



HIGH FIVE TO THE CLASS OF 2020

New students' guide to TCU,
from housing to majors to Frog Camp

campus construction

Water line replacement begins on Bellaire Drive North

By Kristen Weaver

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Construction around TCU's campus is expected until early July.

The Fort Worth Water Department is working on expanding water lines on Bellaire Drive North.

During the fall 2015 semester, the water department replaced pipes across University Drive, which caused road closures and traffic buildups for a few months.

The city is replacing the deteriorated water lines in the area with new larger lines to "increase capacity," according to an email sent out by Shelley Hulme, TCU's senior manager of strategic internal communications. New construction is happening in two

phases, Hulme wrote.

Phase 1 represents work along Bellaire Drive North to the intersection of Alton Drive.

Phase 2 represents work from Alton Drive to Bellaire Drive West. The water line construction won't close any parking lots around TCU. Lots 2, 11, and the Physical Plant lot will remain open throughout the water line construction, according to Hulme.

At times during construction, Bellaire Drive will be limited to a single lane and will likely cause some traffic buildup. However, the city will "utilize flagmen to direct traffic," at those times, Hulme wrote.

The water project is not expected to affect TCU's water supply.



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TEXAS "CONSTRUCTION" UNIVERSITY The Fort Worth Water Department is working to expand the water lines on Bellaire Drive North until early July.

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campus changes

Follett to replace Barnes & Noble bookstore in July



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BIG CHANGE TCU signed a new contract with Follett whose management wants to renovate the store's look and feel.

By Clayton Youngman
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Changes are coming to TCU's bookstore.

TCU is switching the bookstore's operator from Barnes and Noble to Follett Higher Education Group this

summer. The new contract will be effective July 1 and bring "an array of new tools and technology for students, faculty and staff," according to an email from Kathy Cavins-Tull, vice chancellor for student affairs.

"The textbook industry is evolving, and Texas Christian University desires

to remain ahead of the curve," Cavins-Tull wrote.

Follett will offer new textbook adoption services, price matching, open educational resources and more, according to the email. The bookstore will also get a facelift at some point in the future, including a teaching lab space and "a branded coffee concept and café with ample social space."

The bookstore will be closed June 29-30 to undergo an official transition. It will be reopened on July 1 under Follett management under the TCU Bookstore brand.

No date has been set for renovations to the bookstore, but a committee will be created "to design and implement the store's new look and feel," according to the email.

Things to know, according to the email:

- Students returning rental textbooks should do so to Barnes & Noble (according

to the terms of the rental agreement) through June 28. Rentals due back after June 28 will be returned to Follett.

- Barnes & Noble will continue to buy back textbooks through June 28. After that, Follett will purchase textbooks from students, including those purchased from Barnes & Noble.
- Students will still be able to use their ID cards to purchase items through the "Send Home" program.
- Staff and departmental discounts will continue with Follett at the current rates.
- For faculty, all submitted textbook adoptions for summer/fall courses will transfer from Barnes & Noble to Follett. Faculty that haven't submitted textbook adoptions should do so through Barnes & Noble until June 28.

interactive media

Incoming first-year students connect through video app

By Luke Morand
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Hannah Dooley came home from swim practice one night to find an invitation from TCU to create a short video about her acceptance.

Dooley, who is attending TCU on a swimming scholarship, draped a TCU blanket over her body while her sister recorded the video.

The 18-year-old from Magnolia, Texas, performed a dance under her blanket. She shared the video on social media, attracting attention from the TCU Office of Admission.

Masses of newly accepted students are making videos just like Hannah's, thanks to a partnership between TCU and the digital marketing platform Vivoom.

Students received an email from TCU asking them to download the Vivoom app and create a video to display their school pride and their excitement for their acceptance.

Using the hashtag #TCU20, anybody can watch these short videos.



COURTESY OF HANNAH DOOLEY

TCU ACCEPTANCE Hannah Dooley used Vivoom to show her excitement to be apart of the class of 2020 at TCU.

"I had never heard of the app until I got the letter in the mail," Dooley said. "It was a way to see the faces and reactions of the incoming students who got accepted."

She said utilizing the app was a great way to see other student's ideas for making videos.

Kenzie Cherniak also made a video and shared it on Facebook. The 17-year-old from Cedar Park, Texas, said she loved how TCU incorporated its own video footage

into the app for accepted students to show their spirit.

"It was really fun to see what everybody came up with," Cherniak said. "I used it to announce my acceptance to my family."

Cherniak's video shows her doing a TCU chant with her high school cheer team.

"It incorporates my own background into my video," Cherniak said. "It's really a fun way to announce your acceptance and get everyone excited about the new class."

Cherniak said watching all of the other videos made her especially excited to be a part of the incoming class.

Kirsten Hallmark, a 17-year-old from Boerne, Texas, made a video using her brother's hover board to travel across the screen.

Hallmark said TCU has always been in her family. Her father and uncle both attended TCU and her grandmother worked on campus.

"All I did was take a video from the app and it put it into the customized TCU format," Hallmark said.

Hallmark said TCU is the first school she has seen utilize an app like this to bring together its accepted applicants.

football tribute

Statues unveiled to honor TCU football icons Patterson, Meyer, O'Brien

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The legacies of TCU football icons Dutch Meyer, Davey O'Brien, and Gary Patterson are officially a life-sized part of campus in the form of bronze-colored statues outside of Ed and Rae Schollmaier Arena.

The statues were paid for by TCU alumni Bill and Sue Parish.

Bill Parish said the idea for the statues came to him about 16 years ago when TCU hired Patterson.

When Parish heard Patterson's opening remarks about winning national championships and becoming the kind of football program that Miami was in the early 2000's, he said he knew Patterson was giving "real commitment" to the TCU athletic program and the university.

Parish said he required the statues to be life-sized.

"I didn't want monuments, I wanted something that looked as close it could to the real people we're honoring," Parish said. "I want Horned Frog fans to be able to just walk up and take a picture with the statues."



LAURA BELPEDIO / TCU360

ICON Gary Patterson stands beside the life size statue of him. Alumni Bill and Sue Parish paid for statues of Dutch Meyer, Davey O'Brien and Gary Patterson.

Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Chris Del Conte linked all three of these football icons

together.

"Dutch Meyer won our first national championship, Davey O'Brien won the Heisman Trophy, which led to us getting future players like Sammy Baugh," Del Conte said, "and Gary Patterson led us to the promised land of the Big 12 and brought our program to where it is today."

Chancellor Victor Boschini said TCU simply "wouldn't be here today without Gary Patterson."

Patterson deflected the praise and, instead, focused on his players and the support he gets from administration and his wife, Kelsey.

"It's all about the players," Patterson said. "I have great bosses who let us be who we are and bosses who don't try and mold us the way they want."

To emphasize his "it's all about the players" message, he called up former players and coaches to share the stage with him.

Patterson teared up when talking about the love and support from his wife.

"Everyone has someone who stands behind them, and for me that's Kelsey," Patterson said. "I had a one-track mind only about football, but Kelsey has helped me become a better father and better man."

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Hero's Homecoming

Dixon brings impressive resume back to TCU hoops



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TCU basketball fans may be happy that they brought back their prodigal son to Fort Worth, but Jamie Dixon is more than just a former Horned Frog player.

He's also one of the most consistently successful coaches in the nation.

Dixon brings a litany of accomplishments with him to TCU from his time coaching Pittsburgh, where he spent the last 13 years at the helm of the Panthers.

Here's a look at what TCU is getting in Dixon.

A strong resume

In 1989, two years after graduating from TCU, Dixon went to New Zealand and coached at Te Aute College before heading back to the U.S. to be an assistant at Los Angeles Valley College.

He was an assistant at Northern Arizona, UC-Santa Barbara, and Hawaii, and finally reunited with Ben Howland at Pitt. Howland was the head coach at NAU while Dixon was an assistant.

After Howland and Pittsburgh parted ways in 2002, Dixon stepped into the head coaching role and immediately saw success with the Panthers. His first season ended in a Sweet Sixteen appearance, and the Panthers made the Big East championship game.

The Big East dissolved in 2013, and while Pittsburgh left for the ACC, Dixon left with the all-time highest winning percentage in Big East history, at 65.8%.

The Panthers, in total, were 328-123 under Dixon in 13 seasons.

Pittsburgh made the NCAA Tournament 11 out of the 13 seasons that Dixon was at the helm. The Panthers made the Elite 8 in 2009, a season that also saw Pitt reach the No. 1 ranking in the nation, and made the Sweet Sixteen two other times.

Dixon was the Naismith Coach of the Year in 2009, and earned other national coaching honors in 2010 and 2011. He was the Big East Coach of the Year in 2004.

Success in purple and white

While Dixon has racked up wins as a coach, he was also a successful player at TCU.

Under head coach Jim Killingsworth, Dixon played guard for two Southwest Conference championship teams. His game-winning shot against Texas in 1986 to clinch the championship remains a key part of TCU basketball lore, and was shown on the video board during his introductory press conference.

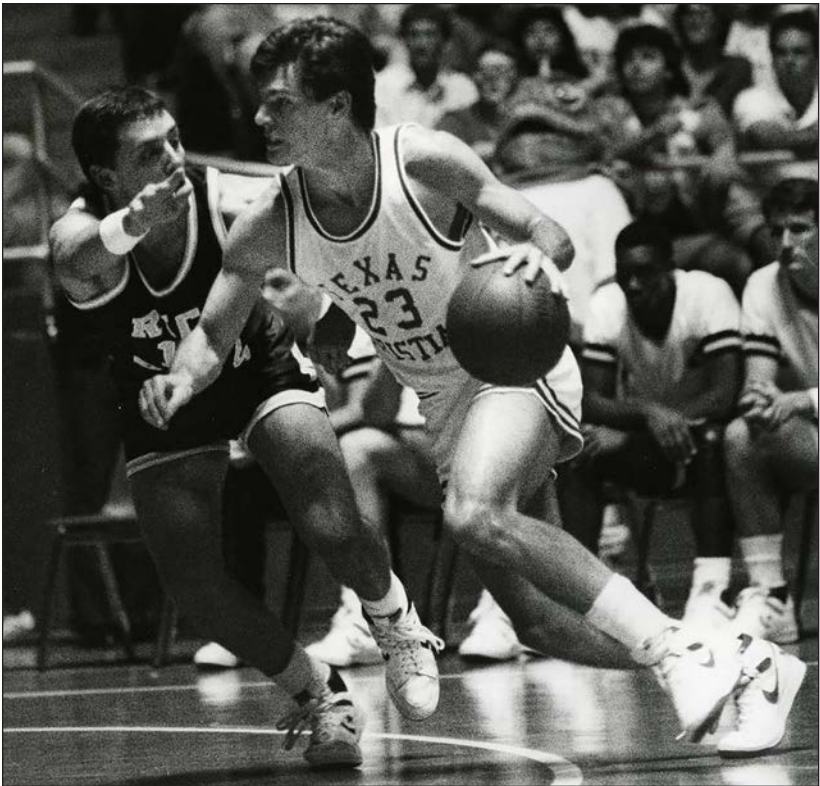
Dixon was 73-45 as a player at TCU. In his lone NCAA Tournament appearance in 1987, the Frogs beat Marshall in the first round before falling to Notre Dame.



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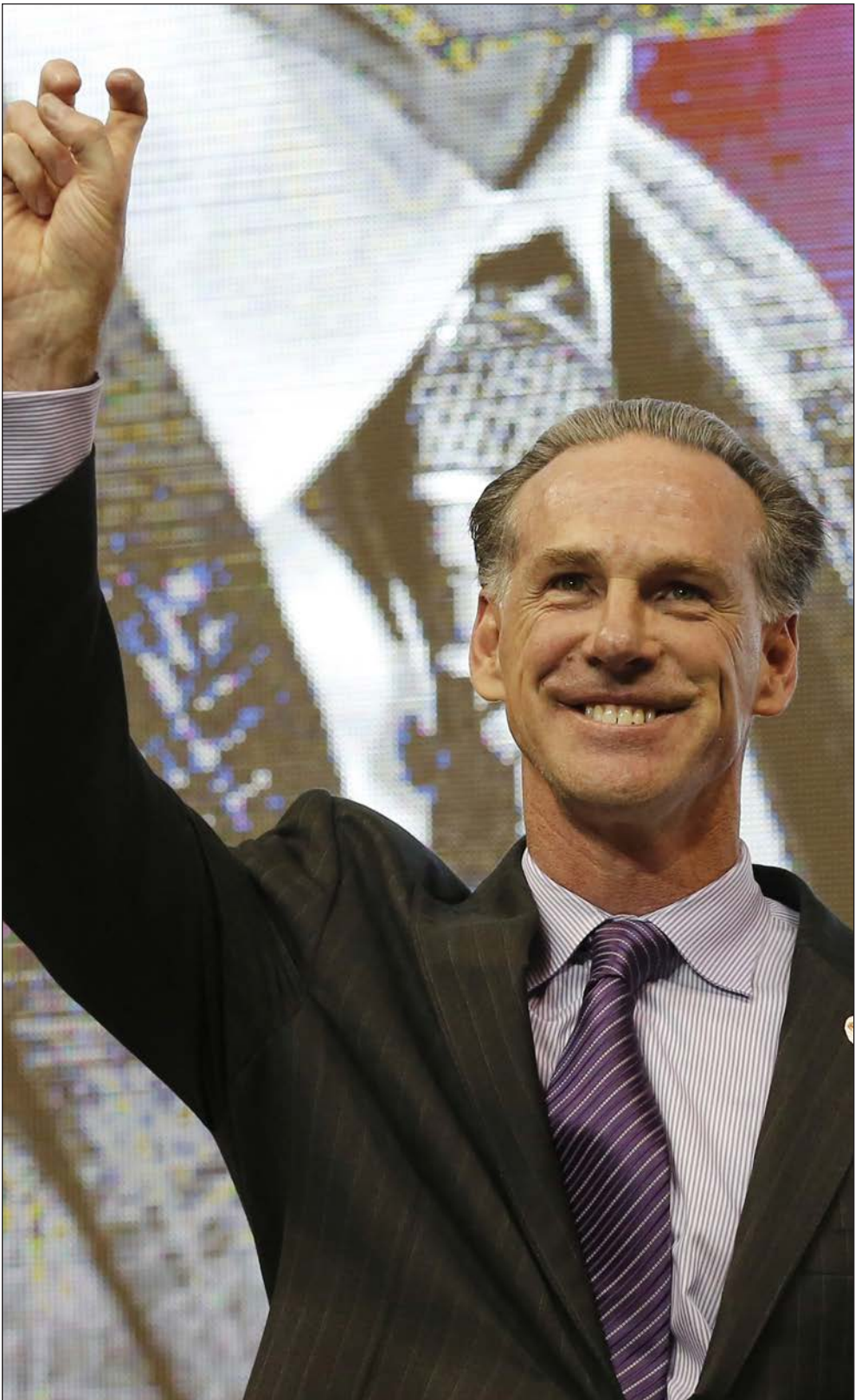


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STAR-TELEGRAM ARCHIVES

1987 TCU BASKETBALL Jamie Dixon helped lead TCU to Southwest Conference titles in 1986 and '87.



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MEN'S BASKETBALL Jamie Dixon holds a TCU men's basketball jersey with his former TCU number on it as he is announced men's basketball's head coach.

local pets

Zbonz Dog Park offers tail-wagging good time

By Elizabeth Campbell

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Dogs and dog lovers have something to wag their tails about: ZBonz dog park located off of Camp Bowie Boulevard.

The 10-acre park is divided into two areas: one for dogs less than 40 pounds and one for dogs more than 40 pounds. Owners can put their smaller dogs in the big dog area if they want; however, according to the ZBonz park rules, this is not recommended.

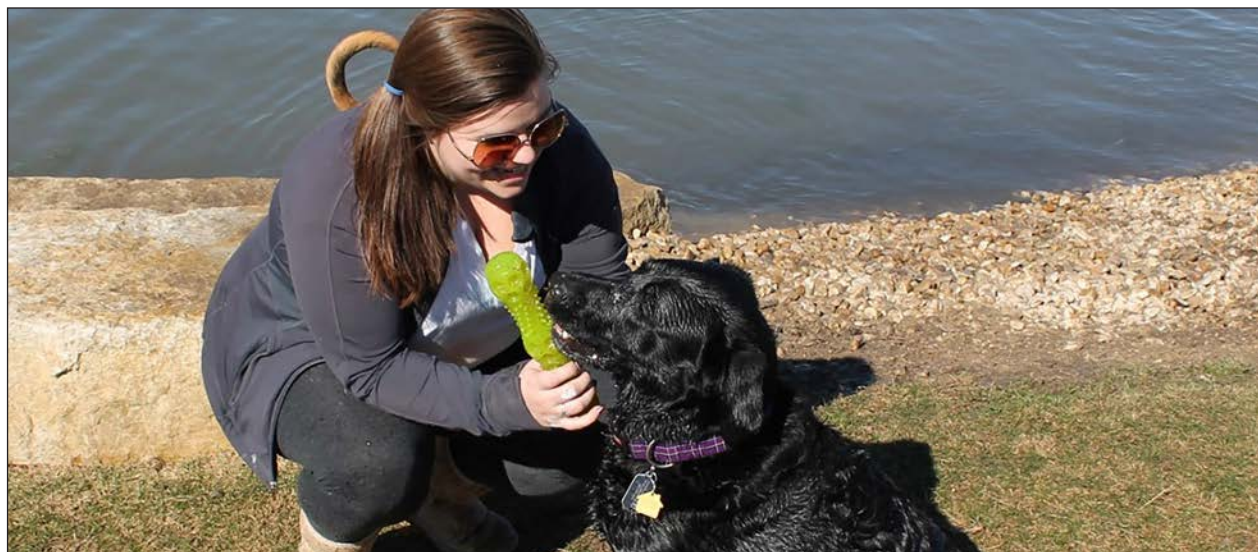
All dogs must be at least four months old, licensed with the city, and up to date on their rabies shots to play in the park.

Each side of the park is fully surrounded by a fence and features a pond, an agility course and grassy areas for the dogs to run around. There are also benches for owners and trash cans for poop bags.

Fort Worth resident Delia Owens said the pond is a favorite of her dog, Rooster.

"The first thing he did was run and get in the pond," Owens said.

Daniel Villegas said while his dogs Kinsler and Colt also love the water, drying them off isn't always easy.



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FURBABIES ZBonz Dog Park has two separate areas within the 10-acre park, one for dogs less than 40 pounds and one for dogs weighing over 40 pounds.

"I hope they get a dry-off area, so when we're done with the lake, we can gate them off so they don't have access to the water anymore," Villegas said.

While there are no plans currently to build a dry-off area, Penn said as long as donations keep coming in, they will continue to improve the park. He said the

department is currently raising money for lighting inside the park.

The park has already received \$676,000 from the city, \$510,000 in private donations and \$470,000 in pro bono labor costs, Penn said.

"We hope everyone enjoys it," Penn said.



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SHOWDOWN



student-run improv



By Hank Kilgore

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TCU's Senseless Acts of Comedy is no joke. The student-run improv group has been making TCU students, faculty and families laugh for 14 years.

In January, SAC performed at the Southwest Regional College Improv Tournament against eight other college teams. The group placed first.

Co-President Tori Twomey said SAC has hosted free improv shows on campus since 2002. Most of the time, SAC shows are performed in the Brown-Lupton University Union Auditorium.

The group holds auditions at the end of each semester.

"I've seen so many different teams together," Twomey said. "Every semester, we lose and add people. I think everyone right now is blending really well, and it's cool seeing how we all work together."

SAC is known to perform in all-black clothing. Each member, however, picks his or her own tie and shoe color, which must be the same.

Bo Briggs, a sophomore business major, is one of SAC's improvisers this semester. He said SAC brings joy to students on campus.

"This is something I'm proud of," Briggs said. "I love being a part of it. I think a lot of people like to break out of their daily routine and go see a funny show."

Jon Barnes, a senior acting major, has been on SAC for three years. He said he has built "a

lot of history" with the group.

"I've seen a lot of people come and go," Barnes said. "Looking back, it's probably been the single-most influential thing on me during my time in college. Over the years, I've seen SAC get stronger and stronger as a group."

Former SAC members agree.

TCU alumni Kelly Ryan was a part of SAC for four years. She said the group has come a long way and she is "very proud of their improv careers."

"The team definitely has the right puzzle pieces to it right now," Ryan said. "They were all talented before, but sometimes you just need the right mix of people at the right ages in order for them to reach their highest potential. I'm excited to hear about what they do."

Alumni Paul Heyduck was also a member of SAC during his time at TCU.

"I'm happy a good group was finally able to put on a good enough performance," Heyduck said. "Everyone has different strengths and weakness and how those come together to make the team is what makes each year different."

Cole Rasco, a first-year film-television-digital-media major, said he loves watching SAC perform and tries to go every Thursday.

Kayla Stallings, a junior strategic communications major, said she has always enjoyed the show. "The best part is you never know what's coming next," she said.

Senseless Acts of Comedy performs at 9 p.m. in the BLUU Auditorium every Thursday. ■



The official SAC uniform

Shirt—All SAC members need a nice, black button-down.

Tie—Ties should be a solid color that represents the member.

Pants—All pants should be black and fitted.

Shoes—Members need Converse. Not Van's. Converse.

campus diet

FEAR THE ~~FROG~~ FIFTEEN?

Experts share advice on how to avoid the 'Freshman 15'



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FITNESS Students can purchase class passes at the recreation center, which offers around 40 group exercise classes throughout the week.

By Abbey Block

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The first year of college is a time to make friends, experience new things, and enjoy delectable food.

However, for some students it is also a time of weight gain, also known as the "Freshman 15."

Studies show that on average students gain three to 10 pounds during their first two years of college. Most of this weight gain occurs during their first semester on campus.

"I think there is definitely some truth to the dreaded freshman 15," said Ryan Keller, assistant director of fitness and wellness.

"Most students are free to make all of their own choices for the first time when they get to college and quite often the choices they make aren't the healthiest," he said.

TCU's campus dietitian, Lindsey Mathes, said stress can also contribute to student weight gain. She said students

often turn to foods that are high in calories and sugar to cope with anxiety.

"Food and emotions are very closely linked," she said. "A lot of students are emotionally tied to food."

Alcohol, social snacking, and large quantities of high-calorie foods can also cause students to gain weight, said Mathes. The way food is served to those living in residence halls or with a meal plan - all-you-can-eat buffet style - is also a factor, she said.

Keller said being proactive is the best way to avoid first-year weight gain.

"Students just need to make a commitment to make their health a priority, and then try a few different things to see what fits their lifestyle and interests the best," he said.

TCU offers many resources to students, who after picking up a few extra pounds, want to embrace a healthier lifestyle.

The TCU recreation center offers a state-of-the-art cardio deck and weight room, group exercise classes, an outdoor center and personal training.

Students can meet with a personal trainer to assess body composition, muscular strength, muscular endurance, cardiovascular fitness, flexibility, and more.

Students can also meet with a dietitian at the health center to develop a personalized meal plan.

"We work with each student based on where they are," Mathes said. "It really depends on the student, their needs and their motivation level."

Mathes said she encourages students to focus on portion control and balance within their diets.

"The biggest preconceived notion is that it has to be all or nothing," she said. "They can have some of the things they really want, but how do we balance it?"

Mathes said it's important for students to remember that some body changes during college are normal.

"You're still growing. You're not going to have the same body that you did in high school," she said. "It's okay not to have a flat stomach or a perfect body." ■

curriculum

Options for core classes continue to expand

By Kaylee Bowers

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Students now have more options to fulfill their TCU core requirements.

Professors continue to develop classes that meet TCU's learning outcomes. Thirty classes were approved for core credit in the 2015 fall semester. In the 2016 spring semester, an additional two were accepted, and another is under review, wrote Ed McNertney, the director of the TCU core curriculum, in an email.

The core curriculum is a set of required credits that TCU students must take to graduate.

The key to getting a course approved for the core curriculum is communication, said Blaise Ferrandino, a member of one committee that reviews the courses.

For a class to be approved, professors must submit a syllabus and a form detailing how the class meets the core category's student learning outcomes, Ferrandino said.

A learning outcome details what students should know or be able to do after completing a course, according to the TCU core curriculum website.



KAYLEE BOWERS / TCU360

NEW CLASS IN THE FALL Dr. Theresa Gaul said her Intro to Native American Literatures class has been approved for literary traditions and cultural awareness.

If a course does not match the learning outcomes, the committee sends it back to the professor to explain the fit more clearly, Ferrandino said.

Dr. Theresa Gaul, Dr. Joseph Darda and Dr. Kara

Dixon Vuic submitted the 2016 spring semester courses, McNertney wrote.

Gaul said her Intro to Native American Literatures class was approved for literary traditions and cultural awareness; Vuic said her War and Memory in American Culture class is being reviewed for writing emphasis. Darda had a course approved for humanities, McNertney wrote in an email.

"They're going to be doing it anyway, so they might as well get credit for it," Vuic said, referring to her students' writing.

Gaul said it's not enough for professors to talk about their ideas of meeting learning outcomes.

"There actually has to be a way in the class that you can measure that students are learning them," Gaul said.

The purpose of the core is to give students foundational knowledge, Ferrandino said.

When students are forced to leave their field of study, they can "contextualize what [they] do in a more global sense," Ferrandino said.

The core continuously expands as new professors come in and old professors start new courses, Vuic said.



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faculty

New dean selected for John V. Roach Honors College



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THE NEXT DEAN Dr. Diane Snow, a professor of neuroscience at the University of Kentucky, will take over as dean of the John V. Roach Honors College in August.

By Clayton Youngman

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The John V. Roach Honors College has a new dean.

Dr. Diane Snow, a professor of neuroscience at the University of Kentucky, has been selected as the college's new dean after an "extensive national search," according to an email from Provost Nowell Donovan.

Snow will take over for Interim Dean Sarah Robbins, a Lorraine Sherley Professor in Literature. Robbins, who took over as acting dean in 2014, was one of three finalists for the position.

"I greatly appreciate Sarah's commitment to strong, transparent and strategic planning," Donovan wrote. "Sarah's contributions add luster to the history of the College."

Snow, who has a Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Case Western University, is the director of the honors program at the University of Kentucky. She is also the university's director of undergraduate research and holds an endowed chair in the Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Research Center, according to the email from Donovan.

Snow will take over as dean in August.

academics

College of Science and Engineering merges science, communication

By Connie Beltran

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Professors in the College of Science and Engineering are trying to help students better present their work and research to the public.

The college's new SciCom initiative emphasizes the importance of communication within the science fields. The initiative was introduced last fall.

Magnus L. Rittby, professor and senior associate dean of physics and astronomy, first learned of the idea from a presentation by the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science in 2014, he said.

"They showed me samples of how graduate students had gone from being relatively poor presenters of their science to being...very good at presenting in a short time span just through their training," Rittby said.

Rittby said scientists have their own language they use and hide behind, but it is important to create new ways to communicate science.

Even though the idea of the SciCom initiative



CONNIE BELTRAN / TCU360

PRESENTATION Senior student and grant recipient Meghan Goulet works on research in lab at TCU. Professors in the College of Science and Engineering want to help students present their work and research to the public.

was introduced in the fall semester of 2015, the college has already started to create different events, such as workshops, that encourage students to expand their communication skills.

Now, the college has several ongoing projects throughout the semester in which science students

collaborate with other departments.

One project, Science meets Art, encourages students to create art inspired by science.

Another project, Science meets Fiction, has students write fiction stories about the future of science and technology.

The college has scheduled two weeks, called SciCom weeks, dedicated to the celebration of science communication. The different events taking place will allow students to display and present their work.

Andrea Hein, digital content marketing coordinator for the College of Science and Engineering and strategic communication graduate student, worked with Rittby in brainstorming and defining what the initiative would look like.

"I think it really adds to the well-rounded experience that you get here at TCU," Hein said. "Instead of just sending students out into the world with this one narrow skill set of being technical and expert in their field of science, they're going to have their skill set of being a communicator."

money management

Financial literacy program promotes saving, spending wisely



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FINANCE During Money Week, students take a ride in the “cash cab” and answer money trivia questions for prizes. One Million Reasons is one of the many organizations on campus

By Ryder Buttry
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Getting a job and a paycheck is important, but so is learning how to save and spend wisely. Financial literacy, or knowing how to make, manage and invest money, is a skill not often emphasized in the classroom. At TCU, the One Million Reasons initiative is bringing financial literacy education straight to the students. The Office of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid, the Office of Admission and Student Development Services partnered to create the program last fall. The initiative helps students manage their money while in school and plan for the future, said Rachael Capua, assistant director of the sophomore and junior year experience. “We want to make this a special area of focus because we want students to be more prepared when they graduate, especially in the circumstances of having student loans,” Capua said. One Million Reasons hosted their first annual TCU Money Week as part of its campus programming efforts. TCU Money Week is a week of activities held across campus to promote financial fitness. “It’s a great way and initiative to bring a lot of different activities, workshops, and presentations to campus all relating to money,” Capua said. “I really hope this is a launch into making it a campus conversation.” The initiative also uses a specific curriculum, FOUNDATIONS, in workshops with student organizations and classrooms on campus. To promote campus programming and

curriculum workshops, students were enlisted to be ambassadors of One Million Reasons. The ambassadors “represent their colleges and can help facilitate group presentations on curriculum topics alongside TCU staff members,” according to the One Million Reasons website. Elizabeth Rosales, graduate associate for One Million Reasons, said she was interested in being a One Million Reasons ambassador after her first-hand experience as a college counselor at a high school. “I assisted my students with financial aid [and] scholarships, so I really saw the importance a lot more in financial literacy,” Rosales said. “I wanted to be on the other side of that.” Rosales said One Million Reasons is effective because it gives students opportunities to gain awareness and education about financial literacy. “In college, your ultimate goal is to graduate and to find a career, and within that comes a lot of financial planning and decisions,” Rosales said. “I feel that the program does help a lot in opening those doors to students and giving them the opportunity to become more aware how important budgeting is going to be when they graduate.” Professors and campus organizations can request a One Million Reasons workshop by emailing OMR@tcu.edu. Capua said the program has been well-received on campus so far. “There’s really a million reasons why topics like this are important to look at, and we’ve been really thrilled with how successful the program has been these past two semesters,” Capua said.

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Panhellenic to remove skits from recruitment

By Taylor Wirtz

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Comical, creative and sometimes even tear-jerking, the skit is considered one of the most memorable aspects of sorority recruitment.

But that's changed.

TCU Panhellenic has enacted a new set of bylaws established by Panhellenic Nationals. The new bylaws include the removal of the skit round from sorority recruitment.

Panhellenic President Eden Reeves said the council is aiming for a process focused on fewer frills and more on the character and personalities of each chapter.

"The ultimate purpose is to make sure that who we present ourselves as during recruitment is exactly who we are after Bid Day," Reeves said. "Sorority life isn't all about big curls, bouncing in wedges and singing catchy songs."

Reeves said she believes the chapters get caught up in aesthetics and decorations, which distract from giving potential new members (PNM) the chance to know them.

"A PNM should be buying into a chapter because of their women and who they are at their core," Reeves said. "When we add frills, we make that so much more challenging for PNM's to understand."

The council recently approved bylaws to move closer to what they call a "values-based" recruitment. This includes wearing casual attire during round two, developing procedures to help chapters remain accountable during the process and eliminating skits on round three.

"[Skits] provided too much ambiguity for chapters to



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GOING GREEK Panhellenic wants authentic representation of sorority life during recruitment, which does not include skits.

show PNM's content that was 'unbecoming of a sorority woman,'" Reeves said. "When you take the pressure off of the chapters to put on a show, you've created an environment where actives can better get to know PNM's."

Katherine Shepherd, a sophomore member of Chi Omega, said the elimination of a skit will be a definite adjustment.

"It's always been a key part of round three for all chapters, so it will be interesting to see what everyone comes up with to fill that space," Shepherd said. "It will be challenging, but I think it will bring some healthy changes to the process."

The decision to remove skits, which was made by

the National Panhellenic Conference, will go into effect during every sorority recruitment in the country this fall.

Reeves said the Panhellenic Executive Council is taking a more hands-on approach to chapter accountability to make sure that recruitment runs smoothly.

"[Panhellenic] Exec members will be acting as liaisons to make sure that chapters are doing what they said they were going to do," Reeves said. "Outside of a football game, recruitment is the single largest event that TCU puts on, and the largest amount of responsibility lies on the eight collegiate members of exec."

Reeves said all these changes to recruitment will be a challenge, but will be beneficial for the future.

mid-year students

Transfer Center offers spring orientation, Frog Camp

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The TCU Transfer Center is trying to ease the transition for students who transfer mid-year.

Mid-year transfers face distinct issues, said Rachel Capua, assistant director of the sophomore and junior year experience.

Capua said it can be difficult to find classes that aren't filled. It can also be a struggle to get involved with campus organizations.

In the 2016 spring semester, TCU offered a spring semester orientation complete with a Frog Camp.

"We had Frog Camp in spring which was the

first time we had done it in a few years," Capua said. "It's called Frog Camp Tundra, and we had transfer student specific small groups at Tundra."

Through Frog Camp Tundra, students were able to meet staff members and other transfer students.

The Transfer Center matched students with three transfer mentors. These mentors help transfer students ease into the TCU community. There is also a group of transfer volunteers who are also available to help with the transition process.

Not only are mentors provided for transfer students, but the Transfer Center makes sure to provide students with their own space.

Transfer students are encouraged to spend time in the Transfer Center area of the Student Development Services office, but they also have another space to call their own.

There is a "connections space" in the GrandMarc apartments specifically for transfer students. Capua said the effort was launched in the fall and is now in its second semester.

The Transfer Center is looking at nontraditional students and veterans. Nontraditional students can range from being a student who has a spouse, full-time job or children.

Capua said her experience as a TCU transfer student gives her an inside perspective on helping students.

SPEAK OUT!

Women express thoughts on safety, having a voice on campus

By Hank Kilgore

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It's no question that women have struggled to gain the same rights as men in history. At TCU, however, men and women appear to be treated with greater equality.

According to the TCU factbook, the gap between female and male students is actually increasing.

In the Fall 2015 semester, TCU had 6,162 female students equalling 60% of the student body population.

Women at TCU have helped shape the school to become a much more welcoming place for students and faculty all over the world.

According to TCU's female student population, while TCU certainly isn't perfect, the university is on the right track.

Being Safe On and Off Campus

In a survey of 36 female students, 31 said they felt safe on TCU's campus during the day and somewhat at night.

Many attribute feeling safe to the TCU Police as well as the blue emergency lights.

Shelby Fruge, a sophomore biology major, said, "I do feel safe on campus, even late at night. TCU does a good job of doing that."

"I know the campus is patrolled," said Smith Sheehy, a junior business information systems major. "It also helps having services like Froggie Five-0 and knowing a TCU police officer will drive me if I call."

Christina Karatzas, a junior economics major, said, "I have always felt very safe on campus, even if I'm walking home from a night class. I believe it can be attributed to the overall atmosphere of the school, how there are always people walking around, and the blue lights that are always close by."

While a majority of women do feel safe on campus, it is the outskirts of campus, and during the night, that have female students worried.

Ali Blackwell, a senior music education major, said even though she feels being on campus is typically safe, walking at night can be disturbing.

"The campus does a pretty good job with security by having police patrol the campus," Blackwell said. "But in retrospect, I never really feel truly safe when walking alone at night unless I have a companion walking me back to my apartment just a block from TCU."

Melanie Gaw, a senior film-television-digital media major, said, "As a woman, I do not feel safe on campus. I know too many people who have been



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REPRESENTING Alex Harrington, Elizabeth Stallard and Rachel Herrera held a screening of feminist documentary "Miss Representation" for their first event for TCU IGNITE - Women in Politics.

sexually assaulted by other students to feel safe on campus."

From 2012-2014, 60 sexual offenses were reported to TCU police.

Senior theater major Dana Cassling said these offenses are inexcusable.

"I know of cases where girls have been sexually assaulted by other TCU students, taken to campus life, attempted to get their rapists expelled, suspended, or even just prohibited from contacting them, and campus life has done nothing."

Maryn Richardson, a sophomore FTDM major, said, "In terms of harmful situations, specifically sexual assault, I believe TCU has many improvements to make. I personally know of two men who have committed such crimes and are still walking around campus day to day. I mean, how is that allowed?"

Having a Voice

With more than half of TCU students female, many students feel their voices are heard politically, but not always when it comes to offenses.

Cassling said, "I'm proud to say women have been making themselves heard, with the V-Day campaign, the Body Project, TCUnderground, Senseless Acts of Comedy, and having a woman student body president, TCU women are standing up and making a difference."

Many female students say they feel a sense of equality on campus.

Melissa Piesche, a junior early childhood education major, said, "I feel like both men and women have an equal chance to be heard, and we all stand together in that. If you want to be heard, it's not very hard to get your voice out there regardless of

your gender."

"It's always felt like women have a voice on campus, and I think TCU has always balanced equality and opportunity for both men and women," said Nicole Schouten, a junior strategic communication major. "I'm proud to say that as a woman, my voice is heard at TCU, and I can pursue opportunities just as equally as a male student."

Not all women say they share this experience, however.

Senior theatre major Mara Frumkin said, "misogyny is overwhelming on campus."

"It's weird to me that men on campus continue to disrespect women. I've lost count of how many times I have been cat-called."

One student, who asked to remain anonymous, said, "I think that as women on campus, we aren't given the opportunity to have any sort of voice. It's actually kind of frustrating because if there was an issue of safety, I would like to have a voice."

Do you feel your voice is being heard?



Yes No

"I'm proud to say that women have been making themselves heard."
Dana Cassling - Senior Theatre Major

27 out of 35 female TCU students say they believe their voice is heard. Many women say they have just as much opportunity as male students.

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Third Party Help

With nearly 200 student organizations, TCU offers students plenty of places to find their fit.

Over the years, many equality and social justice groups have formed on TCU's campus by TCU students.

TCU V-Day Campaign

The TCU V-Day Campaign is a non-profit, student-led organization on campus that aims to end gender-based violence and raise awareness through artistic expression.

Senior theatre major Madison Calhoun is the current president of the TCU V-Day Campaign.

Calhoun said that women on campus are very "powerful."

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"When they speak up, I think people listen. It can be hard to measure equality without clear statistics or examples, but I think there is strength in numbers, and when strong women come together to make something happen, the result is incredibly powerful."

Calhoun said the campaign hopes to raise awareness of inequalities for both men and women.

"It began with the mission to end violence against women, but recently we have expanded that to include all genders and sexes. We do this by raising awareness, essentially trying to educate students and faculty on pertinent issues."

IGNITE - Women in Politics

Women in Politics was founded in the 2015 fall semester by senior political science major Elizabeth Stallard.

The organization aims to encourage female students to get involved in politics both on campus and nationwide.

Stallard said, "We just realized that this was a cause that wasn't yet on campus. Of course, there are other political student organizations, but there wasn't one that was specifically targeting women and some of the difficulties we face and how to overcome that."

Alex Harrington, a junior strategic communication major, will be the co-president this fall.



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SPEAKING UP Members of the TCU V-Day Campaign after a performance of the Vagina Monologues.

Harrington said, "This isn't just for women either. It's open to men too. We're just talking about politics and specifically how women are affected and represented, but everyone is welcome."

IGNITE - Women in Politics is a nationwide organization.

Founder Anne Moses said, "I started IGNITE in 2010 because, having worked at the major national women's political organizations, I saw that we were progressing far too slowly, and I determined that the reason why we were progressing so slowly was because we were not reaching women young enough."

Moses said there are about 25 chapters of IGNITE -

Women in Politics in Texas, Colorado and California.

An Equal Campus

Regardless of the male-to-female ratio, according to TCU's female students, the university has done a fine job at working towards equality.

Junior biology major Eris Swanzy said, "As far as women having a voice, I feel like, organizationally, both men and women have equal representation."

Richardson says there is still work to do, however.

"I do feel proud and powerful, but being heard is a constant battle for me and many of the females I know." ■

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New medical school adds to TCU attraction



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UPCOMING ADDITION In July 2015, TCU announced it would be partnering with the University of North Texas Health Science Center to create a new medical school in Fort Worth.

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TCU and University of North Texas Health Science Center are launching a medical school with slots reserved for TCU graduates.

TCU has partnered with the University of North Texas Health Science Center to offer a medical doctor program with classes set to begin in 2018.

"The addition of a medical school may well have the effect on our academic reputation that the Rose Bowl had on our athletic pedigree," said Ray Brown, TCU's dean of admission.

The school plans to accept 60 students per class with 20 slots reserved for TCU graduates, said Chancellor Victor Boschini.

Brown said the medical school is one of many factors that make TCU attractive.

"Premed is perhaps the fastest growing population of prospective students in the country at the moment," Brown said. "So yes, more students are heading that way, but that would be true at most colleges in the U.S."



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NEW DEAN Dr. Stuart Flynn, M.D. was announced as the new dean of the TCU and UNTSCH medical school in March 2016.

Some first-year premed students said they are looking forward to the new medical school.

"I know that I was really excited to hear, that after I accepted my letter, we were getting a medical school," said Kaelin Dickey, a first-year biology major.

This increase in premed students could also be because of the high number of TCU students who get accepted into medical schools.

"TCU has gained a bit of a reputation as a 'doctor factory,'" Brown said. "We have put a lot of students into medical school, particularly given our size."

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RAY BROWN
TCU DEAN OF ADMISSION

Even with the addition of the medical program, some students said they will go somewhere else.

Dickey said she could see some students going to TCU for medical school, but others might opt for a school that has more established reputation.



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STRONG RELATIONSHIPS TCU volunteers, Delight members and members of The Net, a Fort Worth non-profit, build relationships with refugee children.

Volunteers work with refugees through non-profit

By Emily Laff

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Once a month, the tennis courts of the Ladera Palms apartments are filled with laughter.

Children chase each other across the pavement playing “sharks and minnows,” tap each other on the head playing “duck, duck, goose,” and listen intently to Gospel stories.

The Net, a Fort Worth non-profit, believes in the power of relationships.

The play dates have been a time for building relationships between refugee children and many TCU students who volunteer with The Net.

“We kind of base ourselves off this idea that people need people a lot more than they need stuff,” said TCU alum Sarah Adams, assistant director and volunteer coordinator of The Net.

While Adams said there are organizations that provide material necessities, The Net goes a step further.

“We see ourselves providing that missing piece, which is development...us walking alongside people over a long period of time in relationships with them,” Adams said.

Aside from monthly play dates, The Net hosts a weekly discipleship program with kids at the Ladera apartments. It’s a time for members of The Net to mentor refugees and teach them about God.

TCU senior Connor Close started working with The

Net his sophomore year. He said a majority of the refugees that participate in the weekly mentorship program and play dates are from a Hindu background.

“For the older kids, we are getting to the point where we actually discuss the difference between religions and why we believe that Jesus is the only way,” Close said. “It’s getting more difficult, but that’s everything that comes along with the process.”

Close said his favorite part of the program has been

“We kind of base ourselves off this idea that people need people a lot more than they need stuff.”

SARAH ADAMS

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR OF THE NET

the relationships he has built since joining The Net. He said he also enjoys seeing the progress the kids have made assimilating to the United States.

According to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, more than 4,500 people seek refuge in Texas every year. Adams said the Ladera Apartments house more than 500 of these refugees.

While Adams said there are organizations that provide material necessities, The Net goes a step further.

Adams is not the only member of The Net from TCU. Most volunteers are current TCU students who found out about the program through their churches.

This month, The Net collaborated with a new women’s ministry on TCU’s campus.

Delight is a program on many college campuses. Last year, sophomore Brooke Ingram brought it to TCU.

In an effort to find a community service project, TCU sophomore Maggie Streelman reached out to Ty Bowden, the Ladera Kids Program Manager.

“A huge part of delight is encouraging us to not only build community between the women on our campus, but to take that community and serve the local community in whatever way we can come up with,” Streelman said. “Had I not sought out the opportunity to do this community service type thing, I probably would not have known what they do here.”

Streelman also said this play date allowed her to see what lies outside of the “TCU Bubble.”

The play date program consists of playing games and coloring with volunteers after listening to and briefly discussing a Bible story.

Lending direction and support to the refugees in the Ladera community is meaningful for both the children and volunteers.

The mentorship and play date program is just one of many services The Net provides. They also work to raise awareness about sex trafficking and share meals and play games with the homeless.

academics

No major is no problem for undecided first-year students

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So what's your major?

Here's a question any student is sure to hear again and again at orientation and afterwards. Although this question can be tricky for some, those who are undecided through their first-year of college should rest easy.

"I think students worry too much about being an undeclared major when they come in and that there's a stigma to it," Dr. Turner, associate director for academic services said.

She said the pre-major route is actually a great way to get a lot of information on what TCU offers and explore career options.

A pre-major's first-year is similar to any other student's, Turner said. These students may take classes or to investigate potential careers, but they're still earning the 124 credit hours needed to graduate.

She said some students worry about finishing school on time, but most pre-majors don't have a problem graduating in four years.

However, a major is ultimately required.

Students can enroll as a pre-major for four semesters, Turner said, before they're forced to choose a major. She

said an enrollment hold is applied if these students don't pick something after completing 54 credit hours.

Fortunately, academic services can help students build a roadmap to whatever career interests them.

Academic services likes to meet with pre-major students in the first weeks of classes and have a conversation about options for a major, Turner said.

"We're all about showing them that there are alternate paths," Turner said. "It's not just one direct route to any career field."

Nate Guyton, a first-year pre-major, talked about his experience sampling many of TCU's classes throughout his freshman year in search of a major.

"I decided to do pre-major for a specific reason," Guyton said. "I wanted to try a bunch of different things before I chose my major."

Guyton has certainly delved into TCU's roster of courses. He said he's studied a variety of subjects from psychology to religion to criminal justice and is weighing his options as he approaches his sophomore year.

Guyton said he's strongly considering a major in psychology and minor in religion.

Regina Middleton, an academic advisor for the Neeley School of Business, can relate to Guyton's experience.

She talked about how she was undecided for her first



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FIRST YEAR AT TCU First-year students attended one of many orientation events last year.

two years of college before she realized that she hadn't even thought much about what she likes to do.

It finally "clicked" that she wanted to pursue fashion merchandising, she said, after she finished her general education and it was time for her to pick a major.

Middleton recommends undecided students to first acclimate to TCU before making their big decision. She said they should get acquainted to its academic resources and think about what type of work "flows" best for them.

"It's tough to ask an 18-year-old student," Middleton said. "This is a major decision that we're asking them to make and I think they can make it effectively with the right tools and resources that TCU offers."



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student recreation

Rec Center provides clinics for outdoor activities

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The University Recreation Center is continuing its tradition of providing clinics for people who want to learn more about outdoor activities.

The Rec Center began teaching introductory classes for students who want to learn the basics of rock climbing or who have an interest in outdoor activities.

Grant Steffes was in charge of the introductory class “Intro to Climbing Belay Class Climbing 101” in the 2016 spring semester and taught people how to belay.

Steffes said the Rec Center started these classes because staff members want to educate anyone who is curious about the Outdoor Center.

Another employee at the Outdoor Center Rebecca Buck helped Steffes teach the class. She said the clinics attract a certain type of person.

“The type of people that come are people who have come to the wall before or are



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ROCK CLIMBING The Rec Center offers belay classes to help students understand more about outdoor climbing.

interested in learning how to climb and the outdoors,” Buck said. “Adventure-type people.”

Steffes said the belay class showed a rise in attendance because of an increased effort by the Rec Center to advertise their clinics and

classes.

Sarah Merwin, a first-year strategic communications major, attended her first clinic Monday. Merwin said she is trying to utilize all that the Rec Center has to offer.

entertainment & food

SAVE THE DOLLARS

TCU, Fort Worth offers ways to save money throughout the week

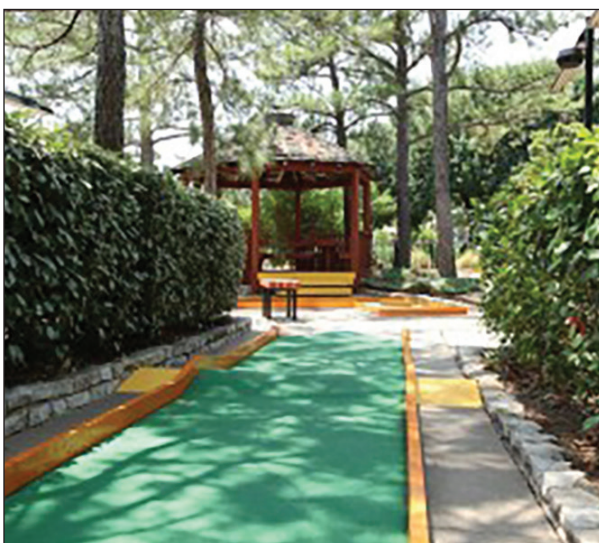


DUTCH'S HAMBURGERS

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You are now officially a college student. What does that mean? It means going to football games, pulling all-nighters and being a “poor college student.”

But never fear, being a TCU student has many perks. One being that there are many ways to save money on food and activities. You're welcome, parents. So what does a week of saving money look like besides going to the BLUU everyday and staying in your room to do homework? Here are a few suggestions.



PUTT-PUTT FUN CENTER

Sunday:

After enjoying a Sunday brunch, you can go to Fellowship Night at Putt-Putt Fun Center which is approximately 15 minutes from campus. Every Sunday from 6 p.m. to close, for \$10 per person, you can play unlimited putt-putt golf, receive a \$10 game card and be entered in a drawing for a chance to win prizes.

Monday:

After a long day of class, take a walk down one of the many Trinity Trails. The trails are along the Trinity River and can be a great place to tap into Fort Worth's active side.

Tuesday:

If you go to TCU, you have to try Dutch's Hamburgers. Dutch's is located on University and is within walking distance from any dorm. Dutch's offers half price Dutch Burgers on Tuesdays from 4 p.m. to close. That means you can get a hearty burger for just under \$4. Dutch's also offers a variety of burgers, sides and desserts. Last September, the Star-Telegram named Dutch's the 2015 DFW.com Burger Battle Champion after surveying 32 burger restaurants in North Texas. Half price Tuesdays or not, you'll want to check out Dutch's.

Wednesday:

Hurray! You are halfway through the week.

What better way to celebrate than by going down the road to the Fort Worth Zoo. Every Wednesday, tickets to the zoo are \$7. That is half the price of their normal ticket fee. The Fort Worth Zoo is on the unofficial TCU bucket list and what better way to experience it than at half the cost.

Thursday:

Thursday night head to the world's largest honky tonk. Billy Bob's is famous for dancing, country music and a good time. TCU students can present their student ID on Thursday nights and receive free admission all night. However, if there is a concert that night, students will be charged. Otherwise, if you're looking to save money on Thursday night's, Billy Bob's may be the place for you.

Friday:

It's the weekend! From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. put your bowling skills to the test at Cowtown Bowling. You can get two hours of unlimited bowling and shoe rental for \$7 per person. It's the perfect way to kick off the weekend.



FORT WORTH BOTANIC GARDENS

Saturday:

Use your Saturday to explore the Fort Worth Botanic Garden for no fee at all. This beloved piece of Fort Worth is home to many different gardens. This is the perfect place to go if you want to relax and enjoy nature. You may even see a proposal take place, since it is one of the most common proposal spots in the Fort. ■



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orientation

Easing the stressful transition

By Kaylee Bowers

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Most first-year students come to college hoping to find a new home, but few initially consider the Counseling Center.

For Kali Webster, a sophomore neuroscience major, the center was the place that allowed her to talk about the mental health issues she was experiencing. Eventually, it became “like a great big family,” Webster said.

Webster is not the only TCU student to use the center—not even close.

One in five college students experience mental health problems, according to the National Alliance on Mental Illness website. At TCU, an average of 10 to 15 percent of students visit the center each year, said Dr. Eric Wood, the associate director of the Counseling and Mental Health Center.

“Stress is by far the most common issue the center addresses,” Wood said.

“We define stress by how much change you’re going through,” he added, “and college is an enormous transition.”

Webster said she not only left

her home state of Vermont but also experienced a bad breakup.

She wanted to solve her problems on her own, but the extremity of her thoughts encouraged her to go to counseling.

“I never really opened up with my friends because I was kind of embarrassed to tell them my problems,” Webster said. “So having [the counselors] there as—that’s their job—it really helped me.”

The Counseling Center offers TCU students seven individual sessions per semester as well as resources including group therapy, crisis walk-ins and a 24/7 counseling helpline.

One of the center’s main focuses is to “normalize the experience of coming,” Wood said.

Similarly, Webster hopes other students ask for help despite embarrassment.

“Don’t follow the stigma that counseling is something for crazy people,” Webster said. “Every single human being has emotional problems and these people are resources for us.”

“The hardest part is taking the first step and going,” Webster said, “but once you do that, you realize how much they’re there to help.”



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WE’RE HERE TO HELP Kali Webster, a sophomore neuroscience major, said she hopes students talk to someone about their problems before they escalate.



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college guidance

Guide to Survival

Four graduating seniors share advice to incoming students

By Kaylee Bowers

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College is different for everyone, but one thing stays the same: no one immediately knows what works best.

Four graduating seniors offered advice to incoming students to help them navigate.

Theater major Linzey Weden said not to chase a 4.0 GPA.

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MEMORIES Meredith Trank (bottom left) encourages students to not be afraid or embarrassed to fail. Trank said no one is perfect

"Don't stress about grades because when you're applying for jobs, 4.0's don't matter," Weden said.

She said making friends and memories, especially at first, is more important than "sitting at home by yourself."

Meredith Trank, a psychology and religion double major, said not to be discouraged when failure comes.

"Don't be afraid to fail or be embarrassed," Trank said. "If you apply for something and you don't get it, try again next year."

TCU has a culture of "hyper-involvement," and it's easy to think everyone does everything perfectly, Trank said.

No one is perfect, Trank said, and "everybody has failed at something, so you're not alone."

Robert Leonard, a biology major, said to be involved in as many different groups and extracurricular activities as possible because they can teach lessons that carry over into the "real world."

"My involvements made me a better per-

"Don't be afraid to fail or be embarrassed. If you apply something and you don't get it, try again next year."

MEREDITH TRANK
TCU GRADUATING SENIOR

son—better time management, better at learning how to handle responsibility and things that change on the fly," he said.

Being able to work around the unexpected and to be flexible are especially important traits for the future, Leonard said.

Rachel Land, a sports broadcasting major, said to be kind to everyone you meet and go out of your comfort zone because people have stories you would never hear otherwise.

Land also said to use TCU's resources, including the Career Services center, Writing Center and Counseling Center. ■

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Strategic Communication launches 'Humans of TCU'

By Danielle Johnston

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TCU's campus is made up of more than 10,323 students. Every single one has a story.

With such a large student body, it can be easy to get lost in the crowd and miss out on the stories of fellow Horned Frogs. One TCU professor is trying to change that.

Associate Professor Amiso George started a spin-off of the popular blog Humans of New York, by starting Humans of TCU.

Humans of New York (HONY) was launched in 2010 and was established to provide a daily glimpse into the lives of strangers in New York City, according to its website. HONY has over 16 million followers on Facebook, 4.7 million on Instagram and a book that made The New York Times Best Sellers list for 29 consecutive weeks.

George said she loves the idea of the stories of ordinary people and she wanted to incorporate that here at TCU. Knowing that you can see faces in a crowd and then later you can be reading about them online puts things into context. TCU is a place where people are able to tell their own stories in their own words, George said.

"We are a Horned Frog Nation," George said. "We have stories to tell."

And Horned Frogs are telling their stories.

Humans of TCU currently has 60+ stories on its page and 741 likes.

George said every story is different, and by not asking the subjects a specific question, it allows for unique responses. She said her advice is: "Stop somebody, start a conversation."

"Let it be something that they tell you," George said.

George said her passion for this initiative led her to implement it into her Strategic Writing course. She said she has her students complete two entries per week for class.

Elle Sparks, a student administrator on the project, says she works everyday to monitor posts and find content for the page.

"We want this page to be a year-round thing where we post even during the breaks," said Sparks. "That way it'll give you an even better idea of what the TCU community looks like, even outside of school."

Meri Terpstra, a student in George's Strategic Writing course, says the experience has given her the opportunity to get to know people she otherwise would have missed.

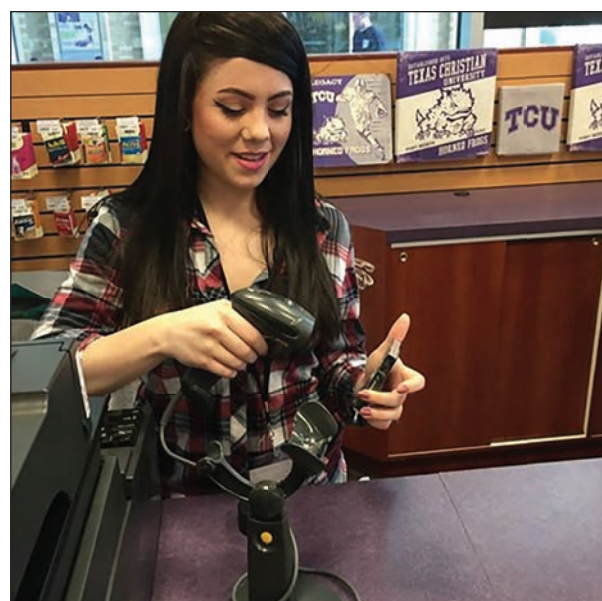
"I intentionally try to talk to people who I always see, but never talk to," said Terpstra.



"It's a good experience because I'm learning so much more about the people I am surrounded by rather than assuming I know them just because I've seen their face before and they go to school with me."

In addition to student stories, George says she plans to expand the project even further than TCU's campus, and eventually on more platforms than just Facebook.

"We are working on getting more administrators, staff and faculty," said George. "But even more than that, we're going to look for TCU alumni around this area and beyond, because it's about the Horned Frog Nation, regardless of where they are."



Humans of TCU
about 2 weeks ago

"Even at my job I work with people from a bunch of different places and they go to TCU. I work with somebody from Africa, Russia, China and India and I get to talk to them all. It's really cool."



SPEAK OUT

The Dear World College Tour encourages people to share personal messages or stories through photo portraits.



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Jonah Evans, executive producer of Dear World, was on hand to help students share their stories.

By Mackenzie Holst
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Hundreds of people lined up in the Mary Coats Burnett Library this week to write phrases on their bodies and get

their photograph taken as part of the Dear World College Tour. The project encourages people to write personal messages about their lives.

Here are their stories.



JUST KEEP SMILING.

"My first semester was really challenging academically. I switched from nursing to early childhood education. Science just wasn't my thing. I was really scared about changing my major, but I had to think positive like, 'I'm okay, and the future is going to be great.'" – Margaux Brink, first-year early childhood education major



IMPROVISE, ADAPT AND OVERCOME.

"It's an Army mantra. I learned about serving a higher purpose, and joining the military. I was in the U.S. Army, National Guard, and I served in Iraqi Freedom. I was surprised that I had PTSD, so it's been a nine-year struggle transitioning back to civilian life. You're going to be faced with challenges, and you gotta find a way." – Cristina Mungilla, senior strategic communications



EVERYBODY IS SOMEBODY'S HERO.

"My hero is probably my mom, just because of everything that she's taught me throughout life and that she's been with me around every corner. She's always continually being encouraging and ready to lend a helping hand." – Jacob Choulet, sophomore finance and entrepreneurial management major



I CAN HEAR YOU.

"I have a learning disorder... where I hear everything backwards. People think I can't hear them, and it's not that. I can hear you, I'm just trying to process everything. I've made it so far and I'm proud of myself because I wasn't even supposed to get into college." – Connor Sprague, junior nursing major

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Honors College announces new distinguishment award

By Abbey Block
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The John V. Roach Honors College Board hopes to increase the visibility of its program by honoring a distinguished individual with a new award.

The new Board of Visitors Founders Award will highlight an individual whose achievements exemplify the mission and values of the Honors College.

The Honors College is encouraging members of the TCU community to submit nominations for the award.

“It’s an open process. We need the help of faculty, students and alumni to do this,” said George Henderson, a TCU graduate who is serving on the 2015-2016 award committee. The committee will select the winner of the award.

The award is open to an individual in any field or enterprise who inspires, challenges and exemplifies critical thinking skills, according to an announcement from the Honors College.

Although the nominee does not need to be a TCU graduate, he or she should demonstrate a continuing connection and commitment to the Honors College and TCU, according to the

announcement.
“In our minds, it represents the highest ideals of the Honors College and our greater campus community,” said Dr. Dan Williams, a faculty member on the award committee.

Williams, an honors professor of humanities and director of the TCU Press, said picking a winner among the nominees will be a “difficult process because there are so many splendid candidates.”

Williams said he hopes the winner, who will be invited to visit campus next fall, will have the opportunity to meet and mentor current students. “I hope students are inspired and motivated by the people they meet,” Williams said. “This is a real opportunity to celebrate people who have achieved wonderful things in their lives in various ways and to get them more involved on campus.”



ABBEY BLOCK / TCU 360

ACCOLADES The new Board of Visitors Founders Award will honor an individual whose achievements exemplify the mission and values of the John V. Roach Honors College.

Landon Hendrickson, a sophomore Honors College student who is on the award committee, said although he hopes the award will bring publicity to the Honors College, its main purpose is to inspire and help current students.

“We wanted to provide students with someone who was visible and someone who could be used as an example,” Hendrickson said. “It’ll be really neat to see how this first winner takes it and runs with it.”



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living on campus

First-year students reflect on living in a triple

By Sophia Doumani

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Some students like being crammed in makeshift dorms.

The 2015-2016 school year began with about 18 to 20 percent of first-year students assigned to non-traditional housing, according to Craig Allen, director of housing and residence life.

"There are about 75 or 80 triples so there would be approximately 225 to 240 students that began the year in that living arrangement," Allen said.

Every time a student leaves or drops out of TCU, their room is offered to students living in non-traditional housing via email. Allen said TCU's retention rate trend is close to 91 percent.

"Anybody who's living in a triple or a lounge or a quad at this point has chosen to stay there," Allen said.

Allen said only a little more than 50 percent of these students in triples chose to move.

First-year Emily Shands comes from a family full of women with sisters.

"I didn't move out of my triple because I feel like I found another set of sisters," Shands said.

"I think that is a lot of the reason why I chose to stay in a 'forced triple,' but we don't like to call it forced."

Shands is correct, it's not a "forced triple" or "forced quad." They should be referred to simply as "triples" or "quads."

"No one is forced to live on campus but it is something that we encourage," Allen said.

Allen said he is not at all surprised by the number of students who want to stay in their triples or quads, even though 10 percent has opened up.

First-year student Patrick Shreve said that he would choose to live with his three roommates over just living with one any day.

"I think that coming into this room and spending so much time in such a small space

with all of your roommates really brings you guys together," Shreve said.

Licensed professional counselor Dawn Dillon said that she questions if the living arrangements are ideal.

"No, just because of space," Dillon said. "But I think a lot of things aren't ideal and we get a lot out of them."



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FIGHTING FOR A SPOT In the process of accommodating rising freshmen and sophomores, juniors and seniors may have to look for housing off campus.

By Brooke Morrissey
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Rising sophomores waiting for their housing assignment for next year are guaranteed a bed, but it may not be in their residence hall of choice; however, rising juniors and seniors may have to look off campus.

The housing crunch has been a point of contention this spring, as many first year students have complained they have yet to receive an assignment. Housing officials, however, say all students should expect to be placed by June. Most rising first-year students have been notified about where they'll live in the fall.

"The freshman class is a large one, but I'm going to guess that it's probably less than 10 percent who didn't get a room in this process," said Craig Allen, the director of housing and residence life (HRL). "It might even be a lot less than 10 percent."

The number of upperclassmen who want on-campus housing continues to increase.

"This year we had over 500, I think close to 600 juniors, who filled out applications, who said they wanted housing on campus," Allen said.

More than 250 rising seniors also applied for housing on campus. However, HRL has to accommodate rising sophomores first, since they are required to live on campus.

Students must go through the housing lottery if they want to live on campus. The lottery gives students a random time slot

of when they can select housing for the following year. The time slots assigned are randomly given through an auto-generator.

Once the lottery process is over, HRL assigns housing to students who are required to live on campus but did not select a room.

Allen said some students were offered rooms but decided not to take the assignment because it wasn't the location they wanted or it wasn't big enough for them and their friends.

"For a variety of reasons, students may not have a housing assignment, but it wasn't that everything closed early, and if it did, it only closed after everyone had picked it because most students got a room," said Allen.

Allen said in the coming weeks HRL will start to assign people where there are vacancies.

Rooms may be vacant for a number of reasons. Some people may have removed themselves from a room or others may not have picked a vacant room.

"We'll make as many assignments as we can before students leave school in May," said Allen. "Some students may have to wait until June before they hear from us... because that intersects directly with freshman."

Though housing may have been crowded this year, HRL has plans to expand. They are currently working on housing plans in Worth Hills, but they are also plans for more suite and apartment styled rooms on campus in the future.

greek life

Sigma Nu fraternity officially chartered on campus in April

By Morgan Heinrich
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Sigma Nu’s waiting period ended after the chapter received a message on Feb. 3 approving the organization’s petition to be re-charter on the TCU campus.

“The high council reviewed the petition and status of the Lambda Epsilon colony tonight, and they have enthusiastically approved the petition and confirmed the Lambda Epsilon colony as they have completed the requirements,” the message read.

After five months of recruiting members, becoming involved on campus and setting up its petition, the fraternity was officially chartered on April 8, said Sigma Nu member Tommy Nelson.

TCU’s Sigma Nu chapter was the fastest chapter to be chartered in national Sigma Nu history, said Sigma Nu president Robert Leonard.

Sigma Nu is also the largest fraternity colonization chapter in TCU history.

“It’s exciting being part of something new that I was a part of building,” Nelson said.

The chapter had unofficially been a part of TCU

in the past.

In 1987, a group of TCU men moved into one of the houses behind Mellow Mushroom and pioneered TCU’s first Sigma Nu chapter.

The fraternity was chartered by Sigma Nu national headquarters but was never officially recognized as an official IFC fraternity by TCU, said Mike Dilbeck, the TCU Sigma Nu chapter adviser.

The fraternity dissolved from the TCU campus in 2002.

Interfraternity Council President Diego Padilla said Sigma Nu was ranked No. 4 in grades in the fall 2015 semester and has had a positive impact on campus.

“I am excited to see how this chapter progresses in the future,” he said.




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GREEK LIFE The Sigma Nu chapter learn fraternity history in a meeting. Sigma Nu received a message on Feb. 3 that approved its petition to be re-chartered.

Padilla said Sigma Nu will also have a house in the upcoming Greek village.

“Sigma Nu not only had to overcome obstacles to be considered an ‘excellent chapter’ by headquarters, but I think we have established a leadership role on the TCU campus,” said Sigma Nu member Tommy Nelson.




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new record

Schlossnagle becomes winningest coach in TCU baseball history

By Blake Grable

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Head baseball coach Jim Schlossnagle now holds a spot in history.

The Frogs' 5-0 win over the Loyola Marymount Lions was Schlossnagle's 518th win, making him TCU's all-time winningest baseball coach.

Freshman Luken Baker made his pitching debut on Sunday, throwing 6 1/3 shutout innings. He only gave up one hit and struck out six.

The Frogs got on the board in the third when Connor Wanhanen hit a triple down the third base line. Dane Steinhagen then walked, putting runners on the corners for the Frogs. Evan Skoug followed with an RBI sac fly to center, sending in Wanhanen.

The bats seemed to come alive for the Frogs, as they totaled 10 hits and five runs. Junior Elliot Barzilli continued his stellar weekend, going 3-4 at the plate and making a few great plays at third. Barzilli is now 7-11 batting after the team's first three games.

Baker also helped the Frogs out at the plate. In the fifth inning, he sent the ball flying over the left-center field fence, giving the Frogs a 3-0 lead. This is the

second season in which a freshman has hit the first home run for the Frogs.

Baker showed his full potential today and gave Horned Frog fans a glimpse of what the future could hold. He was removed from the game in the seventh inning, allowing the bullpen to take over.

The Lions threatened during the seventh, loading the bases with no outs. But Preston Guillory stepped up, striking out two and delivering a pop fly to end the inning.

Freshman Durbin Felton made his college debut in relief of Guillory during the eighth. Felton retired the side in order.

TCU added two insurance runs in the eighth thanks



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MAKING HISTORY At 518 wins, Jim Schlossnagle now holds the record for all-time winningest baseball coach in TCU baseball history.

to a two-run single up the middle by Mason Hesse.

Freshman Dalton Brown also recorded an out in relief for his college debut. He was then replaced by Brian Trieglaff, who closed out the game and sealed the Frogs 2-1 series win.



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Welcome class of 2020

Current students offer advice for incoming students

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A cceptance letter? Check. Now what? Before the to do lists and questions about life as a first year student begin. Current TCU students offer advice to the class of 2020 to help them prepare.

Junior communications studies major Christopher Pozzi said incoming students need to remember time is precious and enjoy every second of their TCU experience.

Caroline Jones, first-year political science major, said the Horned Frog family is welcoming and incoming students shouldn't be nervous about approaching people on campus.

After four major changes Jones settled on political science and said incoming freshman should know it is fine to change their major.

First year student communications major Alissa Rash said she didn't get out of her comfort zone during her first semester, but now that she

has she is enjoying her time on campus even more than before.

Sophomore accounting major Demi Fritz said trying new things can help incoming students meet new people.

Don't forget about class. Already concerned about late nights and heavy work loads? Don't worry, the library is open 24 hours a day five days a week during the fall and spring semesters.

Students should stop into the Mary Coats Burnett Library and take advantage of the available resources.

Still not feeling prepared for that test? TCU has a solution for that, or maybe just a superstition.

On the way to a test students can rub the Horned Frog's nose for good luck.

If students find free time between all that studying, going to class and meeting people there are always organizations on campus for them to join.

Julia Zellers, sophomore political science and economics major, said incoming students should find an organization on campus they are passionate about.

Can't find an organization that seems right? Junior speech-language pathology major Lauren Hunsicker said TCU makes it simple for students to start their own.

Sophomore strategic communications major Cade Bethea said organizations are an important aspect to the TCU experience, but students should remember to take them for themselves as well.

Feeling overwhelmed yet? That is ok, follow Bethea's advice and take some time to yourself.

While you take time for yourself it might be a perfect time to stop and smell the flowers. That won't be hard to do at TCU. The campus has

flowers displayed at what feels like every turn.

Everything is blooming with school spirit from purple flowers to TCU students.

Although students who received parking tickets from the TCU Police might not be showing their pride when they see their ticket, parking pains are part of being a TCU student.

Don't let parking get you down! Justin Pollard, a junior English major, said incoming students should take advantage of everything TCU has to offer to make their dreams a reality.

Perhaps the best advice for the class of 2020 is



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SMELL THE FLOWERS Flowers cover campus giving students a

to take the advice from anyone who offers. This allows the incoming students to benefit from another's experiences and mistakes without doing the heavy lifting.

Congratulations to the class of 2020 on their acceptance to TCU, the Horned Frog family will see you this fall! ■



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SUPERSTITION Mechanical engineering major Irené Kwi-hangana rubs the nose of the Horned Frog statue next to Dave Reed Hall for good luck before a test.

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FREE FOR FROGS!



Photo courtesy Kate Spitters

Texas Frog Camps are now free for incoming students

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Frog Camps in Texas are free for the first time this summer.

The nine Texas camps have between 160 and 350 students and used to cost between \$200 and \$250, said Trung Nguyen, director of first year experience. About 80 percent of incoming students attend the camps.

Funding is coming out of TCU's operating budget, said Kathy Cavins-Tull, vice chancellor for student affairs.

The biggest obstacle for many students attending Frog Camp is the financial burden.

"What we wanted to do was eliminate that obstacle for all of our students," Nguyen said. "If you want to come to a Frog Camp, we want to make it accessible for you."

Frog Camps started 20 years ago and have been

widely successful, Cavins-Tull said.

While there is no clear causal relationship, students who attend the camps tend to persist and graduate from TCU at a higher rate than those who do not, Cavins-Tull said. However, connecting students to peer leaders and mentors among members of TCU's faculty and staff contributes to that higher success rate, she said.

A sense of belonging is critical for incoming college students, and the camps create an immediate community, Nguyen said.

The plan is to keep the camps free, but the success of the program will be evaluated each year to determine if it is worth the cost, Cavins-Tull said.

Hunter Vaccaro, a Frog Camp executive director, said the camps help students recognize that college is doable.

"We get all these students together and kind of call out the elephant in the room and say, 'Look around you. You are not alone,'" Vaccaro said. ■

Texas Frog Camp 2016 Dates

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| Casa Nueva A | June 8-10 |
| Casa Nueva B | June 22-24 |
| Casa Nueva C | August 11-13 |
| Challenge A | June 4-6 |
| Challenge B | August 11-23 |
| Cultura A | June 10-12 |
| Cultura B | June 25-27 |
| Quest | June 15-17 |
| Summit | August 15-17 |