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## CAMPUS NEWS

## Longtime TCU champion John V. Roach dies at 83

By JD PELLIS

EXECUTIVE EDITOR, TCU 360

John V. Roach, a TCU alumnus, former chair of the Board of Trustees and early PC pioneer, has died at 83 years old.

Decades before the concept of a personal computer became a reality, Mr. Roach studied computer programming and the potential of widespread consumer use of computers at TCU (MBA '65).

Mr. Roach, who was born in 1938 in Stamford, Texas, moved to Fort Worth with his family at age four. He grew up working in his father's small neighborhood grocery store.

His work ethic earned him two bachelor's degrees — mathematics and physics — from TCU, while holding jobs unloading boxcars and working as a field engineer.

Mr. Roach dreamed that the average person

would have personal computers and use the internet in his lifetime.

**'Reinventing the wheel'**

Despite a lack of consumer interest in 1975, Mr. Roach led a small engineering team at Tandy Corp. to discover if it could deliver a commercially viable personal microcomputer to market.

The successful venture shocked the industry in 1978, when Tandy's microcomputers sold more units than any other company in the industry at that time.

Mr. Roach became one of the youngest CEOs in the country in 1981, taking over the position at Tandy Corp., which was the parent company of RadioShack.

In 1983, in conjunction with Microsoft, he helped launch one of the first commercial laptops. The machine had a built-in

keyboard and a small eight-line display, all in one plane.

The device was so portable, Mr. Roach said, "every journalist had to have one."

Many years before the concept of a personal computer had been conceived, Mr. Roach predicted its everyday value in the future of society.

He also saw a strong future for his alma mater.

**Full circle**

Mr. Roach was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees in 1990 and led the "1900s project," which set the university's agenda for the coming decade — a decade filled with academic and financial success.

During his tenure, TCU's endowment more than doubled to approximately \$1 billion, which placed it among the top 40 of the nation's colleges and universities. A fundraising campaign, which Mr. Roach spearheaded, realized more than \$126 million.

Mr. Roach made significant contributions to mathematics, science and computer science education in the United States, and he included TCU in the effort.

Mr. Roach helped launch the national Tandy Technology Scholars Program, which rewards teachers and students who are leaders in those subjects. Today, the program is called the RadioShack National Teacher Awards Program and has awarded more than \$3.5 million, with 83% of the country's



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HORNED FROG YEARBOOK '59

John Roach, 1975.

secondary schools enrolled.

One of Mr. Roach's greatest gifts to TCU was engineering a smooth transition of leadership for the university, chairing the search committee to find TCU's ninth and tenth chancellors.

Chancellor Victor Boschini said John was a devoted fan, leader and visionary who was passionate about TCU in all ways possible.

"Personally, Megan and I will be forever indebted to him for bringing us to Fort Worth and TCU 19 years ago. This is a huge loss for the Horned Frog family," he said.

**Lasting legacy**

After Mr. Roach's tenure on the board, he continued to be an active contributor to the university and Fort Worth.

He served as an Emeritus TCU Trustee, a board member on the TCU Neeley School of Business Board of Visitors, board member



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The John V. Roach Honors College Crest is shown outside of Milton Daniel Hall.

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## ROACH

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for the Van Cliburn Foundation and chairman for the Fort Worth Executive Roundtable.

Mr. Roach was honored by his alma mater in 2009, when TCU officially launched the John V. Roach Honors College, offering students “an educational

experience of the finest quality, as well as unparalleled opportunities for intellectual and personal growth through co-curricular programs,” according to the John V. Roach Honors College website.

TCU Trustees Chair Mark Johnson said he’ll never “walk the grounds of the campus without thinking of him.”

“I will always remember John for his keen business and

economic acumen and his decades-long, servant leadership of TCU,” he said. “His dedication to this great school, whether leading the Board, making financial contributions or attending an athletic or social event, exemplified a tremendous fiduciary responsibility as well as a genuine love for his alma mater. John truly desired for each student to be well-prepared for the road ahead.”

## SPORTS

### TCU basketball makes ‘millions of fans’ in gut-wrenching loss to Arizona

By COLIN POST

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

TCU basketball now has the attention of the entire college basketball world.

As predicted by ESPN, Vegas and every sports-related site around the nation, the Frogs fell to top seed Arizona in the Round of 32 on Sunday night in San Diego.

But it was how TCU lost – a 5-point defeat in overtime- that mattered.

“I just think I told them they made millions of fans tonight by watching this game,” head coach Jamie Dixon said.

Trailing by 9 points late in the second half, TCU went on a 12-0 run to take a 70-67 lead with under four minutes remaining.

Following a layup by Forward Eddie Lampkin, victory seemed inevitable for TCU, but Pac-12 Player of the Year Benedict Mathurin pulled up from well-behind the 3-point line and drilled it with 13 seconds left to tie

the game at 75.

Once the game was in extra time, Mathurin and Arizona took advantage of 2-for-10 shooting by TCU and ended the Frogs’ season in an 85-30 defeat.

Down 3 points with time ticking down, TCU forced a missed 3 by Mathurin, but Arizona center Christian Koloko put the nails in the coffin for the Frogs with a put-back slam with nine seconds to play.

“He’s [Koloko] a pretty good player. I told him he’s a good player,” Lampkin said. “He came up to me after the game and told me I was a good player. I really like his game.”

The trio of Lampkin, Miles and forward Chuck O’Bannon combined for 63 points in the contest for the Frogs.

All three players were chosen to talk to the media after the game, and each of them held back tears as they answered questions.

“This season was everything for us, because we weren’t even

expected to be here,” O’Bannon said. “For us to win our first game and be that close with the No. 1 seed just shows that we have a bunch of guys with a lot of grit. That’s all you can ask for.”

The Frogs were not able to finish the job in regulation, though, and the Wildcats stormed past them in overtime to prevent history from being made.

TCU basketball has still never won consecutive games in the NCAA tournament or defeated a No. 1 seed.

What the Frogs did accomplish was monumental, though. They set program records for ranked wins (five) and Quad 1 wins (nine) on top of winning their first NCAA tournament game in 35 years.

More importantly, though, they showed the nation that TCU basketball is a force to be reckoned with that is, likely, not going anywhere anytime soon.

“We’ll get it back next year,” Lampkin said.

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## CAMPUS NEWS

# Former TCU employee claims racial discrimination led to her termination

By **JD PELLIS**

EXECUTIVE EDITOR, TCU 360

A former employee filed a lawsuit against the university alleging that discrimination based on her Hispanic, Mexican-American race motivated negative performance reviews, which led to her termination.

Linda Lopez worked for 13 years in the regional development in TCU's advancement

department, which is the university fundraising arm.

According to the complaint, Lopez took legal family and medical leave in January of 2020, and upon her return, faced an "unwarranted bad review" from her supervisor, which included chastising her for taking time for bereavement leave to comfort her children, whose father died.

TCU does not typically comment on legal personnel matters.

"We can share that consistent with our internal practice, TCU engaged an outside investigator through our Office of Institutional Equity to review the employee's claims. The outside firm did not find any instances of illegal discrimination," the university said in a request for comment.

The lawsuit alleges

that Assistant Vice Chancellor for Regional Development Mike Edwards gave Lopez another "unwarranted, inaccurate and negative performance evaluation" due to race and disability discrimination in March of 2021. Lopez's termination came one day after she complained about the evaluation to a Human Resources Representative employed at the university.

Lopez was terminated Feb. 11, 2021.

According to the court document, Lopez's "white counterparts with less experience and seniority were retained in similar positions," while Lopez was replaced by a white employee "who had less experience and tenure."

TCU declared Lopez ineligible for rehire. According to the complaint, TCU did not follow progressive

discipline as provided by its policy, such as giving Lopez an oral or written warning prior to her termination.

Lopez seeks money for lost wages, mental anguish, other damages and a court order reinstating her to her previous position.

## TCU organization hosts Bravery Bag event to support medically vulnerable children

By **JESSICA SCHAFFER**

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Plain backpacks stuffed with pencil sharpeners, books, night lights, fidget spinners and speakers will be delivered to young children in hospitals after the Bravery Bags community service event hosted by A Moment of Magic at TCU this February.

At the service event, volunteers packed the Bravery Bags and each

volunteer wrote an encouraging note for the child. In addition to the Bravery Bags, there was a small raffle for gift cards for the volunteers.

A Moment of Magic is a "nonprofit organization that provides medically vulnerable children with creative programming, outlets and support to foster imagination, friendship and hope through college-students volunteers," according to the TCU chapter's website.

Students can audition to be a character for the kids in hospitals. Additionally, volunteers can also participate in video calls and arts and crafts with the children. TCU's chapter was founded to inspire people to give back to the Fort Worth community and create lasting memories for children in the area.

A Moment of Magic was officially founded on TCU's campus in October of 2021. Davis Le, the president and founder of the TCU chapter of A Moment of Magic, found out about the organization through one of his high school friends. Le has a desire to give back to his community and he wanted to inspire others to do the same.

There are about 30 chapters in the United States, two of which are in Texas. Along with TCU, Baylor University also has a chapter on their campus.

Le said the chapter at Baylor University reached out about doing a Bravery Bag event for

the children in hospitals. Le agreed, and volunteers came ready to make a child's day.

Lily Ball, a first-year sports broadcasting major, recently joined A Moment of Magic and said she has loved every bit of it. She joined because she wanted to give back to her community and she has witnessed the difficulties of being a child with cancer in her own family.

"Just being able to bring them a moment of magic seemed really cool," said Ball.

Ball said her favorite part of being a part of A Moment of Magic is the Bravery Bags. She is excited to actually go visit the kids when the pandemic becomes less of an issue.

Chris Allender, vice president of A Moment of Magic, is passionate about giving back to his community, especially during the pandemic. Allender said his favorite part of A Moment of Magic is working with the volunteers.



PHOTO BY JESSICA SCHAFFER

Emma Fitzgerald, a junior, writes a letter to be put in a Bravery Bag.



PHOTO BY JESSICA SCHAFFER

Volunteers pack Bravery Bags for medically underserved children for A Moment of Magic.

"It's really nice when they all come out," Allender said. "We haven't been able to work with kids yet because of COVID, but I think it will be super cool once we actually start working with kids."

According to Le and Allender, the Bravery Bags are a perfect way to get involved despite the pandemic. Le said that they will be delivering the Bravery Bags to the Texas Children's Cancer and Hematology Centers in Houston in the next few weeks.

In addition to the Bravery Bags, A Moment of Magic hosted a toy drive with theCrew for the children at Cooks Children's Health Care System. Later this semester, A Moment of Magic will be hosting a 5K to help children in need.

More information about A Moment of Magic can be found on their Instagram and on their website.



## SPORTS

# Battle with the Bears: No. 21 TCU wins series in Waco

By **CHARLES BAGGARLY**

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

In its first Big 12 Conference games of the year, No. 21 TCU took two of three to secure the series victory against Baylor.

TCU (14-5) has fallen behind in a lot of games this year, but the team always seems to fight their way back up. Head Coach Kirk Saarloos shared his thoughts on the Frogs' ability to battle against leads late in games.

"There is no quit in our team in terms of being behind sometimes," said Saarloos. "We're putting ourselves in that position too often."

Saarloos said that the Frogs need to play better baseball, but winning on the road was great.

Here's how the weekend went down:

## Game 1

Starting pitcher Riley Cornelio dominated on the mound, and shortstop Tommy Sacco had the hot bat as the Frogs defeated the Bears 3-0, winning their first Big 12 Conference game.

Starting pitcher Tyler Thomas, one of the league leaders in ERA, was on the mound for the Bears.

Cornelio needed to have a spectacular performance against a pitcher of Thomas's caliber, and he delivered. His final statline was 8 IP, 2 H, 0 ER, 1 BB, 7 K.

In the 1st and 2nd, the Frogs grounded into two double plays, eliminating potential scoring

opportunities.

Sacco was able to get a double play of his own after catching a rocket of a line drive and whipping the ball back to first base before the runner could get back safely.

A few innings later, Sacco sparked the Frog's offense with a solo shot in the 5th and later hit a double down the left field line in the 7th. After a wild pitch, another run was scored.

In the 8th, a pair of doubles from center fielder Elijah Nunez and third baseman Brayden Taylor gave the Frogs another insurance run.

Cornelio had six 1-2-3 innings throughout the game and retired the last ten batters he faced. Closing pitcher River Ridings was sent in to close the game in the 9th and was able to pick up his sixth career save.

Saarloos said that Cornelio's start gave the Frogs an opportunity to succeed.

"That's what Friday nights should be," said Saarloos. "We worked on a lot of things on Wednesday with him [...] he did an awesome job putting it into play right away."

## Game 2

The Frogs needed three runs in the 9th to send the game to extra innings; they delivered and went on to defeat the Bears 11-9.

Starting pitcher Brett Walker continued to struggle, giving up a two-run home run in the opening inning.

In the top half of the 3rd, TCU's first two



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Third baseman Brayden Taylor and first baseman David Bishop as the Frogs drop the third game of the series 7-3 on March 20, 2022.

batters of the inning were retired. The Frogs, in an impressive rally, had six consecutive players reach base safely. After a few walks and singles from Nunez, first baseman David Bishop and second baseman Gray Rodgers, the Frogs took a 3-2 lead. Sacco brought home two more runs with a double.

Walker was pulled in the 3rd inning but put on two runners that would eventually score, giving him four earned runs in the game.

The Bears continued to add runs, tying the game in the 5th after a rare fielding error by Nunez and taking the lead soon after with a single up the middle.

Both teams remained scoreless until the 8th inning, where Baylor took an 8-5 lead after their second two run home run of the game.

The Frogs hadn't scored since the 3rd inning and needed three

runs to tie the game. After four consecutive walks, the Frogs cut the lead to two.

Boyers was hit by a pitch, sending in another, but the Bears recorded their second out soon after. With the bases loaded, all the pressure was on Mason Speaker, who was pinch-hitting for Porter Brown.

Speaker, with a high bouncing grounder down the third base line, reached first safely and brought home the tying run.

The game then went to the bottom of the 9th, where Boyers made a great play, sacrificing his body and sliding near the barricade in foul territory to make the catch, sending the game to extra innings.

In the 11th, the Frogs had a pair of singles and a walk. The Bear's defense, after two errors, allowed TCU to take the lead.

With closing pitcher River Ridings on the mound, the Bears hit a solo shot in the final frame but failed to catch up to the Frogs who won the game 11-9.

## Game 3

TCU failed to erase the Baylor lead and lost their first Big 12 Conference game 7-3.

Starting pitcher Cam Brown made his first weekend-series start of the year, giving up four earned runs and seven hits in five innings.

The Bears got off to a hot start, scoring three runs in the first two innings. After, Brown threw consecutive scoreless frames.

Baylor's starting pitcher, Will Rigeny, threw five scoreless innings, only giving up two hits.

The Bears added to their lead in the 5th after a wild pitch from Brown,

who was pulled after the inning.

Saarloos said that Brown has all the skills to have great starts for the team.

"All the things are there. All the ingredients are there," said Saarloos. "It's just a matter of him being able to go out there and find it right away."

TCU scored their first run of the game in the 7th with a sacrifice fly from designated hitter Owen Blackledge, but Baylor tallied two more in the bottom half to make it a 6-1 ballgame.

In the 8th, Taylor and Bishop hit back-to-back home runs for the second time in a week, cutting the Baylor lead to three. The Baylor bats, however, continued to produce, bringing home another run.

The Frogs were able to put two runners on but failed to score in the 9th as the series came to a close.



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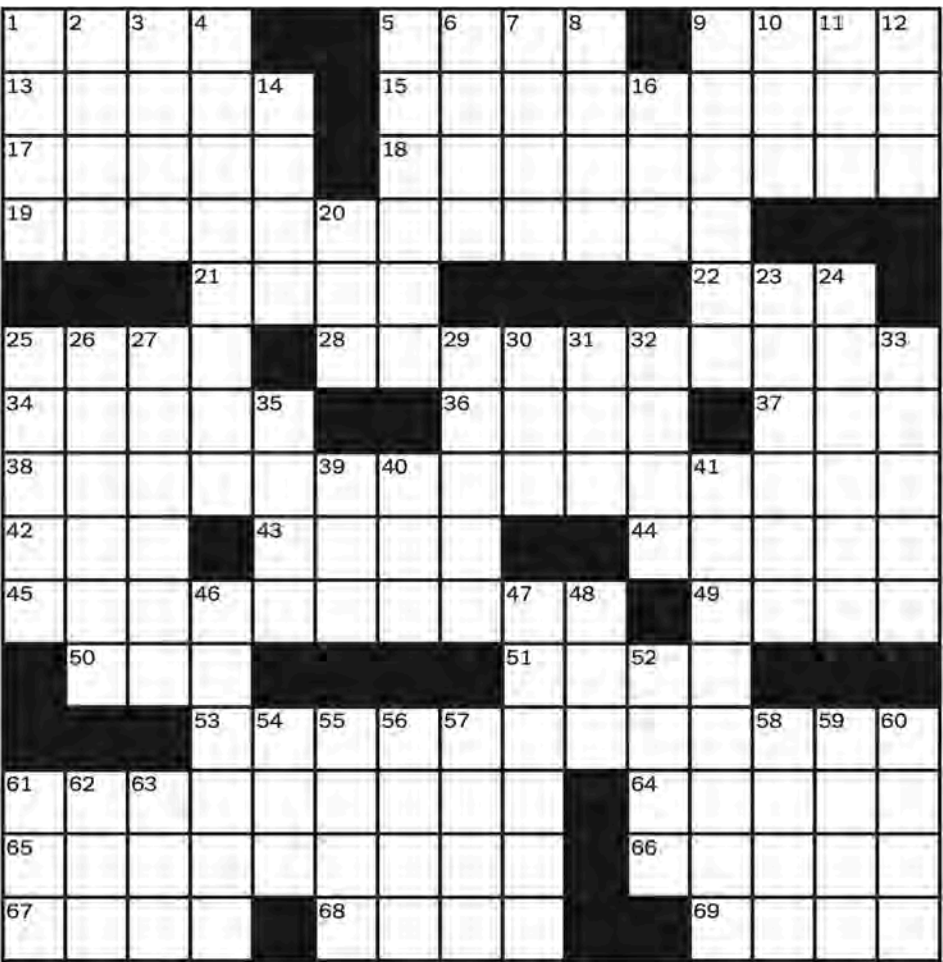
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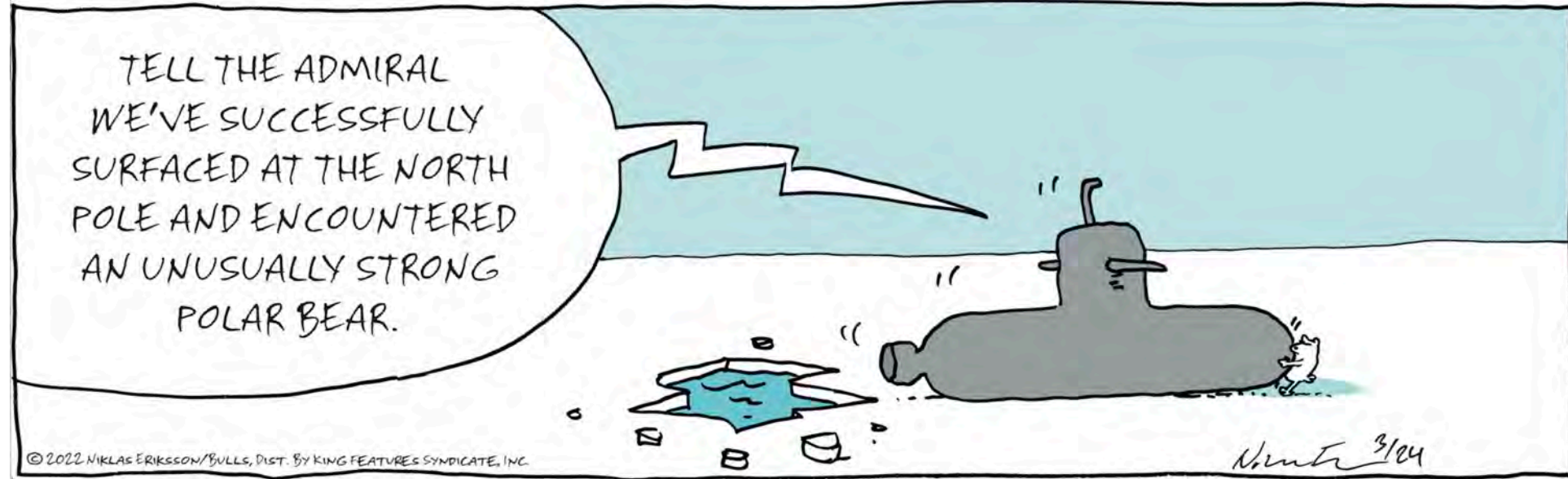
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5 Float  
9 Italian car, informally  
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15 1934 novel made into a hit 1970s BBC/PBS miniseries  
17 Hawaii's "Pineapple Isle"  
18 Bus excursions to see homes of celebrities  
19 At the party where the scientist was demonstrating her new shrink ray, [ZAP!] the punch ladle turned into a ...  
21 Analogy words 22 West \_\_\_\_ (furniture chain) 25 Family  
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34 Exaggerate, as a stage role  
36 Flag down  
37 Sweetheart, in modern lingo
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2 It's berry tasty!  
3 On cloud nine  
4 Credit card status  
5 Domain of Athena  
6 Stage opening  
7 Tizzy  
8 Bit of weatherproofing  
9 Devotee  
10 \_\_\_\_ Yifei, star of 2020's "Mulan"  
11 Something traded at a trading post  
12 Ding-dong  
14 Isn't well  
16 People for whom a state is named  
20 Supposed creators of crop circles, for short  
23 Longing to go to bed?  
24 More grinchlike  
25 Bracelet item  
26 Triangular sail  
27 King of the Egyptian gods  
29 Leave in \_\_\_\_  
30 Setting for the 1962 hit "Monster Mash"
- 31 Calculus calculation: Abbr.  
32 Scratch or nick  
33 Ramshackle 35 A.C.C. team, informally  
39 Mongrel  
40 \_\_\_\_ Lanka  
41 Squalid abodes  
46 Hostile state  
47 Misses abroad  
48 Before, in verse  
52 Kept informed, in a way  
54 Old presidential nickname  
55 Italian term of endearment  
56 It's a bust  
57 Eleven, to an élève  
58 Home for many hippos  
59 Magician's bird  
60 Put one's foot down  
61 Dazzle  
62 "You've hardly aged a bit," usually  
63 Genetic material
- 38 When the main course was ready, [ZAP!] the six-foot hoagie turned into an ...  
42 \_\_\_\_ Faire (historical festival, informally)  
43 Territory  
44 Didn't dive (into)  
45 When the dessert was brought out, [ZAP!] the pudding cake turned into a ...  
49 Boris Johnson, e.g.  
50 Mum's mum  
51 Principal  
53 Finally, when the still-hungry guests went back for more, [ZAP!] the additional helpings turned into ...  
61 Language that gave us "aardvark"  
64 "Middlemarch" author  
65 Prepare for cold weather  
66 Dig (into)  
67 Taobao, the so-called "\_\_\_\_ of China"  
68 Citrus drinks  
69 Trickle



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Horoscope

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) ★★★★★ Be careful today. This is a powerful day for you, because the Sun is in your sign while the Moon is in your fellow Fire sign as well. This influence is supportive and invigorating. Nevertheless, most of this day is a Moon Alert. Be aware of this. Tonight: Show respect.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Two strong influences are at play. On one hand, you want to be low-key and work alone because you feel comfortable being low-profile. However, with Mars at the top of your chart, your ambition is aroused! Be careful. Check the Moon Alert today. Tonight: Explore!

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★ Tread carefully today, because you have to go more than halfway when dealing with others. In addition to this, most of this day is a Moon Alert. Postpone important decisions. Restrict spending to food and gas. Tonight: Check your finances.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You are high-viz now, and people admire you. Nevertheless, today at work or even when dealing with a pet, you might face shortages, delays and glitches. Things will improve after the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Cooperate.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ This is a strong day because both the Sun and the Moon are in your fellow Fire signs, which supports and empowers you. However, be mindful of the restrictions of the Moon Alert. Nevertheless,

this is a creative, playful day! Enjoy! Tonight: Work.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ This is a good day to relax at home among familiar surroundings if you can swing it, even though you might encounter shortages and mixed-up communications. Avoid domestic decisions until the Moon Alert is over. Nevertheless, this can be an easygoing day. Tonight: Relax.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Be careful when talking to others, because most of today is a Moon Alert. Make no promises to anyone. Don't volunteer for anything. Just tread water. Tonight: Cocoon at home.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ It's important for you to know that today the Moon Alert is taking place in your Money House, which means to restrict your spending -- for

sure -- to food and gas. Avoid other purchases or financial decisions until the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Study.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ This is a creative day for you, which means you are full of imaginative ideas because you're thinking outside the box. Write down these ideas and keep them in mind, but don't act until the Moon Alert is over, especially because the Moon is in your sign. Tonight: Work.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You will feel good if you can cocoon at home and keep a low profile. Some of you will be more involved than usual with a parent. Don't make important decisions today until the Moon Alert is over. Ditto for spending money. Tonight: Be strong.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You value your

friendships, and today is a wonderful day to hang out with groups. Wait until it's over to agree to anything important. You'll be glad you did. Get some physical exercise. Tonight: Solitude.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Do not volunteer

for anything today, and be mindful of discussions with bosses and parents, because the Moon Alert is taking place at the top of your chart. Wait until this is over before you make decisions. Until then, just coast. Tonight: Listen to advice.

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## COMMUNITY

# Fort Worth Fashion Week: Bringing together fashion and community

By **AMANDA VASQUEZ**

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

New York, Milan and Paris are some of the places one would typically think of when referring to fashion.

However, creatives in the Fort Worth area are building a name for the fashion scene by showcasing what the community has to offer at the first semi-annual Fort Worth Fashion Week.

Phillip Maximillian, the creative director of Fort Worth Fashion Week, is one of those creatives spearheading the fashion movement.

From Feb. 21 through Feb. 27, events were held for Spring '22 Fort Worth Fashion Week. On Monday, Feb. 21, opening night of Fort Worth Fashion Week was put on display at Eye Works in the cultural district. Designer eyewear, such as Cartier, Tom Ford and

Chanel lined the walls as associates from the store helped attendees find a pair of glasses that fit their style.

On Tuesday, models walked the runway at Neiman Marcus in Clearfork to unveil their Spring 2022 collection, along with live music and a champagne reception.

Days three and four were rescheduled to Saturday, Feb. 26 due to the winter storm.

Fashion week continued after the ice melted on Friday, Feb. 25.

Shein, a Chinese online fashion retailer, and Twinkle Patel, a fashion designer, stylist and illustrator, collaborated for a runway show at the art gallery, Bale Creek Allen, on Saturday. TCU's historic costume collection and fashion merchandising department also held an exhibition in downtown Fort Worth at the Dang

Good Candy art gallery.

To close out the week of events, on Sunday fashion lovers drank specialty cocktails at Lot 12 rooftop bar, played virtual golf and kicked off the debut of Chaparral Golf Co. for its Spring 2022 collection. At the end of the day, Market by Macy's Spring 2022 runway show wrapped up the week of fashion events.

## Mechanic to designer

Having an entrepreneurial spirit is a trait that Phillip Maximillian has at heart. His launch into the fashion realm is one that started with his love of fashion and his passion for creating. However, his path to fashion designing is one that is not so typical.

After graduating high school, Maximillian would be found getting his hands greasy working

on cars at a Ford dealership. His ambitions of owning a business began at age 21 when he started building his own automotive repair shop in 2012.

He sold his shop in 2015 and started his venture into fashion as a student at Petit Atelier, a custom design studio in Dallas.

With a lot of sewing and plenty of drive, Mener Grand Train, men's bespoke tailoring company, was crafted in 2016. When switching his focus from auto repair to fashion, Maximilian realized he had to learn not only about creating designs but also building a brand.

While drafting designs, marketing his brand and connecting with fellow fashion lovers, Maximilian realized that dedication to his craft was key.



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Phillip Maximillian, Fort Worth Fashion Week creative director and owner of Mener Grand Train.

## TCU's Collaboration

In an effort to connect with his community and inspire up-and-coming fashion creatives, Maximilian decided to collaborate with students from TCU's fashion merchandising department.

Stephanie Bailey, a professor in the fashion merchandising department, worked with

students to create an exhibit for TCU's historic costume collection. The students chose three formal dresses from the collection to display dating from the 1920s, 1950s and 1980s.

Bailey explained that the collaboration with Fort Worth Fashion Week provided students with the opportunity to learn about their industry and network.

## MOVIE REVIEW

# Matt Reeve's The Batman: A new take on the beloved superhero

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The Batman is unapologetically emo. Robert Pattinson's Bruce Wayne mopes about like an angst teenager, bopping his head to Nirvana music. Meanwhile, Gotham is as gothic as ever, forming a beautiful backdrop for this noir detective film to unfold. The cinematography is gorgeous. It's one of the most aesthetically pleasing superhero films I've ever seen. And the music? Michael

Giacchino hits another home run on this one, joining the ranks of some of Batman's finest soundtracks.

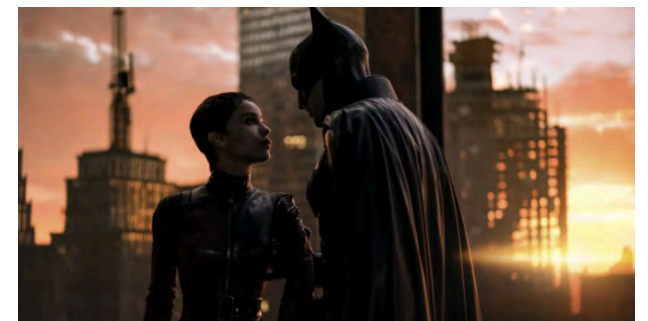
It can go without saying that every actor brings their A-game on this one. Zoë Kravitz as Catwoman is just perfect, and Colin Farrell's Penguin is unexpectedly hilarious. The Riddler by Paul Dano is shockingly sinister, redeeming the travesty that was Jim Carrey's interpretation in 1995. And Jeffrey Wright may just be my favorite Commissioner Gordon.

The only sin in this film is that Andy Serkis' Alfred deserved more screentime.

Finally, we have Robert Pattinson. The man of many mysteries proves once again that he is indeed one of the most talented actors in Hollywood. He expresses so many subtle thoughts and emotions without saying a single word, reminding everyone that the character of Batman is a terrifying force to be reckoned with. This is without mentioning that his suit is one of my favorite designs yet.

But, there is one tough pill to swallow in this movie: it's 3 hours long. The pace and momentum of this film had my attention for its entirety. The mysteries, the turns, the drama – I loved every moment of it. And just like everyone else is saying, this movie has one of the coolest Batmobile chases to date.

Lastly, what sets this Batman apart is Batman himself. While some of the finest films of the past have focused on unforgettable villains or interesting debates



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of philosophy, this incarnation of Batman gives him an actual arc. Shaped by anger and vengeance, this Bruce Wayne is forced to re-evaluate what it means to be a hero.

It really is one of the finest superhero blockbusters I've seen in years. Go check it out.

**Verdict: 9.5/10**