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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'We must empower survivors of sexual violence'

The following is a letter sent to the editor and reflects the views of the author.

As a TCU family, we are called on to support members of our community. It is on all of us to create an atmosphere of empowerment and support for members of our community facing adversity. We must come together to show our community that we are dedicated to empowering survivors of sexual violence and that their voice matters on our campus.

To those who have been impacted, either directly or indirectly, by sexual violence, we are here for you. As members of the TCU community, we are committed to creating a culture that listens to and empowers survivors of sexual assault and promotes the prevention of this crime. We strive to foster an environment where every person feels valued, listened to, and supported.

In light of issues facing college students and other women around the country, TCU has changed the name of its sexual violence prevention campaign from "Not On My Campus" to "It's On Us". Because the truth is, it is on our campus. It is on all college campuses. And It's On Us to be powerful bystanders against potential sexual assaults and to stand up and defend fellow members of our TCU family. The goal of It's On Us is to empower every person to be a powerful bystander against sexual violence, to support survivors and connect them to resources available on campus, and to promote a culture where sexual violence is never tolerated. October 22nd-26th is TCU's It's On Us Week of Action during which there will be a screening and discussion of The Hunting Ground, a Dating Violence Escalation Workshop, a Student Development Services Leadership Seminar "Leadership in the Time of #MeToo", and a Bystander Intervention Training for staff and faculty. According to the Campus Climate Title IX survey, the number of students on our campus who think they can do something about sexual violence increased by 22% from 2015 to 2018, and we are committed to ensuring that this number continues to increase.

The time to act is now. Now is the time to come together and support our TCU family with a unified and compassionate call to action. We must help connect our community with the resources that TCU has available to support survivors of sexual violence and those who have been indirectly affected. Below is a list of resources that are available, with designations between confidential resources and reporting options.

Please join us...it's on all of us to stand up and stand against sexual violence!

President Abbey Widick for the Student Government Association Chair Greg Stephens for the Faculty Senate Chair Walter Betts for the Staff Assembly

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Title IX Campus Advocate- CARE Office (Campus Advocacy, Resources, and Education); Jarvis 124 (817)-257-5225, care.tcu.edu,Confidential Resource Counseling and Mental Health Center; Samuelson Hall basement level

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TCU Counseling Helpline (24 our confidential resource)

(817)-257-SAFE (7233) Religious and Spiritual Life, Jarvis Hall 1stFloor (817)-257-7830, Faith.tcu.edu Campus Life, Sadler 2006 (817)-257-7926, campuslife.tcu.edu

TCU Police

(817)-257-7777

Fort Worth Resources

Women's Center – Rape Crisis and Victim Service (817)-927-2737
Fort Worth Police
911 or (817)-335-4222 (non-emergency line)
The PD also offers the Froggie Five-o "Safe Walk"
program and RAD self-defense classes
Safe Haven
(817)-701-7233

How to Report at TCU

Title IX Office; Jarvis Hall 2ndfloor (817)-257-7000, titleix.tcu.edu

We also note that it is TCU's policy that if a student contacts TCU police for the medical attention of a fellow student that drank too much or did too many drugs, there is no academic penalty for the student to get help.

Editor's Note: What are your thoughts about diversity on campus or other big issues? TCU 360 wants to know! We are now accepting opinion columns for tcu360.com. If you are interested in having a piece published, send no more than 2 pages on your desired topic to editor@tcu360.com. We reserve the right to edit for brevity and style.



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CAMPUS LIFE

Power outage affects majority of campus Tuesday

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Some classes were canceled and students reported having limited access to residence halls Tuesday after a nearly campuswide power outage.

A tree falling on a primary power line and other equipment issues related to heavy rainfall in the area triggered the outage, according to Oncor Electric Delivery.

The power went out around 10 a.m. and returned for a few minutes as crews worked to switch the campus to alternate lines. It was



PHOTO BY RICHARD EDGEMON

Along with the power outage, the storm caused damage to the construction of the new Fashion Merchandising, Graphic Design and Interior Design building.

fully restored around 11 a.m.

Faculty and staff received emails from TCU's assistant vice chancellor for facilities around 10:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. about the situation. However,

students didn't receive any official information until power was restored.

The outage caused the campus WiFi, along with the projectors and AirMedia equipment, to go offline. Some teachers dismissed classes early during the outages, while others canceled 11 a.m. classes.

Campus dining was also affected.

The King Family Commons was unable to charge students and had to shut down its four dining options during the outage. Bistro Burnett, located in the Mary Couts Burnett Library, gave away its refrigerated items to students to prevent them from going to waste. Chick-Fil-A gave away food until it resumed normal operations around 12:30 p.m.

Market Square had a short recovery time to allow the kitchens to heat up before resuming its normal lunchtime operations, said Scott Majestic, a general manager for Sodexo.

Some students living in the Greek Village and nearby dorms said their ID cards wouldn't open residence hall doors. The ID swipe technology introduced to students in 2013 was made to be

more cost-effective than keys. If a student loses an ID, the card can be deactivated and replaced, instead of having to change out keys.

Craig Allen, the director of housing, said a backup battery should have kept the doors accessible.

However, during the outage, doors at some residence halls were propped open, and students stood outside buildings, waiting for someone to answer their knocks.

A front desk assistant at Colby Hall said students couldn't swipe into the building and some had difficulty swiping into the individual rooms.

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Campaign signs have gone digital

BY GRACE AMISS

MANAGING EDITOR, TCU 360

Campaigns have gone digital, relying on social media platforms and text messages to reach voters – but yard signs are still the promotion of choice for some voters.

With the November midterm election less than a month away, signs have been popping up in yards and lots across the state touting various candidates.

"I feel like a sign carries a lot more weight," said Sinai Diaz, a senior political science, philosophy and film, television and digital media major. "It's a way to reach outside of the echo chambers that we make for ourselves online. Someone went out of their way to purchase a sign and put it up, and there's no way for anyone to click out of it."

Diaz has one of the black and white "BETO" signs that have sprouted in lawns across Texas. Beto O'Rourke, a Democrat, is challenging Republican incumbent Ted Cruz for his U.S. Senate seat.

A campaign spokesman said it has not tracked the number of BETO signs it has sold or given away, but it seems as if O'Rouke's black and white signs dominate lawns across Texas, far outnumbering his competitor.

The Star-Telegram reported that the Cruz campaign has distributed 10,000 signs so far and ordered another 25,000 in to bridge the sign disparity.

But the Cruz campaign said in a statement its primary focus is voter contact.

The Princeton Review ranked TCU students as the 19th most conservative in the nation last year, but Dooley said she was worried her sign might rankle some of her neighbors and friends. Nevertheless, she posted it.

"Some people have all their party's candidates down the ballot represented in their yard," Dooley said. "Others tuck it away as if they already anticipate it upsetting a neighbor."

Dooley and Diaz said if their signs were stolen or destroyed they wouldn't hesitate to replace them.

CAMPUS LIFE

SGA campaign attempts to improve student outreach

BY BENTON MCDONALD

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

The TCU Student Government Association (SGA) wants to connect with and reach students through its newest campaign, "Faces of SGA."

The campaign is going to introduce students to the 57 elected representatives along with the four student body officers through weekly Instagram posts. The campaign started Wednesday and highlighted Alexis Hood, the chairwoman of Academic Affairs.

"Our goal with it is to show people what exactly SGA does, what people's



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tcusga Thank you to everyone who stopped by our table yesterday and showed their support to end sexual assault! #itsonus robertsv00 @juan_pineapple representing #tcucnx18

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The focus on people allows students more of a chance to connect with SGA and those they are represented by.

roles are and if they want to get involved in some sort of initiative that SGA's doing, they have that opportunity," said Elizabeth Hilgemann, who started the campaign.

"Faces of SGA" is part

of a larger initiative for the student government to get closer to students and make the resources they have more accessible to students.

Hilgemann is not a member of the House of Representatives but directs social media for SGA's marketing team. Together with Vice President of External Affairs Will Jezek, they redesigned the SGA Instagram page at the beginning of the year to focus more on photos of students and SGA

members.

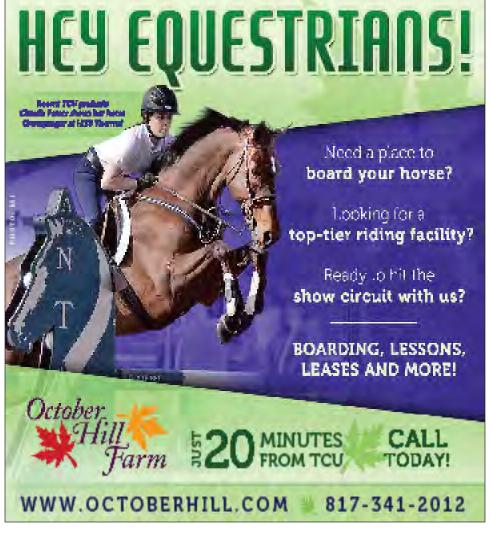
The marketing team wanted to increase their social media focus toward people to help students see SGA as individuals who collectively want to help the student body, Hilgemann said.

"It lets people know that it's an organization made of people and that those people have faces and are passionate about individual things and working towards individual things," she said.

Speaker of the House Sydney Pickral said that representatives have struggled to connect with students in the past and hopes that campaigns like, "Faces of SGA" will allow these connections to occur more frequently and lead to a better student experience.

Pickral said she wants the campaign and other outreach efforts to show students the resources and assistance SGA can offer to avoid instances like first-year pre-business major Luke Wilson not knowing the names of any of the 11 Neeley School of Business representatives.

A representative or student body officer will be added to the Instagram page each Wednesday with a short bio talking about their background and what they hope to do as a member of SGA.



FALL BREAK

SGA offers free shuttle to airports

BY GRACE AMISS

MANAGING EDITOR, TCU 360

Fall break is less than one week away—here are some traveling tips to help alleviate a travel headache.

Transportation

If you're traveling out of state, hitch a free ride to the airport on one of the SGA sponsored shuttle buses. Buses leave at various times on Friday and can take you to either the Dallas-Fort Worth airport or Dallas Love Field airport.

If you're choosing to use rideshare apps, such as Lyft and Uber, check for their online coupon codes. Another option to minimize gas usage is to carpool with your friends.

Housing

If you're not going home or crashing at a friend's house, here are some of the next best options.

Vacation rentals can be a great alternative to staying at a hotel. These private homes are available for nightly, weekly or monthly rentals through websites such as Airbnb, VacationHomeRentals or HomeAway.

Not only can they be cost-effective, but often you'll be staying with a local who can show you places that might not be in travel guides.

Packing

Choosing the right clothes to bring on a trip can be tricky, especially for those who habitually overpack.

"I'm definitely going to overpack and probably bring something that I don't need to bring," said Courtney Cheevers, a senior marketing major. "I'll probably bring nine outfits for one night."

However, there are a few ways to pack efficiently while still being able to fit everything you want into a carry-on.

"There's a way to fold a T-shirt," said Wilson Hoyt, a first-year pre-med and biology double major. "Fold it and then roll it like a hotdog basically and then turn it sideways."

Keep your clothes close, but keep your travel essentials closer.

CAMPUS NEWS

DEI plans to include diversity in TCU core curriculum

BY OSCAR HERNANDEZ

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU Core Curriculum may be expanded to reflect the importance of diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) for future students.

Dr. Claire Sanders and Dr. Ariane Balizet, faculty chairs of the DEI committee, are strategizing a plan that would include DEI for students and faculty across all departments.

Michelle Nguyen and Hope Bentley, seniors and chairs of the DEI subcommittee, are actively working with Sanders and Balizet in developing the proposal. Through the TCU Justice Coalition, they plan to work with students to better understand the importance of DEI within

their departments and encourage them to bring their voices to professors.

The committee looked at the places of diversity in university missions and curricula in TCU's peer institutions, such as Rice University, Baylor, Vanderbilt University, SMU, Creighton University, Georgetown University, George Washington University, Lehigh University, Santa Clara University, Tulane University and Wake Forest University. The committee compared their findings and found that TCU was behind its peer institutions in implementing diverse encounters with individuals and groups that are central to students' university experience.

Additionally, The



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Dave Reed Hall houses the office of Dr. Claire Sanders and Dr. Ariane Balizet.

Chronicle of Higher Education's list of "Great Colleges to Work For in 2018" indicated that diversity is one of only two categories in which TCU did not receive any recognition or merit.

"What many of our peer institutions have required in their core are experiences that specifically situate the students in a conversation about diversity and how that conversation impacts the students," said Balizet.

The core requires students to take a class to raise cultural awareness. These include courses such as language, rhetoric and culture, women in literature and culture and sex, gender and culture as part of the graduation plan.

Including DEI will further draw students' attention to these issues in a way that specifically relates to their majors, such as nursing, science and engineering, business and math, said Balizet.

The committee's proposal is to create a course in DEI that will work as an overlay under essential competency and writing emphasis without adding any additional credit hours.

The proposal must first go through the Faculty Senate, where they vote to approve. From there, it goes to the faculty assembly, where the entire faculty will vote on the proposal.

To advocate for this proposal, the DEI committee asks students from every college to challenge their professors and deans and ask why there is no current DEI overlay available for them. The committee also asks faculty to challenge their colleagues in supporting the voices of their students.

"This is something that's specific to TCU," Sanders said. "We want students to have this experience with the faculty members on this campus; that's what makes the TCU experience unique to TCU."

The committee's timeline hopes to have courses in DEI approved in the core by spring 2019, followed by implementing and requiring these courses for first-year students by fall 2020.

SPORTS

Volleyball gets back on winning track at home, stops Red Raiders

BY COLIN POST

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

After dropping a close game to No. 3 Texas on Wednesday, TCU volleyball recovered Saturday to defeat Texas Tech 3-1 (25-22, 22-25, 25-22, 25-19), breaking the Red Raiders' nine-match win streak.

"One of our goals was to outwork them," said head coach Jill Kramer. "I think our effort was great."

TCU struggled early on defense, allowing Texas Tech to have 15 kills in the first set. Five of those were from outside hitter Emily Hill

NEXT GAME

TCU at Iowa State Saturday at noon

alone, who also posted a .625 hitting clip in the set.

The Frogs were able to edge out the Red Raiders in the first set, 25-22. Despite the victory, Kramer knew that her team needed to put up a better effort if they were going to beat the Big 12-leading Red Raiders two more times.

"I still think in the first set we didn't come out as sharp as we would like and had a lot of miscues in the beginning," she said. "We need to get a little bit better at that."

The sharper start Kramer was looking for wouldn't come in the second set, as Texas Tech scored first and didn't look back. The Frogs dropped the second set 25-22.

A bright spot to the set was first-year middle blocker Katie Clark, who had six kills in the second set to go with a .857 hitting percentage.

Clark would finish the match with a career-high 20 kills and .359 hitting clip. This was her secondstraight game to post career-high kills after reaching that mark with 17 Wednesday against Texas.

"It's been nice to see [Clark] start to really work into our offense and be a priority for us on the right side," Kramer said. "You can see some of her high school volleyball pay off a lot when we have the opportunity to set her on the go."

TCU countered another slow start in the third set with an offensive outburst late in the set. The Frogs had 18 kills in the set, seven of which came from first-year outside hitter Élan McCall. McCall would finish the match with 21 kills and 17 digs for her 16th straight game with double-digit kills. Saturday's match also marked her tenth double-double of the season.

The Horned Frog volleyball team extended their lead by as much as six in the fourth set and controlled the entire way.

Late in the set, after the Red Raiders had blocked four previous spike attempts, McCall found a hole in the defense put the Frogs up 21-17 and set the tone that TCU had set their sights on victory. The Frogs would end up winning the set 25-19.

"I would just have to say that it gives us the confidence that we can outwork [other teams] if we try our hardest," said Clark. "If we put our max effort out there, we can do whatever we want to

After two games at home, TCU will head on the road for two straight matches to play Baylor and Iowa State. First serve against Baylor is set for 6 p.m. on Oct. 10 in Waco, Texas.

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

for Thursday, Oct. 11, 2018: This year you open up to new possibilities and ways of managing your life, especially with regard to your finances. You will feel more secure than in recent years. If you are single, your charm emanates and draws many people toward you. You have choices to make, especially as winter approaches. If you are attached, communication with your sweetie improves and intensifies. You will find your daily life as a couple to be more vital. SCORPIO has strong opinions; listening does not

.ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ One-on-one relating takes you down a colorful path. An authority figure could surprise you with his or her attitude. If you cannot work within this person's parameters, walk away. Relate directly to a loved one, and you'll be pleased with the outcome. Tonight: All smiles.

mean you agree.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Don't take a stand, even if you're inclined to. Stay out of others' whirlwinds and issues. You will know when to reconnect on a deeper level. Let those around you know that you have confidence in them and in their choices through your actions. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Focus your energy where it counts. You will see a situation differently once you have completed the necessary work to wrap up a project. Share your perspective more openly at this point. You will get the respect you desire and need. Tonight: Put up your feet and relax.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Express your emotional creativity. Others note how different your ideas are. Someone of interest might

decide to come toward you in order to get to know you. You will find out what happens by being authentic. Honor your integrity. Tonight: Time to let your hair

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Understand what is happening around a domestic matter and a piece of property. Realize that your priorities might need revising. Do not fight the inevitable; instead, flow with it. Look to making changes at a later date. Tonight: Remain positive, and say "yes" to a fun get-together. you want

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone you care about. This person seems to remain responsive no matter what you do! Do not push or test your limits, as a reversal could be close to impossible to enact at the present point. Let others know how much their loyalty means to you. Tonight: Out late.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Act rather than speculate, except when dealing with money ventures. The risk might not be worth it. You could be questioning how to best deal with a difficult roommate or family member. This situation is not new, yet you might want to try a new approach. Tonight: Give 100 percent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You want to get to the bottom of a problem. Others might be reluctant to give you more information, yet you will accept nothing less. Understand that someone's priorities might influence which facts he or she chooses to relay. Share news. Tonight: Think "weekend."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Back out of a problem, or decide to be mum about it

for now. You need to look at

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Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



the issue at hand from several different perspectives before making a final judgment call. You will like what you see. Use the gift of time to your advantage. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You can't count on others' reactions to be what

vou want them to be. You can count only on yourself and your own responses. Do not create a hassle where one doesn't exist. Examine your possibilities more openly. Detach from a heated situation. Tonight: Where your friends are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

★★★ You carry additional

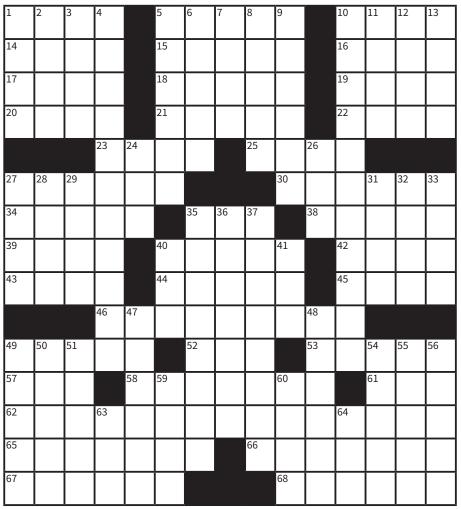
responsibilities, but not because you want to. Much seems to fall on your plate because others know you will follow through. Consider using the word "no" more often. Be willing to be slightly less responsible once in a while. Tonight: A must appearance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Reach out to an expert

to get feedback, rather than brainstorm with a friend who is more likely to agree with you. You will get more dynamic input and have an opportunity to see an option that might not be readily visible. Tonight: Make weekend plans with loved ones

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PUZZLE BY PETER WENTZ

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

False! In 2017, TCU's student population was 59 percent female.

SPORTS

Weekday game causes logistical challenges on campus

BY NICK STEPHENS

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TCU football's nationally televised matchup Thursday night against Texas Tech is giving the administration headaches in two primary areas—parking and education.

Parking on campus is already a hot topic, and game day protocols mean commuter students and faculty will have to be bused in from remote lots

Pair that with concern over students skipping class in anticipation of the contest, and you can see why administrators might not love the idea.

"Thursday night games, to put it bluntly, are an abomination," said Provost Nowell Donovan. "We are an institution of higher learning, not an athletic support facility."

Due to the Big 12 Conference's television contract with ESPN, member universities are required to host occasional Thursday night games. The last time that happened at TCU was in 2015 when the Horned Frogs defeated West Virginia, 40-10.

Donovan said parking is the university's biggest concern. Supporters pay for parking spots on game days, meaning students have to move their cars Wednesday by 10 p.m.

It's even tougher for commuter students and faculty, who will have to find somewhere to park off campus or figure out another way to get there.

One option is to use

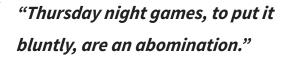




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TCU quarterback Shawn Robinson calls out a play at the line of scrimmage against Texas in Austin.



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"We're trying to make the best of an imperfect hand which we've been played," Donovan said. "I just hope that my faculty colleagues will deliver their usual high-quality lectures and that our commuter students will decide to go to class."

Remote parking is available at the new Dickies Arena. Breakfast will be provided by TCU Student Affairs from 7-9 a.m.

The bus shuttle service will run continuously from 4 a.m. to midnight Thursday. Administrators aren't the only ones with concerns. Senior history major Victor Norris said he is worried about what a Thursday game will mean for students.

"Sadly, drinking is part of our culture, so some students are going to skip class to get drunk the whole day," Norris said. "That will carry over into Friday, so it's a really bad concept."

Senior graphic design major Christopher Brown agreed that some students will skip class Thursday, but he also stressed the academic downside.

"Thursday games can



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 $Trevone\ Boykin\ finished\ with\ 388\ yards\ in\ TCU's\ 40-10\ Thursday\ night\ win\ over\ West\ Virginia\ in\ 2015.$

be kind of cool, but at the same time it's disruptive to the week," Brown said. "I have to move my study schedule around, and I have to wake up early Friday morning after a late night."

Donovan understands these concerns, but he said the decision to hold class Thursday was easy because students need to attend their lectures.

"I'm sure that doesn't apply to football players

on Thursday, you know," Donovan added with a laugh. "You know, the lads have got to get prepared and all the rest of it."