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Move-in day to come early for Greek Village

By HUNTER GEISEL
STAFF WRITER

Some TCU Greeks may move into new housing ahead of schedule.

The first seven buildings in the new Greek Village in Worth Hills could be ready earlier than the proposed fall 2018 date, said Harold Leeman, director of facility planning and construction.

If construction continues at its current pace, the sorority houses should open in summer 2017 and the fraternity houses will be opened by fall 2018.

"Some of them will finish early," Leeman said. "So, we'll get furniture in that one and that'll leave us time to get furniture in the next one and so on."

Construction began early this past spring when the Physical Plant began working on the utilities for the Greek Village area.

"We had to move those utilities out from underneath where the new buildings will be going," Leeman said. "So, that's been going on since early January-February of this year, and actually, [we're] still moving gas lines right now, but



PHOTO BY SAM BRUTON

The construction project is scheduled to be completed summer 2018.

everything is out of the way of our construction."

Leeman said the physical plant and construction team knew this would cause problems with parking so their solution was the construction of the Worth Hills Parking Garage, which opened Aug. 25.

The second phase of the construction on the first set of houses is now under way. There are seven buildings under construction right now. The buildings will house either two or three chapters each, said Leeman. Once phase two is finished, the four dorms on Pond Drive will be demolished

and replaced by the rest of the new buildings.

Leeman said the project has been on budget.

"It's early in the process for the housing, but right now, everything's tracking very well," Leeman said.

The physical plant built weather delays into the schedule.

"Most contractors work on a five-day schedule," Leeman said. "But, you'll see them out there on Saturdays and makeup schedules, so if it rains, they have rain-out on one day but they can get on the site. They'll probably make that rain day up by working Saturday."

COLLEGE RANKINGS

TCU fares well in College Factual poll

By JOCELYN SITTON
STAFF WRITER

With college application season in full swing, TCU's position on college ranking lists may gain the attention of prospective students.

College Factual, a site designed to match students with their best collegiate fit, released its 2017 "Best College" ranking list on Wednesday evening.

TCU, overall, ranked in the top 200 out of over 1,300 universities, with particularly high rankings earned in the Neeley School of Business, the Bob Schieffer College of Communication and the College of Fine Arts.

While rankings may contribute to some individuals' opinions on universities, Chancellor Victor Boschini said these types of lists are only one factor in measuring a

university's successes.

"I don't think any of us can afford to dismiss any of the rankings, but I also don't live and die by the rankings," Boschini said. "We have to do what's right for our students, and the rankings will follow."

Heath Einstein, the director of freshman admission, agreed, saying that rankings are not as important to the collegiate process as they may appear to be.

"It's a rather tall task to quantify a process that's largely built on emotion," Einstein said.

Einstein said it's difficult to find a single methodology that accurately ranks colleges in a way that effectively appeals to all students.

"For any one student, what's important to one is not important to another," Einstein said.

For some, the problem with

rankings lies with the strategies of those compiling the data, said Ray Pfeiffer, the associate dean for undergraduate programs in the Neeley School of Business.

"I'm highly skeptical of a lot of the rankings because I think there's a lot of money to be made in being a ranking company," Pfeiffer said. "There are very few with any real, reliable methodology that leads to numbers that are actually useful."

College Factual, according to its website, uses a methodology that includes ranking all schools on which it has data, using data centered on graduates' outcomes and refraining from dividing schools into separate lists.

Regardless of the methodology or the type of ranking, prospective and current students are encouraged to do their research when considering where to apply.



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FOOTBALL PREVIEW

TCU prepares to get physical with Arkansas

By **GARRETT PODELL**
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TCU's focus on Saturday will be stopping the Arkansas Razorbacks running game.

Head coach Gary Patterson said at Tuesday's press conference that he expects a tough game.

"They're a team that comes right at you," Patterson said. "Offensively, very physical up front, we've got to be able to handle the rush."

The Frogs are making defensive adjustments. Sophomore linebacker Ty Summers will "probably start the ballgame because we didn't tackle very well" against South Dakota State, Patterson said.

The Jackrabbits were a challenge, leading at several points during the game, before TCU pulled away in the second half for a 59-41 win.

Patterson said across the board they have to play better.

"We found a way to win when we didn't play good, and I'm not happy, still not happy," Patterson said. "But now we have Arkansas, so I have to do what Kenny does [after throwing interceptions] and move forward."

Patterson said playing a Southeastern Conference opponent will add new wrinkles to the Frogs' game plan.

"We have a couple other surprises up our sleeve because we're playing a team that's a little bit different than what we just played and what we play in our conference," Patterson said.

TCU defensive end James McFarland said the key on Saturday will be stopping the run.

"We have a pretty good Arkansas team coming in who we know is going to try

and run the ball on us, and we're worried about stopping them," McFarland said. "If we can stop them from running the ball, it'll be a good game for us."

McFarland said the Frogs have to be more physical.

"They're going to try to run us over and we look forward to the challenge," he said.

TCU and the Razorbacks have a history as both were part of the now-defunct Southwest Conference 20 years ago. This is TCU's first match-up against an SEC team since the Frogs defeated University of Mississippi 42-3 in the 2014 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.

Under Patterson, TCU is 2-1 against the SEC with the win over the Rebels and another against the Vanderbilt Commodores. The Frogs lost the 2013 season opener against LSU, 37-27.

And this will not be the first time Arkansas is facing some of TCU's offense. Two of TCU's players transferred from SEC schools; quarterback Kenny Hill transferred from Texas A&M and wide receiver John Diarse transferred from LSU. When Hill was at A&M, he led the Aggies to a 35-28 victory over Arkansas in 2014.

Diarse had four catches for 42 yards last season when LSU played Arkansas.

Patterson dueled with Arkansas head coach Bret Bielema in the 2011 Rose Bowl, where the Frogs beat Bielema's Wisconsin Badgers, 21-19.

Patterson said sophomore wide receiver Jarrison Stewart, who was injured, will play this week. First-year student and wide receiver Isaiah Graham will miss two weeks after suffering an injury in the SDSU game.

Kickoff is 6 p.m. Saturday in Amon G. Carter Stadium.



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NEWS

'Smoke-Free Fort Worth' launches campaign to help clear the air

By ELIZABETH HINZ
STAFF WRITER

A group of Fort Worth residents gathered at Billy Bob's Texas to support the launch of Smoke-Free Fort Worth, a campaign that aims to end smoking in public places.

Fort Worth still allows smoking in bars and bingo parlors. It is the only city of the five largest in Texas to do so.

The event featured three speakers who talked about why they support a smoke-free environment.

"I hope that people think about the actual cost to other peoples' lives with secondhand smoke," said Steve Steward, Boiled Owl Tavern bartender.

Laws prohibiting smoking in workplaces, restaurants and bars have been passed in 25 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Secondhand smoke has more than 7,000 chemicals that can be inhaled, according to the National Cancer Institute. It estimates that at least 250 of these chemicals are damaging and about 69 can cause cancer.

As a result of exposure to secondhand smoke, 3,000 adult nonsmokers die from lung cancer each year.

"Secondhand smoke increases the risk of heart disease and lung cancer. Making all workplaces smoke-free can improve public health for everyone who lives, works and plays in Fort Worth," according to Smoke-Free Fort Worth's website.

A poll of Fort Worth residents done by Baselice and Associates found that 91 percent agree that every one has the right to breathe smoke-free air in public places and at work.

"It's very important to me that they [Fort Worth residents] have workplace safety, especially when it comes to the smoking bans in Fort Worth," said Fort Worth resident Alyssa Petty. "I want to help educate other people about the harmful effects of tobacco, so it just made sense for me to come out and support."

Many local businesses and companies are responding to citizens' disapproval of smoking in public places.

"Fort Worth has some laws on the books that say you can't smoke in certain areas and then some companies and some businesses like Billy Bob's have gone smoke-free because they realize the health effects," said Allen Henderson,



Supporters of Smoke-Free Fort Worth hung out and listened to live music while they waited for the event's speakers at Billy Bob's Texas.

ELIZABETH HINZ / TCU STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

provost and senior vice president at Texas Wesleyan University.

Any level of exposure to secondhand smoke can be dangerous, according to the American Lung Association.

"Secondhand smoke we know can have a powerful effect," Henderson said. "If you live in a home or if you were in a dorm room with somebody who smoked all the time, it might have as much a negative effect on you as it does them."

Despite the risks associated with exposure to secondhand smoke, TCU allows smoking outdoors at least 20 feet away from the entrance or exit to a university building.

In 2014, TCU's Student Government Association proposed a resolution calling for a ban all smoking on campus. The resolution failed to pass and was never implemented.

TCU sophomore Megan Schultz said she does not think smoking should be allowed on campus.

"It [smoking] isn't just a health hazard for the individual, but secondhand smoke is also a serious issue," said Schultz.



Steve Steward, one of the event's speakers and Boiled Owl Tavern bartender, spoke about why he supports smoke-free bars.

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This year you experience an innate tension that could come to the forefront. As a result, you might make critical statements or act out in a wild way. You say one thing and do another. Emphasize your career and your goals. If you are single, you'll note some confusion surrounding potential suitors. Be open to feedback. If you are attached, you could find yourself in several squabbles. Your significant other might not understand this new dimension of your personality. Try to find a solution that works for both of you. SAGITTARIUS could challenge you.

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)

★★★★ Make a point of detaching. As a result, your view on a situation could change dramatically. You might be picking up on some nonverbal signals. Work with facts and only facts. A friend will let you know how grateful he or she is to be in your life. Tonight: Make it special.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You might want to relate to a key individual on a one-on-one basis. You easily could meet some resistance. Embrace this person's way of communicating. You are not always the best at expressing what someone else feels. Tonight: A friend could confuse plans at the last minute.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You could be confused by what someone you respect tells you. Be careful; don't misread this person's intentions. Clarify what you think you've heard. A loved one might be unusually affectionate. Make an effort to spend more time with this person. Tonight: Think "weekend."

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ You have been in a daydreaming type of mood lately, perhaps replaying recent discussions between you and someone else. Your sense of humor emerges at the most unlikely moment. You could be nervous speaking to someone you've put on a pedestal. Tonight: Relax at home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You might need to have a

conversation with someone who doesn't seem to think your brainchild is all that good. Use this person's criticism to strengthen your concept, rather than get reactive. You might want to try a different approach. Tonight: Time to be a little naughty.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ You are coming from a secure point of view. Someone close to you might challenge your approach on a

domestic or real estate issue. Others clearly are not coming from the same place you are; you might have to walk them through your idea step by step. Tonight: At home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You might want to restart your day. Clear your mind, take a walk and/or opt for a power nap. You will feel rejuvenated, and can participate in what is going on without having an attitude. Be

direct about someone's request. Say "no" if need be. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Your strong personality has the potential to run over someone else. Your finances might be open for scrutiny. As a result, you could have a special purchase in mind that you are resisting buying for now. Do not feel intimidated by a loved one's attitude. Tonight: Pay your bills.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You'll be able to pull out of an overly serious attitude more quickly than usual. You have a lot of important information for a boss or superior who normally "gets it," but who could be quite flaky today. Touch base with a friend who means a lot to you. Tonight: Be happy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Know when to back off. You might discover that you have an enemy you were not aware of. Understand that this person is two-faced. Confronting him or her would only add to the confusion. Let go of any anger or frustration for now. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ A friend could be overly serious and perhaps even upset. How this person expresses his or her feelings is by closing down. Be caring. News from afar might be significant, lucrative and exciting. Don't blab the news to everyone. Tonight: Follow your gut.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Staying on top of work might be difficult, as you could start daydreaming. Allow your sense of humor to emerge when dealing with a difficult associate. Share your thoughts with this person carefully, and do your best not to offend him or her. Tonight: Go for some extra sleep.



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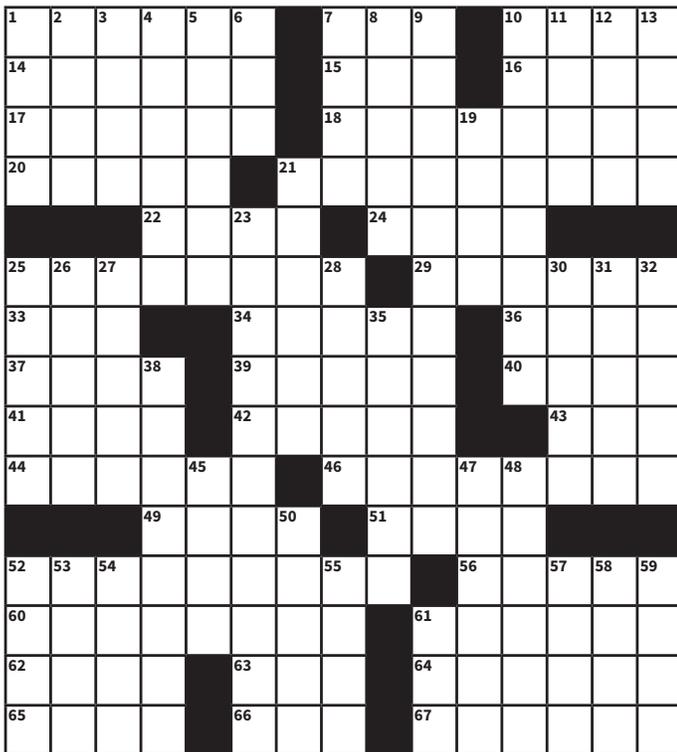


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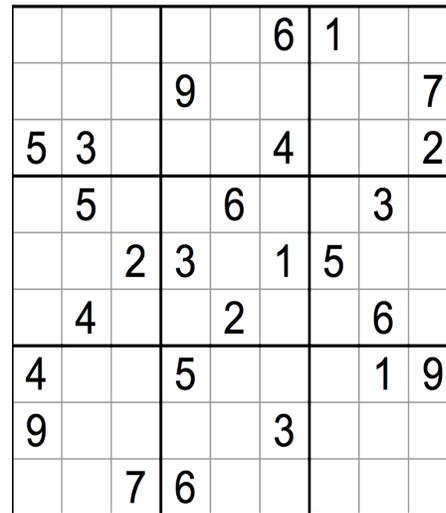
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Sudoku



DIRECTIONS

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

SOLUTION FROM 09/01

6	3	4	7	5	1	9	2	8
9	2	7	4	8	3	1	6	5
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8	4	2	6	9	7	3	5	1
1	7	5	8	3	2	4	9	6
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TCU Trivia

TRUE OR FALSE: Kenny Hill completed three rushing scores during the football game against South Dakota State.

SOLUTION FROM 09/01

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

True! Hill also completed two touchdowns

ACROSS

- 1 Like the Miller beer logo
- 7 Cred
- 10 Big dogs in dogfights
- 14 ___ salad
- 15 Lever used in propulsion
- 16 Malarkey
- 17 Almost out
- 18 Jai alai bet of 1-3-7, e.g.
- 20 Cat : felid :: dog : ___
- 21 Incapacitated Chevy?
- 22 Captivated
- 24 Smooth, in a way
- 25 Incapacitated Ford?
- 29 Sub-Saharan sucker
- 33 Saints are part of it, for short
- 34 Mountain ridge
- 36 Fancy pitcher
- 37 Lunes y martes
- 39 Whoopi's breakout role in "The Color Purple"
- 40 "Das ist verboten!"
- 41 "East of Eden" director Kazan
- 42 Hoity-___

DOWN

- 43 "Star Wars" nickname
- 44 Landmark sometimes called "The Great One"
- 46 Incapacitated Jeep?
- 49 Predators of elephants, in myth
- 51 His brother was given the name Israel
- 52 Incapacitated Lincoln?
- 56 Offering from an urban street cart
- 60 Queen's mate
- 61 Roosevelt predecessor?
- 62 Before, when placed before
- 63 Aromatic neckwear
- 64 "Gotcha, I'm on it"
- 65 Eager
- 66 Man's name that's an anagram of 63-Across
- 67 Not take no for an answer
- 3 Historic kingdom in Spain
- 4 Like a vortex
- 5 Big Board competitor
- 6 Go for it
- 7 Indian flatbread
- 8 Robert Crawley and his father before him, on "Downton Abbey"
- 9 Tails, of a sort
- 10 North Sea oil port
- 11 Natural stimulant
- 12 Founded: Abbr.
- 13 N.B.A. star-turned-sports analyst, familiarly
- 19 Marshes
- 21 Standard auto feature
- 23 Realistic
- 25 Wrapped up
- 26 Sci-fi case
- 27 Geographical feature in "America the Beautiful"
- 28 Shroud of Turin, e.g.
- 30 Refinement
- 31 It flows into the English Channel at Le Havre

32 Children's TV character with a fondness for baths

- 35 Devout Mormon, e.g.
- 38 Dulles terminal designer
- 45 Theater box
- 47 Earn, as big bucks
- 48 Puts down
- 50 Toughness
- 52 Home to Theo. Roosevelt Natl. Park
- 53 ___ Saknussemm, discoverer of the center of the earth in "Journey to the Center of the Earth"
- 54 Word on a political button
- 55 Longest-reigning British monarch, informally
- 57 East Indies tourist destination
- 58 They make connections
- 59 Result of a parking violation ... as illustrated four times in this puzzle?
- 61 Motorist's offense, for short



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