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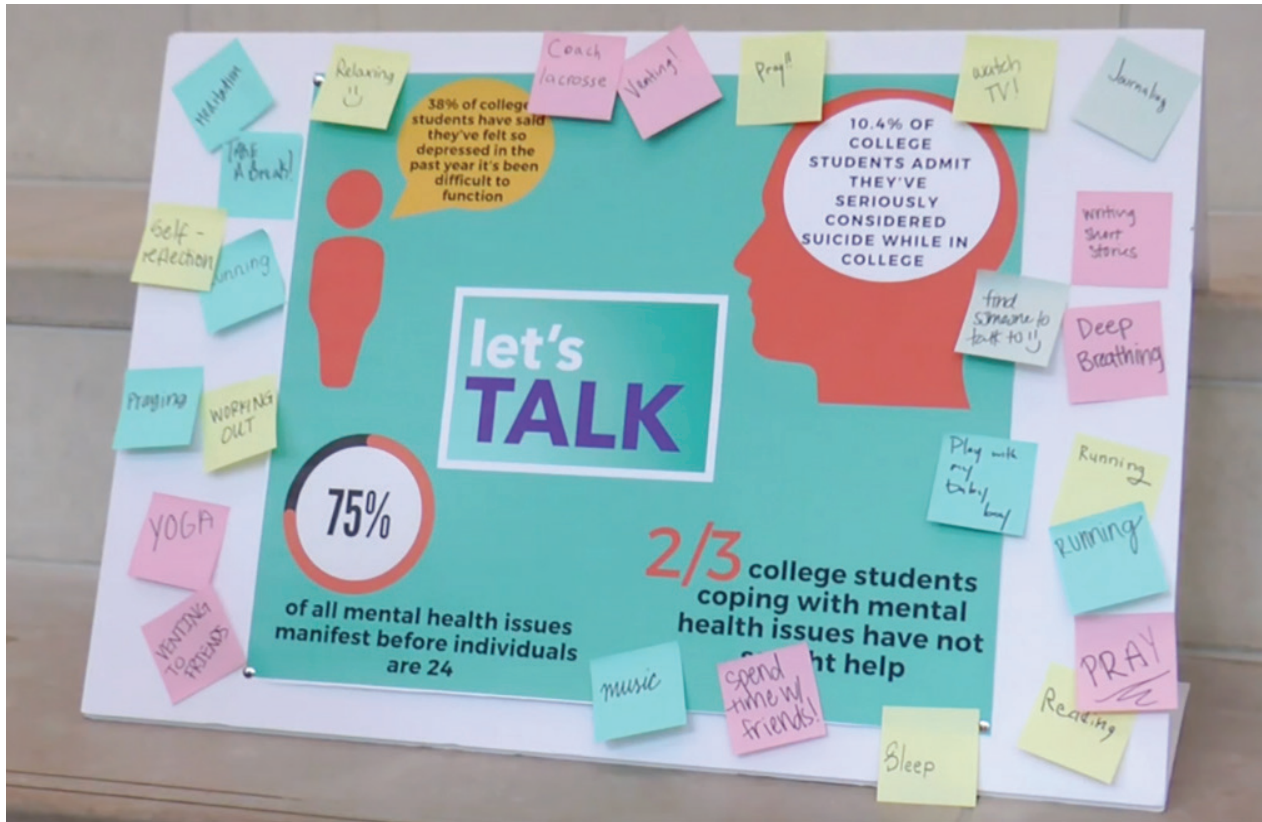


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The Let's Talk is an outreach program that was implemented by three students last semester.

Program works as alternative to counseling

By **TAYLOR BOSER**

LINE EDITOR, TCU 360

Some students are receiving counseling with no appointments or paperwork.

Let's Talk is an outreach program from Cornell University that provides walk-in consultations.

Three TCU students implemented the Let's Talk program on campus last semester to provide more access to counseling.

Between 2009 and 2015, the number of students nationwide seeking counseling increased by almost 30 percent, while enrollment comparatively increased by about 6 percent, according to the Center for Collegiate Mental Health. The 2015 report was based on collaborative efforts from more

than 340 universities and college counseling centers.

At TCU, there was a 28 percent increase in students seen at the Counseling and Mental Health Center during the fall semesters of 2015 through 2017, according to a TCU Counseling and Mental Health Center report.

Annie Beeson, Chandler Whittington and Joe Spellmeyer helped bring the program to campus for their Neeley Leadership program project.

"It was part of our junior year curriculum," Spellmeyer said. "We were tasked with identifying a problem in our community and helping build a team around some sort of solution for it."

Spellmeyer said he thinks Let's Talk is more

accessible.

"It's an opportunity to walk in without any paperwork, without an appointment and just talk to someone and help flesh out that problem," Spellmeyer said.

Beeson said she likes that there are no official appointments.

"There's no time limit, which I think is a big thing for me because sometimes I just want to talk for five minutes, and sometimes I have a lot to say, and so not having that specific hour blocked out is really important," Beeson said.

While Let's Talk is not a substitute for counseling, the program still follows some of the same guidelines.

"We still do observe the same rules of privacy and confidentiality," Chuck Dunning, coordinator

and counselor for Let's Talk, said. "I still use all the same skills and knowledge that I have as a counselor, but the idea is that it's just for short term purposes of helping students figure out what they need and make some decisions about taking the next steps."

TCU's Let's Talk program has two counselors, but the team wants to have a walk-in counselor on regular hours for every college.

"It's not just for people who are dealing with some sort of an emotional issue or some sort of a mental health issue," Dunning said. "It's really to help anybody that is trying to solve a problem and they don't know where else to turn."

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CAMPUS LIFE

How unconscious bias could impact evaluations

By CAROLINE LOVE

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Male faculty sometimes have higher teaching evaluations than their female peers, but researchers and some TCU faculty said this might be a sign of unconscious bias on the part of students rather than a reflection of teaching.

According to a 2017 Chronicle of Higher Education article, most people have biases they're unaware of that are caused partially by "repeated exposure to stereotypes." Tackling these biases typically requires addressing their influence.

Students are more

likely to perceive male professors as "brilliant, awesome, and knowledgeable," but female professors with a similar teaching style are more likely to be considered "bossy and annoying," according to a study by Innovative Higher Education cited in a Chronicle Data article.

SPOTs, or student perceptions of teaching, are sent to students at the end of each semester. This year's evaluations will be sent April 18 and will close May 6.

According to David Grant, a religion professor and the chair of the university evaluation committee that reviews the SPOT survey methods and response

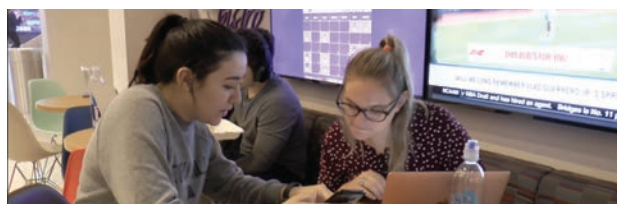


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SPOT reviews of faculty begin in a few weeks.

rates, administrators can use the student evaluations to review faculty performance. Grant said he was a department chair for six years and used the student reviews to evaluate faculty teaching effectiveness.

Kat Barger, an assistant professor of physics and astronomy, said at the March Faculty Senate that male faculty receive higher SPOT evaluations than female

faculty. She said bias causes these disparities.

According to a research paper published by Science Open in 2016, gender bias in student evaluations of teachers can cause less effective faculty to get higher scores than more effective faculty of the opposite gender.

Barger said in an interview her SPOTs are lower than she expects based on her efforts. She also said the bias in

her SPOTs starts in the classroom. She said her students are more disrespectful toward her than her male colleagues.

"I have to tell students to put away their cell phones a lot more often," she said. "I know that happens more often in my classes because I've had other faculty sit in on my class and observe."

Other female faculty members said they've experienced a similar bias. Rhiannon Mayne, an associate professor of geology, said a student called her 21-year-old teaching assistant "doctor" and her "Mrs. Mayne, which is my mother."

Grant said while SPOTs are considered in

tenure and promotion, they're only one factor in the decision. Barger, who is on the Faculty Senate Educational Curriculum Committee, said the committee has set a guideline that SPOTs should only account for one-third of a faculty member's teaching evaluations. She also said the people doing faculty reviews should be aware of the potential for bias.

Karen Nelson, an accounting professor, said the university should discuss bias with students during orientation to help them become more aware. She said it's better to address these issues now in a learning environment.

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CAMPUS LIFE

Students frustrated, concerned by lack of close to campus parking

By HUNTER SMITH
STAFF WRITER

Convenience isn't the word many students would use to describe the parking situation at TCU, and finding a good spot will soon become a greater challenge.

Following graduation, commuters will lose the Harrison parking lot located behind the Brite Divinity School. The lot, which has about 160 spaces, will be closed as TCU prepares for the construction of a new performing arts center.

"It's already kind of hard to park around campus," Ethan Crocker, a junior sports broadcasting major, said.

Harold Leeman, the

director of integrated planning and construction, said TCU is expecting to complete a new commuter parking lot along Merida Avenue by mid-March. This new lot will have 192 spaces. However, some students aren't thrilled with this solution.

"It's still going to be a trek," Crocker said. "At least it's more parking."

Although commuters will be losing a parking lot, there will be no shortage of spaces, Leeman said.

Sophie Everaert, a junior political science major, said her biggest concern is the commute from one place to another.

"It would just change

everything to have to walk so far just to sit down to study," Everaert said.

Leeman said he understands the new lots on Merida will still not be as close as students would prefer. He said they do keep commuters from having to walk as far as some do now when parking in the lot on Sandage Avenue.

Crocker said parking in this lot has made him late to class.

"Every time I park in Sandage and walk, it took about 10-15 minutes," Crocker said.

Leeman said he is currently looking into increasing the number of shuttles available, as more students will now

have to park farther away.

While some students are worried about the extra time, others are concerned about walking around the outskirts of campus at night.

"I think around TCU's campus, it's well lit," Sarah Schneider, a junior social work major, said. "But as soon as you're maybe a block or two off of campus, it decreases."

DeAnn Jones, the coordinator for parking and transportation services, said whenever there is a change on campus, police officers patrol the area looking for any vulnerabilities. Jones said TCU police will be doing "lighting walks" to determine if



PHOTO BY HUNTER SMITH

A row of cars parked in the Harrison lot behind the Brite Divinity Building, Friday, February 9, 2018 in Fort Worth, Texas.

there is enough lighting in areas affected by construction, but said she was unsure of anything else currently in the works.

With the upcoming loss of the Harrison lot and the new lot along Merida Avenue, at least one additional shuttle will also be added to the

green route. The green route is the shuttle that goes from the library to the lot on Sandage Avenue.

Jones said students should always pay attention to emails from the police department and be aware of their surroundings.

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SGA ELECTION

Presidential candidate Lloyd wants to ‘revolutionize’ SGA

By SHANE BATTIS

LINE EDITOR, TCU 360

Laredo Lloyd, junior political science and psychology major, is running for student body president under the campaign slogan: Join the revolution. The Student Government

Association parliamentary said his mission is to have the organization emphasize serving students above officers.

“SGA can get into this bad cycle of resume building where you get people who join SGA because it looks good for future law school appli-

cations,” Lloyd said. “It’s an organization that needs to be there for the students.”

The presidential candidate has been a member of SGA since his first year at TCU.

He’s served as a Frog Aid, representative of the College of Science & Engineering and is now a parliamentarian for the House of Representatives. Laredo has also worked on mental health awareness and the “It’s On Us” sexual assault awareness and prevention campaigns for the past two years.

Lloyd said he has learned a lot while serving on committees and sees value in awareness weeks, but wants to see a “long-term

effort” in the future. He offered suggestions like expanding these messages past orientation by embedding mental health representatives in all colleges and residence halls to refresh students with information to help them feel more comfortable seeking help.

“We can’t keep this attitude of ‘let’s have a week so we can be aware,’” he said. “Let’s change it to where people are always aware.”

Lloyd stressed visibility and accountability as priorities for his potential term as president.

He expressed disappointment that many students he spoke with don’t know much about SGA or its members and

that previous officers haven’t fulfilled promises made on the campaign trail.

A lot of organizations have presented good ideas that haven’t been executed, he said. SGA’s executive and legislative branch have a \$152,000 budget that went mostly unspent, Lloyd explained. He said he wants SGA to not use its resources to a fuller capacity and make more efforts to listen to students first.

“When you don’t have that outreach,” he said, “When you don’t get ideas from students, when you don’t listen and you’re more just ‘here’s a program we can do and just see how it affects people’ opposed to ‘what do you want’ ... I mean, we have the resources,

so let’s just make it happen.”

Lloyd went on to say SGA has a total budget of \$800,000, but is “falling short in helping students realize their dreams during their four years here.”

As his campaign slogan implies, Lloyd envisions long-lasting change at TCU.

“I think this is bigger than me,” he said. “I think this is bigger than what one term can accomplish, so a lot of what I want to accomplish here is kind of just making this, like I said, a movement where we can institute the lasting structures so that SGA can become a service organization.”



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Lloyd speaks to students while tabling next to Founder’s Statue.

SGA ELECTION

Presidential candidate Widick fights to empower student voices

By ROBBIE VAGLIO

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

If you spot current vice president of operations Abbey Widick on campus, she’s probably throwing up the Go Frogs hand sign.

Widick said she has made it her goal to actively seek out issues in her dream school to make it the best place to get your degree.

“I believe it’s student government’s job to actively seek out whatever is hindering students from having a true college experience,” she said.

Widick’s love for TCU extends to the operation

of student government.

“We are given an incredible opportunity in that the power is invested in the students and their voices are truly heard,” Widick said.

She said the three biggest issues TCU students struggle with are sexual assault prevention, mental health awareness and diversity and inclusion.

“Over the past year, I’ve gotten a unique perspective on where we need to head next and continue the progress that we have made this year,” Widick said.

She also said SGA will continue working on some current projects.

Two of those projects are extending the hours of the mental health center and combatting sexual assault on campus with an “It’s on Us” week. Widick said she hopes to add rape kits to the mental health center in the near future.

“In a survey that was taken this time last year,” she said, “10 percent less felt comfortable standing up to sexual assault. That’s tremendous progress and it makes me very proud.”

Along with sexual assault prevention and mental health awareness, Widick said she is invested in college affordability for TCU students.

She said she hopes to bring a scholarship fair to campus if she were elected.

“There are TCU students that are more than qualified for scholarships that do not have any,” Widick said. “One thing the student body president can do is connect outside resources to students who are deserving of scholarships.”

If elected president, Widick said she will continue fighting for each student to give them the best learning experience possible.

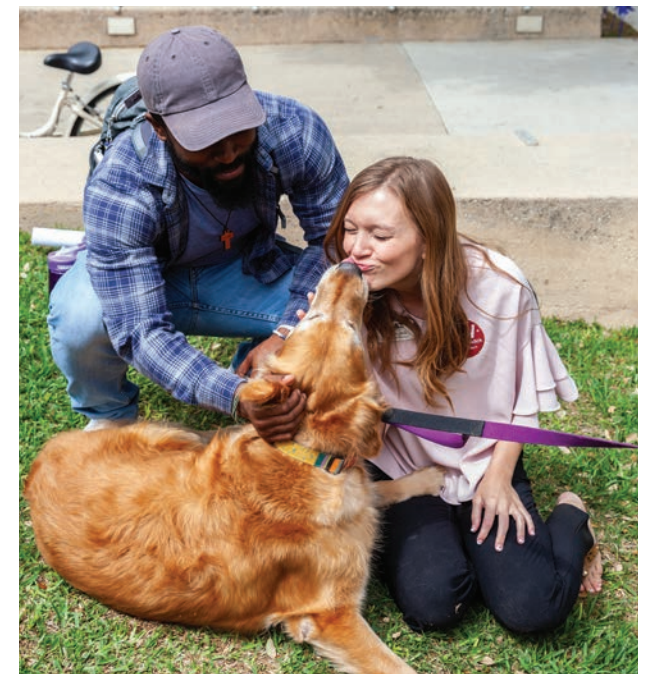


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Abbey Widick hosted “Wags for Widick” Monday morning as part of her campaign.

SGA ELECTION

Unopposed Nestor to become vice president of operations

By SHANE BATTIS

LINE EDITOR, TCU 360

As the only candidate running for the TCU Student Government Association’s vice president of operations (VPO), Kat Nestor discussed her previous work in student government and excitement for the new position.

The junior political science major said she isn’t campaigning on a specific platform, as she wants to center her workflow around “what the student body wants me to be” by addressing new problems as they come forward.

Nestor has served SGA as a representative of the College of Liberal Arts and joined

both the elections and regulations and academic affairs committees. She is now operating as SGA’s director of sexual assault awareness and prevention and plans to emphasize sexual violence issues as VPO.

After working on the “It’s On Us” and “Take Back the Night” awareness campaigns, Nestor said she wants

to see more programs highlighting sexual violence issues in the fall. She said this way first-year students are quickly introduced to campus resources and capitalize on the enthusiasm for attending programs early in the school year.

She also talked about how she wants to be accessible to students.

Her background as a resident assistant and frog camp facilitator has sharpened her communication and leadership skills, she said. To apply these to an officer position in student government, Nestor suggested offering more mediums for students to directly connect with her, like online forums to submit ideas or concerns,

so she can collaborate with them on SGA programs.

“I’m just excited to help give incoming students, current students the incredible experience I’ve been afforded while I’ve been here,” Nestor said.

SGA ELECTION

Sophomore business major Keetch wants to keep things simple

By ROBBIE VAGLIO

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

McKenzie Keetch, a sophomore finance and accounting double major, first joined the Student Government Association to get out of her comfort zone and expand her horizons.

One year later, she’s running for student body office.

“I’ve been so impressed with the

people involved ... from the diverse students to students from all walks of life,” Keetch said.

A “hidden” role in SGA, the treasurer is a major facilitator in all of SGA’s functions.

“Everything requires money,” Keetch said. “If you see something happening on campus, odds are the treasurer is involved in some way.”

Keetch said the ideal treasurer should be

trustworthy. She said she wants to transform the overlooked role into someone who students can approach.

“I want to simplify things and keep the integrity of the position,” Keetch said. “I want to keep solidifying that integrity quality of the position and provide an open-door policy for all students. Students deserve to know where their money is going.”

While Keetch doesn’t have experience in the executive branch, she is not going in blind.

“I’m the treasurer of my sorority, Delta Gamma,” Keetch said. “I’ve been able to get experience through that. I just saw the perfect melding of being able to interact with people and make an impact on campus.”

She also served as a member of the house

of student representatives this year, a role she believes has prepared her for the bigger role of treasurer.

“Being from Neeley, I get the money and business side of things,” Keetch said. “As a representative, I’ve been able to branch out and meet people from other departments. They’ve taught me all walks of what House is.”

Keetch said she

has one main goal to accomplish if she’s elected.

“I’d love to see a campus that has access to everything that SGA can provide,” she said. “As treasurer, it’s a unique position where I can provide that access in working with the other student body officer seats to make the campus more accessible.”

SGA ELECTION

Former president inspires Jezek to run for VP of external affairs

By ROBBIE VAGLIO

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

Will Jezek first served in the student government association as a representative of the Class of 2019 and former student body president John Paul Watson’s deputy chief of staff.

Jezek said Watson, his mentor and friend, possesses an innate ability to spark change

that inspired him to run for vice president of external affairs.

“As his friend and deputy chief of staff,” Jezek said, “I witnessed John Paul receive numerous opportunities and apply his work ethic and powerful leadership to enact real change on campus. After seeing him in his role as treasurer, I decided that I would like to also be in a similar

role and be provided with the opportunity to really make TCU a better place for all students.”

Vice president of external affairs is focused on connecting SGA’s resources to the local community, according to Jezek, while the Vice President of Operations is focused on making TCU a better place, internally.

Jezek said his ties with

the Dallas/Fort Worth community make him a qualified candidate for this position.

“My involvement with organizations like KLIFE and the Entrepreneurial Club have provided me with opportunities to meet doctors, entrepreneurs, businessmen & women, psychologists and others,” Jezek said. “Due to these connections, I know

that as vice president I will be able to effectively connect SGA to the DFW community and vice-versa.”

Jezek said his biggest goal as VPE is to assemble a board of external influencers on campus.

“This board will provide new opportunities and connections for students and will teach SGA how it can apply its

resources to make our community a better place to live in,” Jezek said. “They can also provide an outside perspective and guidance for SGA. I think this is important to continue to lead a strong SGA.”

SGA ELECTION

Letter from the current President

Dear President Elect,

As I finish out the year as student body president, I am lucky to have time to reflect on my term in office and the challenges and joys that came along with it. I will leave this position much wiser than I was at this time last year; I've gotten to work with administration, tackle tough questions in our community, and form some amazing friendships with folks who came and introduced themselves to me simply because they had an idea to make TCU greater. It wasn't always easy, and now that I write this letter, I immediately think of the three lessons I have had repeatedly put in my head and heart in the past year that I wish for you to know as well.

Have fun. This may seem whimsical at first glance, but honestly, if you don't love what you do, then you will grow to resent it. Rest and self-care is just as important as execution and implementation. Also, people gravitate towards those who are genuinely enjoying themselves and fulfilled.

Realize the responsibility to and your need for the people around you. As President, you really aren't in charge of anything; You have to build consensus and coalitions, gather stakeholders together and get people to work together to get anything done. Anything worth doing is usually tough, but I believe it is also fair to say anything worth doing requires more than just yourself. We are tied together in our community, and we have a responsibility to be there for others, even as we need support ourselves.

Listen. One thing you do a lot of as president is listen. The worst part of the job at the beginning was having someone come into my office with a problem that I simply couldn't solve or even help with. I used to agonize in meetings like these, feeling like I wasn't measuring up to my expectations of what I would be able to accomplish for students here. However, that worry gets in the way of the simple fact that listening to others, being present with them in their problems and making them truly heard is one of your most important roles as president. If people remember one thing about you, it will be how you made them feel. If you make someone feel heard and understood, valued and engaged, you recognize their value as a human being, and even if you cannot help solve the issue, you can seek to understand your fellow student.

These lessons, of course, are applicable to your whole life, not just your time as student body president, but they may be particularly useful in your next year. Congratulations on your election, and as a parting word, I say this: remember how lucky you are. Our campus has its flaws, but on the whole, TCU is an incredibly beautiful and unique place. The people here are special, from our first-year students to our most senior staff members. I love TCU; The gorgeous campus, the first-rate education. But I will continue loving TCU forever because of the relationships and memories I made here. Good luck.

More to Follow,
Ben Taylor, '18

***This letter was sent from Ben Taylor to The Skiff Editor via email

NEWS FROM THE 109

Bluebonnet Circle makes changes



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Bluebonnet Circle is undergoing construction to become more pedestrian-friendly.

Bluebonnet Circle will become one of multiple "urban villages" planned for Fort Worth, with sidewalks between shops, more parking spaces and public transportation.

For Bluebonnet residents, the most significant change could be making the circle more pedestrian-friendly.

Currently, the circle has few sidewalks, and cars rarely yield to pedestrians trying to cross the street, deterring people from walking about the area, residents said.

"We want people to walk to the park safely," said Angie Watts, president of the Bluebonnet Place Neighborhood Association. "Obviously you're crossing the street, but you shouldn't have to run for your life."

Work on the circle began in February and is scheduled to be complete by August.

It will replace existing water lines and

reconstruct the street in concrete, said Jeff Allen, communications specialist for the Fort Worth Department of Transportation and Public Works.

The inside lane of the traffic circle will be painted and turned into parking for businesses in the circle and visitors to the park.

Sixty to eighty parking spots will be created from the existing inside lane, Watts said.

The new parking spots will allow for more people to visit Bluebonnet Circle without the hassle of tight parking.

"I feel like this will really help businesses in the circle because a lot of the time there isn't much parking here, especially on football days," said Allison Wheeler, a Bluebonnet resident and employee of III Boutique.

TCU student and Bluebonnet resident Amanda Smiley said the circle is

somewhat rundown, and more development could make it safer.

"There isn't a whole lot going on there, so I think that if there are more restaurants and exciting things going on people might feel more safe," she said.

As part of the Urban Village project, Fort Worth is also building 270 residential units north of the Bluebonnet Circle Urban Village.

While that is not the focus of the project yet, some TCU students said they are concerned about what will happen to the current housing on University Drive.

"I would assume that the prices would go up for the living here if they were all turned into town homes," Smiley said. "I could see students running into some issues trying to find housing that is affordable and within walking distance."

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Emphasize friendship and your long-term goals. Taking action in order to handle a problem or misunderstanding might seem natural. However, it would serve you to detach first and understand the different mechanisms at play here. Tonight: Ask and you shall receive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ At times, you can be feisty and difficult. Think through a problem more carefully. A partner also could be unusually feisty, especially if you start talking about a sensitive issue. Take it one step at a time. Tonight: Make a point of spending more time with a special loved one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Recognize that there are periods when you are far more sensitive than usual. Do not hold back but rather move forward with thought and deliberation. You will not tolerate any obstacle in your path. Express your caring in a meaningful manner. Tonight: Listen to your sixth sense.

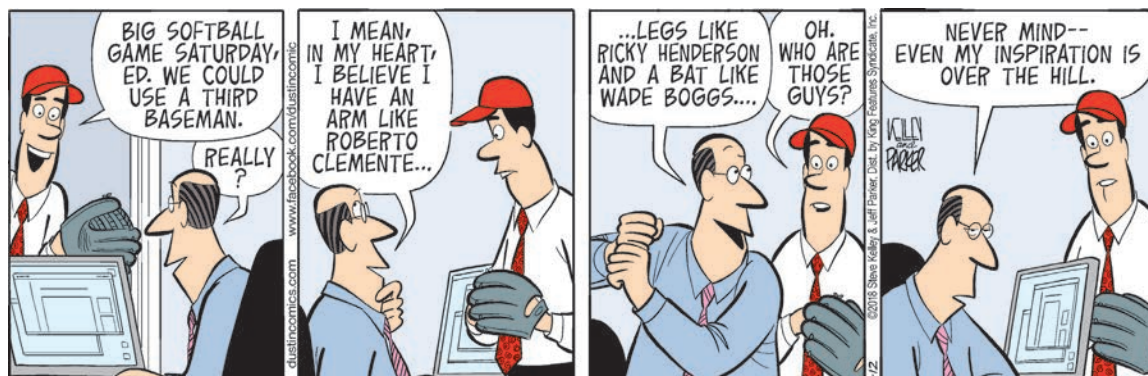
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Sometimes it is the smart move to act as if you are unreachable. Be somewhat less available than usual, and feel free to move forward with any matter involving joint finances or a particular bond. Also pay attention to a situation that is affecting a friend.

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



Tonight: Out late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Do not allow others to hold you up. It seems as if many people want some time with you. You are only one person with a limited amount of time. Your creativity comes into play, as you

know what must happen. Express your concern in a meaningful way. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You'll dive into work and complete your to-do list quickly and efficiently. Freeing up some spare time

might be delightful, as you probably need a break. You have been working very hard as of late. You know how to make others smile, so do it. Tonight: Run some errands first.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You see a situation develop,

and you might have several instantaneous responses. One knee-jerk reaction allows you to approach the matter with creativity. See what can be done to make it the best experience possible. Tonight: Just be yourself and be less guarded.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Tension builds between you and someone else. You might not be able to disarm the situation immediately, but you will in the next 24 hours. Take your time working through different scenarios that could do the job. Spend some quality time at home. Tonight: At a favorite place.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Make calls and run errands. Though you might need to do some reading or working alone, your social side emerges. You often feel a need to express that side of your personality. Try to hold yourself back right now, even if just for a little while. Tonight: Hang out at a favorite haunt.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might want to defer to someone else who can handle a personal situation in an unusual way. You often feel as if you need to hold back, especially when it comes to spending. Learn to say "no" a little more often. Tonight: Be discreet yet clear about what you desire.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ You wake up knowing that you are in your element today. What you plan to do with some free time could change as the day progresses. Loved ones and friends check in to see what you are up to. Inevitably, you might feel a bit pressured. Tonight: Start the weekend early.

The New York Times

Edited by Will Shortz

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- 1 Reach a breaking point
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8 Game with a 90-foot x 13.1-foot court
13 Donor gift, perhaps
14 To be remembered for a very long time
15 One down in the mouth?
16 Routing abbr.
17 Mrazek or Nedved of the N.H.L.
18 Skip about
19 Deceitful ballerinas?
22 Golden Bears’ school, familiarly
23 Subject of reunification talks
24 Teddy, by another name
25 Sucker for vampire stories?
26 Bit of lawyerly advice
27 Cow as it strolls around the pasture?
30 Part of the eye
31 Birds that cronk
32 Fine wool source
37 Sitting next to a fireplace, say

- 38 You might take them to do a good job
39 Super-duper
42 Band members?
45 Corner key
48 Singer ____ Del Rey
49 Classic railroad name
50 Look from Lookout Point
52 Old ____ (Yale nickname)
53 Census bureau employee?
55 Ronzoni offering
57 Actress Blanchett
58 Edit out
59 Enemy plans, e.g.
60 Like fine wines
61 Sushi bar stock
62 Bomb developed in the 1950s
63 ESP : Spain :: ____ : Netherlands
64 Holiday shortening
- DOWN**
- 1 Follows closely
2 “I meant somebody else”
3 Wear
4 Trattoria bowlful

- 5 Like Birkenstocks
6 Do one’s part
7 Some basketball tactics
8 Tampa team, informally
9 Eggs in a lab
10 Bakery trayful
11 Most upright
12 Tea choice
14 Org. whose mission involves emissions
20 Stop the flow of
21 Do crew
25 ____ collar
28 Greeting in Rio
29 Past
32 McDonald’s offering since 1968
33 Dreamy state
34 Ragtime entertainers, e.g.
35 Actress Taylor-Joy of 2015’s “The Witch”
36 Some detectives’ work, for short
37 Shaming sound
39 Like the earliest humans

- 40 Word that no one has ever said before
41 Chose
43 Marriage announcement word
44 “Law & Order” spinoff, colloquially
45 Revere
46 Adler with a noted acting studio
47 Nice touch
51 Search simplifier
53 Event for Cinderella
54 Voluminous ref.
56 It can give drivers a lift

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TCU Trivia

Demographics: The average age of associate professors in fall 2017 was 59. **True or False?**

SOLUTION FROM 4/5

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

FALSE! The average age was 51.

CAMPUS LIFE

Five things you may not know about TCU admission counselors

By MAYA BULGER

STAFF WRITER

From sitting in a Starbucks for hours to traveling for months, here are five things you might not know about TCU's admission counselors.

There are 21 people on the recruitment staff

Each admission counselor recruits in a specific region of the world and brings different experiences to the job.

"It is often a thankless job," Dean of Admission Heath Einstein said.

During the admission office hiring process, Einstein said he's looking for someone to bring something different to the team.

There are five regional admission counselors

TCU has five regional counselors located in the Southeast, Northeast, Midwest, Northern California and Southern California.

"I do what admission counselors do in the office, but I am more accessible to students and families in the Northeast," Caitlin Provost, regional director of admission, said. She

said her job is similar to admission counselors on campus, but she's more accessible to people in the Northeast.

The regional admission counselors are spread throughout the country and can reach students that don't know about TCU or have easy access to the university.

"TCU is a brand name in North Texas and Texas in general, but in certain pockets of the world, there are people who don't know about us," Einstein said.

Admission counselors have three seasons throughout the school year: travel, reading and yield season

"This is what I really like about the job, it feels like the job description changes every few months," Dalton Goodier, admission counselor, said.

In the fall, admission counselors travel to high schools, attend college fairs, host mock interviews and meet with students and parents.

By doing so, admission counselors hope to connect students to TCU.

"There are days where I'll set up in a Starbucks and hang out for about five hours," Goodier said. "I'll email students in the area so they know they



The Admission Center is home to not only the admission department but also future TCU students.

can come by and talk with somebody."

Provost said meeting with students and parents in the fall helps them feel more comfortable with the college process.

"I think this helps ease parents' nerves a bit. They actually understand there is a person on the other side of the computer," Provost said.

Toward the beginning of the spring semester, admission counselors start to review applications. Each admission counselor is assigned a region, and from November to mid-March, they are reviewing applications.

Near the end of

the spring semester, admission counselors are in yield season.

The counselors start sealing the deal with high school seniors. They are communicating with students through social media and hosting events, such as Experience TCU.

"We have hundreds of students on campus, show them around and talk to them about the next steps," Goodier said.

Admission counselors complete data work

To figure out what high schools to visit, admission counselors analyze data and review all communication with

applicants.

"We do our research so we know the right places to go," Provost said. "We try to go to places we don't go to often to increase our contacts."

Goodier said he has recently found success recruiting at a school in Austin.

"I just started visiting a performing arts magnet school in Austin because they bring in high-quality theatre and music students," Goodier said.

Admission counselors serve as the face of TCU and shape the incoming class

Admission counselors

are often the first contact applicants have with the university.

"I am able to get out to all these schools and send the true message of TCU," Provost said.

Where admission counselors choose to visit directly impacts the applications they receive, ultimately shaping the incoming class.

"I like the autonomy because we get to build relationships with students and counselors," Goodier said. "We get to decide where we want to go, and that impacts what the class will eventually look like."

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