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NEWS

Thousands march for human rights



PHOTO BY KATIE COLEMAN

Many men, women and children marched down the streets of Fort Worth on Saturday.

By **KATIE COLEMAN**
STAFF WRITER

Men, women and children of different backgrounds gathered in front of the Tarrant County Courthouse Saturday afternoon to participate in the Fort Worth faction of the Women's March.

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"So it was like 20 people," Paz said. "And then they found the national site, and they made the Facebook page, and they signed it up and it's like everybody just came."

Sister marches to the Women's March on Washington cropped up all over the country, and in other parts of the world, since the larger demonstration was announced in December.

Organizers of the Women's March have said they want elected leaders to know that they should

protect the rights, health, and safety of everyone in the country -- including women and marginalized groups who have felt threatened recently like the LGBTQ community, Muslims, immigrants, people of color, native people, and people with disabilities.

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TCU chaplain, the Rev. Angela Kaufman arrived more than an hour early to volunteer as a crowd marshal.

"The fact that we're going to march here and not just in Austin or not just in Dallas talks about what we value as a Fort Worth community," Kaufman said.

Paz stressed to

volunteers that this was a non-partisan march and everyone was welcome as long as they remained peaceful.

Voices from the crowd

Friends Christy Hopkins and Rhonda Schmit brought their daughters.

"I'm proud to see all these people here," Schmit said, choking up and pointing to her daughter. "And I want her to see it."

Hopkins said this march was a source of comfort for her and her family, who moved from the Midwest 15 months ago.

Hopkins said she regrets that she did not speak up about her beliefs in an effort to fit in a new place, and from now on she is going to be okay with sticking out.

"So going forward it's like this is me, this is what I stand for," Hopkins said. "I realize that's not the majority here, but that's okay. I'd rather people know me for how I stand about things than just simply be accepted."

Schmit said the march

pushed her to get involved in local grass roots movements.

"I don't know if I can influence Washington, but I can influence where I live and my community," Schmit said. "That's where my goals are."

Married couple Bob and Theresa Ellis talked about their idea of government's role in society.

"I would like to encourage government to make a difference and to try to care for those who are least able to care for themselves," Bob Ellis said.

His sign referenced a quote from the Bible's book, Matthew.

"We think the Bible is: you love God and you love other people," Theresa said. "That's the bottom line."

Paz said she was proud of how the march went.

"This is not an event that is about elected officials, this is about the people," Paz said. "And I feel like the people really owned this, and it's special."



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NEWS

Kyle Hicks, other football players arrested Saturday

By **GARRETT PODELL**
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TCU running back Kyle Hicks, the Horned Frogs' leading rusher and receiver last season, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication along with two former football players Saturday morning.

According to a report from the Fort Worth Police Department, Hicks and former players Bryson Henderson and George Baltimore were taken into custody after Fort Worth police were

called to the Whataburger on the 2400 block of West Berry Street at 2:41 a.m. Officers were initially dispatched out for a fight at the restaurant.

Along with public intoxication, the report indicates Baltimore was also charged with resisting arrest.

TCU Athletics said in a statement Monday night that officials are aware of the incident and looking into it.

In 2016, Hicks scored 14 touchdowns, while totaling 1,042 rushing yards and 417



From left to right: Kyle Hicks 22, Bryson Henderson 21 and George Baltimore 21.

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receiving yards on 47 receptions. Hicks recorded a career-high

five touchdowns in TCU's 62-22 win over Baylor on Nov. 5, the most in a

single game by a Horned Frog since LaDainian Tomlinson's record-set-

ting six touchdowns against UTEP in 1999.

ENTERTAINMENT

"Split" held captive by poor execution

By **CHRIS GARCIA**
STAFF WRITER

Torn between good ideas and questionable choices, "Split" takes a unique horror idea and delivers a dragging thriller in its place.

The latest from director M. Night Shyamalan, the movie follows three teenage girls as they try to escape from the hands of Kevin (James McAvoy) and his 23 personalities before the arrival of a beastly 24th personality occurs.

One of the biggest issues with "Split" comes from how average the plot itself is. While an interesting premise, the film does little to expand upon the basics. There are some really unique ideas and concepts that are never fully explored, and the film is constantly weighed down by mediocre dialogue and some poor editing choices. Because of this, the film seems to drag a lot as it takes an unnecessarily long time to go from point A to B, and a weird

final act ends up leaving much to be desired. This, combined with a blink-and-you-miss-it twist, makes the movie feel unsatisfying and leaves questions open for a potential sequel.

James McAvoy's strong performance as Kevin is easily the best part of the film. McAvoy does a good job making each of the character's personalities seem unique and, to an extent, real. McAvoy does the best with what he has to work with, though this makes it feel that the film never needed someone of his caliber.

On the other hand, the rest of the cast is completely forgettable. Anya Taylor-Joy takes the lead as protagonist Casey, but she often comes across as blank and never seems fully invested in the events of the film or the characters around her. Betty Buckley also stars as Kevin's psychiatrist, though her and the other two girls, played by Haley Lu Richardson and Jessica Sula, seem to be going through

the motions more than anything else.

This leads to the other problem "Split" faces, which is its character development. Kevin is by far the most interesting and developed character, but it's solely due to the varying personalities and there's never any growth that stems from it. Casey also has some development, but because of its awkward placement throughout the film, it makes it harder to really connect with her and understand her arc. Buckley's Psychiatrist starts off interesting but never comes to be a character on her own, often serving as an extension of Kevin instead, and the other two girls are never anything more than names to faces.

Visually, the film also comes across as average. Though there are some questionable shots that seemed out of place and some jarring editing choices, nothing really stands out.

Combined, these issues make "Split" hard to



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This image released by Universal Pictures shows James McAvoy in a scene from, "Split."

recommend. Despite the unique premise, fans of horror or thriller movies won't find much new to work with. Audiences that are fans of Shyamalan's previous works or James McAvoy may find something interesting here, but the movie isn't really worth seeing otherwise.

Verdict:

While not Shyamalan's worst, "Split" never feels like a true return-to-form for the director and ends up becoming a mixture of interesting ideas with poor execution.



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FEATURE

Unpaid internships: history, insight and TCU students' stories

By **MONICA DZIAK**
STAFF WRITER

While having an unpaid internship can be an economic hardship for college students, some TCU students have found value without the pay.

During the summer, senior political science major TJ Scott had an unpaid internship with Texas House District 93 Office of Rep. Matt Krause, working to solve constituents' problems.

"There were moments where I was doing work that served the good of the community, so it kind of felt like volunteering, and there's not really a monetary benefit to volunteering," Scott said. "I know other internships people have had where they go in and check boxes, and they don't really add value to where they are."

"It wasn't paid, but there was a lot of value that came out of it --

much more valuable than any dollar amount I could have gotten from any internship," he added.

Gaining experience is another reason why college students take unpaid internships.

Junior film-TV-digital media major Houston McCullough has an unpaid gig as a social media intern for TCU Football.

McCullough said her internship correlates with what she wants to do for a future career.

"I want to do social media promotions for major athletic teams or major corporations, so I figured this was a good way to get my foot in the door and also get experience," McCullough said. "Every video or photo I take, I still own the rights to them, so I can use them in my portfolio or to promote myself to future employers."

Regulating unpaid internships

The Fair Labor Standards Act lists certain requirements for unpaid internships:

"The internship, even though it includes actual operation of the facilities of the employer, is similar to training which would be given in an educational environment;

The internship experience is for the benefit of the intern;

The intern does not displace regular employees, but works under close supervision of existing staff;

The employer that provides the training derives no immediate advantage from the activities of the intern and on occasion its operations may actually be impeded;

The intern is not necessarily entitled to a job at the conclusion of the internship and

The employer and the intern understand that the intern is not entitled to wages for the time spent in the internship."

TCU's Center for Career and Professional Development executive director John Thompson said there is still some question regarding the guideline stating "the internship experience is for the benefit of the intern."

"You've got this nice, broad guideline and so it's a judgment call. Let's say you go to work for NBC and what they have you do is say, 'File these papers' or 'Go take a look at computer files' or 'Go get me my coffee,' that's not exactly benefitting you," Thompson said. "On the other hand, if they say, 'Hey, we're going to a crime scene,' or 'There's a fire we want you to go report on,' that's benefit to you. So it gets into is this really a student benefit or does

this really benefit the company?"

Thompson also said that since the guidelines were created, some companies stopped taking interns.

"The companies have to be pretty up-front about what the student is doing because they open themselves up for a lot of criticism or a lawsuit if they do hire students but don't use them for stuff that's going to benefit the student, whatever that might be," he said.

Who benefits

Junior political science and communication studies double major Maddie Madill said worked as an unpaid intern on a local political campaign. She said she doesn't feel that she benefitted more than the organization did.

"I felt like I was doing the dirty work while the executives just kind of sat and watched," Madill said. "I'm sure the work

was meaningful for the campaign. I know it's important to make those relationships with people when you're talking to someone about a candidate, but it just didn't feel meaningful at the time."

So does the company benefit more than the intern does from the internship?

Joseph Jammer, the Fort Worth Public Library's public education specialist and teen specialist, said he believes both the library and the intern benefit equally from the internship program.

"The intern themselves get an opportunity to see the work firsthand and participate in what we do here, and then we get an opportunity to have help along with us while we're doing our programs and so forth, and an

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opportunity to pass on some of the information that we have acquired during our time in the library,” Jammer said.

He said the library pays interns because it wants to be competitive. “If someone had an opportunity to work somewhere with pay as opposed to doing it just because they like it, then we hope that that person would also see us as a way of saying, ‘OK, well there are two things going on, I actually like library work and I’m getting paid,’ so that makes the experience heavily pleasurable for them,” he said.

Thompson said even with the federal guideline the company is still going to benefit in some way because of the interns. He said the greatest benefit is getting the chance to evaluate talent for possible future full-time employees.

“Eighty-five percent of students nationally who have internships have gotten jobs, and it’s almost 50 percent who have internships went to work for the company that they did the internship with,” he said. “So if you improve your chances for getting a full-time job, the company’s got the real great opportunity to evaluate you; they get to see talent that they can hire and not lose money on a gamble.”

Financial setback

But unpaid internships could be a setback for students who need both experience for a future career and money to support themselves.

According to a study conducted in 2014 by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), 46.5 percent of internships were unpaid -- almost half of all internships offered.

Madill said she drove to Dallas for the internship five to six days a week with no gas

stipend.

“I pay for my own things, my parents give me my rent money and that’s it, so it was really hard to have an unpaid internship when you’re expected to travel so much when you’re not getting a stipend, so it put me through an economic hardship when I was going through that internship,” Madill said.

Senior communication studies major Emily Tall said her unpaid marketing internship means she has to focus more on budgeting monthly expenses. She also decided to take up a paid nanny job.

“That nanny position is my only source of income right now, and I don’t have time to pick up more hours because of classes and the internship,” Tall said. “I just make sure when I get my paycheck that I put aside a little bit for each of my bills to make sure I’m not spending on eating out on money that needs to be used for bills later in the month.”

A few years ago, TCU set up an Internship Scholarship Program to offer monetary aid to students who are in need of it during working an unpaid internship.

Thompson said one of the reasons the program was created was because TCU knows there are students who want to do internships, but they have costs. If they don’t get paid, they’re out of pocket for gas or food to do the internship.

The amount of money provided for a student who is awarded the scholarship varies as well, depending on the number of hours they’re interning, the quality of his or her application, what he or she will be doing with the money and how the money is necessary for them to do the internship.

The issue of unpaid internships at TCU mirrors the what’s happening on a nation-wide scale.

Carlos Vera founded the Pay Our Interns campaign, after struggling financially while interning at the White House.

NPR reported that Vera said that at his university, American University, the per-credit cost for a course to receive credit for the internship is \$1,467.

“You’re paying to intern for free,” he said, according to the article.

The goal of Pay Our Interns is to advocate for more paid internships for millennials, based on the notion that all individuals, regardless of socioeconomic status, shouldn’t be barred from pursuing real-world experience.

TCU political science professor Grant Ferguson helps set up internships for political science students. He said taking advantage of TCU’s resources is important for students who cannot take an unpaid internship but want to prepare for future success post-graduation.

“You need to network well and do well in your classes here at TCU and work hard at the job that you can work at, and I think you’ll do just fine,” Ferguson said. “Go to all the events that the Career Center hosts, go get advice on your resume.”

Ferguson also said it’s not the end of the world if a student cannot take an unpaid internship.

“I certainly recommend they do an internship if they can afford it from a money or time perspective, but it’s not required -- there are students who end up with great jobs after graduation who didn’t get a chance to intern,” he said.

Thompson said that over recent years, the quality of internships has improved.

“In the past, some of the internships used to be the ‘gofer’ kind, meaning the company would hire you, but you’d



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Houston McCullough interns with TCU Football as a social media intern.

end up doing administrative tasks and nothing related to your major,” Thompson said. “Now, the internships are becoming more focused and closer to what the student’s major is, so they really get the benefit of applying what they learn in the classroom.”

He also said more internships are being offered now more than ever and that more are

paid. Also, employers are recommending individuals have internship experience when applying to a position after they graduate.

“I told an employer one time he really needed to recruit TCU students and he asked why, and I said, ‘Well, we have some really great students who are really bright and they know how to

communicate,’ and he said, ‘Thompson, I can go to SMU, UTA, Baylor, UNT, and get students who are smart and can communicate -- what I really want are students who know how to work, who have worked and have experience so when they come to work for me, I’m not having to teach them every little thing,’ and that was kind of a wake-up call.”

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Horoscope

A baby born today has a Sun in Aquarius and a Moon in Capricorn.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017:

This year you open up to a lot of changes that occur unexpectedly. You see the benefit to shaking up the status quo, and as a result, you take a fresh look at certain areas of your life. If you are single, you could be attracting the wrong type of person because of the kind of energy you are putting out there. Know that you will meet someone special who accepts you as you are. If you are attached, the two of you spend more personal time together. These periods cement the bond between you. CAPRICORN is an excellent healer for you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You will want to take the lead on a project, yet you might not be able to let go of some of the routine matters that seem to be dragging you down. Once you decide how to handle these issues, you will disengage quickly to do what you want. Tonight: Take a walk, if need be.

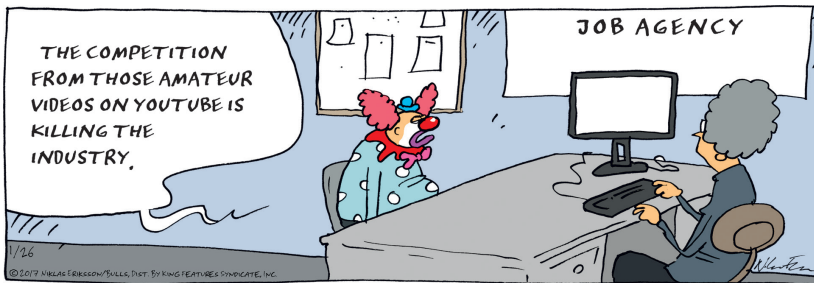
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Refuse to get stuck in a situation that you would prefer not to be involved with. Know when to say "no," and don't allow yourself to be pushed beyond your limits. Opportunities drop on you from out of the blue, and as a result, you gain a new insight. Tonight: Relax to a good movie.

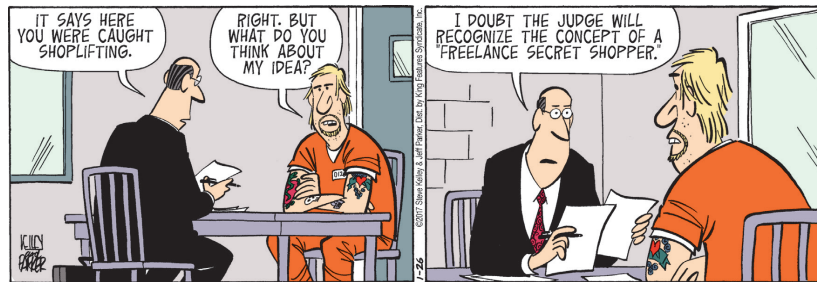
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You'll want to better understand your limits. You could feel as if you have too much to do. You would like a loved one to handle joint funds, but perhaps you're not sure about his or her judgment. There is no better way to find out than to try it out. Tonight: Talk through an issue.

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You are full of get-up-and-go. You know what you expect from others, but the real question is: Do they know what you expect from them? The situation might be more confusing than you realize, which could be a source of disappointment. Tonight: Celebrate with friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★ Know what you are capable of, but

recognize that you can do only so much. Look at ways of streamlining your work and projects. You can become more efficient, if you so choose. Lighten up the moment with a fun and possibly ironic tale. Tonight: Make calls and plan your weekend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You know what you want, and you know how to get it. Your ability to let go of self-imposed constraints makes a

big difference in your thinking as well as others'. You will see many different possibilities appear as a result. Tonight: Out and about with good friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Sometimes the fewer plans you have, the better off you are. There is a tendency to go overboard in your planning. There might be a lot of people you want to see, but you'll want to save the weekend for a time when you can

kick back and do less. Tonight: Happily at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You know the power of the spoken word. Do not hesitate to use it as only you can. Others might be a bit surprised by what they hear, but they need to be aware of your thoughts and ideas. Try a different approach, if necessary. Tonight: Visit with a loved one over dinner.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You have the energy to cover a lot of ground. However, you might find that you skip over some details that you wouldn't if you weren't pushing yourself so hard. Allow more give-and-take between you and someone else. You'll be happy with the results. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You think you can handle nearly everything. Nevertheless, the unexpected could play a big role in a decision you're about to make. Remain lighthearted with someone with whom you often interact. A domestic issue is likely to pop up from out of the blue. Tonight: As you like it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Much goes on behind the scenes, but how you handle what you hear and what you believe to be going on could have as much impact as the facts themselves. You might need to review a judgment you made quite a while ago, as it no longer may be valid. Tonight: Not to be found.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ A meeting could elicit unexpected results, but don't let it dominate your plans for the remainder of the day. A partner pitches in to make an event possible. Know that you couldn't have succeeded without his or her help! Tonight: Where the fun can be found.



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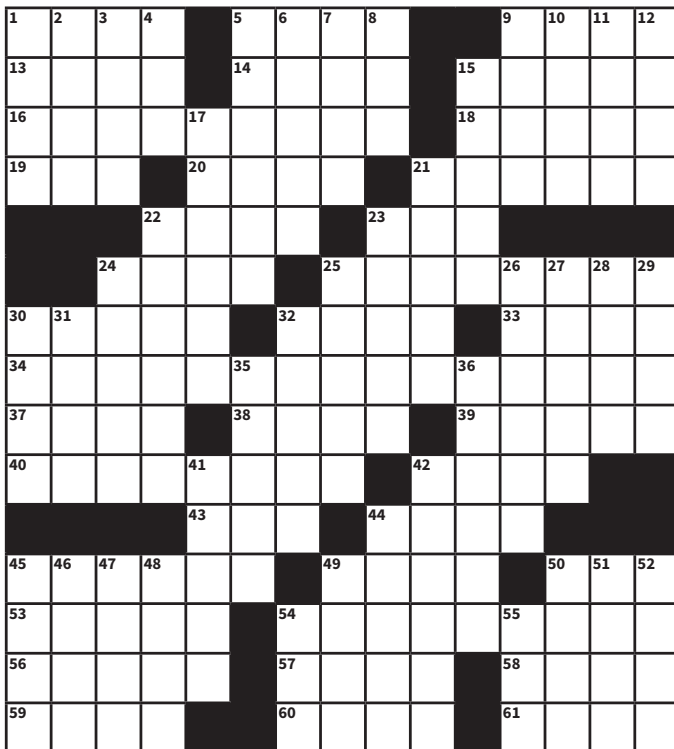
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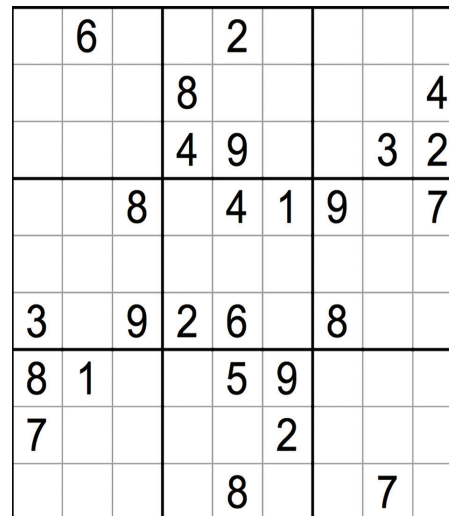
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- 13 Women's beauty magazine
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- 15 Army V.I.P.
- 16 Islands attire
- 18 Certain football pass
- 19 Bright-eyed
- 20 Fencing option
- 21 Huge
- 22 Narrow valley
- 23 Buddy
- 24 TV character who says "You know I wouldn't talk in front of anyone but you"
- 25 Like some sex
- 30 Support group for adolescents
- 32 What may be dispensed from a dispenser
- 33 Phone button
- 34 International prize first awarded to Stephen Hawking in 1979
- 37 Claim

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- 1 Arctic shipping hazard
- 38 Things that may all be off
- 39 Conclude negotiations
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- 42 Buildup behind a dam
- 43 ____ bran
- 44 Pirate captain mentioned in Poe's "The Gold-Bug"
- 45 With 42-Down, home construction material ... or a hint to this puzzle's theme
- 49 Modest skirt
- 50 Perfect
- 53 Whales like the one in "Moby-Dick"
- 54 Prudish
- 56 Checks for the ex
- 57 Actor Ken
- 58 Like arrangements for some wedding receptions
- 59 Pilgrims John and Priscilla
- 60 Leader between Mao and Jiang
- 61 Not dressy

- 2 Region in western Germany
- 3 Part of Q.E.D.
- 4 From abroad?
- 5 Took potshots (at)
- 6 Actress Sophia
- 7 A penny is a small one
- 8 Word cried 15 times in a row by Meg Ryan in "When Harry Met Sally ..."
- 9 Not a knockoff
- 10 Inner: Prefix
- 11 Some aerial show formations
- 12 Bungles
- 15 Melancholy
- 17 Moon of Saturn that's a French woman's name
- 21 Brunch option
- 22 Fairy tale sister
- 23 Teacher's handfuls
- 24 Database manager's option
- 25 Writes on a blog
- 26 One of the founders of Westworld, on HBO's "Westworld"
- 27 Prepare for framing again, say

Sudoku



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TCU Trivia

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TRUE OR FALSE?

SOLUTION FROM 1/19

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

FALSE! They will perform at 10 p.m. Don't be late!

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TCU Recruiting Update

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TCU is expected to add a new quarterback, an arsenal of wide receivers, a couple offensive line additions, and a number of playmakers on defense on Feb. 1, National Signing Day.

The Horned Frogs have secured 13 commitments thus far, good for the 43rd-best recruiting class in the country and 5th-best in the Big 12, according to 247 Sports, a network of websites focused on college football and basketball recruiting.

Here's a breakdown of the likely crop of Horned Frog football players for next season (player rankings based off 247 Sports recruiting rankings):

Quarterbacks: 1

Shawn Robinson, a 6-foot-2-inch, 215-pound dual-threat quarterback, led DeSoto High School to its first state title, winning the 6A Division II Championship game over Cibolo Steele High School, 38-29. He's a four-star recruit, who's ranked as the fifth-best, dual-threat quarterback in the country and 20th, best recruit from Texas.

Robinson told The Fort Worth Star-Telegram he expects to redshirt his first season even though Foster Sawyer has transferred to Stephen F. Austin. Redshirt freshman Brennen Wooten, who was once ranked the No. 4 quarterback recruit in Texas and 26th nationally among pro-style quarterbacks by 247Sports.com, will likely back up starting quarterback Kenny Hill next season.

Running Backs: 0

With starting senior running back Kyle Hicks returning, TCU's leading rusher and receiver, not many big-time recruits this year could see an immediate path to stardom. Three other running backs are also returning to TCU: senior Trevorris Johnson, sophomore Darius Anderson, and sophomore Sewo Olonilua.

Wide Receivers: 3

Hicks success in the passing game did last season means there was a lack of production from the wide receivers.

Taj Williams and Jaelan Austin led all TCU receivers with five touchdown receptions, and Williams had the most catches from the wide receiver group with 38--nine behind Hicks.

TCU head coach Gary Patterson said that if players didn't grow up and produce, he would find solutions through recruiting. The Horned Frogs are expecting three pass-catchers.

Omar Manning, a 6-foot-2-inch, 214-pound wide receiver from Lancaster High School, south of Dallas. The four-star recruit is ranked as the 24th-best wide receiver in the country and the 20th-best recruit in Texas. Manning had scholarship offers from 33 teams before choosing TCU.

The next two wide receivers in TCU's incoming class were high school teammates at Waxahachie High School.

Kennedy Snell, a 5-foot-8-inch, 170-pound wide receiver, compares similarly to current TCU wide receiver KaVontae Turpin in stature and versatility. While Turpin

is a multi-purpose offensive player who racked up yards as a receiver, runner, and returner, Snell scored touchdowns for WHS as a wide receiver and a cornerback.

The three-star recruit is ranked as the 92nd-best wide receiver in the country and the 84th-best recruit in Texas.

Jalen Reager, a 5-foot-11-inch, 185-pound wide receiver, was committed to Oklahoma, but opted to stay closer to home and join Snell at TCU.

The four-star recruit is ranked as the 13th-best wide receiver in the country and the 15th-best recruit in Texas.

Offensive line and tight ends: 2

With four of TCU's five offensive line starters and both tight ends returning for next season, the Horned Frogs didn't need much to fill out their offensive line, but they did haul in a couple of Texans.

Wes Harris, a 6-foot-4-inch, 290-pound offensive line recruit, played defensive line during his senior season for Aledo High school, though he played offensive line earlier in his high school career. Like Robinson, he was a part of a state-title winning team his senior, capturing the 5A Division II Championship in a 24-16 win over Calallen High School.

The four-star recruit is as the 10th-best offensive guard in the country and 31st-best recruit in Texas.

Coy McMillon, a 6-foot-4-inch, 270-pound tight end/offensive line recruit, decommitted from Tulsa and committed to TCU after a scholarship offer

and campus visit.

247 Sports lists McMillon as a three-star tight end, the position he played at Abilene High School, recruit but Rivals lists him as an offensive lineman because there's a possibility he could switch to positions to join the offensive line.

As a tight end, McMillon is the 79th-best in the country and 206th-best recruit in Texas, according to 247 Sports.

Defensive Line: 3

With defensive line starters James McFarland, Josh Carraway, and Aaron Curry all graduating, TCU needed to restock its defensive line group, and that it did, hauling in three three-star recruits.

Dennis Collins, a 6-foot-1-inch, 255-pound defensive tackle recruit, is ranked as the 35th-best defensive tackle recruit in the country and the 18th-best recruit from Louisiana.

Collins hails from West Monroe, which is close by Moore, Louisiana, the home of fellow Horned Frogs KaVontae Turpin and John Diarse.

Tyrece Lott, a 6-foot-3-inch, 255-pound defensive tackle, is ranked as the 76th-best defensive tackle recruit in the country and 18th-best player from Oklahoma.

Lott told NewsOk.com that he liked the proximity of TCU to his hometown of Ardmore, which is just over an hour away from campus.

George Ellis III, a 6-foot-2-inch, 255-pound defensive tackle, is ranked as the 78th-best defensive tackle recruit in the country and 165th-best player from

Florida.

The Fort Lauderdale three-star will be just the third player from the Sunshine State on next year's roster, joining wide receiver Taj Williams and offensive guard Chris Gaynor.

Linebackers: 1

Although TCU returns all four linebackers from last year's roster, having to defend against uptempo, Big 12 offenses can tire anyone out, so having a surplus of defensive players, especially linebackers, is a basic necessity.

Alex Bush, a 6-foot-2-inch, 230-pound inside linebacker, is the only transfer so far in the 2017 recruiting class for the Horned Frogs.

The three-star recruit is coming in from Cerritos College in La Habra, California.

Cornerbacks: 1

Despite the return of all of its cornerbacks, TCU received the commitment of a former Baylor recruit, Noah Daniels.

Daniels, a 6-foot, 191-pound cornerback, chose TCU over Oklahoma and Arkansas after reopening his recruitment.

The three-star recruit from League City is ranked as the 68th-best cornerback in the country and the 96th-best recruit in Texas.

Safeties: 2

With the graduation of strong safety Denzel Johnson, two recruits stepped up to fill Johnson's shoes.

Garret Wallow, a 6-foot-2-inch, 215-pound safety, is ranked as the 62nd-best safety recruit in the country and the 37th-best recruit from

Louisiana.

The three-star New Orleans native chose TCU over Arizona, Arkansas, Kansas State, Michigan, and Nebraska among others.

Lakendrick Van Zandt, a 6-foot-1-inch, 200-pound safety, is ranked as the 81st-best safety recruit in the country and the 142nd-best recruit from Texas.

The three-star Henderson native is switching his position from running back to safety upon joining the Horned Frogs. Patterson has a stellar record of turning solid high school offensive players into collegiate defensive studs. Former All-American and current Buffalo Bill Jerry Hughes is just one name that comes to mind.

Kickers and Punters: 0

With kicker Jonathan Song returning from injury to join fellow kickers Ryan Graf and Brandon Hatfield in a competition to be Jaden Oberkrom's permanent successor, TCU didn't need to pursue another in recruiting.

As for punters, TCU has found their guy for the foreseeable future in Adam Nunez. He averaged 39.6 yards per punt on 72 punts and was placed on the watch list for the Ray Guy Award, which is presented annually to the country's top punter.

National Signing Day is Feb. 1, 2017, and readers can follow the Frogs 2017 recruiting class on Feb. 1 through live coverage of TCU's National Signing Day press conference on the TCU360 Sports Twitter account, at TCU360Sports.