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CAMPUS LIFE

GroupMe club provides gif, humor

By PARIS JONES

MANAGING EDITOR, TCU 360

The first rule of The Office Gif Club is you don't talk about The Office Gif Club.

But really, that's because you don't talk about anything in The Office Gif Club for fear of being shunned or removed from the group.

The private GroupMe, originally the Michael Scott Gif of the Day Club, has about 400 members, mostly TCU students. It was officially created by sophomore economics and geography double major Bobby Neil in March 2017 with a simple objective: Sending a single gif of Michael Scott to his friends each day.

The idea came to Neil after sending a gif of the Steve Carell character to one of his friends.

"It wasn't out of the ordinary, as The Office is my favorite show," Neil said. "I'm not sure what it was about this gif. But I got the idea of sending her a different Michael Scott gif every day."

The friend liked the idea so much she told some of her friends about it, which resulted in a group chat with about six other people. Neil then decided to take the chat to GroupMe to let the numbers keep growing.

"The group probably started with around 12 members and grew steadily over the next few months," Neil said.

The group saw its membership peak in August 2017 with nearly 450 members. The same month, Neil changed the name of the group to The Office Gif of the Day Club, which broadened

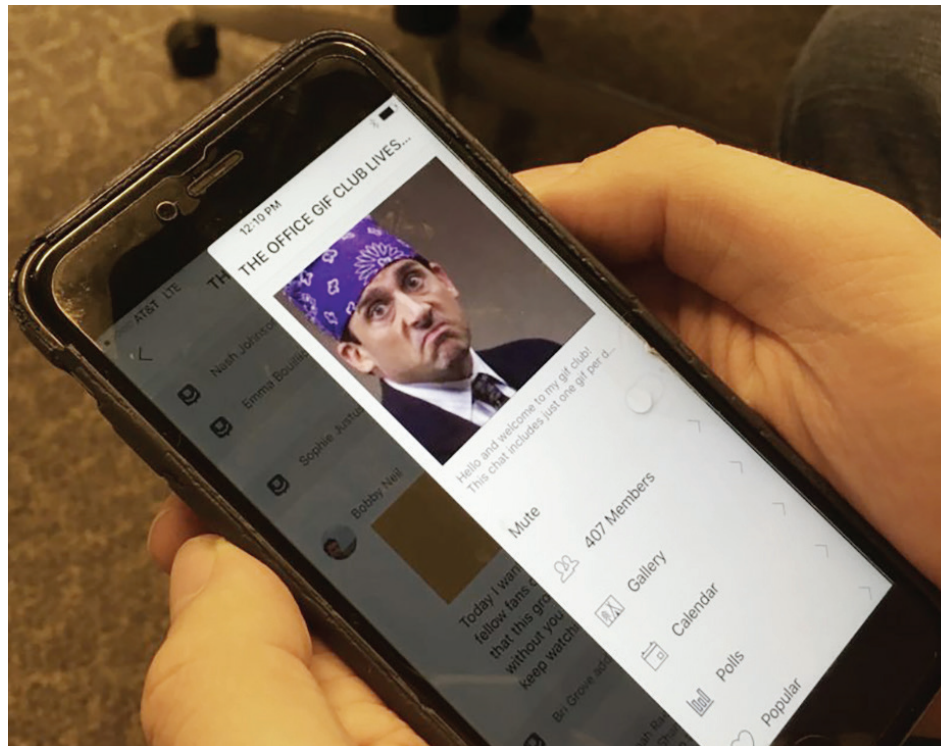


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Bobby Neil sends a gif a day to the over 400 person GroupMe. He is the one who usually posts images.

his arsenal to include any gif from the show.

"I decided that it was time for rebranding," Neil said. "To be honest, I was running out of Michael Scott gifs."

However, the next month proved to be the darkest for the group. Sept. 19 at 4 a.m., someone single-handedly removed over 400 members from the GroupMe.

"I don't know who this person was, and I don't know why they did this," Neil said. "I would definitely put them in the category of people who just want to watch the world burn."

The same day Neil recreated the group, naming it "The Office Gif Club Lives On" and added about 70 people who he remembered being in the original chat.

The group has made an impressive comeback and currently has more

than 400 members.

Sophomore finance major Kaitlin Clare was one of the first people added to the new group. She's a friend of Neil and said the simplicity of the group was what made her want to join.

"I like that it's something really simple that makes you smile daily," Clare said. "It's important to have the little things to make you laugh every day."

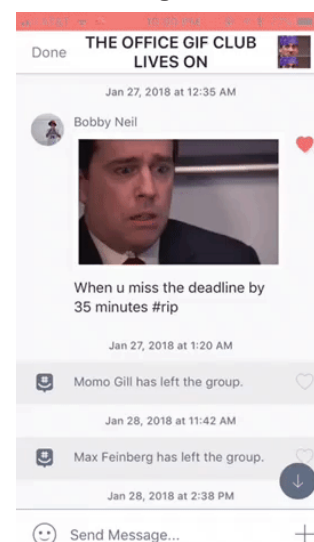
GroupMe warns groups with more than 200 members often get noisy. To avoid this and ensure it maintains its status as a "gif of the day" club, Neil is typically the only one who posts. While he (and sometimes members) used to immediately remove anyone else who said anything in the chat, he's recently taken a more lenient stance.

"I don't want my image to be exclu-

sionary," Neil said.

"Sometimes people still post their own gifs, but I let the fact their gifs never get many likes deter them from posting again."

Anyone looking to join the group will need to find someone already in it for an invite. Neil takes requests for gif/caption combinations from any member via GroupMe direct message.



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CAMPUS LIFE

Alumna joins 'Survivor' reality show

By Elizabeth Campbell
EXECUTIVE EDITOR, TCU 360

TCU alumna Libby Vincek said she joined the cast of "Survivor" with two goals in mind: prove that she was more than just a southern belle with a pretty face and win a million dollars.

While her success at winning the money won't be revealed until the end of the show's season, Vincek said that she believes she was successful in proving her own strength to herself. Part of this success can be attributed to Vincek's strategy going into the game and how she said she prepared.

"Physically I was able to prepare myself by trying not to eat as much and physically just getting stronger throughout this because you never know what the challenges are going to be," Vincek said.

In the past, challenges on the show have often included various obstacle courses with balance beams, knots and puzzles at various stages. Vincek said she made sure to work on her balance and untying knots - even volunteering to untie people's shoes if they ever got a knot in them. She also said that she talked with social workers, read



PHOTO COURTESY OF TCU 360

Executive Editor Elizabeth Campbell interviews "Survivor" contestant Libby Vincek. Check out TCU 360 Website for the full interview.

books like David and Goliath, and watched YouTube videos about how Navy Seals prepare for missions.

While she felt physically prepared for the game, she said it wasn't as easy to prepare her mindset.

"Mentally you almost can't," Vincek said. "You have to know that you're going into something blindfolded."

Despite the uncertainty, Vincek said she kept up her plan of using people's first opinions of her to her

advantage.

"I definitely kept the mindset of 'okay I don't want to know it all because people might assume that I don't know this' so I'll like play along with them and then maybe surprise them," Vincek said.

While Vincek said she prepared by watching old seasons of Survivor, this year the show is introducing a whole new concept: Ghost Island. The new twist on the game involves castaways being sent away to Ghost Island where they can interact with mementos and misplayed advantages from previous seasons of

the show.

Vincek said she'll be hosting a watch party with her family and close friends for the first episode and is excited to start being able to share the show with everyone. She'll also be talking with her fellow castaways who she said she's been in contact with through group texts and Snapchat since filming for the show ended.

"It was a very dysfunctional but functional family," Vincek said. "We are getting through this entire process together and without their support, I could not go through this and get used to the culture again."



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CAMPUS LIFE

New Interior Design, Fashion Merchandising facility being built

By COLLEEN POWELL

STAFF WRITER

Some fashion merchandising majors dread going to class. It's not the classwork or the instructor — it's walking off TCU's campus to a building with little workspace.

In the spring, TCU is constructing a new building nestled behind Moudy at the corner of Greene Avenue and West Cantey Street.

Isabella Mancini, a sophomore fashion merchandising major, said the walk from Moudy to the off-campus classroom makes some students feel unsafe.

"The shuttle doesn't

stop at the building, and it makes it very difficult to get to class," Mancini said.

Students are given 10 minutes of transition time between classes. However, the average 12-minute walk makes being on time difficult.

Because of the location, students often want to drive, but parking spaces are scarce.

The location is not the only problem. Kenzie Ashley, a first-year fashion merchandising major, said the building is run down.

The new state-of-the-art Interior Design and Fashion Merchandising facility will offer a

variety of new spaces for innovation and learning — including four computer labs, a textile testing lab, flexible seminar and jury rooms and space for archival storage for the TCU historic dress collection.

The plans are geared toward providing the best possible environment for TCU students, said Kathryn Dunn, the marketing coordinator for the College Fine of Arts.

Dunn said construction starts this spring and should be completed by fall 2019. At that point, TCU students will have an on-campus location with improved space, she said.



PHOTO BY COLLEEN POWELL

Sophomore Fashion Merchandising major Nell Gray Rasmussen's sketches.

CAMPUS NEWS

Tri-Delt's to host 20th 'Dunkfest'

By BRITTANY KASKO

STAFF WRITER

Students looking to blend competition with community service have an upcoming opportunity in the 20th annual Delta Dunkfest this Saturday.

Delta Delta Delta is hosting the event to raise money for Camp Sanguinity, a weeklong summer camp for patients at Cook Children's Hospital.

"I participated in Delta Dunkfest last spring, and it was so much fun to play the game while also competing with some of my friends for a great cause," sophomore Katie Adams said.

This year, the tournament will include 3-on-3 basketball games.

"The camp is not only special because it lets the patients participate



PHOTO FROM EVENT

Juniors, Brittany Boles and Cassidy Bates, participate in the annual Delta Dunkfest

in fun activities, but they are the only camp at Camp John Marc, their host camp, that brings siblings to camp for the week," Grace Cannan, Delta Delta Delta's philanthropy chair, said.

Jill Koss, a Cook Children's representative, said the donation from the Delta Dunkfest to Camp Sanguinity is the largest contribution they receive each year.

The money raised

goes toward the campers' expenses: the host camp, buses and other expenses. Students may participate in a team of four by registering and paying a fee of \$50. Each player will also receive a jersey.

"When we tell our campers that they are being supported by local college students, it makes them feel important," Koss said.

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Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your responses can be fiery, especially to an emotionally charged person in your life. Know that you will settle down and have a calm discussion after today's Full Moon. You often keep many of your thoughts to yourself, but not today. Tonight: Throw yourself into a project.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Your creativity emerges naturally in the face of opposition. You can bypass a problem just by being yourself. You'll want to rethink a decision you recently made, as it might feel off right now. Don't get between two friends who tend to argue. Tonight: Lighten up the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Tension builds quickly, and you could feel pulled in two different directions. How you handle this juggling act depends on how fine-tuned your skills are. A family member or a domestic situation might be out of control. Tonight: Be where you feel more comfortable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ An important call or email grabs your attention. Your attention is focused on the initiator and what he or she wants. You have a decision to make. Understand that your response will have an effect on this person. Say "no" to impulsiveness for now. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

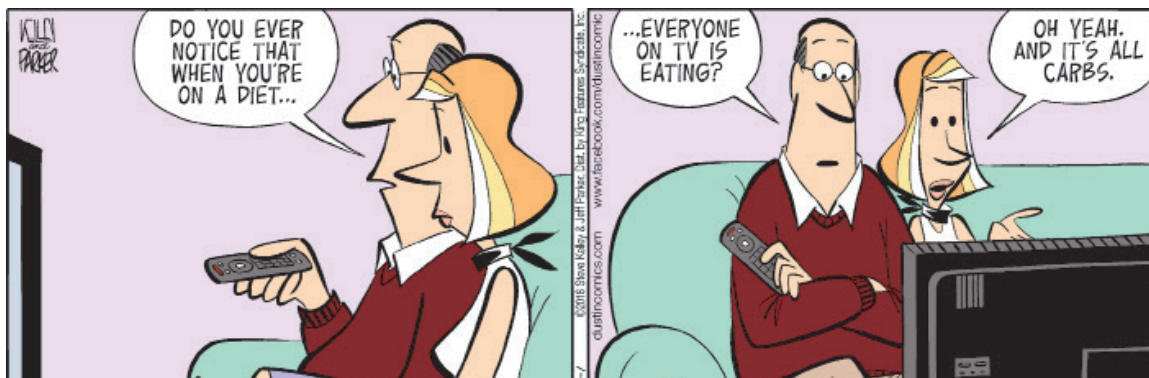
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ You might be more possessive or money-oriented than usual. Taking care of the economic areas of your life remains instrumental. A disagreement involving your funds could be putting your focus on this area of your life. Tonight: A loved one wants more time

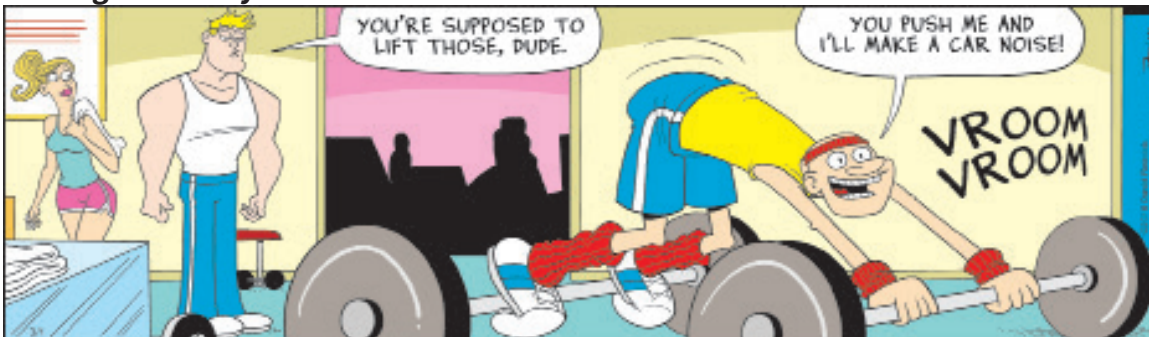
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Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might get some flak today, but you can control your responses. You usually would be quite bothered by what you hear; however, that's not the case now. Refuse to be triggered by a

somewhat deceitful person. Tonight: Let go of the day, and greet the night.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Read between the lines when dealing with someone you care about and/or to whom you have financial ties. You could be dealing with a personal

issue that you don't often discuss. Understand what is happening in your day-to-day life. Tonight: Do your vanishing act.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You handle the present Full Moon well. Your positive attitude draws

others' attention. Zero in on what you desire, and understand that others seem to be focused on you. Know that you can have what you want. A talk could have a serious overtone. Tonight: Join a friend or two.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Be aware of the implications of a career- or work-related question. You might have to juggle your time between your personal and professional lives, which could be distressing. Deal with financial overload by cutting your spending ASAP. Tonight: Out late with friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Reach out to a favorite person at a distance. You might not believe everything you hear, but you certainly will absorb the information. When push comes to shove, your integrity will come through for you. Take your time making a decision. Tonight: Try to lighten up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Your personality helps take some pressure off a partner who might feel emotionally overwhelmed. You will demonstrate your ability to be a friend in nearly all circumstances. Others admire this quality. Tonight: Respond to a roommate's or loved one's request.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Run through certain procedures that you normally keep under wraps, and make it OK to share them with others. You might feel as if there needs to be some changes made to a key relationship in your life. Ask yourself how realistic you are being. Tonight: Paint the town red.



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 - 4 Not get involved
 - 9 P.I.
 - 12 Sellout
 - 13 1950s service site
 - 14 Hamilton, to Burr
 - 16 *Smelled
 - 18 Group of football blockers, in brief
 - 19 Point on a flowchart
 - 20 Picnic crasher
 - 21 Pitiful group
 - 22 On the lookout
 - 24 *They're not pros
 - 26 Solving crosswords, e.g.
 - 28 Gurneys' destinations, in brief
 - 29 Part of a disguise
 - 30 Who wrote and sang "We're All Water" in 1972
 - 31 #21 of 24
 - 32 Lush

- 33 Yachter's itinerary, maybe ... or a hint to understanding the answers to the starred clues
- 37 Clove hitch, e.g.
- 38 "Reading the ____: One Man, One Year, 21,730 Pages" (2008 book)
- 39 Hotel room feature: Abbr.
- 40 Back to school?
- 41 Ones doing intros
- 42 "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" poet
- 46 *Poetry
- 49 Middleton of English tabloids
- 50 Hard-wired
- 51 Something encountered in "Close Encounters of the Third Kind"
- 53 "Um, don't look now, but ..."
- 54 Boastful mother of Greek myth
- 55 *Hayloft item
- 57 Now full
- 58 Skirt

- DOWN**
- 1 "Did you just see that?!"
 - 2 Cough drop brand
 - 3 Some works of Robert Schumann
 - 4 Music boomlet of the mid-'90s
 - 5 Smidgen
 - 6 A witch doctor might be in one
 - 7 Japanese meal in a box
 - 8 Beat one's gums
 - 9 Part of España
 - 10 Person with inverted morality
 - 11 Olympics event since 1936
 - 14 Stadium sounds
 - 15 "Come on!"
 - 17 Playwright Brecht
 - 21 Things with entrances and exits
 - 23 Turner on a turntable

- 25 Neighborhood in New York or L.A.
- 27 Accessory on a chain
- 31 Goal of many a candidate
- 32 Member of the British royal family
- 33 Not wanting to believe the truth
- 34 Unpleasant ending
- 35 Ball boy?
- 36 Tiniest complaint
- 37 Durant and Love of the N.B.A.
- 41 Got together
- 42 Polytetrafluoro-ethylene, familiarly
- 43 Notable tech launch of 2007
- 44 Composition of "Der Ring des Nibelungen"
- 45 Most docile
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- 56 Neighbor of Wyo.

Sudoku

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TCU Trivia

History: J. M. Moudy, the person after whom the Moudy buildings are named, was a professor at TCU. **True or False?**

SOLUTION FROM 2/22

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

FALSE! He graduated from TCU in 1943 and served as chancellor from 1965-1979.

CAMPUS NEWS

'Diversity Within Us' aims to spark a change on campus

By **ROBBIE VAGLIO**

STAFF WRITER

Chancellor Victor Boschini sent out a campuswide email Friday to share updates on the university's diversity initiatives. Boschini highlighted the appointment of Aisha Torrey-Sawyer as the director for Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives, the creation of five full scholarships for under-represented students in STEM fields, the implementation of a campus community response team to give voice to bias incidents and the creation of diversity advocate positions within each school and college.

"We want our students to become a force for the greater good - to engage with and discuss the issues of the day and to do so in a manner that is inclusive, tolerant and respectful of one another," Boschini wrote. "There is much work still to be done, and we remain steadfast in our commitment to realizing our goals."

Boschini's announcement follows a diversity-themed night: "Diversity Within Us," where representatives from TCU's different diversity clubs

and organizations set up tables in the Brown-Lupton University Union to talk to fellow students about their diversity concerns.

Senior finance major Janvier Rutsobe said through interactions with his peers and faculty members at TCU, he became really interested in their opinions on TCU's diversity and wanted to pursue this celebration and hear students concerns.

"I wasn't surprised to hear what they had to say," Rutsobe said. "They said that TCU's not as diverse as we think. The focus of 'Diversity Within Us' is to shift the mindset. We should focus on what [diversity] already has on this campus. The sooner we shift that mindset, the sooner we will begin to enjoy what we have."

Rutsobe said he wanted to open his idea to the TCU community. He introduced the initiative to TCU's Student Government Association Feb. 6 and the bill was passed with 96 percent approval. Through "Diversity Within Us," he said he wants minority students to take advantage of what they already have.



PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGUETASOTO

A look at the Diversity Within Us tabling at Union Grounds on the first floor of the Brown-Lupton University Union.

"Therefore, when we add more diversity, we will already have a platform and students will be ready to take advantage of the additional diversity," Rutsobe said.

Rutsobe reached out to 13 organizations, and seven agreed to work with him in the first phase of the initiative: the Black Student Association, Spectrum, United Latino Association, Vietnamese Student Association, African Student Organization, the Worship and Gospel Choir and the Students for Asian-Indian Cultural Awareness.

Each organization had an exhibition showcasing what the organization does, acting as a workshop for the seven groups.

"We want to bridge

the gap between students who aren't involved and an organization," Rutsobe said.

First-year pre-business major Hunter Kam supports Rutsobe's initiative.

"It definitely makes the campus more aware of what is going on which should lead to a fix," Kam said.

Associate Dean of Student Development Kay Higgins said she always enjoys an opportunity to support students programming and learn something about different cultures.

"Every effort to fix diversity helps," Higgins said. "This is pushing us in the right direction."

Junior finance major Tate Johnson said this event should continue every year.

"This gets people learning about different

cultures, and I think that learning about other cultures is one of the best ways to reduce racism and bigotry," Johnson said.

Rutsobe has seen diversity and inclusion change over his four years at TCU in two ways: through numbers and experience.

"The population, overall, has grown," Rutsobe said. "I was the third Rwandan student to come to TCU. If you count the Rwandans you have now, we have about nine or ten. If you include the Vietnamese, the athletes that come from abroad and the Japanese that come on exchange programs every year, I've seen that number grow. As a student from Rwanda, I am a witness that the administration is doing something to actually make TCU as inclusive as possible. There is no doubt that they are going to continue to do that."

According to the TCU Fact Book, the population of Hispanic and Latino students has increased by three percent since 2012, and the Asian population has increased by one percent.

Rutsobe said he has also seen campus

diversity evolve through student's backgrounds.

"Diversity should really be focused on the experience within different backgrounds that we have at TCU," Rutsobe said. "Students from different states have different backgrounds. They may be the same race but are diverse through their experiences. This really shaped me to get the global perspective of my education that TCU always talks about."

Emily Dickson, a junior speech pathology major and a representative of the Students for Asian-Indian Cultural Awareness, said the effort to fix overall campus diversity will be a very hard journey but the event should create some visibility for students.

"You can't force diversity in such a short amount of time," Dickson said. "It's a fight on all of our parts. It's on everyone. By being out in the open and showing what we all have to offer, students now know that we do exist, and I'm thrilled that I get to be a part of that experience."

SPORTS

Horned Frogs inch closer to NCAA bid with win over Kansas State

By **GARRETT PODELL**

MANAGING EDITOR, TCU 360

The men's basketball team honored its senior players Tuesday night in their home finale against Kansas State.

The group of six left their final contest at Schollmaier Arena with a 66-59 win, improving TCU's record to 21-9, 9-8 in conference and bringing them to fourth in the Big 12. With

the loss, the Wildcats dropped to 9-8 in conference and fifth in the Big 12.

The victory means TCU is likely to play in its first NCAA Tournament since 1998. Several TCU

seniors said competing in the tournament was their main goal for the season.

"We couldn't let it slip away like it did last year," TCU senior forward Vladimir Brodziansky said.

The Horned Frogs maintained a lead throughout the first half and were up four at the break. Senior guard Kenrich Williams paced TCU with a team-high nine points and six

rebounds. He finished his final home game with a team-high 16 points and 11 rebounds.