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Increasing costs shut out many, provost says

By CAROLINE LOVE

ASSOCIATE EDITOR, THE SKIFF

TCU's rising tuition and low discount rate might be shutting the door to some aspiring Horned Frogs, especially those from lower-income families.

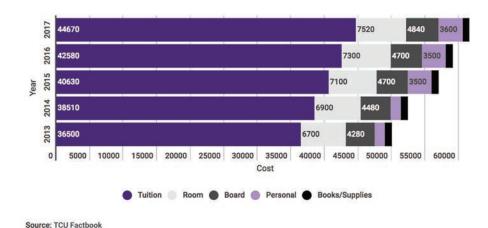
"Frog legs are expensive," said Nowell Donovan, the provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. He said the number of TCU students from the top one percent of income levels is nearly equal to the total count of students from the bottom 60 percent. He added TCU is losing lower-income students as its tuition increases.

TCU's direct estimated cost for the 2017-18 school is \$58,090 - tuition alone was \$44,670. Next year tuition is set to increase 4.9 percent to \$46,860.

"I would not be able to afford coming to TCU if it wasn't for financial aid," said Karen Espino, a junior mechanical engineering and math double major.

Donovan cautioned that TCU's tuition isn't affordable for anyone who earns less than \$100,000 a year.

He said the amount of the scholarships and grants available to TCU students through the university is low when compared with other institutions. The so-called "discount rate" for TCU is 30.9 percent, compared to a national average of 44.2 percent for private universities, according to a survey conducted by the National Association of College and University



Business Officers in 2016.

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TCU has taken steps to reduce the cost of applying. First-generation applicants can get waivers for the application fee, said Heath Einstein, TCU's dean of admission. He also said TCU lowers the cost of applying by allowing applicants to self-report test scores.

TCU is need-blind, which means income isn't factored into the admission process, Einstein said. To meet all student financial aid needs the endowment would have to increase.

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"There are a lot of people at TCU who have to take out loans and are in debt because of this," she said.

Lexy Vorhies, a senior strategic communication major, said the high tuition probably does deters some lower-income students from applying.

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Women's march in Cowtown emphasizes the vote



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By BERNICE OGBONDAH

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The one-year anniversary of President Donald Trump's inauguration began with a government shutdown and a worldwide women's march.

The march closest to TCU took place at the Tarrant County Courthouse on the cross section of East Weatherford Street and Commerce Street in downtown Fort Worth. It lasted well over two hours with thousands of people of various backgrounds.

Volunteers at the march helped people register to vote in the upcoming midterm elections.

Among them was Sandra Price, who said she was hesitant to vote as a young adult.

"I was in my early twenties before I voted because I didn't know how, and I didn't know what to expect," she said.

Price said once she learned how to vote, she cast her ballot at every opportunity; and in 2008, she and her daughter served as delegates at the Democratic Convention in Austin.

"It was so amazing.
[I] got to teach my
daughters about
democracy and how it
works," she said.

Fort Worth resident Kiphani Allen said she was motivated to attend today's rally because of the outcome of the 2016 election and the campaign process.

"The entire election

campaign was a game changer for me, just seeing where this country has fallen back in terms of race, in terms of women, in terms of politics," she said.

Allen said the U.S. is in an "awful space," and she aims to vote in every local election.

"I don't care what we're voting on," she said. "It could be voting on a waterfall, and I'm gonna go vote, mostly because people died [so] I could. Women died [so] I could. So it's necessary."

Other marchers echoed Allen's sentiment about the division in the country.

Fort Worth resident and first-time protester Tracy Kass said the president's language isolates immigrants who come to the U.S. wanting what is best for their families.

"The rhetoric he puts out is very divisive and hateful," she said. "It's giving a platform where people aren't even willing to talk to each other anymore, and we don't need that."

Kass pointed out the immigrant roots of the U.S. and first lady Melania Trump.

"This is a country that was brought together by immigrants," she said. "We need to stand up, and he needs to go."

Returning marcher Tanya Wisnoski said she wants to see newlyelected officials, and hopes to see more Democrats elected from Texas after the midterm elections.

"We're Hispanic

women who don't like anything that's going on in our country these days, or at least not much," Wisnoski said.

Many TCU students also attended the march.

Jacob Portillo, a third-year student, said the messages portrayed at the march can be implemented on TCU's campus.

"I'm the treasurer of Spectrum, which is the LGBTQ organization on campus," Portillo said. "So we just constantly do work to try and make things better for gay people, and just people in general on campus," he said.

Third-year TCU student Gabriel Wallace said women's rights are as important as men's rights.

"If there's any woman who's not being treated equally, then we're all not being treated equally," he

Wallace said he hopes the U.S. will become more inclusive of marginalized people.

"I hope that we can make better strides to kind of cancel out the regression that our government has been trying to push, and to keep moving forward like we should be doing," he said.

--Katie Coleman and Paris Jones contributed to this report.



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Fort Worth recognized for growing music scene

By KAYLEY RYAN

EXECUTIVE EDITOR, THE 109

Grady Spencer is a 33-year-old construction worker who moved from Lubbock to Fort Worth with his wife about six years ago--and wrote a song about it.

The song, called "Things to Do," references Fort Worth, which attracted the attention of the Fort Worth Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The CVB reached out to Spencer and his band, Grady Spencer & the Work and asked to turn his song into a music video to promote the city's growing music scene. Fort Worth is already home to many artists including gospel and soul singer Leon Bridges, Christian hip hop singer Kirk Franklin and the Toadies, an alternative rock band.

This summer, Fort Worth was named the first "music friendly community" in Texas after it fulfilled criteria set by the Texas Music Office, said Brendon Anthony, director of the

Anthony, who is also on the advisory board for Hear Fort Worth, said he has played in Fort Worth before and knows the venues well.

"I know that there are very successful venues in Fort Worth; there are successful musicians," he said. "It's a thriving scene, and it has been for a long, long time. But their city's also done a really good job of supporting those folks."

The CVB arranged for Spencer's band to play at the Austin music festival South by Southwest two years ago after the band had "tried for years to get on with the conference, and we couldn't get through all the red tape," Spencer said.

This summer, the band played in London as part of the Texas Music Takeover. It was Spencer's first time out of the country, he said.

"It was amazing to get to pick up a guitar and play songs that I wrote here in Fort Worth and about Fort Worth to a bunch of people who are literally across the world," he said.

Anthony said the Texas "music friendly community" initiative will provide clearer communication among artists and city leaders and give voice to their



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A local Fort Worth band performs at South by Southwest in Austin.

needs.

"There will be ideas on how to help the creative class make more money, have a sustainable living that can be shared among these different communities, and not just in Texas," he said.

Spencer said the city earning designation as the "first music friendly community" in Texas made him proud to be a

COMMUNITY

Westcliff bike giveaway rewards students for perfect attendance

By KAYLEY RYAN

EXECUTIVE EDITOR, THE 109

Fifth-grader Abril
Martinez earned her first
bicycle by coming to class
every day at Westcliff
Elementary. Martinez
is one of nearly 21 kids
at the school who have
benefited from a program
that rewards students for
perfect attendance.

The idea for "Wheels for Westcliff" began with Cathy Cushman, a former president of the Westcliff Parent Teacher Association.

Cushman said she remembers riding her bike everywhere as a kid.

"I used to put my feet on the handlebars, and you know, you'd clip the cards...to the spokes, and you'd go clickety-clack, clickety-clack," she said.

Initially, Cushman said she planned to raise

money and give bikes as Christmas gifts. She proposed her idea to Gillaspie in the summer, who recommended they link the bike giveaway to attendance.

"We have actually had it in our campus improvement plan to target improvement for our attendance rate," Gillaspie said.

With a goal in place, Cushman wrote a letter asking former and current parents, Westcliff members and neighborhood residents if they would be willing to donate to pay for one bicycle and a helmet.

The response, Gillaspie said, was inspiring, "to see how people that are not really connected with us anymore, but were in the past, have such a heart to give." Cushman said she runs all the donations through the Westcliff PTA.

She and a friend buy the bikes and helmets with the money raised, load them up in her husband's pickup and bring them to the school.

Every Friday, students receive gold stickers acknowledging their perfect attendance, Cushman said.

At the end of six weeks, Gillaspie lines up seven bikes on the stage in an assembly and calls out seven names selected from those with perfect attendance.

"The kids go wild," Gillaspie said. "You can hear cheering coming from different hallways when we call the names out."

Fifth-grader Martinez said she was surprised



PHOTO BY KAYLEY RYAN

Cathy Cushman shows off a bike and helmet that a student with perfect attendance could receive.

when she heard her name.

"I have never gotten a

bike, so I was so happy," she said.

Now, she rides her

bike every day.

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City code violations delay renovations at Dutch's

By NICK STEPHENS

COPY EDITOR

A delay because of city code regulations has slowed expansion plans for Dutch's Hamburgers, but a managing partner with the restaurant said he's hopeful construction will be underway soon.

The South University
Drive burger joint had
planned to open a bar
in the space previously
occupied by Dirty
Laundry, a boutique that
closed last year. Plans hit
a snag because of Fort
Worth's fire code.

"City code states that when your occupancy load reaches 100, you have to have some kind of fire prevention," said managing partner Kay Greenlee. "They were wanting us to put in a fire sprinkler system. We don't have the line to our building to do that, plus they are really, really expensive."

Greenlee said she's working with the city to find an alternative, which will allow construction to resume in the coming weeks.

"We met with the city, and they gave us some other options," Greenlee said. "So we are redoing our plans to show those other options."

Greenlee said the expansion should give Dutch's several features she hopes will draw in more customers.

She said she hopes a new bar with more televisions will attract more sports fans. The bar area will be called "Dutch's Locker Room."

Greenlee also said a full bar is being considered - Dutch's currently only serves beer and wine.

To-go orders will be handled in the remodeled area and new to-go parking will be available behind the building.

Greenlee hopes the changes will allow more space for families while also creating an avenue to bring in new customers.

"We kind of want to be a place where faculty, staff, alumni and



PHOTO BY NICK STEPHENS

The burger joint hopes to complete renovations sometime in April or May.

students can come to sit in a relaxing atmosphere, have a drink or two, and watch some sports," Greenlee said.

The new target date for the completion of these renovations is sometime in April or May.



PHOTO BY NICK STEPHENS

Dutch's Hamburgers is looking to begin their renovations in the near future.



CAMPUS NEWS

New parking opens for commuters

By ROBBIE VAGLIO

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

Formerly reserved for faculty, the parking lot east of the Moudy buildings is now open for students with commuter permits, as well as faculty and staff-- but the change will be short-lived.

DeAnn Jones, head of parking and transportation services at the TCU Police Department, said construction on the new Interior Design and Fashion Merchandising building and the revamped School of Music concert hall will begin this spring. The parking changes were made in anticipation of this construction.

The construction will eliminate current commuter parking spaces, but the changes should accommodate for lost space.

With students moving into the lot, some faculty members will have to move a block east to a lot at the intersection of Princeton Street and Parmer Avenue. Faculty members don't need to change their permits and can gain access with their TCU ID card.

Though the lot is only open for a finite time, commuter students are grateful for the convenient parking location while it lasts.

"This is much more convenient," first-year engineering major Sergio Aguilar said. "Every day, I wake up and I worry about where I'm going to park. Now it will be easier to find a spot and

go to classes rather than driving around campus hoping to find a spot."

Aguilar said he typically parks in the lot south of the Tom Brown/Pete Wright apartments and walks across campus to his classes in the Tucker Technology Center. The lot by Moudy is much more convenient for his commute.

Sophomore Akua Jonah said she has spent many late nights working in Moudy and is excited about the new lot.

"To be able to park in that lot as a commuter and not worry about being towed will be great," Jonah said. "I study in that building, so this new lot is nice."

CAMPUS NEWS

Gender ratio affects hookup culture, expert says

By TAMERA HYATTE

STAFF WRITER

An imbalance in TCU's gender ratio has shaped some female students' attitudes and behaviors toward hookups and relationships.

The TCU population consists of 4,324 males and 6,165 females, according to the 2017 TCU Fact Book.

"There is a saying that as a girl on TCU's campus, your 1 to 10 ranking on the hotness scale goes down 2 to 3 points, but as a guy, it goes up 2 to 3 points," Alyssa Sweeney, a senior communication studies major, said. "The ratio causes this huge

imbalance where guys who are considered a 3 are dating girls who are 10's."

A study conducted by Jeremy E. Uecker and Mark D. Regnerus called Bare Market: Campus Sex Ratios, Romantic Relationships, and Sexual Behavior reported that "women on campuses where they comprise a higher proportion of the student body give more negative appraisals of campus men and relationships, go on fewer dates, are less likely to have had a college boyfriend and are more likely to be sexually active."

Based on their research, unequal gender

ratios affect relationships in two ways: dyadic power and demographic opportunity.

The dyadic power idea occurs when there's a surplus of women and men are scarce, causing a decrease in commitment and a more sexual climate.

The demographic opportunity idea happens when a lower ratio of men causes women a lack of success in finding potential partners, which limits them to establishing relationships.

Dr. Jeannine Gailey, an associate professor part of the sociology and anthropology department, said the disparity in gender ratios and its influence on hookup culture has created a more competitive culture among female students.

"If a girl doesn't live up to [a male student's] expectations, there are several other girls all competing for him," senior Hayley Zablotsky said.

Zablotsky also said the competitiveness may harm female relationships – something Gailey is working to prevent.

Both stressed the TCU hookup culture affects women's self-esteem and confidence, which they may lead them to feel they need to change their standards and appearances.

"This affects how women see themselves," Sweeney said.

Sweeney and Zablotsky also said a sexually permissive culture subjects female students to slut-shaming based on double standards.

"No matter what a woman does, she can't win," Zablotsky said. "Have sex? Slut. Don't have sex? Prude. It's a no-win system for women, so I think women should just do whatever the hell they want."

Gailey said TCU as an institution and a culture needs to be more open to talking about sex.

"Communication

is so fundamentally important with any relationship--especially with a relationship where sex is involved," Gailey said. "There's so many things that are often not discussed. What are you OK with? Have you been tested? What are we doing for contraception?"

In order to shape the culture, Gailey recommended educating students on healthy sexual relationships and recruiting more male students. Zablotsky suggested adding a gender studies course as part of the TCU core curriculum requirements to address topics related to sex.

CAMPUS LIFE

Rho Gamma process outlined

By RILEY KNIGHT

STAFF WRITER

Though TCU
Panhellenic formal
recruitment isn't for
another seven months,
but the search for Rho
Gammas is already well
underway.

Rho Gammas are
Panhellenic women
selected by the
Panhellenic executive
board who disassociate
from their chapters in
order to help Potential
New Members (PNMs)
through the recruitment
process as unbiased
listeners and friends
with the goal of helping
women find their place in
TCU's Greek life.

"Rho Gammas have the incredible opportunity to be one of the first leaders that PNMs meet on TCU's campus and help shape their first few weeks of college," said junior Olivia Paulson, vice president of recruitment programming for TCU Panhellenic. She is in charge of coordinating this year's Rho Gamma selection process.

"During recruitment, PNMs look to [Rho Gammas] for everything from choosing an outfit to making tough decisions," Paulson said. "Rho Gammas show PNMs what real sorority women are like because the glitz and glam of recruitment can be overwhelming for some, so reminding PNMs that the chapters are full of women just like them can make the process seem more manageable."

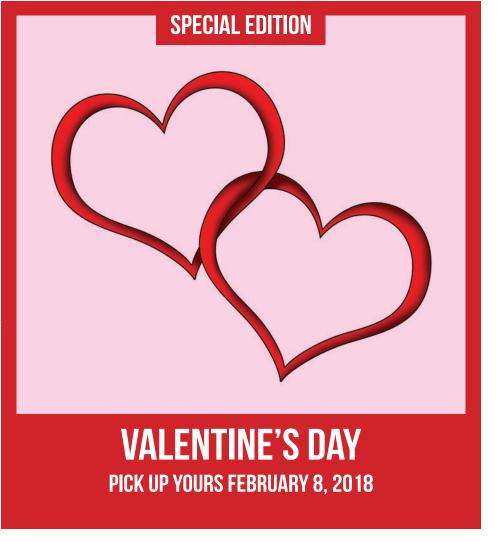
With 13 Panhellenic sororities on campus

and limited Rho Gamma spots, the application process is competitive. Those wanting to fill one of the spots have until Jan. 26 to apply.

Paulson said 6 percent of each sorority's fall membership numbers are required to apply. This averages to 13 to 14 women per sorority. Last year, there were 214 applicants, with 68 chosen for the position.

Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, be in good standing with their chapter, be either a junior or senior at the time of formal recruitment, and attend all spring trainings, work week and formal recruitment.

Applicants who qualify move on to interviews that will be held Feb. 13-21.







CAMPUS LIFE

TCU third in liquor-law violations

By ELIZABETH HINZ

STAFF WRITER

TCU was ranked third in a study analyzing 334 non-profit, four-year colleges for liquor-law violations referred for disciplinary action per 10,000 students.

Out of the 734 students referred for disciplinary action for a liquor-law violation, 658 were in on-campus housing.

Alexander Parris, a junior computer science major, said he has seen different types of intoxication, from crying to being immobile.

"We are at TCU--drinking isn't normal, it's the standard," Parrish said.

TCU can give a liquor-law violation to anyone under 21 possessing alcohol anywhere on campus. Those under 21 can also receive a violation for being in a room with alcohol paraphernalia, like a shot glass or a keg.

Students who are 21 and older can store or drink alcohol in their room if they're living on campus, but they can be given a violation for inviting anyone under 21 into their room while alcohol is out or selling alcohol to anyone underage.

Regardless of age, anyone caught drunk or bringing alcohol to class can be given a violation.

Sherley Hall resident assistant Jessica Olmedo said RAs must have evidence liquor-laws are being violated before they can approach dorm rooms or apartments.

"If you hear glasses clinking, or you see in the trash room that someone has thrown away [beer bottles] or they're literally yelling, 'shots,' in their room, that's enough evidence for an RA to go knocking," Olmedo said.

Bianca Newton, the program manager of the Alcohol and Drug Education, said RAs don't issue violations-- they only document. After documentation, the students are referred for disciplinary action to Campus Life or a hall director, who then decides whether to issue the violation. For first offenses, the student must pay a \$150 fine, meet with an ADE staff member and attend an alcohol education workshop.

Sophomore communication studies major
Sarah Smith said she
thinks TCU has so many
liquor-law violations
because the campus
police department and
RAs are very strict about
enforcing alcohol policies
on campus.

"I feel like at other schools, they probably have more drinking," Smith said. "But the RAs are a lot more aware of it here,so I think that alcohol is emphasized because we get in trouble so often because of it."

Robert Rangel, the interim Assistant Chief of TCU police, wrote in an email the TCU Police Department "does not actively patrol campus looking for alcohol violators," but if officers see someone in violation,

they will take action.

Olmedo said RAs are usually misunderstood and don't go out of their way to catch students.

"It's not like how the cops will give out speeding tickets to meet their quotas," Olmedo said. "RAs don't have any of that. It's not like I'm trying to get anybody in trouble, it's just they make it very obvious sometimes."

Newton said because RAs only document alcohol situations, TCU "wouldn't have a higher number of alcohol violations because our RAs are stricter."

Olmedo said the requirement for students to live on campus for two years could be a reason why there are so many alcohol violations.

"That's not a rule that many other universities have," Olmedo said. "That's twice the chance to get caught."

Nationally, almost 60 percent of college students between the ages of 18 and 22 reported drinking alcohol in the past month, and almost two out of three of them binge drank during that same timeframe, according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

Senior communication studies major Rachel Herrera said underage students binge drink because they can't buy a drink whenever they want.

"Students who are underage engage in binge drinking more because it's a scarcer resource for them," Herrera said.



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SARAH SMITH

TCU SOPHOMORE

"People who can buy alcohol legally seem to be more into chill drinking."

To combat problem drinking on campus, Newton said the most effective way to reach students is through one-on-one interventions. She said these interventions are "more effective than some of the online training."

Any student can set up an appointment with the Alcohol and Drug Education Center to schedule a one-on-one talk with a counselor, but the session is required for those who receive a liquor-law violation.

CAMPUS NEWS

Allegations surface against Delt

By ELIZABETH CAMPBELL

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A student has come forward with a series of hazing allegations against TCU's Delta Tau Delta chapter that include forcing members to use sex dolls and toys and being burned by lighters and matches, according to a report from TCU police.

The student listed the following accusations in the report:

Students were required to recite the Greek alphabet while holding a lit match that couldn't be blown out until finishing the alphabet. Some of the students were burned from this activity.

Students were forced to do planks, push-ups and other exercises.

Students' forearms were burned by lighters.

Students were blindfolded and held in a closet for more than an hour.

Students reported rampant racism.

Pledge members were told to perform sex motions with sex dolls and toys.

TCU Police interviewed 34 members of the fraternity regarding these claims.

One pledge had burn marks on his fingers, which he claimed was from cooking ramen in his residence hall. The burn was photographed and, according to the report, was "inconsistent" with his story.

Another pledge said he was required to hold a lit match while reciting the

Greek alphabet and other members received minor burns from the practice.

Investigators found burn marks on the forearms of three pledges who acknowledged they were burned by active members with cigarette lighters at a bar.

Students in the report identified members who "walked up to the pledges and burned them on the inside of their forearms with a hot lighter" in order to make a significant mark. The incident happened in September and has left visible scars.

The report indicated the incidents were reported to the chapter's honor board, but not Fraternity and Sorority Life. All three students have declined to pursue criminal charges.

Eight pledges said they knew about the burning incident, according to the report.

Ten pledges admitted to being blindfolded as part of a "bonding process" where they would walk under the chapter seal. None of them admitted to being forced into a closet.

Eight pledges said they had to do planks and pushups during chapter meetings. They cited various reasons from health purposes to punishment. The report notes most of the pledge class was present for this, but many lied about this allegation during the interview.

Most of the pledges said they knew about sex dolls and toys being in the chapter house, and all but one said they were used by upper-classmen for pranks. One pledge said they were asked to "make motions" with the sex toys.

Three pledges said they've heard "racially charged comments" in the chapter house, but the ones who made the comments were not identified.

None of these students agreed to cooperate as complainants in a criminal case regarding the physical assault claims. The rest of the allegations aren't criminal offenses, but they do violate TCU's hazing policy.

The national office of Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity suspended the TCU chapter Dec. 13 partly because of hazing incidents that took place this semester.

The decision comes after "an investigation confirmed multiple violations of the fraternity's risk management policy, including hazing, during the fall 2017 semester," according to a press release.

The Epsilon Beta Chapter was informed of the decision Dec. 3. It's no longer in good standing or permitted to operate in the name of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, according to the release.

"This is a painful but necessary action," Jim Russell, executive vice president of Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity, said in the press release. "This chapter, including its leadership, willfully violated not only the Fraternity's risk management policy but also our stated values."

The Epsilon Beta Chapter was founded in 1955 as the Fraternity's second chapter in Texas. It has operated continuously since then and initiated 1,332 men.

"It is our strong desire to return to active status in the Texas Christian community at a time in the future," Russell said in the release. "Our relationship with the university has been strong for decades, with many Delta alumni taking leadership roles at TCU and in the larger community. We value that relationship."

Chancellor Victor
Boschini said the
university is against
these types of behaviors
and "we will do whatever
possible to protect the
health and safety of all
students."

Representatives from TCU's Office Fraternity and Sorority Life and the Epsilon Beta Chapter President have not returned a request for comment.

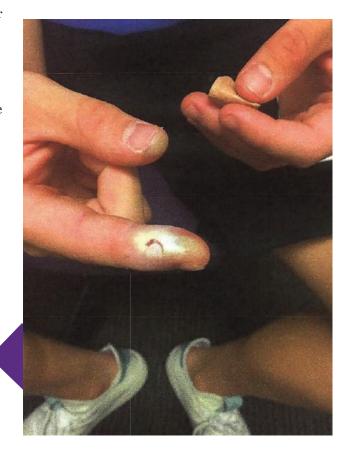
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One pledge said he burned his finger while cooking ramen, not at the chapter house, but police say the evidence and his story was "inconsistent."



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Three pledges acknowledged that they were burned with a lighter at a bar by active members.



REVIEW

'The end of the f***ing world' is soon to be Netflix's next big thing

By BERNICE OGBONDAH

DIGITAL PRODUCER, TCU 360

"The End of the F***ing World" is Netflix's newest binge-worthy series. The show is super dark, but offers many moments for laughter and the acting is superb.

Based on the graphic novel by Charles Forsman, this show might rival the cult following of "Stranger Things."

The eight-part series is a psychotic romantic thriller that revolves around the unfortunate lives of 17-year-olds Alyssa (Jessica Barden, "Penny Dreadful") and James (Alex Lawther from "Black Mirror"),



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Seventeen-year-olds Alyssa (Jessica Barden) and James (Alex Lawther) are the main characters in "TEOTFW."

who deliver thrilling performances.

The show's humor is similar to other alternative British teen comedies like "Misfits." It is visually reminiscent of indie movies like "Frank" and "Natural Born Killers."

Each episode is short. The longest episode is 22 minutes. The writing is so good you don't notice when one episode ends and another begins. The scenes blend flawlessly, but are jarringly different at the same time.

Concise narration from James and Alyssa give the viewer much-needed insight into the characters' background.

James delivers his narrative in a to-thepoint inner monologue, which matches his character's persona. His stoic demeanor is roaringly different from the drawn-out moodiness of Alyssa, who continuously alienates everyone she meets. Her innermost thoughts reveal her sour personality is a facade to hide her vulnerability.

The quirky romance between self-described psychopath James and an annoyingly, petulant Alyssa begins with James telling Alyssa to "f*ck off."

Alyssa decides she could fall in love with James, so the two begin to date. James goes along with the relationship because he decides to kill Alyssa. After all, he thinks he's a psychopath.

Alyssa runs away to James' house following a nasty incident at home, and the pair decides to take a road trip. They steal James's dad's car, his most prized possession; and the duo is off. James agrees to the trip because he thinks it will give him a chance to murder Alyssa. Carrying around a hunting knife given to him by his father, he wonders "what she would sound like when I killed her."

When the teens crash the car, things take a sharp turn for the worse. Every episode after the fourth gets darker and more intense as James and Alyssa dig themselves into more and more trouble legally and emotionally. Cameo appearances include Gemma Whelan ("Game of Thrones") as a lovable empathetic cop and Jonathan Aris ("Sherlock") as a bad guy.

Verdict:

"TEOTFW" is a show you wish would have a second season, even though you know it probably shouldn't because it ends perfectly. The dark thriller will draw you in and leave you wondering how you sat on your couch and consumed an entire series in three hours.

9.5/10



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Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Morning confusion could add some chaos to your day. Your clarity while dealing with finances and others helps you succeed. Your optimism is contagious. Others will want to be around you. Opportunities seem to pop up from out of the blue. Tonight: Pay bills first.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You seem to bloom like a flower. Your smile helps others relax. The effect you have on others might not be intentional, but it helps you relate better to your inner circle. Do not be shy about verbalizing what is needed in order to make a situation agreeable. Tonight: As you like it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★ You might be swallowing some strong feelings. Know that it would be better if you dealt with the issues causing these emotions. How you handle a problem could change the outcome. Choose to be a leader, and the effect will be positive. Tonight: Make it an early night.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Do not rag on a loved one. This person has stamina and possibly some different ideas. This combo could result in a disagreement. Make it OK to have different opinions. By reaching a compromise, you'll find the path to success more easily. Tonight: Where your friends are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Your smiling ways will make a good impression on others. Your poise will get you far. Excess will mark your actions, whether you're at home or at work. A boss could be taken aback by your words and actions. Express your caring attitude. Tonight: A force to be

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker







MY NEXT BLOG POST: "HOW TO 'QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY AVOID

A COMPULSIVE 'BRO-HUG-

CHEST-BUMP."

Run errands. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Your creativity surges as you face the different facets of your day. Others become more responsive to your ideas. Your intuition takes you in a new direction. Don't let your insecurity take over a situation. Express your trust and confidence. Tonight: Get into weekend

several loved ones to be challenging

right now, and vice versa. The person

or group you challenge causes you to

feel defensive at times. Still, be willing

to ask questions that sometimes make

dominates the scene.

you feel vulnerable. Tonight: A loved one

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You have a lot to do and a lot of

optimism, you can get involved much

more than you have been able to in the

recent past. You demonstrate strength

encourages you to take risks. Tonight:

and organization. Your sixth sense

people to see. With your new energy and

Intelligent Life by David Reddick



dealt with!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your personality melts barriers

and makes nearly anything possible.

share their feelings. Communication

flourishes. You know how to integrate

Extreme views emerge as others

and positive.

BRO FRIENDS. AND
LADY BROS. WELL,
I MEAN, YOU KNOW,
I'M THE BRO, AND
YOU'RE THE LADY
BRO. WHICH
DOESN'T REALLY
MAKE US BOTH LADY BROS. JUST BRO-LADY-BRO-FRIENDS. I MEAN.

BRO FRIENDS. AND

security. Your domestic life proves to be instrumental to your well-being. Listen to different views in order to find out what is workable. Tonight: A partner has

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Let a loved one make the effort to reach out to your family members. Your warmth adds to others' sense of

different ideas into various aspects of

your life. Tonight: Be more diplomatic

an exciting idea.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ You might find a partner or

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

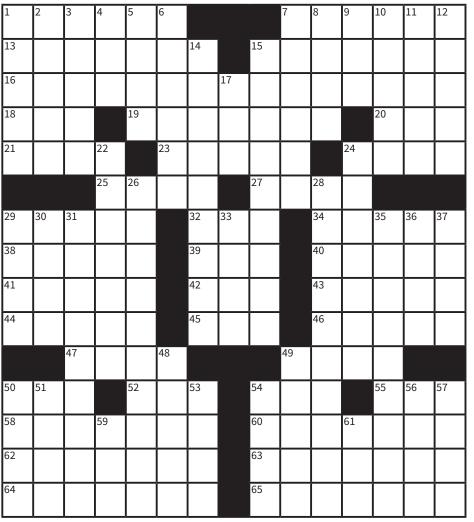
★★★★ You have a lot going on, yet some innate tension and a balancing act of handling work and home issues seems inevitable. Do not let the constant push and pull of your daily life get the best of you; stay on top of things by honoring your priorities. Tonight: Happy

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Pick up the phone, but know that you might not like what you hear. Try to appreciate hearing someone else's point of view. You need to be able to sort through all the different perspectives in order to ascertain what works best for you. Tonight: Hang out at a favorite haunt.

The New Hork Times

Edited by Will Shortz





Sudoku

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DIRECTIONS

Fill in the grid so that every 3x3 box, row. and column contains the digits 1 through 9 without repeating numbers.

SOLUTION FROM 12/7

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TCU Trivia

Finance: Alumni donated more than \$25 million to TCU in 2017. **True or False?**

ACROSS

- 1 Birthplace of St. Clare
- 7 Mustang alternative
- 13 "Oh, I don't care"
- 15 Last name in astronomy
- 16 Winner of 13 Outstanding Drama Series Emmys
- 18 Snack
- 19 Spark
- 20 Email address ending
- 21 Form of "sum"
- 23 Hillock
- 24 Elite-type school
- 25 What does follow?
- 27 St. ___ (site of a spring vacay)
- 29 Micronesian nation composed of hundreds of islands
- 32 Busy W. Coast airport
- 34 ___ bar
- 38 Prepare for entombment, say
- 39 "___ Eye Is on the Sparrow" (hymn)
- 40 Kemper who plays Kimmy on "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt"

- 41 Ones involved in wishful thinking?
- 42 ___-quoted
- 43 Features of some apartments
- 44 Elizabeth _____, "Pirates of the Caribbean" protagonist
- 45 "Deck the Halls" contraction
- 46 Foreign currency option
- 47 Rips (on)
- 49 ___ Candy, Wonder Woman's best friend
- 50 Spanish chess piece
- 52 Pot-au-___ (French stew)
- 54 1980s TV star known for wearing chains
- 55 First-tier supervisor in the U.S.M.C.
- 58 Colorful, cold treats
- 60 "S'pose so"
- 62 Badlands National Park feature
- 63 Available
- 64 Words of understanding?
- 65 Reach by air

DOWN

- 1 "Shucks!"
- 2 Clip
- 3 Pole star?
- 4 Suffix with Jersey
- 5 Contents of IV bags
- 6 The Trump who wrote "The Trump Card: Playing to Win in Work and Life"
- 7 Knight 'hood?
- 8 Mont Blanc, par exemple
- 9 One's Nintendo avatar
- 10 Revamp
- 11 Lincoln Center's Walter ____
 Theater
- 12 Get ready for a Mr. Olympia competition, say
- 14 What some of the black squares in the grid might represent
- 15 Another thing they might represent
- 17 Blue Cross offering, briefly
- 22 Winter Palace resident
- 24 Burn rubber

- 26 Another thing they might represent
- 28 One more thing they might represent
- 29 "Little" trio in kiddie lit
- 30 Again
- 31 Approximately 354 days, 8 hours, 48 minutes
- 33 Diminutive of Josephine
- 35 Senator in 2017 news
- 36 Puente of "The Mambo Kings"
- 37 Oil and gas giant
- 48 Photo tone
- 49 Swashbuckling Flynn
- 50 Having sat in the locker room way too long
- 51 Relative of cream
- 53 Puts into service
- 54 Tick off
- 56 Abbr. at the bottom of a page of text
- 57 Words with hold or pass
- 59 Filling food?
- 61 Dernier ___ (latest thing)

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

FALSE! Alumni donated \$19,951,753.

SPORTS

Okonkwo's versatility a key for TCU

By BENTON MCDONALD

STAFF WRITER

TCU junior Amy Okonkwo has been a major factor in the TCU women's basketball team's bounce-back stretch in 2018.

The California native leads the team in scoring with 16.8 points per game, despite not starting this season. Head coach Raegan Pebley said Okonkwo's willingness to come off the bench sets her apart from others.

"It takes a special person to be able to do that," Pebley said. "To really have that attitude of 'whatever you need, I'll do it.'"

The junior is scoring her 16.8 points per game

in 20.5 minutes. She scored her season-high 31 points against Hampton in 19 minutes, missing three shots on 14 attempts.

Pebley said this efficiency also translates to her life off the court.

"Everything about Amy is efficient," she said. "Her life off the floor, her practice habits, her weight room habitseverything about her is efficient."

Okonkwo also represents the direction many post players are trending toward in basketball, which is the ability to distance themselves from the post.

She leads the team in three-point percentage (.433) and made the game-winning threepointer against West Virginia in overtime on Jan. 13.

"[Okonkwo] is an example of a positionless player that has a lot of interchangeable parts so that I can move her in a lot of ways," Pebley said.

Okonkwo's consistent scoring may play a factor in the remaining 12 conference games scheduled before the postseason conference tournament begins March 2.

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Head coach Raegan Pebley said Okonkwo's efficiency on the court has translated to her life off the court.



SPORTS

Mokaleng records second fastest time in collegiate history

By MAYA BULGER

STAFF WRITER

The Horned Frogs jumped back in action Friday at the Red Raider invitational in Lubbock. To top the day off, sophomore Derrick Mokaleng recorded the second fastest 600-yard time in collegiate history. As a team, multiple season-bests and first-place finishes were recorded.

Men's Track and Field Results

"The men's 600 was outstanding," track and field head coach Darryl Anderson said. "For Derrick to come out and run one minute eight seconds, that's phenomenal. The other two guys went 1:10, which is right on pace for what they ran last year."

Vincent Crisp, a Texas Tech sprinter, set the record and crossed the finish line 0.02 seconds before Mokaleng recording a time of one minute and 8.16 seconds. The record was previously set in 1987 by Roddie Haley, an Arkansas sprinter. Sophomore Jostyn Andrews and senior Kevin McClanahan placed third and fourth with times of 1:10.15 and 1:10.70.

Mokaleng finished second in the 4x400 by 0.23 seconds. The relay squad, including sophomore Emmanuel Ogwo, McClanahan and Andrews recorded a time of 3:08.40.

To kick off the meet, senior Jalen Miller placed first in the men's 60-meter dash, recording a time of 6.66 and ranking first amongst the men's 60-meter dash times this season. Senior Emeilo Ferguson placed third with a time of 6.71.

After seeing their successes on the track, Anderson said he's confident in his team's ability to compete.

"With Jalen running a 6.66 in the 60 and Emeilo finishing third, I feel really good about all of those guys," Anderson said.

In the men's weight throw, sophomores Isaiah Rogers and Ryan Camp and senior Justin Sanchez recorded distances of 61 feet 11 inches (18.87m), 61 feet 9.5 inches (18.83m) and 61 feet 4 inches (18.69m). Rogers also placed third in the shot put behind a mark of 56 feet 4 inches (17.17m).

"The weight guys competed really well coming out of the break," Anderson said.

In the mile, junior Brendon Hicks placed second behind a time of 4:31.08, and junior Patrick LaCour grabbed fifth, recording a time of 4:44.07.

Junior Darrion Flowers recorded a time of 21.17 and a fourthplace finish in the 200-meter dash.

Senior Scotty Newton placed second in the triple jump with a distance of 51 feet 7 inches (15.72m).

Women's Track and Field Results

In the mile, freshman Evelyn Mandel produced a second place finish behind a time of 5:04.80, and junior Erin Barth placed eighth, recording a time of 5:15.92.

Senior Nicole Hicks placed second in the 3000-meter race behind a time of 10:23.22.

In the 400-meter dash, junior Kayla Heard placed third, recording a time of 55.73.

For the field events, senior Briona Oliver placed fifth in the long jump behind a distance of 18 feet 10.75 inches (5.76m), and freshman Leilyn Miles placed second in the shot put behind a mark of 47 feet



COURTESY OF GOFROGS.COM Mokaleng secures a first place finish in the 4x400 meter relay.

5.75 inches (14.47m).

"Leilyn threw 47'5" in the shot when she has spent a whole week trying to get back set in order to even compete," Anderson said. "All in all, we have a lot of work to do, but today showed that we did a little bit over the break."

Up Next

The Frogs will travel to Albuquerque, New Mexico to compete at the New Mexico Team Invitational on Saturday.