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CAMPUS LIFE

Boschini: New year, new leadership

By **LESLIE FIELDS**

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU officially marked the start of the new academic semester Tuesday morning as faculty, staff and students filled Ed Landreth Auditorium for this year's Fall Convocation.

Chancellor Victor Boschini outlined his plans for this academic year at the ceremony. He said he wants to focus on improvement, emphasize more inclusion and strive for positivity—despite the world's negative forecast.

"I want to try and discover the similarities we have," Boschini said. "I think we are all more alike than we are different, and I am going to try and find the things that push us together, rather than pull us apart."

The convocation was also the first for new Provost and Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Teresa Abi-Nader Dahlberg.

"I want to be more open to new ideas and make every effort to help guarantee her success," Boschini said. "She is going to enhance all dimensions of the academic experience for TCU students."

Sally Fortenberry, an associate professor of fashion merchandising, is looking forward to Dahlberg's new ideas and the different perspectives she will bring in.

During the convocation ceremony, Boschini said he plans to demonstrate TCU's values of building relationships and



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Chancellor Boschini addresses the crowd at Fall Convocation.



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New Provost Teresa Dahlberg



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Dr. Slattery was honored with the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Achievement as a Creative Teacher and Scholar at Tuesday's convocation

fostering the community that challenges, supports and encourages students this year.

For Associate Dean for Nursing Suzy Lockwood, TCU's values are the foundation of what she does and how she

approaches students.

"TCU's values help ground me in what I want to put forward to students," Lockwood said.

The Wassenich Award, the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award and

the Chancellor's Award, given for distinguished achievement as a creative teacher and scholar, were each awarded during the ceremony.

Timeka Gordon, the director of inclusive-ness and Intercultural Services and the Community Scholars Program, received the Wassenich Award, which is given for mentoring in the TCU community.

"She met students where they were," Boschini said. "She just loved them. That's who she is."

Gordon wiped away her tears as she accepted the award and thanked her students.

"Thank you, students, for being a blessing in my life and for allowing me to share your journey every single day," Gordon said.

Susie Olmos-Soto, a senior learning and development consultant in the Human Resources department, received the DEI Award for helping Spanish-speaking employees learn English.

"Susie walks the walk and talks the talk," Boschini said. "She brings more diversity, equity and inclusion to TCU's campus."

Olmos-Soto shared the spotlight with Spanish-speaking employees as she accepted the award.

"We want to support you and what you do here on campus—doing extraordinary things," Olmos-Soto said.

Dr. Mike Slattery, the chair and director of the institute for environmental studies, received the Distinguished Achievement award.



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COMMUNITY

Fort Worth looking beyond books as it adds libraries

By GRACE AMISS

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Fort Worth is adding three new libraries, but there is a hold on books.

Physical books, that is.

The proposed budget for the 2020 fiscal year cuts the library's budget for print books by \$300,000, a reflection of how libraries are evolving in the digital age.

"Advancements in technology impact libraries in many of the same ways they affect the retail market place," said Theresa Davis, the communications manager at the Fort Worth Public Library. "We must adapt to the growing demands of our customers. E-books and audiobooks continue to grow in popularity and we try to find the best ways to deliver them to our customers."

That said, print books continue to be more popular than e-books or audiobooks, according to a study done by the Pew Research Center, which concluded that people are 37% more likely to read a print book.

"We have an obligation to continue to provide reading material in a variety of formats," Davis said. "Our focus is on encouraging reading for fun, enjoyment and self-discovery. So if you want to read a graphic novel, we've got it. Magazines, we've got those too. Novels, cookbooks, historical documents, we've got them. And we've got all of those digitally or printed."

As the city's literary hub, the Fort Worth Library remains committed to advancing reading throughout all generations. Digitizing libraries does not just mean animated graphic novels or audiobooks; it opens up various sectors of opportunity for employment.

"Libraries also provide resources for entrepreneurs and small businesses that might otherwise be unaffordable," said Megan Cusick, the manager of state advocacy for the American Library Association. "Libraries today are not just about what we have for people, but what we do for and with people."

The city is positioning its libraries to be community hubs, according to the proposed budget.

"Libraries offer resources, displays, talks and programming that showcase local and global artists across genres," Cusick said. "They connect people with the resources to pursue their own passions."

Libraries also serve as a way for citizens to learn about and engage with their local communities.

"Growing up in Chicago, going to the public library was a highlight in my week," said Kate Edwards, a senior strategic communication major. "I loved using the computers there and finding different books to read. I thought it was so cool how I had unlimited access to so many stories

and cool activities."

Although the budget plans to decrease funding for print books, Davis said this specific change isn't something about which the Fort Worth Library will worry.

"The city has done an excellent job of supporting our materials budget for years," Davis said. "Our professional staff of librarians who manage the collection are confident we have the funds we need to meet the demand for materials next year."

Despite living in an era ruled by technology, the future for libraries in this social media age is bright, both nationally and in Fort Worth.

"What is most important to get younger generations interested in reading is having access to reading materials, no matter what the format," Cusick said. "Social media allows libraries to engage with their communities in new and exciting ways, such as live-streamed storytimes and other events."

For the Fort Worth Library, looking toward the future does not mean negating the past.

"We are exploring new ways to utilize social media to expand the library experience into the digital world," said Davis. "It's a wonderful way to make connections with people and share stories."



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CAMPUS NEWS

TCU addresses pedestrian safety

BY MEL MORRIS

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU police officers have new assignment: ushering students through the crosswalks along South University Drive during peak crossing times.

The measure is part of an effort to prevent traffic from backing up when students cross against the light, said Adrian Andrews, the assistant vice chancellor for public safety.

Andrews said this was becoming a safety issue for pedestrians and drivers. The TCU police are working with a consulting group to study eight of TCU's crosswalks, he said. Further decisions will be made after the conclusion of the study, which will last about one month.

"We put our heads together and decided the best thing we could do is to put officers out there during high traffic times, and make sure everyone can get where they're going safely," Andrews said.

Officers will be monitoring the crosswalks along University Drive 10 minutes before and after class change, Andrews said.

Officers will be patrolling crosswalks during "peak hours," which is 10 minutes before and after class change. Photo by Cristian ArguetaSoto.

According to the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, South University Drive

is at "average" for pedestrian fatalities.

Several years ago, the university threatened to ticket jaywalkers. But Andrews said ticketing students is not the priority; their safety is.

"The police have the right to give tickets, but we don't want to do that," Andrews said. "My thought is that we are here to keep everyone safe. To this date, we have not given out one ticket yet."

The assistance isn't sitting well with some students.

Senior psychology major Sydney Vandermeer said that the lights are very long and that it is especially frustrating to wait for extended periods when there is little traffic present.

"Sometimes I don't have time to wait five minutes when I'm trying to get to my next class," Vandermeer said.

A spokesperson for the city of Fort Worth said pedestrians along University Drive should expect to wait 80 seconds and two minutes to cross, depending on traffic.

Andrews said he wants the city to shorten the light cycle when no cars are present. He said TCU and Fort Worth are discussing the timing of the traffic lights during peak traffic times.

His goal is to make the crosswalks more efficient for both drivers and pedestrians.

"We ask our young people to leave a little earlier, but we are going to work on the timing of



A TCU police officer monitors the crosswalk at University Drive during class change.

PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGEUTASOTO

the lights to make sure that it is more conducive to our students getting to their classes," Andrews said.

Kendalyn Ferner, a junior communication major, said she appreciates the police presence at campus crosswalks.

"As a commuter, I appreciate the police presence when I'm driving through campus," Ferner said. "I know that they're keeping us safe, and it can get pretty scary sometimes. People would run across the street during green lights and it always made me nervous."

Andrews encouraged people from the community, faculty, staff and students to reach out if the police presence is not working.



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CAMPUS NEWS

New policy enforced for animals on campus

BY CAROLINA OLIVARES

MANAGING EDITOR, TCU 360

Complaints about dogs on campus has prompted university rules about canines.

All service, therapy and emotional support animals must be certified and approved by the university before being brought to campus.

Some dogs in the past made unwanted approaches to people on campus, according to Dr. J. Richard Rinewalt, who chaired the committee that helped approve the

policy.

He also said there was a “failure of pet owners to clean up after animals or report incidents.”

Service dogs must be registered dog through Student Disabilities Services before they can be brought to campus. This also applies to service animals in training.

Therapy animals must serve a clear purpose and be approved by the head of the department the animal is visiting, according to the policy.

Events brought to campus by Student

Affairs during finals week that use therapy dogs to alleviate students’ stress may continue as long as they have the stamp of approval.

The formal policy also addresses student requests to bring animals to class.

“There was an increased pressure on faculty to allow students to bring pets and emotional support animals to class,” Rinewalt said.

Senior sports broadcasting major Queen Royal got Athena, a

therapy dog she got after experiencing a tough first year.

Making the transition into college, Royal said she struggled with separation anxiety and not having anyone to go home to and interact with after class.

She’s not worried about the policy, however, because she doesn’t bring Athena to class.

“I don’t take her to class because really all it is for me is the anxiety and depression being at home,” Royal said.



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A service dog on TCU campus.

This policy affects more than just on-campus residents; pet owners living off campus can expect changes, too. Students are no

longer able to walk their companion dogs around the Campus Commons. Dogs now must be kept on sidewalks.

TCU implements new safety requirements in syllabi

BY DREW MITCHELL

EDITOR, THE SKIFF

In the wake of recent mass shootings and other threats to safety, TCU is taking precautions to ensure students and staff are prepared if an emergency occurs.

Over the past year and a half, TCU’s police department launched a campaign that teaches how to respond during a lockdown, evacuation or “seek shelter” situation.

The program, titled “L.E.S.S. is More,” an acronym that stands for “lockdown, evacuation or seek shelter,” functions as emergency responses needed to reduce

damages and, more importantly, save lives.

The TCU police department is now requiring professors to include the safety protocols in their syllabi, according to Assistant Vice Chancellor for Public Safety Adrian Andrews.

“It is very important that we look at safety as a team sport,” Andrews said. “Everybody knows the police are going to try to keep everyone safe, but we ask that our students, our staff and faculty also contribute in making us safe as well.”

Dr. Jeanelle Hope, assistant professor of comparative race and

ethnic studies, said she wasn’t aware of the requirement, but after taking a syllabus workshop during the summer she realized the importance of including the safety protocol.

“I think it’s fine,” Hope said. “A big concern that faculty often have, and that came in discussion during our Koehler Center workshop, is the size of a syllabus can get pretty lengthy.”

Despite the length, Hope said emergency preparedness is something all students should know about.

Andrews said he is not concerned with the length of the syllabi.

Professor of environmental sciences Kristen Argenbright said she also wasn’t aware of the requirement.

“It’s brand new [so] it’s going to take some training to let people know what’s going on,” Argenbright said. “It’s just that a lot of folks don’t know about the ‘L.E.S.S. is More’ program.”

In hopes of spreading awareness, the TCU Department of Public Safety created a pamphlet and diagram that shows “rally points” in case of an emergency. It also includes instructions on how to handle situations when a

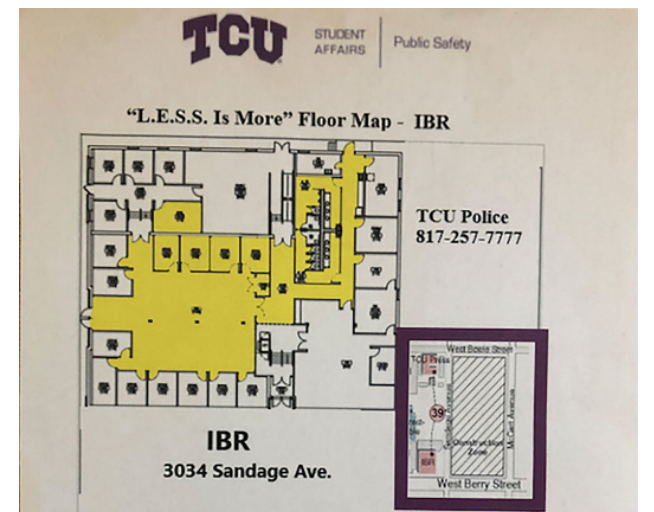


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A diagram of the rally points in case of an emergency.

person’s safety is at risk.

“The syllabus makes the faculty responsible,” Andrews said. “They have to actually think

about those young people who are sitting in front of them. They are responsible for their safety as well.”

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019:

This year, opportunity after opportunity opens up. You will have some choices to make. If possible, don't make them under pressure. If you're single, try to date a lot before committing in any way or form. If you're attached, the two of you often flow well together. Sometimes you get tense with each other when your perspectives are not in sync. In general, respecting and appreciating differences is important to make a bond work. GEMINI might be too mercurial for your taste. They overthink much as you do but are glibber than you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★ Lie back and understand what has happened. Opportunities come forward out of the blue. News from a distance causes fantasizing and thought. You gain a new perspective as a result. Tonight: Curb possessiveness. Live free.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Zoom in and figure out what is happening around you. Finances and availability of funds could be the key to making an important decision. You could get stuck in a pattern or manner of proceeding. Tonight: Off making a splash ... a big splash.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You are energized and ready to make a difference with a project and in relating to others. Others seem to have a tendency to push you in order to get a fast response. Ignore the pushing and give a complete answer. Tonight: Express yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Be more forthright in how you deal with a loved one or friend. You could

be keeping some of your opinions private in order to facilitate a conversation. You find a partner quite controlling and difficult. Establish some distance if necessary. Tonight: Go for a change of pace.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Meetings hold more interest than they usually do. You clearly see the path to success. You easily enlist various associates as supporters. The more people, the more ideas come up. Do not back off if a situation becomes complicated. Tonight: Make weekend plans.

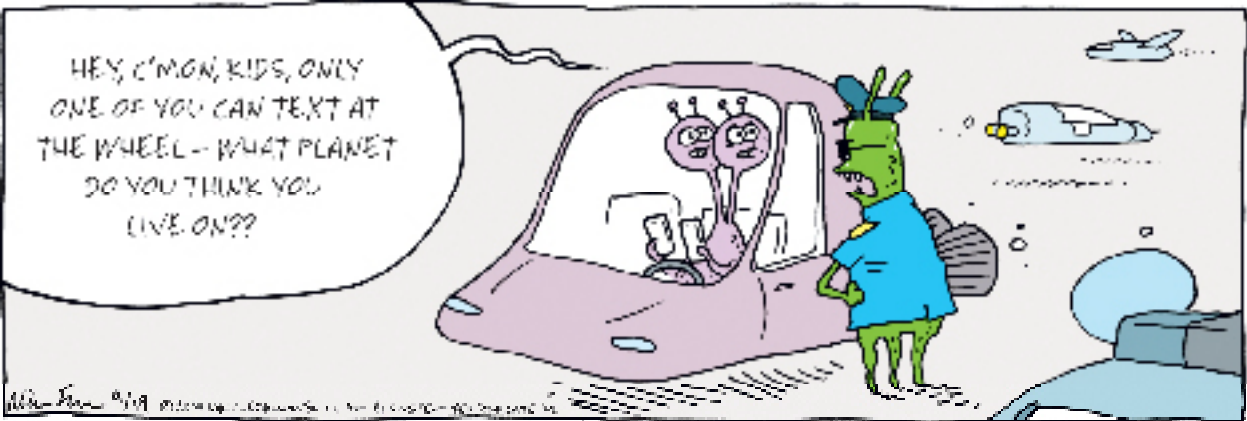
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Remain imaginative when handling a personal matter. Stay on top of a project, making sure to complete each detail on the way. Your precision counts, and others count on that specific skill. Enjoy having an apprentice or two. Tonight: A must appearance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You are able to reach out to a loved one at a distance. You might wonder what is happening behind the scenes that someone seems to not want to discuss. You could find it worth discussing a situation and airing out an innate issue. Tonight: Consider a day trip in the next few days.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Your winning style draws someone in closer. You know how to have a discussion without hurting feelings. What occurs in a conversation proves to be positive for both parties. Trust this person. Tonight: Relate on a one-on-one level.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You have little patience in dealing with one specific

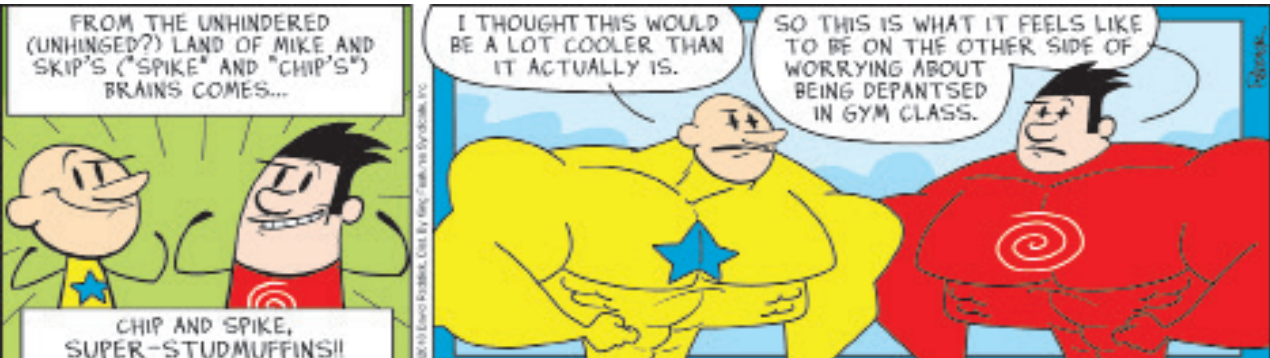
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person. Your ability to get past a problem could be difficult if the other party refuses to disengage. Let go of a need to control. Tonight: Play it easy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You could be on top of a situation that may be developing around the work

arena. You might appreciate slowing down the pace. A discussion with follow-through could make a big difference. Tonight: Say yes to an offer.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Your playful style, innate eccentricities and

sensitivity allow you to build a strong inner circle. Consider signing up for a yoga class or some other stress-busting technique. Make lowering your stress level a high priority. Tonight: Expressing your quirkiness.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Your instinct might be

to stay home more often. Should that be the case, consider a home-based business. A friend could be very stoic but also rigid, making him or her difficult to deal with. Tonight: Make it easy -- order in.

The New York Times

Edited by Will Shortz

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TCU Trivia

What is the Skiff's Birthday?

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SPORTS

SMU rivalry holds more meaning than usual this year for football

BY COLIN POST

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

Last season, TCU football was able to cruise past SMU 42-12, but faces a much daunting task this time around.

“It’s always exciting,” cornerback Jeff Gladney said about playing SMU. “They’re going to play hard. We’re going to play hard, just for the rivalry.”

SMU’s 47-17 victory over Texas State marks the first time since 1984 that the Mustangs have started a season 3-0. Their other two wins have come against North Texas and Arkansas State.

On top of that, SMU received a vote in the Coaches Poll for the first time since 2016.

A new face lined up behind center is one of the things that makes this year’s SMU team so different. Led by Texas transfer quarterback Shane Buechele, the Mustangs rank No. 11 in the country in total offense, averaging 550 yards and 44 points per game as a team.

Buechele also leads the AAC with 871 passing yards, highlighted by a 360-yard outing in their season opener against Arkansas State.

“They [SMU] don’t try to do a whole lot, but what they do do is they do it very well,” head coach Gary Patterson said. “Everybody asks me, ‘What kind of offense don’t you want to defend?’ The ones that do it well.”

SMU’s running backs Xavier Jones and T.J. McDaniel have also had

an impressive start to their season. Jones is tied for first in the nation with seven total touchdowns, averaging 5.4 yards per attempt with 291 total yards.

McDaniel, a true freshman, exploded for 159 yards and three touchdowns in his collegiate debut.

In the receiving core, Reggie Roberson Jr. ranks ninth in the FBS with 342 receiving yards. Placed on the Biletnikoff Award watch list before the season, the West Virginia transfer has caught two touchdowns on 21 catches this season.

TCU will be looking for their front line to repeat their performance from last Saturday, a game that they allowed only 23 rushing yards.

To stop Buechele and SMU’s revamped pass attack, look for Gladney, one of TCU’s most experienced cornerbacks, to shut down Roberson and give the Frogs time to get to the quarterback.

Gladney said he and the receiver are friends from Roberson’s time at West Virginia, so he enjoys the matchup every year.

“He’s [Roberson] pretty good,” Gladney said. “I always look forward to holding him.”

Linebacker Garrett Wallow will be another key for TCU defensively, as he has recorded 23 tackles, including six for a loss, and two sacks already this season.

SMU’s defense has allowed 350 yards per



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Freshman quarterback Max Duggan has not won the starting job for TCU quite yet.

game this season. Their lone standout on defense is safety Patrick Nelson, who leads the AAC with 1.67 sacks.

The Illinois transfer recorded his lone interception of the year against North Texas.

With this in mind, look for TCU to return to the running game that recorded 346 yards against Purdue on the ground last week.

Running backs Darius Anderson (207 yards and two touchdowns) and Sewo Olonilua (156 yards and one touchdown) could get upwards of 30 carries combined, as they did in the win over the Boilermakers.

“We have two really good running backs,” right guard David Bolisomi said. “We have trust in both of those running backs to get the job done.”

At the quarterback position, both graduate transfer Alex Delton and true freshman Max Duggan will continue



PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGUETASOTO

Cornerback Jeff Gladney will be key in stopping SMU’s offense.

to share snaps. Though Duggan played for the majority of the game against Purdue, Patterson said he has not earned the starting job officially yet.

Though he appears to be the front runner, freshman quarterback Max Duggan has not won the starting job for TCU

quite yet. Photo courtesy of GoFrogs.com.

“At some point in time we’re going to have to throw the ball to beat people,” Patterson said. “At some point in time, somebody’s going to have to be able to do that.”

Patterson said wide receiver Taye Barber, cornerback Julius

Lewis and wide receiver Mikel Barkley will be game-time decisions Saturday due to injuries.

The two teams will face-off for the 99th time Saturday. Kickoff against the Mustangs is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. from Amon G. Carter Stadium.