed.

Because he's a father, calls could get shot. In fact, Shelton said he involving a child who is hurt gets to spend more time with ficult parts of his job, Shel- tends to brag about him. ton said.

also said giving respect to need to reassure themselves his father and said everything

value. Some of the principles remember that even after to go to graduate school for

ing one way or the other, Jaco-

learn forever," he said. "As

long as we are learning, we

are living. The moment we

Natasha Chapman, associ-

Similarly, Jacobus said, peo- is the father of TCU student Development Services, Delta

"And there is no 'but' in life.

Students need to have the lecture.

to remain committed.

safety and worries that he

But she said she's proud

Shelton arrested a suspect But not in his wife's opin- in the robbery of a TCU student at the CVS Pharmacy near Lisa Shelton, his wife of campus, and he also arrested See **NIGHT SHIFT**, page 2

Jason Jacobus introduced

has had a great impact on his

Kristen Berry, a sophomore

Berry said she is planning

psychology major, attended

chology that would entail con-

sulting large corporations and

and Berry said she was there

he (Jacobus) does one day,"

Gamma and Campus Life.

The lectureship was a col-

"Basically, there is a good

to hear him speak.

Berry said.

By TALIA SAMPSON

Going to college is becoming increasingly expensive with the rising cost of tuition, but tuition is just one financial obstacle for undergraduate international students who need to have enough money for the first year of school and prove an ability to pay for every year of college before even entering the country.

"Some families in Third World countries might live quite comfortably, but their entire yearly income is still less than the cost of our tuition for a year," said Karen Scott, director of international admission.

of Admission, about 473 international students from 80 countries attend TCU.

The 10 countries with the largest number of students (including graduate and Intensive English Program students) are China, South Korea, India, Columbia, Guatemala, Vietnam, most needy students have to Mexico, Nepal, Canada and Pan-

This means eight of the 10

SGA votes to improve relations with students

By ALLIE BROWN Staff Reporter

Voted in with applause, the House of Representatives passed a bill Tuesday that aims to improve student body and representative relations.

A bill to re-establish two constituency days a semester passed unanimously after being moved last week to the Elections and Regulations Committee for discussion. Constituency days serve as time for SGA representatives to get feedback from students about what they want in new legislation.

Laura Prus, chairwoman of the Communications Committee and author of the bill, said she envisioned a day at the beginning of the semester and another at mid-semester when students could exchange ideas with their representatives.

the bill, a representative would have to speak to at least five people he or she represents during constituency days and write a report about their findings. Their reports would then be returned to the House, Prus said.

"We would read over it,

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see where the constituents' opinions lie and write legislation from those opinions," Prus said.

Merillat Pittman, chairwoman of the Elections and Regulations Committee, discussed and voted on the bill when it was tabled to her committee last week. Pittman said after making a few small changes in the bill, the Elections and Regulations Committee passed it unanimously.

"I think this bill is a good move to put more responsibility on representatives," Pittman said. "Hopefully, it will help representatives get more ideas from the student body about legislation."

Prus said in the past, representatives have e-mailed surveys to students but they have not always been effective.

"This is an effective way

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International students face financial obstacles

Staff Reporter

countries with the largest rep-

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More on EducationUSA: www. educationusa.state.gov

resentation at the university are countries with a gross domestic product per capita of less than

The total estimated cost for undergraduate international students to attend TCU this year is \$37,598, which means interna-Yet, according to the Office tional students must be able to prove to the U.S. government they can pay \$150,392 over four years if they have no financial

"Not all students can afford to study at TCU or in the U.S.," Karen Scott wrote in an e-mail while on a recruiting trip. "The be very talented academically in order to get a good scholar-

ship and financial aid package, See INTERNATIONAL, page 2

are intact.

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are willing to do whatever ciples he said were essential

it takes to be successful, a for people to see themselves

of Champion Education committed, having a vision

a smile as he spoke about is a habit and it is important

living a compelling life dur- to be passionate about every-

Jacobus said rights and thing extraordinary," he said.

responsibilities are like the "If you have what it takes to

two sides of a coin and are do what you are passionate

Resources, wore a button and learning every day.

ing the Martin Delta Gamma thing in life.

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— Reuters

"This should be nothing building leadership. Jacobus is

other than preparation for a motivational keynote speak-

learning how to continue to er who works for big firms

stop learning, we slowly start chance I might be doing what

ership Center, said Jacobus laborative effort of Student

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NIGHT SHIFT

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attempted kidnappings near TCU. One night, he was driving and noticed a vehicle that had run out of gas. Because a woman was driving and police policy requires an officer to wait with female motorists until they receive help, Shelton waited with the woman, he said.

stay with her and was acting suspiciously, he said.

cle waiting for her help to arrive. While waiting, he said he noticed the license plates on her car were from Austin. The plates seemed significant, but he couldn't remember in front of him, Shelton said.

they matched the plates of the ton said. alleged getaway car from the CVS

Pharmacy robbery, he said.

told the woman to get out of the car. He said he noticed the purse the woman was carrying matched the description in the police report of the purse stolen from the student at CVS Pharmacy.

Shelton arrested the woman, who led the police to the suspect who was accused of stealing the purse.

The woman didn't want him to Byrom said Shelton is observant, which makes him a good officer.

Shelton said he sat in his vehi- for a black Chevy Tahoe that was described in police reports as the getaway car in several attempted kidnappings, Shelton noticed a similar vehicle as it pulled onto the road

After Shelton turned his police said. So Shelton said he decided to run lights on to pull the Tahoe over, the the plates. Police records showed driver of the Tahoe accelerated, Shel-

The pursuit began.

When the Tahoe came to a stop, He walked up to the vehicle and two men got out of the vehicle and ran in separate directions, he said.

> Shelton and his partner, who were each carrying about 30 extra pounds of police equipment, chased after the men and caught up with the passenger of the vehicle and made the arrest. The driver was arrested shortly after.

Shelton said he doesn't get scared Neighborhood police officer Kirk when he's on a pursuit thanks to

But he said he has to be care-While driving around searching ful on pursuits, though, because if anything goes wrong, he would be responsible. Shelton said he would call a pursuit off if it got too dan-

> It's this type of emergency call that keeps his job exciting, Shelton

He enjoys being a police officer and isn't planning to work different hours any time soon.

"It's a fun job," Shelton said.

for constituents to com- that it was dropped." municate with their committees," Prus

said Prus representatives would be held accountable if they did not take advantage of the set days.

said.

"Failure to consult constituents will result in one unexcused absence for constituency days,"

the House.

Prus said. bill on past legislation that to the days becoming had been introduced to a springboard for new

"I was going through past legislation and saw the bill," Prus said. "I thought it was rather unfortunate

Molly Marten, speaker of the House,

agreed. "We've had We've had consituency days constituenin the past, and cy days in the they were very past, and they successful, so I'm were very suclooking forward cessful, so I'm to a comeback." looking forward **Molly Marten** to a comeback,"

Marten said. "I

think it's posi-

tive for the stu-

dent body." Prus said the bill will take effect in the spring, Prus said she based the and she looks forward ideas.

speaker of the

House





INTERNATIONAL

From page 1

so we often draw the top students from a given school."

Scholarships

Mike Scott, director of financial aid, said international students are eligible for both need-based and academic scholarships but not for state or federal funding.

"Sometimes we have athletes from other countries who have partial to full scholarships," said Joan Yates, administrative assistant for international admis-

Kyle Yates, the assistant director of athletics compliance, said there are 26 student athletes at TCU that are non-U.S. citizens.

If a student's financial situation were to change for any reason, international students may reapply for additional need-based funds through a process similar to what U.S. students go through, Mike Scott said. This process involves filing an application with updated information, but instead of going to the federal government like the Free Application for Federal Student Aid would for U.S. students, this application goes through an internal process at the university level.

"The only time that we would be able to grant additional aid is if there is a substantial change in a family's financial situation, but that is predicated on whether there is money available when that occurs," Mike Scott said.

Sponsorships

"Many families pool their resources from relatives and family friends in order to send one bright student to study in the U.S.," Karen Scott said in an e-mail.

Joan Yates said because international students have to prove to the U.S. government an ability to pay for all four years of college before entering the dents apply for employment as resicountry, students must fill out a sponsor- dent assistants because RAs usually ship form provided by the university.

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sponsors, each sponsor must agree to pay for each year of college and agree to increase the sponsorship amount as TCU education and living expenses increase, according to the form.

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The form also requires each sponsor to provide a bank statement or other form of financial verification to prove his or her ability to fund the student's education.

John Singleton, director of international student services, said although it is not common for alumni to sponsor new students, it occasionally happens and is an acceptable way for students to satisfy their sponsorship requirement.

Joan Yates said although international students typically cannot get loans in the U.S., they can get loans in their home countries but must ensure those loans are secured for every year of college.

According to EducationUSA, a network of advising centers supported by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State, getting a U.S. loan is possible, but it is usually difficult because it requires a U.S. citizen co-signer to act as a guarantor and proof of enroll-

Employment

International students may only work part time, up to 20 hours, because of U.S. immigration policy. With few exceptions, this employment must be on campus.

According to the EducationUSA Web site, "this income cannot be used as a source of income for any official financial statements." This means international students may not apply income from U.S. employment toward their student financial statement as proof of ability to pay for college.

EducationUSA recommends stureceive free accommodation and some-While students may have multiple times a small salary or meal plan.



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QUOTE OF THE DAY "My Karma ran over your dogma."

THE SKIFF VIEW

Flu vaccines should be utilized

all is here and consequently, so is the seven-month flu season. Luckily, this bug that comes with the change in seasons is being handled during this year's Mini Health

For 500 students and 500 faculty and staff members, flu vaccines will be made available on a first-come, firstserve basis enabling some people to prepare for sickness that may come during the winter months. This is the first year students are included in the heath fair vaccine group. Last year, faculty and staff were the only ones privy to the treatment.

This type of concern, when germs start spreading around campus and when immune systems get tested, shows care on behalf of the administrations. Getting the shot to keep from spreading germs during a time when runny noses and sneezing are commonplace helps to keep other people safe

who may not be vaccinated. Take time to protect yourself as well as others during flu season.

The fact that the vaccines are being administered for free is just another incentive to take the time to get pricked by the needle. After the health fair, there will be a \$20 price tag for the vaccine at the Brown-Lupton Health Cen-

Other campuses in the area such as Southern Methodist University, the University of North Texas and the University of Texas at Arlington have been offering flu shots for \$15 to \$25.

Utilizing the free shot at TCU and staying in good health during the cooler months is just a simple way to help stop the spread of the flu.

The shot is optional, but one afternoon with the needle beats being stuck in bed any day.

> Associate editor Marcus Murphree for the editoral board.

BY NATE BEELER

- unknown



Weight room etiquette pleases other gym patrons

I like to use the University Recreation Center regularly to stay active, healthy and make women jealous they didn't marry David Hall at the 10-year high school reunion.

Futuristic revenge fantasies aside, the weight room is a great place to muscle up for the Iditarod/World Series of Scrabble/Bear Wrasslin' Championship or whatever event you're planning to gain strength

Machine after machine bears likeness to a medieval torture device, just waiting to tear your muscles to shreds, only to build them up bigger and stronger than before.

It's a shame, however, that some people don't know the proper etiquette.

For starters, towels should always be used on machines. While the Rec Center runs out of them on muscle-laden jocks with rare occasions, they're usu- the equivalent IQ of a ally available in exchange

for your student ID.

You just let the nice people at the front desk hold your ID card hostage while you work out.

Then, you return their precious towel, get your card back and everything is hunky-dory again. Simple as that.

Nothing is worse than laying down on a weight bench and feeling like you've landed in a bowl of cold, residual Ramen Noodle water.

The pool of sweat is a great way to spread drugresistant bacteria to the entire campus faster than you can say "super-staph." Invest in a towel.

Standing in front of the machines and chatting up your friends is annoying to others trying to get a workout in.

This usually manifests itself in the form of two pack of Starburst warm-

ing up with a medicine ball in front of about six machines, presumably in an effort to keep the ripped biceps and jacked pecs to themselves.

They remain there for a good 15 minutes, talking about big trucks and "that one hot chick who sits next to me in my two o'clock."

It's a weight room, not a social club.

If you really need to talk for more than the universally accepted "30 seconds for pleasantries," there's a massive lounge just a few feet away.

Grab a smoothie while you're at it.

Loud noises are also highly discouraged.

Sure, a fair amount of exertion is necessary to get the maximum benefit from lifting, but grunting like you're trying to birth an aircraft carrier sideways is probably a sign that you should take it easier.

Lastly, always remember to rerack your weights. People still think a station is in use if the weights are left on it. Nobody is impressed by the trail of breadcrumbs you left letting everyone know how strong you are. They just think you're a jerk. So, before you go admire your huge biceps in the mirror (while completely ignoring the beer belly that has formed from years of exercising nothing but your

TCU takes serious pride in student health, and that's great. It's much better to spend your college years toiling away in the gym than eating Cool Ranch Doritos and watching "Party

arms), rack 'em up.

of Five" reruns as you slowly turn into Jabba the Hutt. Just be courteous while you're there.

> David Hall is a sophomore news-editorial journalism major from Kingwood. His column appears Wednesdays.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Respect after death does not go unnoticed

I would like to thank Tim Bella for writing an outstanding article about Thaddeaus Williams.

College in Salinas, Calif.

I have known and worked with Thaddeaus since he arrived at Hartnell.

Without ever meeting him, the article reads the article get chills.

I have never heard a negative word

and to play for the football team.

His "quest for the Mountain West"

vates the team.

It has helped all that have read it

heal a little more.

Hartnell College in Salinas, Calif.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Death penalty morality not simple as 'eye-for-an-eye' mentality

I recently came across a copy of the Oct. 26 issue of the Daily Skiff in which I read an article in the Opinion section titled "Death row inmates deserve harsher execution method."

I enjoy taking the time to read the Skiff in between classes and catching up on my classmates' viewpoint on current affairs.

However, in this particular issue I was disappointed in the effort put forth by one of your writers.

I understand the nature of the opinion section of the paper, and I of course respect the writers who are willing to share their opinion to so many people.

On the other hand, there is a certain responsibility that goes along with printing an opinion article on such a controversial topic.

If the ideas are underdeveloped or rushed, it is very likely that the readers will be disappointed, if not offended, by the opinion.

After reading the brief article there are a few points I would like to present to the writer as some food for thought. Perhaps he considered all of these points and simply left them out due to constraints on the length of the article; or perhaps not.

Whatever the case may be, I feel like these issues must

be addressed at some point.

Before attending to any particulars in the death penalty topic, it seems to me that we must first ask ourselves what exactly is the role of the U.S. government.

Obvious answers that come to mind may be: to protect and balance the rights of its citizens and to reflect the beliefs of its citizens. In doing this we may also add the intangible factor of setting an example for us and the rest of the world by doing "the right thing." The last function stated there is crucial.

We like to think of our government in this manner when we try to rationalize invading other countries to spread freedom to oppressed nations.

What is it that tells us freedom is such a great thing to begin with? It's a common set of morals and beliefs, whatever they may be, that unites our effort to help afflicted

"Doing the right thing" is a marquee term for U.S. foreign relations.

However, it is not something that can be swept under the rug in domestic issues.

This same set of morals and beliefs that we follow on the global scale must also be applied at the individual level.

We, as Americans, have a preoccupation with our right

It is also understood, though, that once someone threatens the rights of others, it is the government's role to step in and correct the situa-

As far as I understand, according to the eighth amendment, it is also necessary that the government correct this imbalance in the proper way.

It must do only what is necessary to make the situation right.

Anything more than that could be cruel and unusual punishment, and anything less would be a failure to fulfill its role as protector of its citizens.

That being said, let us look at the example provided in the original article in the Skiff.

It is explained how a harsher form of the death penalty would be conducted if a criminal had been convicted of murdering someone by stabbing them numerous times.

"If a killer stabbed someone multiple times, he or she should be murdered by being stabbed also."

With the example above, we have established a simple rule of thumb for punishing murderers: "as unethical as it sounds, death row inmates

should die the same way their victims did. It's as simple as that." However, I somehow get the feeling that it's not as simple as that.

This is not any disrespect to the victims or their families or even to the writer of this article.

This is simply an extremely underdeveloped idea.

The U.S. government is not in the business of revenge, and in protecting the rights of some, it does not assume the rights of an orga-

nized murderer.

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"It must be a horrible feeling knowing that your job is to murder people whom you don't even know."

as well.

Derek VerHagen

According to this plan, every time someone is stabbed to death we can simply double the number. Soon enough, the government will step in and brutally murder that person

Not only is this morally wrong, but it's also legally wrong in this country.

Punishment should only be enforced to the level at which all other citizens regain their balance in rights again.

If we lock up the murderer then he will not murder innocent citizens again. Anything more than that is cruel and

unusual punishment.

If I get into a fight with John Doe and he punches me, what happens? Do police come, punch him and say it's all been handled?

No, they don't, because as a nation we have progressed far beyond simple acts of revenge.

The police will only do what they believe needs to be done in order for John Doe to stop punching people; whether it's issuing a ticket, spending some time in jail, etc.

All moral philosophy put aside, there are some pretty obvious functionality problems with this new plan as

I can only imagine that the people who give lethal injections surely must lose some sleep on those nights.

It must be a horrible feeling knowing that your job is to murder people whom you don't even know.

But who is going to apply for the job of brutally stabbing people to death? In reading the article, I could only assume that the person who developed this plan must be willing to take that job.

If you really believe it's the "right thing to do" then you would not have any problem shooting a murderer multiple times or stabbing them and watching them bleed to death.

I may be making a horrible

I am the athletic trainer at Hartnell

paints a picture of Thaddeaus that has made everyone who knew him and who

Everyone on our campus who knew Thaddeus misses him.

about him. His goal was to go to school at TCU

motivated him to practice, play and

His energy carried our team when he was here, and now his memory moti-

Again, thanks for writing such a moving article.

David Beymer is an athletic trainer at

like there is no way the writer ever even thought of that. What about the religious implications that may follow? I don't assume any reli-

assumption, but it just seems

gious affiliations of the writer because I certainly don't intend for this to be a religious battle. However, it is possible that the hired killer who will be

stabbing convicted murderers to death today may be a As a Christian he would

probably believe in a judgment day, and certainly that thought would cross his mind often as he abruptly sent people to theirs for a living. What would his god

have to say about the last 30 years of his life when he took that government job? Were those murders warranted? Are they ever warranted? These are only a few topics that I felt needed to be commented on or at least considered when writing an article in support of organized mur-

Of course with a topic as controversial as this I'm sure we could all go on for days, but just as with the writer of this article we all have our constraints.

Derek VerHagen is a junior entrepreneurial management major.

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Colleges offer group, individual advising

"It's very hard to

sit in a meeting

question..."

Dan Short

School

By LINDSEY BEVER News Editor

The College of Communiual versus group advising.

Lynn Cole, assistant dean of the Neeley School, said the business school advisers usually speak to groups of 20, mostly freshmen, because the coursework for the students is similar.

dean of the Neeley However, she said, students who feel their advising to set up an individual ses-

shorter time period and not be some decisions.' repeating ourselves over and over with each one. The con required to be advised only is that students may feel like their first three semesters, they're not really getting the one-on-one with their adviser. However, what we've found is to remove the academic hold the feedback from them has on their accounts, he said. been very positive."

ley School said group advising major, said her experience has a limited role.

meeting with 25 people and ask your personal question ... ule. She said she knew which because you feel like you're classes she wanted to take and wasting everybody else's time. created a schedule with alter-And that's what I don't like native choices. about that system."

radio-TV-film department, to make sure you're not messsaid the department advises ing anything up to graduate. students in groups followed It's a safety net. It's the advisby optional one-on-one advis-

Because all radio-TV-film schedule."

students are required to take the same three basic courses, Allen said, it's more efficient to cation and the Neeley School advise the students in a group of Business exercise different setting rather than repeating advising techniques - individ- the same information individually.

"Otherwise, you have very

few staff members meeting with 50 or 60 students and it becomes a huge with 25 people and time crunch and ask your personal you feel like you're saying the same thing to each person," he said. "For our purposes, it's best to have group

advising just to needs have not been met in sort of lay out the basics and the group session are advised then let people follow up with individual appointments. That way when they come to their "The pro for group ses- individual appointments, they sions is more on a delivery know exactly what they're side," she said. "We're able asking and they've had time to serve more students in a to think about it and make

> However, students are Allen said. Students in their first two years must be advised

Rebekah Fear, a senior Dean Dan Short of the Nee- radio-TV-film and theater with advising has been pos-"It's very hard to sit in a itive mainly because she planned out her own sched-

"Students need to be pre-Richard Allen, chair of the pared," she said. "Advising is er's job to make suggestions but not to plan out your whole

Because adjunct professors are not paid to advise students, academic advising falls on fulltime professors, Thomason said, which could also contribute to the problem.

Thomason said an overworked adviser may be more likely to make a mistake or not spend enough time with a student to fully understand the student's needs.

However, Thomason said, advising incorporates more than just choosing courses. Advising includes mentoring, career advising and personal and academic needs, he said, and adjunct professors advise students on career aspirations.

Lynn Cole, assistant dean of the Neeley School, said the business school's 1,765 students are advised by four advisers. The school's advising goes through the Neeley Student Resource Center of four full-time advisers with backgrounds in higher education or counseling services, Cole

Slater said he proposed a similar advising center for the College of Communication five years ago and again six weeks ago to the provost.

Provost Nowell Donovan said he evaluates budget requests, like Slater's proposal, and submits a proposal to the chancellor according to priority.

"Advising is a priority," he said. "It has always been a priority. It's actually consistently one of the great problems."

Donovan said after Slater's request is reviewed within the next month, he will compile a budget proposal that will be presented to the cabinet by the end of November.

Who's to blame?

Slater said one reason academic advising is suffering is



Amber Owens, junior entrepreneurial management major, is advised Tuesday by Aisha Torrey-Sawyer, assistant director of the Neeley Student Resource Center.

take responsibility for their another role. And therein lies academic career.

"Students seem to have the attitude that they have little responsibility for their own academic progress and place all of the responsibility on an adviser," he said. "So that means that some faculty member or someone in the dean's office has to perform that function for them. There's only so much we can do when we have a large enrollment and insufficient faculty to do the advis-

say their advisers mislead them or aren't available, but he tells them to go back and talk to their advisers.

Dean Dan Short of the Neeley School said all advisers in the Neeley School are required to write a contract and have the student and adviser sign it. Later, if a student complains about an issue with academic advising, the adviser pulls the record and reads the contract, he said. If the problem is on

the student's end, it's the student's loss, Short said. Howtion, he will get an exception ule another appointment. from the university and the student will not be at risk, An advising solution

the student's responsibility course requirements.

"The adviser is there to ing system. help but not to plan your "When a student comes in to see an adviser, the ideal and will come in with a sample. But because that doesn't sional advisers have become

a part of the problem."

Zach Petty, a senior accounting and finance major, said his They have seen every problem, adviser told him he had not every issue and developed an met a requirement to graduate in December and he had to when they say something, it's point out the advising error.

Petty said the Neeley School advisers essentially direct students concerning business classes. He said he has never showed up to an advising appointment with a schedule or list of classes.

Slater said students who com- advising," Petty said. "I go to way around it, I think, other plain about academic advising advising just so I know in my than to involve more people mind what I have to take."

> problems are not so much related to faculty members' knowledge of course requirements. Frequently, students need more than the allotted advising time because of special circumstances such as transferring credits, which puts advisers behind schedule, he said.

Steve Levering, instructor in journalism, said each adviser in journalism, including him, advise about 50 students. And if his advisees aren't prepared ever, if the adviser gives a for advising, he said, he sends departments before using prostudent inaccurate informathem away and has them sched-

Ultimately, Slater said, it is model was traditional for most and come to me with a plan colleges and universities in the that reflects all those success to keep track of his or her past; however, they are moving ful parameters the business toward the professional advis- school has used," he said.

"I think it would be interestentire life, including your ing for us as a campus to take curriculum, for you," he said. a look at alternative models," she said

Short said it can be difficult situation is that he or she for faculty members to keep up will have read the catalog ... with degree requirements.

"We have found that profes-

because some students don't happen, we have to assume absolute experts in every facet of degree requirements," he said. "They sit there eight hours a day advising students. expertise of familiarity where

a contract." Thomason said there are no easy answers to the advising

"There's no simple answer when you have X amount of time and X amount of students and you've got to fit them into "I've always done individual that time," he said. "There's no in advising. And one of the Thomason said the advising answers would be a group of professional advisers similar to what the school of business has."

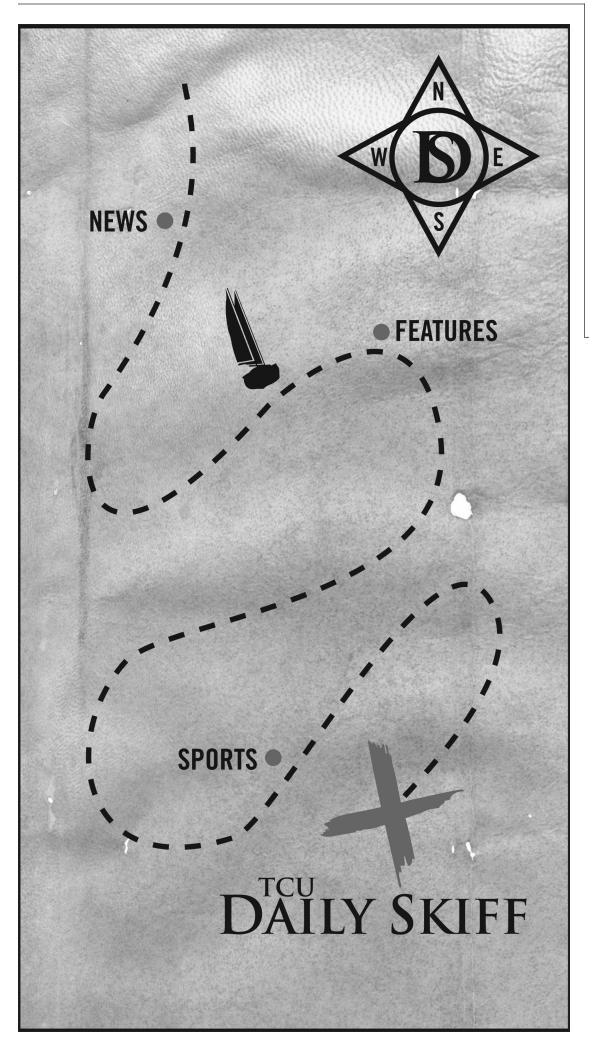
> Thomason said because the Schieffer School has so many students, a combination of faculty and professional staff would be the most feasible model for academic advis-

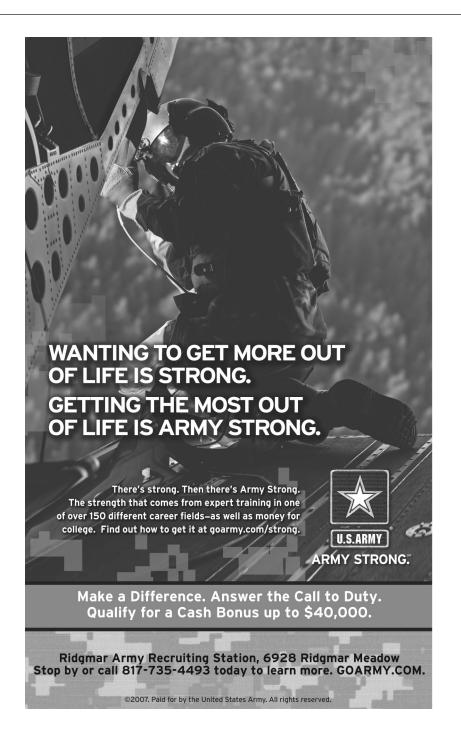
> Donovan said he would discuss the issue with the College of Communication's faculty and chairs in all three fessional advisers.

"I would like the College of Communication to look at the business school plan and Cole said the faculty advising see which elements of it fit

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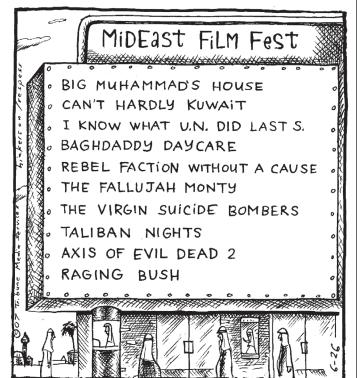
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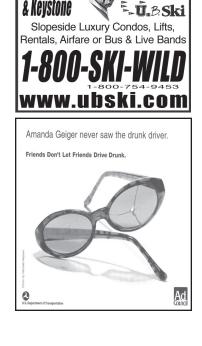
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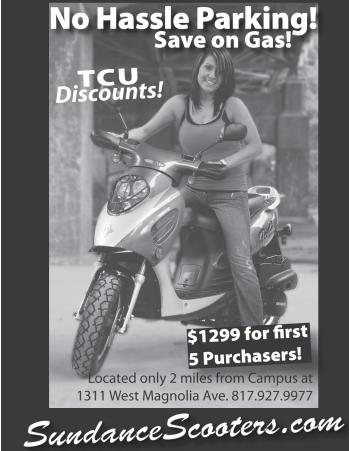
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

TO THE HOLE



Junior forward John Ortiz goes up for a rebound in an exhibition game against LCC International University. Ortiz is a transfer from Colby Community College. The Horned Frogs won the game by a final score of 118-54, a 64-point margin.

Senior leads squad to solid victory

Sports Editor

Even with less than three minutes remaining and his team up by 66 points, Neil Dougherty was instructing his players as if it were a conference game in early March instead of an exhibition game in early November.

This kind of performance was what familiar faces and newcomers alike wanted for the men's basketball team - a 118-54 exhibition win against LCC International University on Tuesday.

After leading by only five points midway through the first half, the Horned Frogs would roll and outscore LCC from that point on, 98-39.

Turnovers were the story of the night for LCC as the team from Klaipeda,

Lithuania was crippled by ets and a buzzer-beater to put bad passing and numerous traveling calls. For most of the game the LCC team had more turnovers than points. The team finished with 47 turnovers.

Senior guard Brent Hackett led the way in the exhibition with 22 points on 8-of-16 shooting and 5-of-11 from beyond the arc.

LCC pulled within five points in the first half, but from that point on, the game got out of hand in a hurry. The Horned Frogs headed to the locker room with a 55-23 lead after ending the first half on a 35-8 run in a span of less than 10 minutes.

Hackett poured in 11 points in about a two-minute stretch — a stretch that for the post and the opposite included three 3-point buck-

Dougherty's club up by 32 points at the half.

Dougherty said Hackett's performance represents how far he has matured as a play-

"We've got to try to get him as many touches as we can," Dougherty said.

Not to be outdone was junior guard Henry Salter, who saw his first time with the club and made an impact on the offensive end with 15

Hackett said with Salter's offensive talents in the mix, he will stretch opposing defenses.

"When he's knocking down shots like he was today, then it's going to make it easier wing," Hackett said.

FOOTBALL

Bowl eligibility on horizon pending win

By BRETT LARSON

Staff Reporter With its fifth win Saturday, TCU moved within one victory from being a bowl-eligible team - something head coach Gary Patterson said is now the team's main focus.

For a team to be invited to a bowl game, it needs a minimum of six wins. With three games left on the schedule, TCU may still have a chance of reaching a bowl

"This time of the year, there's not much you can talk about," Patterson said. "You've got three ball games left, and you've got to win one more to at least get bowl eligible."

A bowl invitation would mean TCU's ninth bowl game in the past 10 years, a tradition the team hopes to continue.

Senior safety Brian Bonner said for any team to reach bowl eligibility, tough play is required every week.

Bonner was a member of the last TCU team to not reach a bowl game in 2004, a season in which the Horned Frogs finished 5-6.

"You don't ever want to sit at the house while everybody else goes out to party," he said.

Saturday's win against the New Mexico Lobos was the Horned Frogs' first game following a 16-day break.

Senior wide receiver Marcus Brock said the break gave the team a chance to sit back and take a look at other teams nationwide.

TCU plays Brigham Young University on Thursday, which will mark the team's third Thursday game of the season.

Recently coming out of the break and with the team's sound victory over New Mexico, having the BYU game on Thursday should benefit the team, Brock said.

BYU, the defending conference champion, is the only team in the Mountain West Conference that is undefeated in con-

ference play. TCU will travel to Provo, Utah and will play in front of what Patterson said is one of the largest, loudest crowds in the Moun-

tain West. "It's a bigger crowd than what most people play within the conference, and they're excited about their Cougars," Patterson said. "They average like 16,000 or 17,000 students a game, and that alone already brings a lot more intensity to the stadium."

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EQUESTRIAN

Team tries to harness Metroplex opponent

By MARY SUE GREENLEAF Staff Writer

After a solid performance at the Baylor Fall Tournament, the equestrian team rested with a week off and is ready to jump back into action. The team will face Metro-

plex rival SMU in Mansfield on Saturday.

With strong performances all season by the Western team, this weekend will give the English team an opportunity to shine, as SMU does not have a Western team.

team does well and gets even stronger at SMU," sophomore Western rider Ashton Mickunas said. "They are a very strong and talented team, and I know they can give SMU a run for their money."

The rivalry is not the primary focus heading into this weekend's match, though, it will help get the team excited and more motivated to win, head coach Gary Reyn-

olds said. Rather than focusing on

"I really hope our English the rivalry and the win, Reynolds said, the girls are focused on eliminating the little mistakes that have hurt the team during the early course of the season.

The Mustangs downed TCU, 5-1 in equitation over fences and 5-1 in equitation on the flat last season. Reynolds said the team has its collective eyes set on Saturday's match in Mansfield.

"They beat us in that match, so we are definitely looking forward to the rematch." Reynolds said.

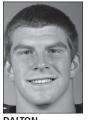
FOOTBALL

Third Thursday matchup pits Cougars against Frogs in Provo

By TIM BELLA Sports Editor

The Frogs might be back, son's team will be put to the test against the conference's best on a short week of rest. Coming off a possible seasonchanging 37-0 win against New Mexico on Saturday, the 5-4 a Thursday night showdown with the Brigham Young Cougars. The TCU defense hopes to exact revenge on an offense that has had its way with the Frogs in the past two seasons. Here is a breakdown of the probable starters for Thursday's game between TCU and BYU.

QUARTERBACK





TCU: Andy Dalton, redshirt freshman

BYU: Max Hall, sophomore Advantage: BYU

Again, Dalton was able to grow up a little bit more against New Mexico on Saturday. Instead of making bad decisions on broken plays, the redshirt freshman showed poise and maturity, making something out of nothing when going outside the pocket. Hall is coming off a career game against a dreadfor 355 yards and three touching lineup.

RUNNING BACK





UNGA

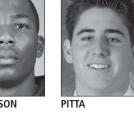
TCU: Aaron Brown, junior **BYU**: Harvey Unga, redshirt

Advantage: BYU

Although sophomore Joseph Turner did a terrific job filling in for Brown on Saturday, the Frogs will need Turner to complement Brown on Thursday if the Frogs are to come away from Provo, Utah, with a win. With opponents only finding the end zone seven times on the ground this season against the Cougars, the backs are faced with even more pressure to break through and have a big game. Unga is the Cougars' everything man, averaging more than 150 total yards a game. He's coming off a sub par 51-yard performance on the ground against Colorado State, so it should be interesting to see if he can bounce back against a TCU rush defense that only gave up 28 total rushing yards against New Mexico.

WIDE RECEIVERS and TIGHT END





TCU: Ervin Dickerson, Marcus Brock, Donald Massey, Derek Moore, Quinton Cunigan (TE) **BYU:** Austin Collie, Michael

Reed, Matt Allen, Bryce Mahuika, Dennis Pitta (TE)

Advantage: BYU

Dalton was able to connect with receivers such as Dicker-

its spots. The Cougars' passing Brown and Turner, with two game revolves around its abil- very running styles, in and out ity to get the tight end and run- of Thursday's game. but head coach Gary Patter- ning back heavily involved on passing downs. Pitta might be SECONDARY one of the best up-and-coming tight ends in the country and at 6 feet 5 inches, he creates a bevy of matchup problems. Collie is the group's playmaker at Frogs head to Provo, Utah, for five touchdowns including his 45-yard hookup Saturday.

OFFENSIVE LINE





TCU: Matty Lindner, Blake Schlueter, Giles Montgomery, Marshall Newhouse, Nic Rich-

Reden, Sete Aulai, Travis Bright, David Oswald

Advantage: TCU

mance from the boys up front, the touchdown. Gooch leads especially with Brown out of the
the BYU unit with three interlineup. The unit came up huge ceptions on the year. Hodgkiss for Turner and did not allow New Mexico to lay anything either as both have a knack to more than a finger on Dalton break up the pass. Dickerson all game. The commitment to and company better be ready. the blocking game, even when the play was considered busted, SPECIAL TEAMS makes Dalton's job of creating something outside the pocket that much easier. Averaging a little more than three yards a ful Colorado State team, going carry against the conference's worst in Colorado State is just downs. He comes in averaging embarrassing for a BYU line more than 310 yards through heavy on experience. Hall and the air, but goes against a sec- Unga could have ugly days ondary that has an added punch against TCU's fast defense if with Stephen Hodge in the start- the line is not ready to commit for 60 minutes.





TCU: Tommy Blake, Chase Ortiz, Cody Moore, Jerry Hughes

BYU: Ian Dulan, Eathyn Manumaleuna, Jan Jorgensen

Advantage: TCU

matchup across the line with Oswald, a 6-foot-8-inch, 325pound junior at right tackle. At HEAD COACHES seven sacks, needless to say Jorgenson has been on a tear for the Cougars. Considering the rest of his linemates are not on par with Jorgenson, expect TCU to key in on the right end with double-team blocking.

LINEBACKERS





TCU: Jason Phillips, David Hawthorne BYU: David Nixon, Markell

Staffieri, Kelly Poppinga, Bryan Kehl

Advantage: Even

Even with Hawthorne playing on a limited basis, Phillips and company kept the linebackers afloat during the rout, with 13 combined tackles among Phillips, Daryl Washington and Robert Henson. Unga is the two out of three games against guy to stop and it falls on the TCU, Wyoming and Utah in linebackers to hit him in the the coming weeks. But do not son and Moore for gains of more mouth repeatedly. Loaded with think the Frogs have forgotthan 20 yards, a very encour- experience and size, BYU's line- ten about how former quaraging sign. The BYU defense backers represent four of the terback John Beck and the does not tend to give up a lot team's top six tacklers. Adjust- Cougars torched the Frogs in of passing plays for big gains, ments will have to be made on Fort Worth last season. This so the offense will have to pick BYU's part if the Frogs rotate should be fun.





TCU: Brian Bonner, David Roach, Stephen Hodge, Nick Sanders, Rafael Priest

BYU: Ben Criddle, Kayle Buchanan, Quinn Gooch, Corby Hodgkiss

Advantage: TCU

Hodge's recent surge of great play has helped the team and returned a swagger that had been missing for quite some time. It has also allowed Patterson to move Bonner and Roach BYU: Dallas Reynolds, Garrett around in order to get the most out of them at the weak and free safety positions — a move long overdue. Props to Priest Another exceptional perfor- for the nice endzone dive on and Buchanan are no pushovers



TCU: Chris Manfredini, Derek Wash, Donald Massey, Brian

BYU: Mitch Payne, C.J. Santiago, Bryce Mahuika, Austin

Advantage: TCU

special teams unit did not make a big play, it is hard not to appreciate how much passion and sheer will this group has to make a play every time out. Manfredini continues to be close to automatic, and it is iust another day at the office for Wash, booming long punt after long punt. With BYU's offense being as good as it has been, Payne has not had many oppor-Though his numbers were not tunities this season, going four eye-popping, Blake's presence for five on field-goal attempts. alone raised the line's game to Mahuika and Collie are big-time another level. Blake will need threats in the kick-return game, a little extra something in his with returns of 53 and 61 yards, respectively, this season.





TCU: Gary Patterson, seventh season (59-24, 36-18 in conference)

BYU: Bronco Mendenhall, third season (23-10, 17-3 in conference)

Advantage: Even Whatever was said by Pat-

terson and his coaching staff during the 16-day break was gold — pure gold. It looks as if the team has accepted the challenge put in front of them by Patterson, especially with a bowl bid now in their grasp. Aside from having the coolest name in the Mountain West Conference, Mendenhall has the Cougars in position to defend the conference championship if the team can win