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Carter Hosts adjust to COVID-19 limitations

By TYRESA OLUYIDE

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

The Carter Hosts are finding new ways to get back on their feet, as COVID-19 has affected their recruiting program this season.

The goal of the program is to give prospective players an up-close and personal look at what it would be like to play football for the Horned Frogs.

"The typical role of a Carter Host is to represent TCU and TCU football by offering hospitality by showing around players and their families on specific days like Junior Days and game days," Mackenzie O'Connor, a junior member of Carter Hosts, wrote in an email. "A big part of this is being informed on what is going on at TCU, TCU football, in TCU athletics and college football in general."

O'Connor also wrote Carter Hosts, "send out recruiting letters, update spreadsheets and help out at special events that TCU football might need help with."

Due to COVID-19, the role of being a Carter Host has been put on hold because of new limitations that were put into place like social distancing. Even outside of game day, members of the program are not allowed to officially meet in person.

Nevertheless, the Carter Hosts are still doing what they can for TCU football amid the pandemic.

"We were able to make cards for recruits,"



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TCU played in the Amon G. Carter Stadium on Oct. 11.

wrote Alette Cook, the new member educator of Carter Hosts, in an email. "In addition, some Carter Hosts have been able to help on the field during game days this season as card runners, so we are still able to actively participate with football in some ways."

With most of their fall duties taken away, for the time being, the Carter Hosts still hold on to hope that their jobs can look closer to normal in the spring. Leading official visits as well as working the TCU spring game are typically things the program does during the early months of the year.

"I would love it if we could go back to normal and I could spend my Saturdays and Sundays doing what I enjoy," O'Connor wrote.

Carter Host members are remaining positive and optimistic about the future by focusing on their favorite memories



PHOTO BY TYRESA OLUVIDE

Carter Host Mackenzie O'Connor poses on the field as she prepares for TCU game day.

in the program.

Cook remembers the first time she worked a football game.

"I will never forget the first time I got to line the tunnel as the football team ran out," Cook wrote. "Every game day after that, I got to see a potential Horned Frog experience this same feeling as mine for the first time."

O'Connor wrote her favorite memory consisted of running a well-known recruit's social media account with thousands of followers for the day. At the time, being in charge of his social media accounts was stressful, but it's a memory she'll never forget.

The Carter Hosts have been stripped of their usual roles and duties, but they are hopeful to return in the spring semester.



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CAMPUS NEWS



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The Mary Wright Admission Center has received a lot of early action applications.

Early application submissions rise despite COVID-19 uncertainty

By ANDRÉ GIAMMATTEI

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TCU saw an increase in the number of applications received by the early action deadline this year despite the uncertainty brought by the pandemic.

Mandy Castro, TCU's director of admission, said the uncertainty of whether TCU will have in-person or online classes for the fall of 2021 did not affect the number of applications that were submitted.

However, she said the change could come in the number of students that ultimately enroll.

"Families trust TCU to be doing the best for their students," said Castro. But, she said, "If other schools open up and host in-person classes and we stay closed, I think we'll take a hit on that." Chelsea Fulfer, a prospective student from New Mexico, said it was "extremely important" for her classes to be in-person. to be able to determine, but this was just a shot in the dark."

"It is a lot easier for me to learn when I have someone in the room teaching me."

-CHELSEA FULFER

PROSPECTIVE STUDENT

Before the applications started coming in, Castro said she had no idea how many students would be applying because she usually gauges student interest with in-person interactions.

"There is usually some quantifiable means for us

Searching close to home

TCU has also intensified its efforts to recruit students who were accepted to TCU but decided to go to college elsewhere.

Traditionally, TCU mostly recruits for transfers outside of

Texas, but since the pandemic began, the numbers have skewed more heavily toward in the state.

"If going away to college is no longer your best option, we would like you to consider coming to TCU," said Castro.

Elimination of testing requirement seen in applications

One of the changes made for this application process was making the SAT or ACT requirement optional because of the difficulties the pandemic created.

"I'm not planning on submitting the SAT," said Emma Thompson, a prospective student from southern California. "I actually signed up for six SATs, and they all got canceled." Only about half of the students applying to TCU have submitted either the SAT or ACT, Castro said.

Even before the elimination, the relevance of the test in admission decisions has been gradually decreasing as TCU has opted for a more holistic approach.

"It's an outlier in all of this because it doesn't tell us how well you will fit at TCU or how well you are going to do in college," Castro said. "It really is just a number."

She recognized that a higher income gives applicants a chance at earning a higher score, so "we don't want to be the school that creates further chasms for our students to navigate."

She does not foresee the test becoming a requirement again after the pandemic.

Financial uncertainty for university and applicants

The pandemic's economic impact has continued to factor into challenges for upcoming applicants.

The new budget has not been allocated, but with tuition staying the same, Castro hopes increases in financial aid are enough to meet student needs.

"I feel like TCU is doing the right thing now," she said. "They are halting all the capital projects, they are looking at how to fill student aid packages, and that is a great message for us to send to families."

POLITIFROG

Key dates still ahead in post-election process

By NOAH PARKER

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

The process of electing the next president did not end when Presidentelect Joe Biden won 270 electoral votes.

What comes next is a string of key dates in the bureaucratic process that follows every presidential election.

Key dates

Dec. 8 is the deadline for states to resolve election disputes such as recounts and post-election audits.

Georgia's Secretary of State said in a press conference earlier this week that there will be a recount by hand in the state, and officials in Arizona said Thursday their state election audit found no evidence of voter fraud. President Trump's campaign has also filed lawsuits in several states he is trailing in, including Pennsylvania and Nevada, which would have to be resolved by this deadline.

On Dec. 14, electors from individual states will cast their ballots on behalf of the state's population. These ballots must be delivered to the proper officials by Dec. 23.

Congress will then hold a joint session of the Senate and the House of Representatives to officially count the votes and elect the president. According to the AP, these processes are not expected to change the outcome of the presidential election.

The transition

All of these processes traditionally culminate on Inauguration Day, which is scheduled to occur on Jan. 20, when the president-elect will be sworn in as president of the U.S.

President-elect Joe Biden, meanwhile, has been holding daily transition press conferences, and assembled his "COVID-19



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President-elect, Joe Biden speaks at the Queen theater in Wilmington, Del. on Nov. 10.

Advisory Council." Biden stressed in his conferences the importance of following the science and

working with officials at each level of government and health.

The AP projected on

Nov. 7 that Biden has gained the necessary 270 electoral votes to win the election.



POLITIFROG

Minority students talk about election results

By ALEXIS KING

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With the "Race to 270" concluded, minority students at TCU are reflecting on how the Biden-Harris administration will impact the country.

"I was really shocked because this election was so close, yet ultimately happy about the future of politics," said Meyla-Milian Sanchez, a senior political science major.

Millennials and Generation Z set record-high numbers in the 2020 election with an estimated 49%-52% of young people voting, up nearly 10% from 2016. Junior business information studies major Rasaan Hatcher voiced the meaning behind his vote. to a report by the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement at Tufts

"I was actually conflicted by the results because at first, I was excited that Donald Trump wouldn't be reelected but also never thought Biden was the ideal candidate as well."

-RASAAN HATCHER

JUNIOR BUSINESS INFORMATION STUDIES MAJOR

Young people of color played a critical role in Biden's victory by casting votes in "overwhelming margins," according University.

Black and Asian youth voters gave 87% and 83% of their support toward the Biden-Harris vote,



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

Students arive at the polling location.

according to the same report.

When it comes to how the Biden-Harris administration will tackle current issues, students said some issues stand out more than others.

Hatcher hopes the

Biden-Harris administration will "develop strategies for immediate response to the ongoing COVID-19."

Junior graphic design major Kelvin Gray added that conversations focused on Black communities and equality are a "long-overdue topic that needs to be handled."

Gray said minorities, especially Black people, need to be included in decision-making processes.

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Congratulations, RENEE MECHELLE UMSTED!



You are such an incredible daughter and we are so very proud of you. We are excited for all the awesome opportunities coming your way after graduating with honors from TCU and being TCU360's Executive Editor. Keep up the hard work.

Love, Daddy, Mama, Mel and Dean

SPORTS

Director of baseball operations shares her sports journey

By ALEXANDRA PREUSSER

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

In college, Meredith Montgomery dreamed of being a middle school math teacher. Now, her office is in the Lupton Baseball Stadium.

Her journey into baseball began when she kept stats for her high school baseball team. The team's coach found out she was going to TCU and insisted she meet Jim Schlossnagle, the TCU baseball coach.

Schlossnagle got her in touch with Brandie Davidson, the assistant director of athletics communications that led to an internship with the TCU Athletics communications department.

During the summer of 2007 she also interned with the Texas Collegiate League, but even with these opportunities, she never thought of making sports her career.

Montgomery graduated from TCU in 2009 with her undergraduate degree in education with plans to earn her master's degree in education.

Schlossnagle offered her a position as a graduate assistant with the baseball team, which she could do while earning her master's. She accepted.

Now, she has worked

her way up to the director of operations role, one not many females hold.

"There are not a lot of female director of operations," Montgomery said. "It kind of ebbs and flows. When I started, I think there were maybe two other women that were doing the job."

There were some adjustments that had to be made after she got the job. To get to the field, she used to have to go through the locker room, which required a lot of knocking and making sure it was OK to come in. Now, her office is in a different location with easier access to the field.

"I kind of happened

into it a little bit, was in the right place at the right time, but also, getting that experience while a TCU student kind of led me into that path," Montgomery said.

Her advice for anyone going into sports is to get involved as much as possible and to build a network that will help you in the long run.

"Be open to any opportunity and volunteer," Montgomery said. "A lot of times in athletics, you got to really put in the time, the effort and maybe not get paid as much as one would like for it to get started, but it is always worthwhile."



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Meredith Montgomery at the College World Series in Omaha in 2014.



Congratulations, GABRIELLE SALEH!

We are so blessed to have you as our daughter. To watch you grow into the person that you have become, and graduate with your college degree, is a dream come true for

your parents. You worked so hard to transfer to Texas Christian University and be awarded an amazing scholarship. Every person who has been instrumental in your journey to this point is extremely proud of you. The next journey has just begun!





Love, Mom and Dad

CAMPUS NEWS

FTDM students capture life at TCU amid COVID-19 for documentary

By LOGAN GIBBS

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

Students in the Film, Television and Digital Media Department's documentary production course have spent the fall semester capturing life at TCU amid COVID-19 for a virtual documentary project.

The project, called "Campus Reboot," is an interactive, collaborative, web-based documentary project. It was created by Susan Cardillo, an assistant professor of digital media and journalism at the University of Hartford, with the goal of documenting life at college campuses around the world during the pandemic. Seventeen universities across three continents have begun work on the project.

Charity Robinson, an instructor of production courses in the FTDM department including the documentary production course, is responsible for involving TCU in Campus Reboot.

"I discovered this

project through the Broadcast Education Association and was immediately drawn to the collaborative nature of the documentary," Robinson said. "I was excited for students to have the opportunity to participate in such an important and timely project."

The documentary process

Robinson and her students began work on the project in August as an alternative to the conventional documentaries the class has made in years past. Robinson said in a year like this one, it's important for the students to get as much hands-on experience as they can, and Campus Reboot has allowed them to do that.

"While this semester's class is structured differently than it has been in the past, students have embraced the unique challenges of this semester with a positive attitude and strong performance in their

work," Robinson said.

In a normal semester, students would have already started the process of creating a full-length documentary just like Worthy of More, the film about the issue of human trafficking in the DFW area that was produced last fall. However, because of the complications from the pandemic, this semester's students have had to adapt to the format of the web-based project.

"In an industry that's constantly evolving, this project has been a prime example of how we must creatively adapt in less than ideal circumstances, to continue producing high-quality productions and valuable contributions to the field of documentary," Robinson said.

Representing changes to student learning

Robinson discussed how her students have done remarkable work in representing the many ways the pandemic has disrupted and altered

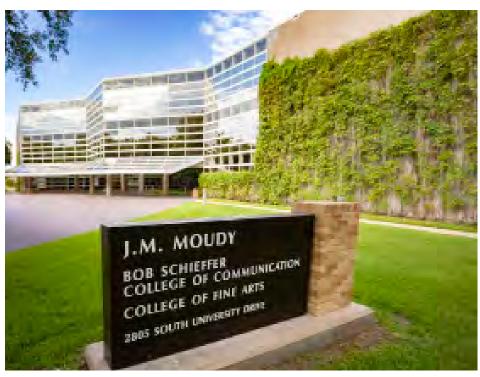


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FTDM is housed and has classes in the J.M. Moudy building.

their lives.

"Across the country, students have experienced a semester of university life that is vastly different than years past," Robinson said. "As we participate in this historical moment in time, students in the class have creatively used the lens of their time on campus or in their remote learning

environment to capture the pandemic."

With the increased uncertainty of COVID-19, there is still much unknown about how future semesters are going to operate, so students in Robinson's documentary class maybe be applying their skills to projects like Campus Reboot well into the future. However,

Robinson said this isn't a bad thing.

Projects like Campus Reboot are becoming increasingly popular in the film and television industries, so these students are still gaining experience in an ever-changing career field.

Congratulations, ROLAND GEORGE!

We and the whole family are very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. We love you so much!!!

Blessings & Much Love, Papa Rock and Mimi



Congratulations, KEJA JOHNSON!

CONGRATULATIONS! With joyful gratitude, we celebrate KJ. You did it! God bless and keep you.

Love, Momma & Daddy



CAMPUS LIFE

'Horned Frogs lead the way': A look at TCU's ROTC programs

By RENEE UMSTED , OLIVIA WALES AND JACK WALLACE

TCU 360 STAFF

Zach Rouseau sets five alarms to make sure he wakes up for his morning physical training workout. The first rings 10 minutes before he needs to get out of bed, the last goes off when he needs to leave his apartment and the three in between are spaced apart two to five minutes.

Rouseau takes a quick shower, eats a carbohydrate-rich breakfast bar, drinks a protein shake all while "turning up" to some of his favorite music—and heads to the recreation fields or the track, depending on the workout.

It doesn't matter how much he slept the night before, or how many exams he has that day. He's expected to be on time and ready to participate in physical training (PT), held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 5:50.

For Rouseau, a sophomore biochemistry major, PT is one requirement of being in TCU's Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program.

After PT, Rouseau studies or sometimes takes a quick nap before heading to class for the day. In addition to his heavy course load—he's taking introductory and intermediate-level science classes—Rouseau has to take 27 credit hours of ROTC military science courses, attend a lab every Thursday at a nearby military base and maintain a 2.0 GPA.

"It [ROTC] definitely

will build character. It'll build your discipline," Rouseau said. "It'll help you be grateful for sleep, very much so."

Rouseau's experiences are similar to those of the nearly 200 other students in the Army and Air Force ROTC programs at TCU. In addition to the challenges that come with being a college student, cadets have to deal with other obligations.

TCU is one of about 1,100 colleges and universities across the country that offer Army and Air Force ROTC programs. Students who enroll are eligible to receive merit scholarships and a \$420 monthly stipend that can cover tuition and living expenses.

Scholarship recipients serve in the military for eight years after graduating, and they begin their service as officers, specifically second lieutenants.

TCU first offered the Army ROTC program in 1951, and the Air Force ROTC formed its own program in 1957, after being combined with the Army ROTC. TCU is a host university, and its ROTC programs are available to students at crosstown schools, such as the University of Texas at Arlington and Tarrant County College.

Motivations for joining

Cadets join for different reasons, but many begin the program as first-year students. Hardy Stone, a junior mechanical engineering major, joined Army ROTC when he enrolled at TCU. Stone said he would not have been able to attend college without the four-year scholarship he received. He also was given money to cover his room and board because he earned a high score on a standardized test he took in high school.

Another reason why he opted to participate in ROTC was because he wanted to serve in the military.

Stone is a cadet squad leader, but like the rest of the first-year and sophomore cadets, he started out as a "Joe." As a squad leader, Stone leads nine other students and the morning PT. Because he runs those exercises, he has to wake up around 4:50 a.m. so he can arrive at the workouts early.

Rouseau, a transfer student new to the ROTC program, doesn't have as many responsibilities as Stone, but he helps lead a team, a smaller unit within the squad.

Rouseau played basketball at one of his previous schools, but after an injury ended his time on the team, he started looking for another way to get involved.

"I realized that ROTC would've been a really good community to join," Rouseau said.
"They would also help me propel my career forward, and it kinda set myself up for the future."

As a team leader, Rouseau said he tries to improve PT by offering ideas—many of them

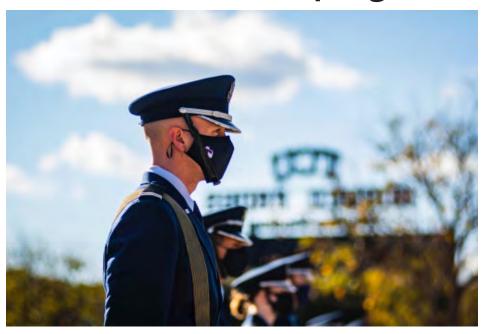


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Air Force ROTC cadets participate in a drill.

based on his experience as an athlete—and by motivating other members of his team.

Emily Boring, a junior nursing major, never considered joining the Army before applying for ROTC. She had never even been camping.

"I was kind of the oddball out," Boring said.

After researching the program and the four-year scholarship, she decided to join. While Boring, a squad leader, is one of four junior females in TCU's Army ROTC, she doesn't notice the gender disparity.

"They don't really treat me differently than they would treat anyone else," Boring said. "It's just like hanging out with a bunch of brothers all the time."

Since Boring joined ROTC, she said her knowledge and respect of the military has grown.

"Gaining knowledge of our military and understanding other countries' militaries has really made me appreciate where we



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live and the field that I'm going into," Boring said. "It's really made me realize how much work goes into our military."

Hanna Mankus, a junior engineering major, has lived with Boring for the past two years. Her first year, she lived in a hall with eight cadets.

Mankus is not a cadet, but she has learned about ROTC by living with and around cadets.

"I have a lot of respect for them. They have to do a lot more than I thought they did," Mankus said.
"This program produces some really good people."

An exercise in time management

Just as there are consequences for skipping classes or sleeping through alarms, there are consequences for missing PT or failing to satisfy the fitness standards.

"If you don't meet the requirements by junior year, you wouldn't be a good officer in the Army's eyes, so that's not worth their time to even consider you to be an officer," Stone said.

In addition, Rouseau said students who fail to meet the ROTC requirements have to pay back their scholarship.

Cadets have to balance their academic coursework with their ROTC responsibilities, which can be a challenge, especially for students who have to take difficult classes to fulfill their major requirements.

Savier Vega-Siurano, a junior at UT Arlington and a member of Air Force ROTC, has had an experience similar to that of Stone and Rouseau.

"Honestly, it's like having a job. It's very difficult," Vega-Siurano said. "We learn a lot of time managing out of it because we're doing so much."

Air Force ROTC cadets learn during their first year and transition into small leadership roles as sophomores. These positions consist of "hands-on work" that are prerequisites to the administrative and training jobs they have their junior year.

Vega-Siurano's job is training the honor guard. The honor guard is a team, usually consisting of two flag-bearers flanked by two individuals carrying rifles, that honors the American flag and other flags in ceremonies.

"As long as you do what you have to do, most likely you'll make it through the program," Vega-Siurano said.

In the military science classes, which are standardized in ROTC programs across the country, students learn about tactics, land navigation, leadership and more mundane tasks, including filling out Army-specific paperwork.

The classes, PT and Thursday labs are set in the schedule and can't be missed, even when students might want extra time to study or sleep.

Stone said he usually enrolls in 18-20 credit hours each semester, more than a typical full-time TCU student, and he will have to stay another semester to complete his core, major and ROTC classes.

The ROTC has made accommodations for Rouseau, allowing him to take the first- and second-year military science courses this semester so he can be on track with the other sophomores.

Rouseau is also allowed to drive himself to the Thursday labs at the off-campus base because one of his biology classes is scheduled while the battalion is traveling.

Though Rouseau shows up after the rest of the students, at the end of the labs, the cadets go into formation, breaking it with a resounding "Horned Frogs lead the way," a reminder of their unity before they depart.

Another responsibility of the battalion is assisting with home football games.

Austin Gordon, a senior business entrepreneurship major in Army ROTC, is the assistant to the S3 position, which coordinates ROTC's work on game days.

With regulations imposed by COVID-19, ROTC students have different responsibilities than in past years, now performing temperature checks for everyone entering the stadium.

"It's definitely been a change but it has gone well, making sure everyone is healthy going into the game and everyone is safe," Gordon said.

Maintaining a social life

"Saturday nights are not filled with parties. They are definitely filled with the library," Rouseau said.

Like Rouseau, Stone said he spends most of his time outside of ROTC events attending classes or completing homework.

Carson Zimmermann, a junior finance major and one of Stone's roommates, does not participate in ROTC. But after living with Stone since their first year at TCU, Zimmermann has become accustomed to Stone's busy schedule.

Zimmermann said one of the adjustments to Stone's schedule was being quiet in the evenings, as Stone went to bed earlier since he had PT in the morning.

"I'm not really a go-to-bed-early kind of person, so I would have to be super-duper quiet to not wake him up," Zimmermann said.

But he said the changes he had to make, such as turning down the TV volume, were not difficult or "a big deal," especially since Zimmermann and Stone have become close friends.

Zimmermann said Stone has given him a glimpse into the more subtle challenges that come with being a cadet.

For example, Zimmermann said Stone wasn't able to eat fast food with them, since he



An ROTC cadet is getting his temperature checked in order to participate in training.

had to stay in shape for an upcoming PT test.

"And that's something that a regular roommate doesn't have to do," Zimmermann said.

Vega-Siurano also commented on the demands of being a cadet.

"It does limit your social life, but we aren't robots," Vega-Siurano said. "We still put in the time and figure out how to cope with that."

The ruck

It was her first field training and Emily Boring was ready to quit Army ROTC.

Over three days, Army ROTC cadets completed strenuous physical and intellectual exercises. At night, they slept in the woods.

Boring had never slept

in a sleeping bag before.

She had just completed her first "ruck," walking 12 miles carrying a rifle and a backpack weighing 55 to 65 pounds, when one of her professors approached her, saying she "looked terrible."

"I just looked at him and said, 'I'm ready to quit,'" Boring said.

Cadets are not able to listen to music in earbuds, so they talk, she said.

"It's one of those things in life where it's so hard when you're doing it, when you're rucking 12 miles with your feet it's not fun, nobody likes it, it's not a good time," Boring said.

But Boring said she continued in the program because of the people.

"Doing something that you've never done

before is not easy at all, but when you're thinking about what you're gaining from the experience, the qualities you gain, how you change as a person, and who you're surrounding yourself with, it's such a good program," Boring said.

A first job secured

Four years of work culminates in a final advance camp where senior cadets must pass tests in range shooting, land navigation and tactical lanes to be commissioned into the Army.

Unlike Gordon, Rouseau isn't ready yet to be assessed and commissioned. He still has a few more years of waking up early for PT, studying hard, and sacrificing some sleep and social events to prepare for his future.

Until it is time for Rouseau and the rest of the cadets to receive their assignments, they will continue to "lead the way."

"THIS IS THE BIG TEST AT THE END TO SEE
HOW GOOD OF A LEADER YOU ARE. IT'S
WHAT YOU'VE BEEN TRAINING FOR."

-AUSTIN GORMAN

ARMY ROTIC

SPORTS

Back to reality: Frogs lose to West Virgina for second-straight time

By COLIN POST

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

The last time TCU football traveled to Morgantown, West Virginia, was Nov. 10, 2018. That day, the Frogs saw their worst loss in the Gary Patterson era, falling 47-10 to the Mountaineers.

On Nov. 14, 2020, Patterson's team made their return to Milan Puskar Stadium, riding two-straight wins and looking to gain serious momentum in a season that once looked lost.

Nevertheless, like two years ago, TCU looked outmatched by West Virginia. The Frogs gained just 295 yards of offense and committed two turnovers en route to a 24-6 trouncing against the Mountaineers.

"Probably the best mood I could say is probably just hungry, just tired of just coming up short, just tired of losing," safety Tre Moehrig said. "Just kind of trying to get back on that winning side again."

West Virginia gained 392 yards of offense themselves, often moving the ball on the back of Leddie Brown. The running back ran all over TCU, stiff-arming defenders and breaking tackles on his way to 156 yards on an average of 6.5 yards per carry.

"We let him [Brown] cut out the back end about three times," Patterson said. "All of his three big runs came out the back where our guys over pursue. We can't do that."

In the passing game, Mountaineers quarterback Jarret Doege made use of stellar protection by his offensive line, going 19-for-26 with 212 yards and three scores (two passing, one rushing).

"Great quarterback," Moehrig said of Doege. "We just have to come up

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TCU wide receiver Taye Barber (4) is tackled by many West Virginia players during the second quarter on Nov. 14, in Morgantown, West Virginia.

Congratulations, WHITNEY SULLIVAN!

Whitney, continue to follow your own drummer. Love, Mama Kaye

Remember to live your life in the moment. Love, Momma

So proud of you! I can't wait to see you take on the world! Love, Breanna

I'm very proud of you! Give 'em hell! Love, Sydney

The world is ready. Go get it girl! Be bold. Take a chance. Know that you are always loved. Dusty, George, & Delta Pearl

We are all extremely proud of you, Whitney! Keep going! Love, Trey, Najette, & the Girls

Nana would tell you to Stay Strong; and your dad would tell you to Never Give Up. Remember they loved you enough for a lifetime and they are always with you.



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and make plays when we need to.

That's pretty much the bottom line. He was making some throws that were really pretty accurate."

Right away, Doege and Brown had announced to the 11,111 in attendance they would be hard to stop. The two led the Mountaineers 99 yards down the field on the first drive, which was capped off by a one-yard rushing touchdown by Doege.

The quarterback-running back duo had accounted for 84 of West Virginia's yards on the scoring drive.

"I mean, what would you like if someone took your girl? It feels about the same way," Patterson said about giving up the early drive. "Most of it was all our fault, to be honest with you."

Doege's passing touchdowns both came on deep balls to receiver T.J. Simmons, who entered the game with zero receiving touchdowns on the year.

The redshirt senior finished with four catches for a game-high 90 yards along with the two house calls.

Part of West Virginia's passing success can be credited to a depleted TCU secondary, which lost even more depth in the second quarter when safety Ar'Darius Washington was helped off after taking a blow to the head.

Patterson said after the game Washington should be "fine."

For the third-straight game, TCU quarterback Max Duggan struggled to throw the ball well. The sophomore finished 16-for-29 with just 161 yards and an interception.

In the first four games of the year, Duggan completed 70% of his passes and topped 200 yards three times. In his last three games, the young signal-caller has completed just 55% of his passes and thrown under 200 yards each time.

"They're good on defense," Patterson said. "The bottom line is we dropped a couple passes. You can't put yourself behind the chains. You've got to be able to score points in the red zone."

Near the beginning of the fourth quarter, TCU trailed by just 11 and looked to make the game competitive, forcing a West Virginia punt. Moehrig, returning in



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West Virginia wide receiver T.J. Simmons (1) catches a touchdown pass during the second quarter against TCII

the place of the injured Derius Davis, then muffed the punt to give the ball right back to the Mountaineers.

"I practice catching punts pretty much daily, every other day," Moehrig said. "I can't say much about that. That one was just on me. Unfortunately, I just dropped the ball."

West Virginia then scored two plays later on a 38-yard pass to Simmons to take a 24-6 lead they would not see diminished.

Later in the quarter, TCU made an effort to find the end zone for the first time, marching 71 yards in eight plays to the West Virginia six-yard line. Duggan then made his worst read of the day, throwing it right to safety Tykee Smith, who returned the interception 42 yards to put the nails in the coffin for the Frogs.

The Frogs have now

been outscored 71-16 in their last two trips to Morgantown. They fall to 3-4 with the loss.

"I think that just starts with our leadership, just getting everybody to get their heads up and to come to practice with the mindset of, 'We've got to get better," Moehrig said.

The Frogs will return to action Nov. 28 in Lawrence for a matchup with Kansas.

Congratulations, ANDREW LOU!

We are so proud of you! Never lose sight of who you are, son. Shine your light, and always do your best. Spread your wings and fly!

Love, Mama and Pops



Congratulations, MICHELLE MILLER!

Congratulations, Michelle! We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished. May God's graces be with you as you step toward your dreams.



Congratulations, MADELINE JENKINS!



Congratulations on your TCU graduation! We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished! And we are so excited that you will be back home in Nashville and working at Vanderbilt!

We love you so much! Mom, Dad, and Wesley

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SPORTS

TCU soccer makes history: A look into the record season

By ANDRÉ GIAMMATTEI

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

The clock is ticking down.

The score is 1-0, and TCU soccer is 10 seconds away from its first conference championship. Fears of COVID-19 seemed forgotten as people crowd onto the benches and stand behind the goal outside the fence surrounding Garvey-Rosenthal Stadium.

"TEN!" the crowd roars.

West Virginia has the ball. Their precious time passes.

"EIGHT!"

TCU's bench is ready to storm the field. Coach Eric Bell, who typically stands stoically on the sidelines with his arms folded, is a ball of energy -- yelling to his players, waving his arms.

"FIVE!"

TCU recovers the ball and kicks it away as far as possible.

The crowd is on its feet as the ball soars across the field. "THREE! TWO!"

"ONE!"

The referee blows the whistle. It's over.

Players jump, scream, laugh and cry.

Fireworks explode into the night sky, and the Frog horn blares as TCU claims their first ever conference championship in soccer.

"It's a big step for our program, and I'm really proud of the group," said Bell. "Being able to do it against West Virginia, who has been the perennial power since we've been in the league, I would not have had it

any other way."

A pandemic season

In a season that only featured conference play because of the coronavirus pandemic, TCU was dominant, reaching new highs as a program. The Frogs achieved their highest ranking in school history. United Soccer Coaches poll placed the team as No. 3 in the nation, behind perennial powerhouses No. 1 North Carolina and No. 2 Florida State.

Talent, experience and a positive culture were key to TCU women's soccer achieving their first Big 12 Championship, said Bell.

After the season started with a scoreless draw in Waco against Baylor, eight straight victories followed, catapulting the Frogs to their first-ever undefeated season — another notch in the record books.

A crucial part of TCU's success on the field was its defensive prowess with clean sheets, holding their opponents from scoring in seven out of nine matches.

Goalkeeper Emily Alvarado and defenders Tijana Duricek and Brandi Peterson started every game in the backline for the Frogs.

Alvarado shined with her seven career shutouts this season, increasing her career total to 20. Another record: she's the goalkeeper with most clean sheets in school history.

"Emily's a fantastic shot stopper," said Bell.



PHOTO BY JACK WALLACE

The TCU women's soccer team celebrates their victory over West Virginia to clinch their first-ever Big 12 Championship.



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Coach Eric Bell has reshaped TCU soccer and set up the Frogs for years of success.

"We count on her to make one or two good saves a game."

Bell said Alvarado's contributions extended beyond her performances at goal.

"Her biggest jump this season has been her communication and her leadership at the back," Bell said. "That's been a huge thing for us." Overall, Bell said the team also did a much better job at keeping possession of the ball.

"If they don't have the ball, they can't score," Bell said. "This year we've had the ball a lot more. We're not giving up chances to the other teams, and that's a credit to the entire team defending." On the other end of the pitch, the midfielders and forwards in the starting lineup either scored or assisted at least once.

Midfielders Gracie Brian and Payton Crews, a sophomore and junior, respectively, each tallied a team-high three assists, all while controlling the tempo through the nonsinp.

possession of the ball.
Grace Collins, a
sophomore forward,
was the revelation of
the season. She stepped
up and took on a larger
role, leading the team in
scoring with five goals,
including game-winners
in the last three matches.

"I was so hungry to get better," said Collins. "I really wanted to make an impact and help the team this season, and I am so happy I got to do that."

Bell said, "She played with an edge about herself that I think contributed to her success and ultimately our success."

Overcoming struggles and changes

Under Bell, TCU has become a regular contender in the Big 12.

Bell signed as TCU's head coach in 2012, the Frogs' first season in their new conference.

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That year, TCU finished with a 7-10-4 overall record and won only one game in conference play.

Since then, the Frogs have seen significant improvement. They placed third in the Big 12 in both 2017 and 2018 and have finished runner-up in the Big 12 Tournament twice since 2017.

On the other hand, making that final step to champion was elusive.

Fueled by depth and pride, TCU went against all odds and advanced all the way to the Big 12 Championship in 2019. Nevertheless, their dreams were crushed in the final, falling to No. 21 Kansas 0-1.

That was enough to get the Frogs a ticket to the NCAA Tournament—their fourth consecutive appearance—but they fell to Arizona in their first round matchup.

Entering the 2020 season, TCU adjusted and changed its formation and style of play.

After playing with a

4-4-2 diamond formation during the past couple of years, Bell opted instead for a 4-3-3 with a deep-lying playmaker and explosiveness on the wings.

"As we looked at the makeup of our group, this shape fit us the best," said Bell. "We have weapons all over the place."

The COVID-19 pandemic, with its recommendations and rules about social distancing, complicated things before the season even started. TCU also faced both suspensions and injuries.

Captain Yazmeen Ryan suffered an injury that prevented her from playing the final game against West Virginia.

On the other hand, TCU did finish the season without a single positive COVID-19 test, perhaps their biggest accomplishment of the year.

"We talked about it at the beginning of the year—what we wanted, what were our goals and what our expectations were—and everyone committed and bought into the process, and now we're here," said Alvarado.

"I can't think of another team that deserved it more than mine," she said. "The dedication and the passion these girls showed every single day made my job easier."

Looking ahead

Now that they've claimed a title, the Frogs have to prove they can maintain that level of play.

Bell said he thinks this season has prepared the team for what's to come.

"The more games that we won, the more it feels like the NCAA Tournament, because if you lose, it hurts your opportunity to win the conference championship," he said.

The conference championship marked the end of TCU soccer for the fall, but now, the Frogs will work toward the NCAA Championship, which is set for the spring.

"Now the team can refer back to championship moments and when things get tough,



PHOTO BY JACK WALLACE

The starting 11 for the final game of the season at Garvey Rosenthal Stadium.

they now know they can weather the storm," said Bell. "They're champions and they can play like that against anybody in the country."

Most importantly, the program seems poised to continue growing.

"When I first got here, that's all we talked about -- winning a Big 12 Championship," said Collins. "Just to have that come true only my second season is so amazing, and I'm so excited for our future."

"Ever since I got here, we have taken huge strides forward," said Alvarado. "Now that we're able to consistently beat top teams in the nation, that's our new standard."





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Members of the TCU soccer team throw up the "Go Frogs" hand sign and raise "praise to thee TCU" scarves after their Big 12 Championship win

Congratulations, VANESSA OSORNO FLORES!

I would like to thank God for letting my baby get this far. Keep on going, Vanessa, your Mom and Dad love you so much!



CONGRATULATIC

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020:

Powerful, rebellious and constructive, you're a brilliant individual indeed. In 2021, you convince many with a successful creation of yours. You won't have to worry about money. You are up to date with everything. If single, you're highly sensuous and physical, so you have many dates, but no tomato until 2022. If attached, you love your relationship. Until you don't. You hang through such a time now, but soon it's over. SCORPIO doesn't mind.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ A presentation
before a group could inspire
the confidence of business
associates. Do research
connected to career goals.
The additional information
can open a real window of
opportunity. You want to
advance at work. Tonight: New
horizons beckon. Get excited.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Travel plans and
opportunities are available.
Your mental energy will be in
top form. It's especially easy
to assimilate new information.
And you have much to express.
But preserve the status quo at
work. Tonight: A change made
in haste now could lead to
regret.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★ Your feelings will be very intense today. Add a note of humor if you sense you're coming across as

overly opinionated. Be true to yourself, yet sensitive to the needs of companions. Observe others' facial expressions in order to maintain perspective. Tonight: Relax.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★ Responsibility,
commitment and a reality
check directly linked to
marriage issues are a certainty.
A partner might need
more encouragement and
support from you. Patience is
important, but be honest and
let go if a situation just isn't
working. Tonight: Date night.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Plan for the future by establishing good habits. You can effectively work on your health today, making changes for the better. Conversations can be a little confusing.

Insist upon clarity. When your concern for others lessens, you should experience an enhanced vitality. Tonight: Emails.

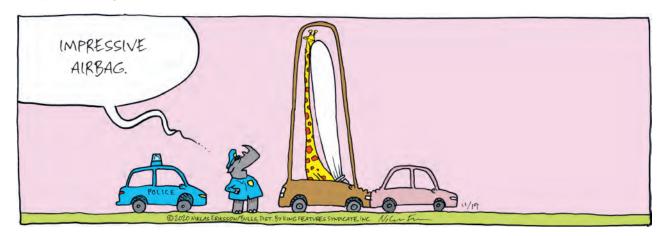
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Love and appreciation for all that you do and are will be given freely today. This sets the stage for commitments and a cycle of meaningful creativity. You experience a burst of artistic energy.

Tonight: A new project can be shared with one you love.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Today could find you
dreaming of a residential
move, and at the same time
brings some wonderful opportunities to acquire a different

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker







dwelling. Shop for items you would especially like to have in your home. Tonight: Your day dreaming continues.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Animal companions
heal and comfort. Make certain
that cherished critters are
current on their shots and
veterinary checkups. A new
animal companion may join
you. The love and advice of a
neighbor or sibling can make
a difference for the better.
Tonight: Up late.

21) *** Enthusiasm to add to your income is at an all-time peak. Be careful, however, not to overwork yourself. Peace of mind, rest and wellness must not be sacrificed for material security. Control any irritation with others about money matters. Tonight: Finding constructive solutions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You'll have
tremendous energy and
motivation today, but could

be quick to anger. Focus on only constructive thoughts and actions, and the world will be at your feet. An aromatherapy or home remedy suggested by a friend could be a godsend. Tonight: Celebrate yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You are more introspective than usual today.

Dream activity accelerates.

Try keeping a journal as an
aid in understanding your
personal motivations. Solitary
meditations and rituals will be

quite effective. Tonight: An herbal soak followed by a good, long night's sleep.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Friendships will
offer many a new opportunity.
Creative projects, including
musical studies, will provide a
catalyst in selecting long-term
goals. It will be especially
easy for you to read others
psychically today. Tonight:
Experiment with aura gazing
and telepathy.

The New Hork Times Edited by Will Shortz

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DIRECTIONS

Fill in the grid so that every 3x3 box, row. and column contains the digits 1 through 9 without repeating numbers.

SOLUTION

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TCU Trivia

Pat Vinsant '49 holds what TCU distinction?

ACROSS

- 1 Key for Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture"
- 6 A house may be built on it
- 10 Burlesque accessories
- 14 Web-footed mammals
- 15 A goose egg
- 16 Gimlet garnish
- 18 Locale suggested by this puzzle's theme
- 20 Malcolm Gladwell best seller that explores the 10,000-hour
- 22 Ice cream container
- 23 Virginia Woolf's "___ Dalloway"
- _, figure atop the 24 Statue of _ U.S. Capitol
- 26 culpa
- 29 Autobahn hazard
- 30 Elflike
- 31 Big hopper
- 32 Things with perks?
- 37 "I need to speak with you," briefly
- 38 Capote sobriquet

- 39 Cartomancy tool
- 40 Brand of spread for sandwiches and toast
- 41 Bouncer's equipment
- 44 Ingredient in a Cuban sandwich
- 45 Spanish 23-Across: Abbr.
- 46 Holy Trinity part
- 47 Ones coming for a ride?
- 49 Select
- 52 Wood rich in tannins
- 53 "Yankee Doodle" epithet that's also the name of a food
- 55 Nickname for 18-Across, and a hint to how four answers in this puzzle are to be entered
- 59 Instrument played using
- circular breathing
- 60 Nashville music mecca, informally
- 61 "Old MacDonald" sound
- 63 Where Achilles
- took a dip?
- 64 Little ones
- 65 They can be treated with

warm compresses

DOWN

- 1 English town known for its salt
- 2 ___ de sel
- 3 Goes the distance
- _ Gawande, author of the 2014 best seller "Being Mortal"
- 5 Embodied
- 6 Catch
- 7 Take five
- 8 S.I. V.I.P.s
- 9 Balls of yarn, fake mice, etc.
- 10 Gossip
- 11 Big Alaska export
- 12 "You think that's true about me?"
- 13 "SpongeBob SquarePants" setting
- Rebellion, 1808 uprising in New South Wales
- 21 Language that gave us "spunk" and "slogan"
- 25 Piece of information
- 26 Performers of the ceremonial haka dance

- 27 Noted example of corporate misconduct
- 28 Stone with curved bands
- 29 Violinist Zimbalist
- 31 Dweller in a eucalyptus forest
- 32 Capitulates
- 33 Have a loan from
- 34 Strand at the airport, maybe
- 35 Letter-shaped part of a sink
- 39 Whirled powers?
- 41 What it takes two to tie
- 42 Time it takes light to travel .3 mm: Abbr.
- 47 Novelist Santha Rama
- 48 Grades
- 49 Hot alcoholic drink
- 50 1973 #1 Rolling Stones love ballad
- 51 Fishing spots
- 52 Traditional gemstone for a seventh wedding anniversary
- 54 Gas
- 55 Galas
- 56 Make a decision
- 57 Sardonic
- 58 Italian god

SOLUTION

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

First woman to head the Frog Club

Congratulations TCU Graduates!

On behalf of the Center for Career & Professional Development and our employer and program partners who attended recruiting events this year, thank you to all TCU students for partnering with us to get career ready for 2021!

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ARCO/Murray National Construction Company

AssuranceAmerica

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Baylor Scott & White Health Care System

Baylor University - Law School

Blue River Partners BNSF Railway BOK Financial Burns & McDonnell

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Metrocare Services MeySen Academy

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NAI Robert Lynn (Dallas) National Football League National Life Group

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