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POLITIFROG

Ballot counting in key states leaves presidential election in limbo

By TCU360 STAFF

Americans woke up Wednesday morning without a definitive answer to who their next president would be.

While this election set modern-day records for voter turnout, with about 67% of the eligible voting population expected to have cast ballots, it is dwarfed by the all-time record of 81.8%, set in 1876.

One group contributing to this year's high voter turnout was Generation Z. Many of these individuals took an early advantage of the 26th Amendment and voted in their first election.

As of Wednesday at 2 p.m., six states remained to be called by the Associated Press.

Early Wednesday morning, the AP called Arizona for Democratic candidate Joe Biden. The AP also gave three of Maine's electoral votes to Biden and one to President Trump.

The six uncalled states account for 76 electoral votes. As of 2 p.m. Wednesday, Biden led the race, with 248 electoral votes to Trump's 214. Biden was also winning the popular vote.

Both campaigns said Tuesday night they were confident they were on a path to victory.

Among the states left to be called were Pennsylvania, with 20 electoral votes, and Georgia and Michigan,

each with 16.

Nevada announced Wednesday it had stopped counting votes and would report the total Thursday.

In the U.S. Senate, 35 seats were up for grabs, and Republicans are expected to maintain control. Democrats had flipped two seats, and Republicans had flipped one.

Democrats are expected to keep their majority in the House of Representatives, though Republicans gained some Democratic seats.

Democrat flips Texas Senate seat as GOP keeps majority

Democrat Roland Gutierrez defeated Republican incumbent Pete Flores to win the Texas State Senate District 19.

"I would like to thank all of the people of #SD19 for putting their faith in me to work on the issues that matter most," Gutierrez said in a tweet.

Flores conceded the election in a statement on Wednesday, saying "I send my heartfelt thanks to the people of the District. I appreciate the opportunity to serve as their State Senator for the 86th Session."

This upset comes as Texas Democrats failed to gain political control, with Republican lawmakers keeping their hold on all statewide offices and in both chambers of the Legislature.

As a result, Republicans will once again control the redistricting process, deciding the state district map until the next census in 2030.

John Cornyn defeats MJ Hegar to win fourth term

Democrat MJ Hegar conceded the Texas U.S. Senate race to Republican incumbent Sen. John Cornyn in a tweet at 8:47 p.m. Tuesday night

"We've built a powerful grassroots movement from the ground up, and I know our fight here in Texas is far from over," she said in the tweet.

The Cornyn campaign also tweeted about his victory; "It is the honor of my life to serve Texas in the U.S. Senate," the tweet said. "Inspired by your trust and your patriotism, I will continue to be a strong voice for our values in Washington."

The Hegar campaign also released a statement following the concession, saying that, "Together, we stood up and got to work, building a powerful grassroots campaign from the ground up, shattering voter turnout records, and most importantly sending a message to a previously safe Senator that he answers to us."

Republicans sweep five state house districts in Tarrant County

All five state house

districts in Tarrant County that were targeted by Democrats as potential gains have been called for the Republican candidate.

In the two open seat races that Democrats were most bullish on, Jeff Whitfeld conceded to Republican Jeff Cason in State House District 92, and David Cook's victory in District 96 was called by the AP.

In District 97, which includes TCU, Democrat Elizabeth Beck released a statement conceding to Republican incumbent Craig Goldman.

Another Republican incumbent in Tarrant County, Matt Krause, declared victory in the District 93 race.

Elsewhere in the county, 3rd Precinct Commissioner Gary Fickes was re-elected along with Sheriff Bill Waybourn.

In the race for president, Donald Trump holds onto a lead of less than 3,000 votes in Tarrant County.

As of noon Wednesday, Trump held 49.35% of the vote to Biden's 49.08%.

The 49.35% share would be the lowest a Republican president has received in Tarrant County this century.



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Students gathered in Commons watched election results Tuesday

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CAMPUS NEWS

SGA budget passed to fund RA and CRA appreciation day

By **LUCIE LUNDQUIST**

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

TCU Student Government Association passed a bill to fund the first annual resident assistant and chapter resident assistant appreciation day.

SGA set aside \$1,830 to fund the day, which will occur Nov. 10, during the Oct. 27 meeting.

The student outreach committee and SGA Vice President Liliana Ogden presented the idea with the goal to demonstrate the student body's gratitude for RAs and CRAs.

Ogden wrote in a text RAs are a huge part of keeping the campus happy and healthy. She hopes that students are able to take some time out of their day to let their RA's know they are valued.

Ogden wrote that due to the amount of time the RAs and CRAs spend caring for their residents, they "seldom have time to focus on their needs."

"It's important to celebrate and recognize everyone and we just thought that it was the RAs time to shine," Ogden wrote.

Kara Potts, a senior

RA in Hays Hall, wrote in a text to TCU 360 there is a lot that happens behind the scenes, and students don't know how much RAs do for the on-campus residents.

"Of course people see the programs, but so much of our job happens without anyone noticing," Potts wrote.

Gracelyn Pugh, a junior RA in Waits Hall, expressed her support for the appreciation day.

Pugh wrote in a text that that the biggest change she has noticed in residence halls due to COVID-19 is less social interaction between



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

SGA convenes in the BLUU Ballroom this year to follow COVID-19 guidelines.

residents because most of them stay in their room for class, but she thinks

residents are still finding ways to connect with others.

SGA is developing plans to celebrate the day.

Hall director talks about working at a residence hall during COVID-19

By **RAINES NAGEL**

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

One hall director has kept his goals consistent despite the different responsibilities COVID-19 has brought.

Reese Harty, the GrandMarc hall director, said his main focus is to provide a safe and welcoming place for students to call home. Regardless of the pandemic, he wants TCU to remain a place where students cannot wait to step foot on campus.

"To do this successfully, we work to have positive, meaningful relationships with our residents, Resident Assistants (RAs), property partners, and maintenance and facilities teams. This helps to create a place where people feel safe and welcomed to be themselves," said Harty.

While the goals have remained the same, Harty has taken on some different responsibilities this semester.

For example, he and his staff have tried to make sure students who are in isolation still feel engaged.

"We are more intentional with reaching out to our students who may be quarantining or staying in an isolation space and having programs that have virtual components to allow everyone the opportunity to engage with others if they'd like to, or are feeling well enough to interact with others," he said.

Inclusive programs such as virtual Zumba classes, social distancing activities and a weekly cookie drop off are among the ways residence halls have been helping students

get through this difficult time. Harty said most of the programs have been adapted to a virtual platform so students who can't participate in person can still stay involved.

"One successful program we do for our students impacted by COVID-19 offers them a 'Sweet Treat Mid-Week Pick Me Up' where students can request a cookie from Insomnia Cookies and it's delivered to their door for them to enjoy and be reminded that there are people on campus who care and are here for them," Harty added.

Harty said he thinks the current structure and support levels provided for TCU students in residence halls has been working well.

He also said he believes students in his residence hall have



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

Some students live at the GrandMarc Apartments near campus.

been following the new COVID-19 guidelines and have been able to form close relationships with their peers, despite the social distancing requirements.

"Everyone who is currently on campus wants to be here and have the TCU experience they know and love," he said. "While it may have taken some time for some to adjust to the new

policies and guidelines, they know that by following the guidelines they are able to stay on campus and keep not only themselves, but others safe and healthy."

Though the case count is relatively low on campus, Harty said the residence hall staff will continue to follow guidelines and protocols provided by TCU's administration based on

Tarrant County and CDC mandates.

While the case count may fluctuate, Harty knows that his goals will remain constant.

"While there is so much on-going change, the thing that remains constant is our support and exceptional level of care for our residents," said Harty.

Annual TCU Day of Service is held amid COVID-19

By HAEVEN GIBBONS

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

Students spent their Saturday morning giving back to the community by painting canvases and making animal toys as a part of TCU's annual Day of Service.

The event looked different due to COVID-19 this year. Some students served in-person, masked-up and socially distanced, at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center. Others participated virtually.

In years past, over 600 students would take buses to paint murals, play with animals at the Humane Society of North Texas or serve food at the Tarrant County Food Bank, in four-hour shifts. This year, 300 students were divided into four one-hour shifts to volunteer in person, and 350 students signed up for virtual service.

"I've been really impressed with how they're actually making this happen and giving students the opportunity to make a difference in the community despite everything that's going on," said Service Leader Lexi Pepper, a first-year pre-business and psychology double major.

Event organizers knew they would have to alter the TCU Day of Service by the way things were looking in the summer. As soon as they realized this, they started to plan, said Erin Wilson, the associate director of community engagement programming. It was a challenge, but there has been an increase in the

number of students who are interested in service this semester, so they wanted to make sure they provided it, Wilson said.

While students were not able to travel to the service sites this year, they were still able to make a difference from campus.

In-person service

The in-person options included painting a canvas or making animal toys to be donated to the Humane Society. The individual canvases will be assembled to make a mural in S.S. Dillow's Elementary School cafeteria. Students were told to paint an inspirational message of hope on their canvas. The final mural will be called "Voices of Hope."

This option helped students feel engaged with the TCU community.

"I don't have any in-person classes, so it's been good to have the opportunity to volunteer in person," said Bella Galindo, a first-year psychology major.

Other students said the in-person option helped them relieve some stress while doing something good for others.

"I think it was a good idea to get out of the stress-filled environment that we're currently in with finals and tests and just come out and have something fun to do while also helping people," said Andy Mendez, a sophomore business major.

Service Leader and junior nursing major



PHOTO BY HAEVEN GIBBONS

TCU Day of Service offered in-person and virtual service opportunities for students to give back to the community.

Adriana Guerrero participated in the mural painting last year. Although students now have to paint remotely, she said everyone still has great energy and seems to be having fun.

"I'm glad there was an in-person option because I think that's a lot more fun to actually be engaged in person," said Guerrero. "I know I am not super engaged on Zoom, so I'm glad they were able to space things out and have a socially distanced way for people to still engage and participate in community service even if it's not onsite."

Virtual service

Making an animal toy was both an in-person and virtual option. Students picked up a bag of materials earlier in the week to make the toys. The service leaders spent over three hours putting together the bags for virtual participants.



PHOTO BY HAEVEN GIBBONS

The canvases students painted will be put together to form one mural to be displayed in the S.S. Dillow Elementary School cafeteria. The paintings were done as part of the TCU Day of Service, which was held on Oct. 31.

Students dropped off what they made at the Brown-Lupton University Union on Monday, and the toys will be delivered to the animal shelter. Wilson said about 2,000 toys will be delivered.

"It's nice that we have virtual options for people that can't come in, but can still contribute," said Julia Rizzo, a junior biology major.

The other virtual option was the independent service option. Students could choose from 11 different service activities — ranging from writing letters to the elderly to picking up trash around the neighborhood — to complete on their own.

"I think TCU Day of Service will have a larger impact this year because

with the independent service option, people can do a lot," said Sophia Nguyen, the director of marketing for the event.

While students are normally limited to serving the Fort Worth community, this option allows students to impact communities beyond Fort Worth.

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Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for
Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020:

Realistic, razor-sharp and charismatic, you tell the truth. This gets you into the best possible trouble this year, and you become even more successful. Don't be afraid of having a truth about you revealed. If single, you often begin and end a romance suddenly, but in 2021 you decide to stick it out. If attached, you have a transformative connection with your soul mate. LEO brings you to heaven.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Seek inner harmony and release stress. A family member is feeling very adventurous and might surprise you by taking a gamble. Take sensible precautions, and all will be well. Genealogical study uncovers interesting facts. Tonight: It's a wonderful time to redecorate your workspace.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ A sibling or neighbor is changing. Don't be in denial when obvious signs are being sent. Be diplomatic when discussing controversial issues. Call ahead and confirm plans. Transportation needs are being considered and information exchange is very important. Tonight: Return calls promptly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Your thoughts mostly revolve around your earning power. You work hard for your family's security. Shop for an item you've long coveted in the days before the pandemic. Keep receipts; a purchase might have to be exchanged. Tonight: Study your habits regarding money.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Today marks one of the most promising times all year. Career and personal opportunities abound. Enjoy life and put plans in motion for future dreams. Write your New Year's resolutions, schedule appointments, and begin projects you've been interested in. Tonight: Celebrate quietly.

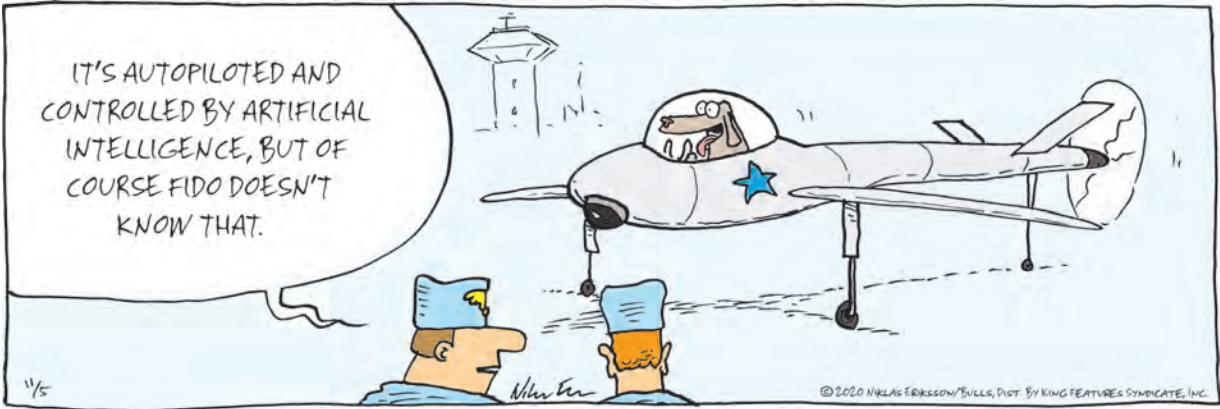
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Memories of a lost love must be kept in perspective. Your interest in helping the disadvantaged grows. Quietly, you will act and do much good in the world. Tonight: There are thoughts and feelings you'd prefer to keep to yourself for the time being.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You will enjoy chance meetings with those from your past. A reunion with a longtime friend is likely. You might reconsider the pursuit of a dream once abandoned. Get in touch with your inner voice for direction. Tonight: Consult with a group.

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Today is all about professional aspirations and your ambitions. You will attract attention. Pursue opportunities that showcase your capabilities. You're entering a more promising security cycle. You might have gone from rags to riches more than once. Tonight: A sigh of relief.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Expect an increase in energy and motivation. Take time to exercise. Travel is favored, as are journeys of the mind and spirit. There

is much to learn. If you've always yearned to write, now is the time. Tonight: A sense of the miraculous prevails.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Today puts you in tune with your potential. Fate is at work in your life. Some things just are or are not meant to be. Appreciate synchronicities, and you'll be guided to manifest what's best. Heed signs. Tonight: Your energy level is especially high

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Today reveals much about a close partner. Companions offer suggestions. Reality is clouded. If in doubt, wait for the facts to be revealed before making choices. Revel in the attraction of opposites. Tonight: A much sought-after dinner with a loved one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Your sense of adventure deepens. You'll yearn to wander and explore. Dreams and visions must not be taken literally. Direct your heightened imagination and

creativity into constructive ends. A domestic matter demands your attention and can be sorted out. Tonight: An especially healthy meal

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Today ushers in a cycle of happiness. Reach out to those you care about (even one you haven't talked to in a long time), visit an art display or complete creative projects. Get all the facts before acting. Tonight: Patience is a must.

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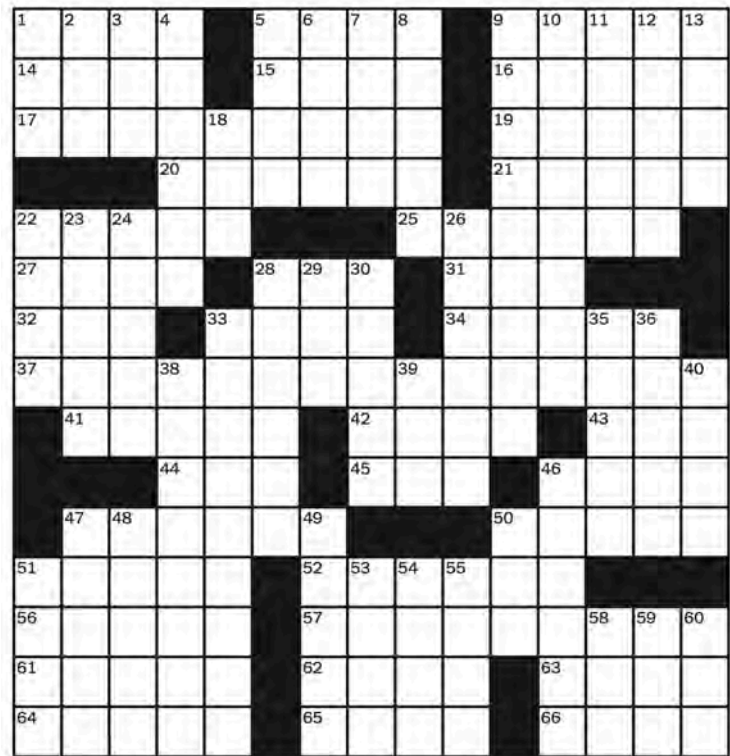
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last day of class!



The New York Times

Edited by Will Shortz



- ACROSS
- 1 Grand in scale
- 5 Potentially offensive
- 9 Let the air out of
- 14 Prefix meaning one-billionth
- 15 ____ Lum, a.k.a. actress/comedian Awkwafina
- 16 Go deep
- 17 Stage a coup
- 19 Meat scraps
- 20 "The way"
- 21 Reinforces
- 22 Titular "married lady" in a "Funny Girl" song
- 25 Burns a bit
- 27 Steadfast
- 28 Pick a spread, say
- 31 Emma Stone's character in "La La Land"
- 32 Word after Scotch or duck
- 33 Sport in which rikishi wear mawashi
- 34 Fearsome beasts

- 37 Products since the 1960s ... on which you can see five "key" things depicted in this puzzle
- 41 Wire holder
- 42 "Law & Order: SVU" actor
- 43 Spot for a napkin
- 44 Born
- 45 Voting no
- 46 Coral island nation north of Fiji
- 47 Oft-repeated slogan
- 50 Cooped up like pigs
- 51 Coupon clipper, e.g.
- 52 Genre of "The Big Sleep" and "Kiss Me Deadly"
- 56 Instant
- 57 Fifth grader, often
- 61 Mineral in some geodes
- 62 Waterfall sound
- 63 Thick and clumpy
- 64 First name of a famous Mongol ruler
- 65 Addenda
- 66 "Twittering Machine" artist

- DOWN
- 1 Grade school subj.
- 2 Course objective
- 3 Bisected
- 4 Playground "germ"
- 5 "For ____ whomsoever much is given ...": Luke 12:48
- 6 "Me neither"
- 7 Athletes first allowed in the Olympics in 1988
- 8 Mollifies
- 9 Band with the 1970 #1 hit "Mama Told Me (Not to Come)"
- 10 French daily founded in 1826
- 11 Oscar nominee Woodard
- 12 Some paid spots
- 13 Fish whose blood is toxic to humans
- 18 "Uh-uh!," in Edinburgh
- 22 "Never mind, it's fine"
- 23 City of the Peloponnese
- 24 Discovered, as a shady past
- 26 "Throw it here!"
- 28 The usual suspect

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DIRECTIONS

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TCU Trivia

In 1949, TCU became the first university in the nation to offer a four-year degree in:

SOLUTION



TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

- 29 Mopey and ultra-introspective
- 30 Vodka mixer
- 33 Substitutes for feet
- 35 Zhou in Chinese history
- 36 Co-founder of the Black Panthers
- 38 Classic checker-dropping game
- 39 Green prefix
- 40 Tater
- 46 Cassette tape predecessor
- 47 Aunt ____, despised relative of Harry Potter
- 48 Like rails and stilts
- 49 Thespian.org
- 50 Covetousness, for one
- 51 ____ beetle
- 53 Shout of victory
- 54 Material in automobile batteries
- 55 Dr. J's team
- 58 Many a hoedown participant
- 59 Scape (by)
- 60 Manhattan ingredient

SPORTS

Dominant first half enough to give TCU first win in 4 weeks

By COLIN POST

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU opened the game on Saturday with a 30-0 run that would prove to be just enough to hold off Baylor and earn the second win of the season and first since Sept. 22.

The Bears went on a 16-0 run of their own in the second half to make the game interesting, but a late fourth down stop by the Frogs' defense helped seal their 33-23 victory on Halloween.

"[It] brings such a sigh of relief to a team that's put in a lot of work," quarterback Max Duggan said. "Beating a team like Baylor feels really good. Gives us good momentum going into the next opponent."

TCU is now 2-0 on the road, with all three of their losses occurring at Amon G. Carter Stadium.

After struggling to establish the run a week ago against Oklahoma (25 carries for 75 yards), the Frogs relied on their ground game in Waco. TCU racked up 247 yards and two scores on 44 carries in the contest.

Breakout game

Redshirt freshman Darwin Barlow led the way with his legs, recording a career-high 117 rushing yards along with a score. The game was the first 100-yard performance of his career and the first of 2020 for TCU.

The Frogs also saw vast improvement in the area of pass rushing. After entering the game with just five sacks on the season, TCU sacked Baylor quarterback Charlie Brewer five times on Saturday alone.



PHOTO COURTESY OF AP

Baylor quarterback Charlie Brewer (5) is tackled by TCU linebacker Dee Winters (13) during the game in Waco, on Oct. 31.

The Frogs' first drive looked like a reflection of their rough week of practice. The Frogs went three-and-out, failing to score on their opening offensive possession for the fifth-straight game.

It would be all TCU for the majority of the first half, though. The Frogs moved easily on their next drive, advancing to

the Baylor three-yard line on a dime from Duggan to receiver Quentin Johnston. Barlow scored untouched on the next play.

After the Bears went three-and-out on their second drive, wide receiver Derius Davis found a hole and exploded for a 67-yard punt return touchdown.

"I'm thankful for my blockers, they allow me to spring," Davis said. "[I] got to the corner [and] made one guy miss. The rest is history."

Three TCU drives later, true freshman Zach Evans took his first carry of the game 30 yards for the first score of his career in the purple and white.

Second half craze

The Frogs went into halftime with a commanding 30-7 lead after out-gaining the Bears 192-80 in total yards of offense in the first two quarters.

The second half was a different story, though. After Barlow ripped off on a 74-yard run to put TCU in the red zone on their opening third quarter possession, Baylor held the Frogs to

just a field goal.

The Bears would then use their momentum to score 16 unanswered points, cutting the Frogs' lead to just ten with 10:25 left in the fourth quarter.

TCU gained just nine yards before punting it back to Baylor. Safety Tre Moehrig then halted the Bears' comeback efforts, swatting down Brewer's pass on fourth down.

Moehrig finished with a game-high eight tackles, two passes defended and a tackle for a loss.

The Frogs have now won five of their last six matchups with the Bears.

TCU will look to keep rolling and get their first win at home this weekend, as they take on Texas Tech (2-3). Kickoff at Amon G. Carter Stadium is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

Fourth-ranked soccer remains unbeaten with win over Oklahoma

By SAM FRISTACHI

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

Sophomore Grace Collins scored her second career game-winning goal, and the No. 4 TCU Horned Frogs defeated Oklahoma 1-0 on to remain undefeated through their first eight games for the second time in the last three years.

"I'm really proud of our group. We had some adversity throughout the week," head coach Eric Bell said. "Coming out the road and taking care of business was good. It would have been a bad deal for us if we played

the way that we did and did not come away with a result."

TCU controlled play in the first half by outshooting the Sooners 10-3. At one point, junior Payton Crews got a good look from the top of the 18, but Oklahoma goalie Nikki Panas made a diving stop on the goal line to keep the game scoreless.

Collins' goal came in the 73rd minute of the match. Crews passed the ball to Collins who weaved her way around a defender, fired the shot and found the back of the net.

Goalie Emily Alvarado



PHOTO COURTESY OF GOFROGS.COM

Grace Collins scored the game-winning goal to lead the Horned Frogs to a 1-0 win.

achieved her sixth shutout of the season, making her TCU's all-time shutout leader with 19.

"I'm very proud of her [Alvarado]. She has put in the work and earned it. She has come a long way. She came to a program

that was kind of fledgling and trying to do things the right way," Bell said. "She believed in us. Now she is reaping the

benefits of all her hard work and the team's hard work. I couldn't be more happy for her."

The Horned Frogs outshot the Sooners 18-8. This is the fourth time they have outshot a team this season.

"I think we earned the result today against a very tough defending team that is hard to break down," Bell said.

TCU will end its 2020 season Friday night when it hosts West Virginia. The winner of that match will be the 2020 Big 12 regular-season champion. The game will be televised on Big 12 Now on ESPN+.