





Krusen parking lot, a sign of hope

By SARA B. RADER Editor

While cranes began constructing the new residence hall, trucks carted away the Kruzen Building piece by piece.

Demolition of the facility over the winter break helped curb the loss of 130 student parking spaces. Where there were parking lots—behind Howell Hall, beside Delo Hall and along Crescent Place—there are now construction sites.

"I live in Howell, so it's harder for me as a resident to park than in previous semesters," said Nadia Calderolli, a junior communication major.

Due to an asbestos discovery by inspectors, however, removal of Kruzen and the paving of its lot ran slightly behind schedule. To protect students until the project's completion from possible harm from asbestos, the university temporarily installed generator lights to brighten the area. Tampa Electric Company will place eight 1000-watt light fixtures around the lot in the uncoming weeks.

"We attempted to squeeze in as many spots as we could in the



(Above) Parking space currently occupying former site of Kruzen.

(Right) Krusen Building being torn down over the winter break.

Kruzen lot without forcing staff or faculty from their parking areas," said Rod Plowman, executive director of administration services.

Restoring over 80 percent of lost parking, parking area additions extended beyond the Kruzen lot. Spaces were added around McKay Auditorium, and parallel spaces on the street side of Delo

Hall were angled. And at the request of the university, Tampa Preparatory School no longer uses the Bob Martinez Sports Center parking lot, freeing all of its 375 spaces for UT use.

"Unfortunately, the center of campus is at one end and parking lies at the other," said Plowman. "Not everyone wants to park out [at the Martinez lot]."

"I would rather drive around in circles looking for a space than part out at Martinez," said Rebecca Lewis, a senior communication major.

About 1616 parking spaces

exist on campus. Since August, security has issued 1964 parking permits but is unaware of exactly how many tag owners graduated or left the university. According to Buddy Campbell, chief of security, the number of cars parking on campus is lower than the number of registered vehicles.

"Plus," said Campbell, "the entire university doesn't all park at the same time. Tags aren't issued to just residents but commuters, faculty, staff, adjuncts, parttime students and graduate students, who come and go at different hours during the day."

Some students still find parking on campus frustrating.

"It's worse than last semester," said Brad Goldstein, a senior writing major. "Commuters should have first choice of parking."

"There is not a shortage of parking, just a shortage of being able to park where you want to park," said Plowman.

To ensure occupants' safety, security installed several new highpowered light fixtures, had ob-

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Physical therapy awaits approval

By JOANNE BEN News Editor

On January 28, what began almost two years ago will become a reality; or it will be back to the drawing board for a committee which has been working over the last four semesters. A faculty vote will be the deciding factor.

In the summer of 1995, a feasibility study of a possible physical therapy masters program became the focus of a committee headed by Nancy Ross, associate professor and chair of nursing, and Karen Otto, assistant professor and chair of biology.

Last November there was another gathering of the curriculum committee. According to Joseph Sclafani, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Science, the proposal for the physical therapy program was reviewed and feedback was given by the committee, which raised questions and issues, turning the meeting into a critique session.

Sclafani said, "The committee discussed specific questions about how our existing resources might accommodate students, and competition with USF."

Bill McReynolds, profes-

sor of psychology, said, "The curriculum committee decided to not make any decisions on courses until the physical therapy program was approved by the faculty. I don't think the committee did anything."

Sclafani went on to say that USF's program was approved by the Regents Committee, but USF is currently focusing on other projects due to funding problems, leaving the door wide open for UT.

Some have questioned what will make students pick UT over the other nine schools in Florida offering physical therapy on the masters level.

According to Sclafani, the university is banking on its smaller classes and the lack of competition between the schools currently offering physical therapy.

With new facilities, an increase in state funded university fees and a masters in physical therapy which is quickly scaling the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics as the country's highest paying profession, UT is hoping to snag some of the students who might have gone elsewhere; making it an institution that should bring in an estimated

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UT Fest serves campus crowd

By JULIE K. TREMMEL Staff Writer

The International Fraternity Council hosted the first annual UT Fest, a barbecue and music extravaganza, on Monday, January 20. The sound of the sizzling grills lasted almost as long as the live band "The Brick Poets," as events unfolded on the foreground of the McKay Auditorium.

UT Fest was held to draw all UT organizations and students together for a day of food and friends, however a majority of those attending were Greeks

UT junior and Kappa Sigma member Adam Reynolds said, "I think that people passing by got the impression it was Greek only, because of all the t-shirts and banners"

Tables representing UT fraternities and sororities were sporadically scattered about the lawn. Each table was decorated with various banners, photo albums, scrap books and trophies that had been accumulated by the organizations over the years.

Delta Gamma member Taryn Dunigan said, "I think when people walked by and saw the police tape around the lawn, it seemed to be all Greek, and people felt like outsiders."

Sophomore Craig Yerger, a non-Greek attendee of the occasion, said, "A big turn out would have made UT Fest better. If people who lived on campus



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Students groove to good food and music during UT Fest

would have stopped by for just a little while, others would have followed."

Prizes from the drawing included tickets to see a Tampa Bay Lightning game, a dinner voyage on an Empress Cruise Liner and a chance to swing at the piñata.

Delta Gamma sisters Marta Murzynski, Courtney Cox and Mandy Agostini collectively agreed that UT Fest had turned out well. However, they echoed what seemed to be the general consensus of those who went, that it would have been nice if more non-Greeks would have attended.

Some of the day's events included volleyball matches, piñata breaking and raffle ticket drawing.

Also represented at the festi-

val called Vertical Ventures (Central Florida's only indoor rock climbing gym). Gift certificates for climbing adventures at their facility were also part of the prize packages several students received.

IFC board member Sean Hoover said, "It will not be the last [UT Fest]."

UT Fest also offered students a chance to buy various merchandise including handmade jewelry, tapestries and tobacco pipes from vendors located on the outskirts of the festivities.

Senior Class President and Sigma Epsilon member Bascom Bradshaw said there was only one way to sum up the day's events, "UT Fest kicks a llama."

OPINION

History should conjure spirit for class of 1997

EDITORIAL=

In a recent letter to graduating seniors, Boscom Bradshaw, their class president, ambitiously attempted to arouse class spirit.

Surprisingly, his spirit booster included criticizing his fellow students for their apathy, pointing a shaming finger at seniors for not supporting campus events and displaying a lack of "camaraderie." And perhaps, his accusations hold water.

However, his frustration with campus inertia underlined his address, and statements like "sometimes I think that I am at University of Florida or Florida State" resembled the reverse psychology mothers use to get kids to stomach broccoli.

Though Boscom's efforts to create class unity are admirable, they lack bait: a reason why seniors should celebrate graduation, together. Motivation like setting "the example" won't reel in even dead fish.

So why should the class of 1997 bother walking across a bridge or chugging beers with people they may barely know?

Over the years, they've definitely gotten the dirty, short end of the stick. During their sophomore year, UT experienced a million dollar short fall; students lost 19 faculty they had barely gotten connected with; the university president resigned; two student government presidents stepped down; and residence halls closed due to vacancies. For over a year, rumors falsely hinted that USF planned to buy UT. To some, Boscom's sarcasm is humorless and less than motivating.

What could motivate a class whose bottom fell from under them? The senior class president should have remembered what his classmates have in common, what every student, from the fraternity member to the publication editor, shares with another; though these seniors saw the dark side of their university, they stuck by their school colors.

Not only did this class survive the last four years, but they may be the first group in years to put on their caps and gowns with confidence. This year, the university finally paid off their deficit, began construction, broke enrollment records and started new programs. The class of 1997 will leave UT on solid ground.

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Campus still needs additional security

COLUMN

Changes are happening all over campus this semester. A new dorm, or "residence hall" as the Reslife office likes to call it, is being built, a road has been closed, the

Krusen building has been torn down to make way for a parking lot and on Tuesday a giant inflated gorilla was erected in front of the Student Union.

There are good reasons for all of these changes.

It's about time they build a new residence hall. Howell has had a leaking roof for as long as anyone can remember.

SUSAN W

HUDMON

The Krusen building had to go to make way for the parking needed due to increased enrollment.

Student activities assures me that even the giant gorilla serves a purpose.

While all these changes are happening, many things that need to be fixed remain the same.

Last year after several incidences of violence occurred on campus, promises were made that security was going to improve. Several officials walked the campus noting what needed to be changed. Places where an assailant could hide were to be destroyed. It was said that lights would be placed in dark areas and trees and bushes would be cut back.

Many areas on campus are still too dark and the only tree trimming I have seen, aside from the trees in front of McKay Auditorium, was due to lightning and strong winds during hurricane season.

The promises were made, which seems to have contented most students, but action

has yet to be taken in many instances. The campus is still not entirely secure.

Over the semester break, several rooms were broken into and just acroos Kennedy Boulevard from our campus the night clerk at the Economy Inn was murdered for the money the motel had made that evening, less than two-hundred dollars.

We should not be content with prom-

LASER team, although highly effective is not enough. The LASER team drives around picking up students at their buildings and often just asks students walking around campus if they need a ride. This program is a step in the right direction and the second golf cart that was acquired last semester has helped, but it still is not enough to protect the students.

The question has also been raised as to where is a commuter student could run in an emergency. They can't get into Delo, Howell, Smiley or West without calling a resident unless someone happens to be at the door. Many commuters don't even know where their on-campus friends live.

No matter how good security on a college campus may be, our best defense is still up to us. Many students come from areas where their nearest neighbor is a mile away and there are those of us that come from small towns where we never had to worry about locking our doors. I grew up in a town where one murder occurred in twelve years, but I know well enough not to walk around alone at night.

Despite the fact that The University of Tampa, in theory, is a community in and of itself, the city of Tampa is right outside our windows. Tampa is a large and dangerous city, and we can't live in denial of that.

Susan Wheeler Hudmon in a junior majoring in English and writing.

Priceless Quote

"You can have very serious accidents when you drive up behind someone and harpoon them."

-A straight-faced Jack Espinosa, spokesman for the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, explaining why his agency is not likely to employ a mounted harpoon on its cruisers to catch speeders and drunk drivers.

The approach is being tried in Finland.

NEWS

On Wednesday,
Jan. 8, at 1:45 p.m. a
Delo student reported
a missing stereo. The
stereo was an AIWA
with two speakers and
a CD player. It was
valued at approximately \$500. There
was no sign of forced
entry. The student was
advised to call the
Tampa Police Department and file a report.

At 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 9, a student reported the theft of a microwave and

computer from a dorm room in Delo. The items missing were last seen when the student left for break on Dec. 13. The items stolen were a Panasonic microwave and a Power Macintosh computer. The two speakers and the power converter for the computer were left in the room. There were no signs of forced entry.

On Friday, Jan. 10, at 10:30 a.m. a Mckay student returned from break to find that a small refrigerator, a stereo and a TV were missing. The student left the ste-



reo under the bed and the TV in the closet before leaving for break. There was no sign of forced entry. The student was given the phone number to Tampa Police Department.

On Friday, Jan. 10, at 4:15 p.m. a Delo student reported that somebody was in the student's room over winter break. The student reported that when leaving for vacation everything was unplugged and the doors were locked. Upon returning, appliances were plugged in, the micro-

wave had food residue and some food was spoiled. The student also believes that someone had used the phone and answering machine and that some of the food had been eaten. There were several cans of beer left in the room. There were no signs of forced entry.

On Saturday, Jan. 11, at 2 p.m. the owner of Triple L Vending reported that a vending machine in the ResCom B building was vandalized. Products estimated at \$200

were stolen.
At 3:20 p.m. on Sunday, Jan.
12, a member of WUTZ reported that equipment was stolen from the radio station. The member and security checked with the station manager to see if

the removal of the items had been authorized; it had not. The items stolen included a mixer, two CD players, two turntables and two cassette players. Student Activities was notified.

AMY

VANDAWALKER

On Sunday, Jan. 12, at 4:30 p.m. a Delo resident reported that upon returning from break she found her Compaq 4112 computer and monitor stolen. When the student and the student's roommate left for break on Dec. 12, the items were there. The student was given the phone number for the Tampa Police Department.

On Monday, Jan. 13, at 8 p.m. UTCS received a call from a worker in the Thompson building reporting a burglary. Someone had

removed the plywood barrier in the air conditioning housing and entered the custodial office. The things were stolen including: a pouch containing a Montgomery Ward card, a MasterCard, a Discover card, a Visa card and an AT&T Calling Card. Also, an insulin syringe was stolen from the top drawer of

a desk. The Tampa Police Department was notified.

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 4:15 p.m. a student reported that a Hitachi VCR was stolen from his

dorm room in Delo. The stolen item was last seen when the student's roommate left for winter break on Dec. 12. There were no signs of forced entry, and the student was given the telephone number for the Tampa Police Department.

At 1:45 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 16, a student came to the UTCS office to report that while parking on North B Street a piece of paneling from a maintenance worker's golf cart flew off and hit the student's car. The security guard went with the student to look at the damage to the car.

On Thursday, Jan. 16, at 9:15 p.m. security was called and responded to a student from ResCom who was having chest pains, pain radiating in the left arm, and trouble breathing. Security called Tampa Rescue Ambulance. When they arrived the student decided not to go to the hospital because the symptoms had subsided. The student had a history of heart problems

If you notice any suspicious activity on campus, call UTCS at ext. 3333.



Minaret file photo

A University of Tampa ROTC cadet raises a flag at the Tampa Bay Stadium during a winter Buccaneers' game.

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\$3,520,000 over a six-toseven year period for both graduate and undergraduate studies in physical therapy.

The money accumulated to fund the program includes a \$150,000 anonymous donation and a \$250,000 contribution from someone with ties to a health group.

The Russell Building, located on the south side of the Bob Martinez Center, has been chosen for the location of the program. Renovations and equipment for the building are estimated at over a million dollars, with the choice of purchasing or renting the equipment still a fac-

tor to be decided on, according to Sclafani.

If the faculty votes in favor of the program a search for a director will be the next order of business. UT will search for someone with a Ph.D. in physical therapy.

Otto said, "We need a director at least a year before the first student is admitted. Students will have the assurance they are in an accredited program."

Sclafani said, "Tampa's location might be a factor in the salary of the director. We estimate between \$50,000 and \$60,000, but maybe a little higher."

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structive bushes and weeds removed and increased their patrol of the area.

Two emergency phones will be added to the lot, equipped with flashing lights and panic buttons. A phone line, costing close to \$2000, has already been ordered for the lot.

"The community should know the university is serious about its efforts and its plans," said Plowman. "We aren't just looking into it. We're doing it"

Security also contacted the CRX Railroad about contributing to safety efforts. According to Buddy Campbell, they agreed to clean up their side of the tracks. Encouraged by the university, the Tampa Traffic Engineering Department will investigate placing a crosswalk and street light on the corner of North Boulevard and North B Street, or in front of Martinez Sports Center. They will conduct a pedestrian count in the area to determine if such a demand exists. Pedestrian traffic increased this semester because of the relocation of Marriot Facilities Management and auxiliary services to the Thompson Building.

Some entrances into the university have experienced changes. Tampa Preparatory School created a new entrance to their campus off Cass Street. The entrance leads to UT's campus as well. Their former entrance, past the playing fields, now acts as an exit.

"UT students still are unaware of the change and entering our exit. They need to learn of the alterations or someone will get hurt," said Steve Garrett, business manager for Tampa Preparatory School.

Issues regarding parking have only begun to arise. "In several months, we'll have to take another fresh look at parking on campus," said Plowman.

On May 1, construction of the parking garage begins and will occupy the 139 parking spaces between ResCom and University West.

"But all of this is positive," said Campbell. "The construction means improvements. In the long run, we'll benefit."



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What's across the bridge? History, character and a cheap lunch right around the corner

By TERRY LACY Staff Writer

Standing on the front steps of Plant Hall, you can look across Plant Park and see ... Plant City? No, silly, you can see downtown Tampa. Now, I've been a student at UT for a couple of years, and until today I had yet to see what lay beyond that metal bridge that crosses the Hillsborough River.

You know the bridge I'm talking about. It's the metal one that goes up and down once a month to let boats pass under it. The city pays someone to sit in the little booth on the side of that bridge and push the "UP" button once a month. That must be the best job in Tampa — being the "UP" button pusher at the Hillsborough River Bridge on Kennedy Ave. Of course, the job is about twice as difficult as I'm allowing it credit. There's the "DOWN" button that has to be pushed as well.

So, wondering what lay beyond that bridge, I grabbed my trusted tape recorder and decided to traverse the mighty Kennedy Bridge in hope of finding great adventure on the other side, or at least a cheap lunch. I was successful on both counts.

I checked my watch when I left the steps of Plant Hall, so I could give an accurate time check for those of us who have classes that we can't dodge. From UT to the Franklin Street Mall took exactly ten minutes and two stop lights, walking at the speed of your average out-ofshape reporter looking for a cheap lunch.

At the corner of Kennedy and Franklin the first thing I saw was an authentic New York hot dog stand specializing in authentic New York style hot dogs, from an authentic style New Yorker, Marty Greenwall. Marty has been on the same corner for 15 years and said that he would like to see some of our UT students utilize the downtown area more. Prices range "anywhere from a buck semtyfive to tree bucks." You can recognize Marty's stand by the red and black Boars Head umbrella. Tell him I said "Hi."

From the corner that Marty guards, you have to make a nout whi and while the fact that there are only two options makes them both a little cliché, I decided to go to the right. For those of you who lean left, don't worry. When I got to the end, I turned around and went back to the left too, but let's start with the right, since I went there first. You lefties will just have to wait your

In the square where Marty stands, there are a couple of other vendors: The Taste of Tampa and an unnamed one I'll call the pizza guy. Taste of Tampa has (you guessed it) Cuban sandwiches for about three bucks. Take a wild guess what the pizza guy sells. Prices there go from a buck fifty to

The rest of the restaurants are sit downers. Anything from a "nice place" where lunch will run you \$8-\$10 apiece (wait until



The Tampa Theatre offers films, including classics and "sleeper" films not found in most theaters and walking tours of the interior. Like most attractions in downtown Tampa, the Tampa Theatre is less than a ten minute walk from the university.

the folks come for a visit) to a New York style deli called the Primo Deli Cafe, where they serve what must be the world's largest soft ice cream cones. The man I talked to had one that must have been 18 inches tall, and he had been slurping on it for a while. He recommended the food with one thumb and one cone up.

There's an American Express travel service there. I mention that only because they had an electronic sign in the window that gives the foreign currency exchange rate, so any of you College of Business types who want to know how the dollar is doing against the drachma can walk across the street and find out. At the end of Franklin Street Mall is the Downtown YMCA. This is an adult-only facility, consisting of exercise equipment, a sauna whirlpool. They also have aerobics, running and walking groups, and other fitness/ relaxation type activities. .

Now, for you south-paws, we'll head back to Kennedy and I'll tell you what's down the other way.

When I crossed Kennedy, I got to register for a free Jaguar for the weekend from Crown Jaguar. I didn't win. There's also a Chinese food vendor there, prices in line with the others. I headed toward Madison; there's another hot dog stand, but I didn't stop to talk with them. As nice as Marty was, I didn't want to face the disappointment if they weren't friendly.

Across Madison, there's a fresh fruit vendor, for those of you healthy individuals. You can work out at the Y, then grab some fruit here. What a bargain.

Now the street turns more to

shops. There's Beverly's Hallmark. Beverly urged all of us to remember Valentine's Day. She also urged us to remember that she was a ten minute walk from campus.

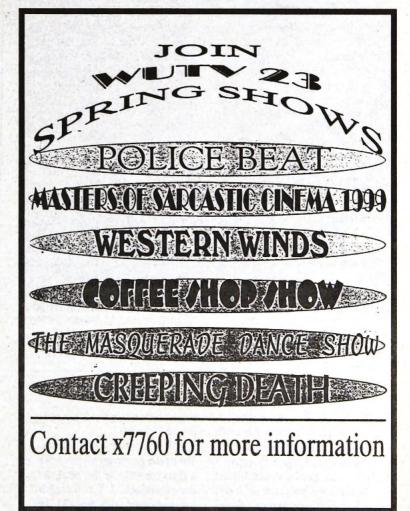
There are other restaurants scattered through this area, from Chinese to Mexican. Most of them offer a good value for the afternoon lunch crowd. The menus and prices are posted outside the doors, which saves that ever-embarrassing moment when the \$20 check comes and you only have a ten.

Tampa Custom Framing is across from Beverly's Hallmark. If you kill someone, and need to frame an innocent bystander for the job, they are the people to see. Only \$29.95, which is a good deal, if it keeps you out of

Of course, the Tampa ater is there Walking are available, and worth the trouble. They are showing a full schedule of films including classics. For a complete listing, go read the marquee.

If I seem like I'm trying to get you to go downtown, I am. There's a lot to see and do whether you have one hour or even a few. I finished my little tour by going through the old Woolworth's store and seeing the display they have dealing with segregation. African-American students a generation ago staged a sit-in at the lunch counter. That display alone is worth the walk over.

When I finished, I checked my watch and saw that I had 15 minutes to make it to my literature class. I was at the farthest point I could be on the Franklin Street Mall. I made it back, with three minutes to



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THE JEDIRETURNS MOVIE Star Wars: new and improved or has the polish worn off?



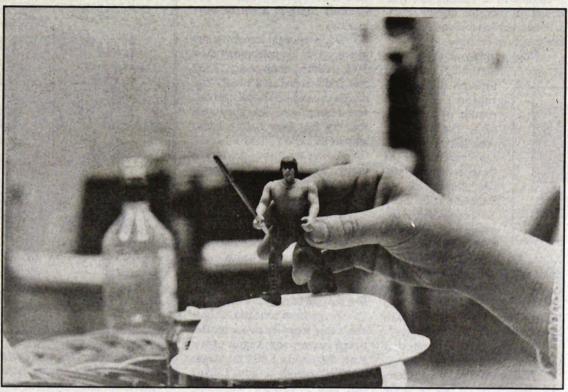
By MICHILEEN MARTIN **Accent Editor**

It's brighter, it's louder, it's a few minutes longer — it's the 1997 release of Star Wars. Lucasfilms has re-released the 20 year-old space odyssey with digitally remastered video and audio effects, and a few minutes of new footage.

It made me feel old to talk to students who said they had been too young to see the first of the Star Wars trilogy while it was in the theater. I remember dragging my parents to see the epic starthing close to 30 times before it ended its run. It was good conquering evil, it was magic in the stars, it was heroes made of metal or just big things of hair. Every time I got home from Star Wars I felt like my whole life would be waiting for the next movie. Christmas paled in comparison.

Two movies and 20 years later, Star Wars has gathered a cult following to rival even that of the other Mecca of sci-fi: Star Trek. You don't hear about Star Wars freaks as much as you hear about the trekkies, but that's probably because there have only been three Star Wars movies and no television series to carry it through the years (plus, let's face it, Star Wars fans aren't nearly as entertaining as freaks who dress in federation uniforms at weddings and speak their vows in Vulcan).

You had to wait years to see anything from Star Wars. If you want to see something from Star Trek, you can find a couple of



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Action figures are an important part of the public's attraction to Star Wars. Some of these plastic goodies could go a long way in helping to fund a University of Tampa education.

episodes any night of the week on a few of the more obscure cable channels. The makers of Star Wars have been rolling in sales of Star Wars role-playing games and novels. Rare action figures from the movies are sold for hundreds, even

thousands of dollars and you better believe I'm hitting myself for letting my mom give my Millenium Falcon to Goodwill...

Despite all the hype, I



MARTIN

wasn't expecting too much from the rerelease of Star Wars. After all, with the exception of the new footage, I'd seen it before. But, though it may sound corny, I thought I might capture a little bit of my childhood and remember what it was

Yu-i's memoirs transcend culture

like wanting to blast off into the inky blackness of space and blow up all the bad guys.

Unfortunately, my most prevalent thought during the

movie was, "Wow, I had really bad taste when I was a kid." You don't care about things like dialogue, depth or drama when you're four years-old and in the prime of toddlerdom. You don't even know what a plot is. As long as you get a nice mix of scary aliens, cute aliens and things blowing up in big ways, you're happy. This time, however, it was just plain hard to sit through the movie.

Though I tried to get beyond feeling like I was watching ancient history, it's hard to get past it. The special effects in Star

Wars were incredible in 1978, but it's hard to care after being exposed to movies like Jurassic Park and Twister. The special effects in any one episode of Babylon 5 or Deep Space 9 are more impressive than any in the Star Wars movies. In the age of Independence Day, an eight foot tall Wookie just looks stupid.

This was a problem Lucas attempted to remedy with the new footage. With the exception of a meeting between Han Solo and a digitally created Jabba the Hutt, most of the new "scenes" are a few seconds long.

For the most part, Lucas and the gang used the new footage briefly and tastefully. The contrast between late nineties special effects and those of the late seventies is almost too sharp in some scenes, though. It's hard to see a Sand Beast that looks like an elephant wearing a big bathrobe in one scene, and giant lizards that move like the dinosaurs of Jurassic Park in the

While the promotion and production of Star Wars has been handled as tastefully as any money-grubbing blockbuster can, it didn't entertain me half as much as it did as when I was a child. I don't think I can blame the movie, though. One of the downsides of growing up is that we place higher standards on what we let stimulate our dreams.

The most fair comment I can make is that if you see the rerelease of Star Wars, you'll be seeing the same movie you saw 20 years ago. Sort of.



BOUND FEET & WESTERN DRESS By Pang-Mei Natasha Chang Doubleday. 216 pp. \$22.95

Few women say it is easy, being a woman on the cusp of the new millenium, pinched between the roles and rules of the past and the opportunities opening into the future, the lure of both home and career in a world where you can't have it all.

How magnified those conflicts become, then, in the life of Chang Yu-i, sensitively revealed in this poignant



ANDY SOLOMON

memoir written by her great niece, Pang-Mei Natasha Chang.

In 1983, the author, then an 18 year-old freshman in Chinese Studies at Harvard, saw her great-aunt's name in a history book. Yu-i had earned the mention both because she had been vice president of the

Shanghai Women's Savings Bank in because in 1922 she and China's eminent romantic poet, Hsu Chih-mo, had China's first Western-style divorce.

Intrigued, the Harvard teenager located her greataunt in New York City and interviewed Yu-i regularly for the next five years. In part, the interview process took so long because Yu-i derived from a culture where the dead and the past are spoken of with reverence.

But how long can a woman born in China during the Boxer Rebellion of 1900 glorify her past? This is the land where T'ang Dynasty poet Po Chui described his deceased daughter: "not a son, but still better than nothing." In this memoir's first sentence, Yu-i puts it more strongly: "In China, a woman is nothing." In childhood, she obeys her father; in adulthood, her husband; in widowhood, her

And so, as China transforms from Confucian to Western,

moving from the last emperor to the republican Sun Yat-sen to the warlord era to nationalist Chang Kai-shek to Japanese occupation and finally Mao's communism, we watch Yu-i at 3 cry out against her feet being bound, then enter an arranged marriage to Hsu, bear his son, then bear his cruelty, desertion and concubine.

seven recognized grounds for divorce, stacked heavily in favor of the husband, the "seven outs." Yu-i found another: incompatibility. Then she moved to Germany, educated herself, and became a teacher and businesswoman. She remarried and lived in Hong Kong from 1953 to 1974 when her husband died, then moved to the Manhattan

apartment where Pang-Mei chatted with her over tea and jiaozi until Yu-i's death in 1988.

A lawyer now living in Moscow, the Massachusetts-born Chinese history major Pang-Mei is herself a one-person multicultural experience. In the tradition of Maxine Hong Kingston and Amy Tan, she writes perceptively and gracefully and brings her own identity conflicts to Yu-i's tale, helping it resonate and become the universal story of a quest for direction at forks between past and future, East and West, duty and dreams. And quite a compelling story it becomes.

Andy Solomon is a UT professor of English.

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SPORTS

Super Bowl brings back thoughts of yesteryear

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Here we are again, on the eve of the most watched spanking in the world: Super Bowl XXXI. Why the AFC willingly continues to send a representative into the meat grinder is baffling. I mean, the Christians had a better chance against the lions.

A few more beatings like we've had the last couple of years may spur Congress to pass a bill (God knows they have the time) which bans the AFC from participating in the Super Bowl so they no longer have to subject themselves to the pain of losing.

If such a law were passed, Buffalo and Denver would be remembered as dynasties rather than canon fodder.

So, why watch? Well, maybe this will be the year. That is the perennial Super Bowl hope.

If nothing else, this year's matchup has provided a nice little story line for the NFL and the media to capitalize on. After a 30 year absence, the Green Bay Packers have found their way back to the big show.

The Packers of old were as dominant as a professional franchise could be. During the 1960's, the Pack won 5 NFL championships and Super Bowls I and II (for those of you who don't or can't remember, this was all long before the beginning of the classic Bud

Bowl matchups).

KURT KUBAN

Their coach, Vince Lombardi, is considered the epitome of a head coach. In fact, the trophy which will be awarded to Sunday's winner is named for him.

Now, as this year's squad has

virtually walked through the regular season and two rounds of the playoffs, the sporting press has made countless references to those teams of the sixties. Players on this Packer's team have been compared to the players of the Lombardi era.

Is Brett Favre as good as Bart Starr? Is the defense led by Reggie White as dominant as the one led by Ray Nietzke? Do today's Packers have anyone who can run the ball like Jim Taylor?

I just wonder how relevant these comparisons really are.

Without doubt, the Packers and Green Bay are unique in the NFL and sporting world. For one thing, the citizens of Green Bay own the franchise.

So, in a way, when someone from the town buys a block of season tickets, they are actually investing in their own business. I guess that means there isn't much complaining about the prices.

There is no town which reveres its boys like Green Bay. They say that everyone born in the city is immediately signed up on

the waiting list for season tickets. If they are lucky, they will get the chance to buy them before this Packers team is a thirty year memory.

Oddly enough, tomorrow my grandparents are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They met and married in a small Wisconsin town which isn't all that different from Green Bay. They were Packers fans long before I was around and know firsthand about the Packer tradition. And even though they have lived in Florida for a decade, I'm sure they are closet Cheeseheads.

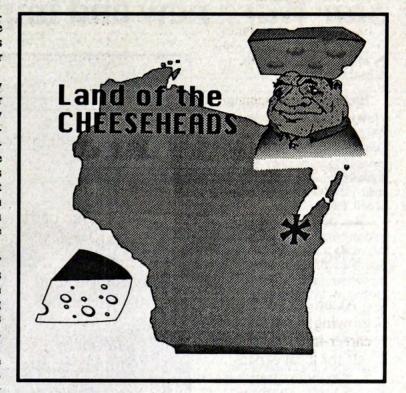
The reason I mention my grandparents' 50th anniversary is to show the difference between their time and ours. Their lifelong commitment to one another seems to me to be part of another era... like the one of the old Packers.

Times have changed. People don't stay together anymore. Between January and August of last year, there were 5,809 marriages in Hillsborough county. During that same time, there were 3,622 divorces. I'm not a great statistician, but those aren't real great odds for people staying together.

In the same vein, players of today don't stay with the same teams anymore.

In this era of domes and free agency, players switch teams as often as the seasons. And in the process make more money than I can even contemplate. Owners aren't any better.

I don't think anyone in par-



ticular is to blame for this. I wish money weren't the driving factor in sports, but one only need look to American society at large to see much of the same. Face it, this is our world.

The thing about my grandparents and the Packers of yesterday is that they represent an America that used to be. It was a time when people stuck it out through the roughest waters and losing seasons. That commitment was as important as anything.

To compare a team of today with those of the Lombardi era is

a stretch. Rather than the press matching up the Packers of today with those of yesterday, they should be comparing them with the New England Patriots of 1996-97.

I'm not suggesting the NFL or the media should forget about football's roots. I think it is healthy to remember the glorious days of the Packer's past.

But this is a new era. If the Pack doesn't start taking the Pats seriously, in 30 years we may all be talking about the Bill Parcells era.

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Spartan Profile

By ROSIE VERGARA
Asst. Sports Editor

April Lindsey

Sport: Basketball Position: Forward

Age: 21

Birthday: May 1, 1975

Height: 5'9
Weight: 150
Class: Senior
Major: Psychology

Hometown: Gainesville, Florida

Career Aspirations: Clinical Psychologist

Award & Achievements:

1996 SSC Player of the Year

1996 Honorable Mention All American

Favorite thing about UT: Small classes

Role Model/Mentor: Mother

Favorite local restaurant: Red Lobster

Favorite movie: The Five Heartbeats

Favorite song: "I Ain't Mad Atcha" by Tupac Shakur Pet Peeves: People who put their feet on her

Superstitions: Reads the poem "Dear God" before

every game

Super Bowl prediction: Green Bay Packers Quote:

"Hard work pays off."

"She has a competitive desire to win. April's expectations of herself have always been high, starting with the way she plays," said Women's Basketball Coach Tom Mosca.

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All students are invited to attend the Part time Job Fair on Thursday, January 30th in Plant Hall Lobby from 11:30a.m.-2p.m.

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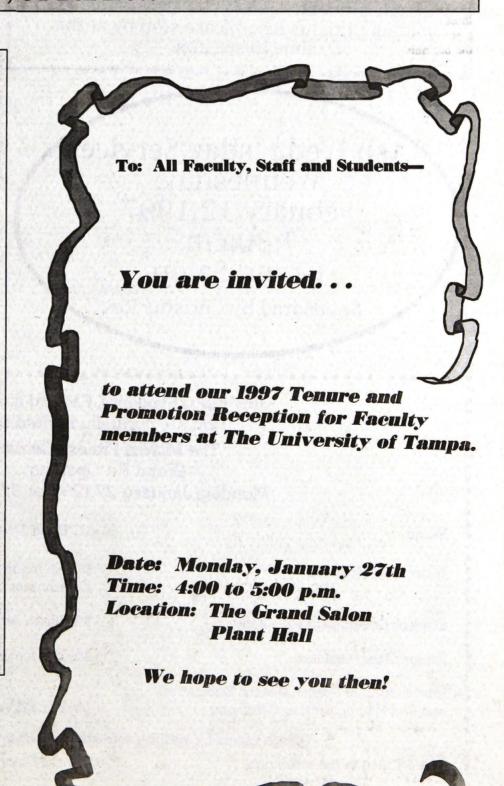
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Fr. Tom Hiddings, adviser to Christus Rex (UT's Catholic Student Organization), will be available in Plant Hall Lobby on Monday and Wednesdays from 11a.m. to 12p.m. to talk with any student. Also, if you are interested in joining Christus Rex, please stop by at this time to see him.

Ash Wednesday Services Wednesday, Febuary 12,1997 7:30a.m. Grand Salon

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ATTENTION SENIORS!

Welcome back! The holiday break gave me plenty of time to reflect on my experiences here at the university. I hope that you have given it some thought as well and have decided to make your experiences here as memorable as possible. One important note I would like to make about recent graduating classes of the university is that I really do not see very much camaraderie. I certainly don't expect us to take over a small country, but I do expect students to take a little pride in their institution. It is a shame that our school colors appear to be orange during summer camp for the Bucs and whatever the school colors are for visiting crew teams and Outback Bowl teams. Wear your school colors. I get confused real easy sometimes and think that I am at University of Florida or Florida State. Seniors need to set the example and rally behind the school by attending sports events or other campus activities that are supposed to unite our student body. This is our school, you may not see many of your classmates again after you graduate. I will be giving directions to the Martinez Sports Center before the next home basketball game.

The "Final Stretch" senior walk on Sunday January 26th is the first senior event for the spring semester. I realize this is Superbowl Sunday, but the walk is in the morning. The senior walk will give you an opportunity to meet many of your classmates from the Class of '97. ALL seniors will meet at the fountain in front of Plant Hall at 10a.m. for a class photo. Cool people that sleep in have to show up too. The route for the walk is across Kennedy Bridge, turn left passing Curtis Hixon Park and cross back over at the Cass Bridge returning to the front of Plant Hall via the back entrance of the university. The Class of '97 needs to take charge and establish this senior walk as tradition to add to the pre-existing "exit loan briefing" tradition established by the Financial Aid Office.

"The 100 Days Party" is Thursday, January 30th in Ybor. Look for a table that will be set up in Plant Hall to distribute t-shirts for this year's party. Please have a school I.D. with you in order to check your name on the graduating class roster.

The first senior meeting will be held Tuesday, January
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Monday, January 27,1997 at 3:00p.m.

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