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Moore founded a non-profit organization called S.P.A.R.K (Strong Players Are Reaching Kids). He said he wants to work in education policy.

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Moore during a summer football practice.



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Moore wrote about his past experiences on his skin during the Dear World campaign

Caylin Moore: Road to Rhodes Scholar

By KACEY BOWEN

MANAGING EDITOR FOR TCU 360

Thirty-seven seconds.

That's how long it took for Caylin Moore to realize his hard work and determination finally paid off.

Thirty-seven indescribable seconds.

"I felt like if I moved it would be me acknowledging that anything is possible," Moore said. "For those 37 seconds, I wasn't ready to accept that yet."

Moore's dream of being a Rhodes Scholar started in the sixth grade. He interviewed for what some call the world's most prestigious fellowship on Saturday, Nov. 19. Three hours later he learned that he had been selected to earn a master's degree at Oxford University.

Moore said he spent the final wait watching Youtube videos and scrolling through Instagram on his phone to calm his nerves. All the while he said he reminded himself to have faith.

"I was like 'God, I know you are who you say you are,'" he said. "I just kept telling myself to have faith. I was telling myself 'Caylin Moore you are a Rhodes Scholar.'"

It was about 6:30 p.m. when he and other finalists were called into a room. They circled up, Moore said. Then, names began to be called. One scholar first, then Moore.

Moore said he accepted the packet of the Rhodes Scholar information and then flicked his hair over his head so no one could see him cry.

"I was just caught in the moment," Moore said.

Moore hugged every finalist there that day and congratulated them. Then, he said he got on his knees and prayed, thanking God.

The Rhodes Scholarship will allow Moore to pursue a master's in public policy.

Long term, he wants to turn his organization, S.P.A.R.K., (Strong Players Are Reaching Kids) into a national organization so different colleges and conferences will have

similar programs. But, ultimately he wants to work in education policy. He said he's considered working as a state representative, a congressional representative or the mayor of Los Angeles.

"Whatever it is that God is calling me to be, that's what I'll do," Moore said.

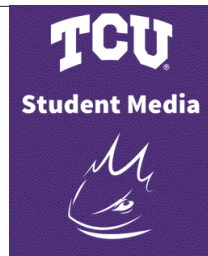
Moore said wherever he ends up, he wants to end up back in Los Angeles.

Moore said he is honored to think that children can look up to him the way he looked up to other Rhodes Scholar recipients, serving as a role model to them. He said that despite what the situation people might be facing, you can prevail.

"That means more to me than a Rhodes Scholarship," Moore said. Moore will leave for Oxford in late September.

And he said he already knows the first thing on his to-do list: buy a moped.

"I've always wanted to ride a motorscooter to class," Moore said.



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VOLLEYBALL

Horned Frogs will return to NCAA Tournament

By **GARRETT PODELL**
STAFF WRITER

A tough schedule and a senior-laden roster helped the Horned Frog volleyball team make history as they return to the NCAA Tournament for the second consecutive season.

The Frogs play in the Lincoln regional in Nebraska on Friday against the Wichita State Shockers. A win will set up a contest on Saturday with the winner of the No. 1 seed Nebraska and New Hampshire matchup.

TCU boasts the No. 1 strength of schedule in the country and was ranked inside the top-40 in RPI all season long.

“It was a tough schedule and we had a lot of seniors coming back,” director of volleyball Jill Kramer said.

The Frogs ended the regular season with three straight five-set victories for a 14-12 overall record and a 7-9 record in Big 12 play.

“I think our non-conference schedule helped prepare us for Big 12 play,” Kramer said. “And I think Big 12 play helped us prepare for the tournament.”

The Horned Frogs have out-blocked their opponents in 20 matches this year. This year, they defeated No. 8 North Carolina. Last season, it was No. 2 Texas. TCU

played 15 matches this season against top-50 RPI opponents and had a non-conference RPI that was ranked No. 8 nationally.

Wichita State is the Missouri Valley Conference champion. This is the Shockers 10th appearance in the NCAA tournament and second straight just like the Frogs. The Shockers won their conference tournament for the fourth time. They posted a 7-6 record this year against NCAA tournament teams.

Senior middle blocker Natalie Gower has been key to the Frogs success this year. Gower was named to the All-Big 12 first team -- last year she

“I think our non-conference schedule helped prepare us for Big 12 play, and I think Big 12 play helped us prepare for the tournament.”

JILL KRAMER
DIRECTOR OF VOLLEYBALL

was named to the All-Big 12 second team. She’s the third Horned Frog to earn Big 12 postseason honors in two straight seasons.

“She [Gower] did a great job blocking for us last year in our defensive system as a middle-block-

er, and her blocking numbers were great, but she knew she had to improve the consistency of her offensive numbers to have a shot because numbers matter, and she became consistent every day,” Kramer said. “She

got to a point where we didn’t have to tell her what to do, and it’s really cool that she’s made such big growth.”

First serve against Wichita State is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

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FOOTBALL PREVIEW

The fight for fourth: TCU welcomes K-State for Senior Day

By GARRETT PODELL
STAFF WRITER

The fight for fourth: TCU welcomes Kansas State for Senior Day

Now bowl-eligible, TCU still has a few things to play for Saturday when Kansas State comes to Fort Worth.

The winner will clinch fourth place in the Big 12 and a likely trip to the Texas Bowl in Houston to potentially play the Texas A&M Aggies.

For the graduating seniors suiting up, Saturday marks their last game in Amon G. Carter Stadium. Their four years have been noteworthy. They are the first four-year class of the Big 12 era. Their home record stands at 33-16. In 2014, they claimed TCU's first Big 12 title.

Saturday's game will be the 202nd as head coach for Gary Patterson, moving him past Dutch Meyer for the most in TCU history.



PHOTO BY: ERIC GAY / AP IMAGES
Gary Patterson will be participating in his 202nd game Saturday against Kansas State.

"I thought too much was made of my 200th game against Oklahoma State," Patterson said. "I take a lot of grief and get a lot of praise, and there's been a lot of people who have had their part in building the blocks of the program."

TCU leaned on its ground game and defense to take down Texas last week,

and that's likely the recipe the Frogs will try to serve on Saturday. Backup running back Trevorris Johnson chipped in 68 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries against the Longhorns, but Kyle Hicks will still be the go-to back.

"We have one of the better running

back groups in not just the Big 12, but in the country," Patterson said.

Hicks is one of just four players to lead his team in rushing yards - 894 and receptions - 40.

Still, the run game experienced a jolt with some fresh faces.

Look for a steady diet of Hicks, with a fair amount of freshman Darius Anderson and Johnson mixed in against the Big 12's top defense. Anderson ran the ball three times against Texas, totaling an impressive 103 yards, including a 70-yard touchdown sprint.

Quarterback Kenny Hill is questionable this week after re-aggravating an ankle injury. Patterson said Hill didn't even practice until Thursday last week and was still ready to play in Austin. Expect Hill, but backup quarterback Foster Sawyer could also see some action again on Saturday.

But they'll get a challenge from Kansas State. The Wildcats lead the conference and are 10th in the nation in run defense, allowing just 109.9 yards per game. They lead the Big 12 in total defense, allowing 391.5 yards per game.

The Wildcats have a potent running game. They've rushed for more than 200 yards in each of their last five games,

their longest streak since 2003.

KSU quarterback Jesse Ertz leads the Big 12 in rushing by quarterbacks with an average of 70.5 rushing yards a game. "Anytime they have a quarterback who can the run ball, they're tougher to deal with," Patterson said.

KSU running back Alex Barnes ran for 109 yards and four touchdowns against Baylor two weeks ago and ran for 103 against Kansas last week.

Expect TCU's linebacking core to try to limit the Wildcats by keeping them out of the end zone. They shut down the Longhorn running back D'Onta Foreman, the Big 12's leading rusher.

TCU linebacker Travin Howard leads the Big 12 and is fifth nationally in tackles per game at 10.8. Linebacker Ty Summers is the reigning Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week who is also second in the conference in tackles with 105.

With a 100 percent chance of rain and an expected high of 50 degrees, Saturday would mark TCU's first bad weather game of the season.

Patterson's fine with the weather as long as it comes with a win.

"I'd hate to get that cold and wet and lose," Patterson said.

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Q&A

Schieffer on the presidential election: ‘It just keeps on keeping on’

By **KRISTEN CLARKE**
STAFF WRITER

Veteran journalist Bob Schieffer talked about the results of the Presidential election and the issues facing President-elect Donald Trump Wednesday at a forum.

Schieffer talked to an audience of students, faculty, staff and community members that packed the auditorium of Moudy North. Not only were the seats filled, people sat on the stairs and stood along the walls to hear Schieffer's perspective on the state of American politics following the bruising presidential election.

Schieffer spent much of the hour fielding questions from student and others in the audience. But the first portion of the evening was devoted to a question and answer session between Schieffer and Dr. Kris Bunton, dean of the college of communication, which bears Schieffer's name. Here are some of Schieffer's thoughts:

Q: How did it come down to the choice that we wound up with?

A: Our whole electoral system has basically collapsed. On the democratic side, the third oldest party, only ended up with one candidate. You all should put serious thought on whether you might want to run for public office someday. It is going to talk a whole new group to turn this around.

Q: What grade would you give the media in this campaign?

A: My part of the media did pretty well. I think the mainstream media did pretty well. The problem is that we have fake news now. We first began to see this in 9/11 in the mainstream media when it was reported that a plane was headed to the Sears tower in Chicago, which was not true. That day we learned you can not let this go unanswered. Now, because news goes around the world in seconds, you have to knock down these stories in order to avoid pandemonia. Report the truth as accurately as we can and knock down false stories. During this campaign, you can't keep up with it. For example, Trump's quote calling republican's dumb? Fake. People take him seriously but not literally.

Q: Clinton's emails?

A: it did have an impact, but the reason why she lost, in the end, is because people wanted change. What I could never understand is why was there not someone around her telling her that she wouldn't want to do this and that it wasn't worth the trouble



Bob Schieffer speaking in Moudy North during a post-election/pre-inauguration Q&A Session in front of students and faculty.

PHOTO BY: BRANDON KITCHIN

that it would cause.

Q: Trump has won the election. Now, who have we really elected?

A: He can be very personable. He can be childish. Who sits around at 3am ... he was not a very good politician. When the FBI director was telling a story, trump called light to Saddam Hussein. Who does that? But he figured out that people were very upset. I really don't know. There have been times that he has been nice to me and times when has has not. But he's a salesman. Many times he says whatever he needs to say to close the deal. There is nothing illegal about that, but that's the best answer i can give about that.

Q: How are world leaders reacting?

A: They don't know what is going to happen but they are ready. Last week the Japanese prime minister came to the U.S. to find out what the deal was. He wanted to know what trump

thought about the relationship with japan. I don't know what they are thinking and i think a lot of world leaders are reacting and that is not good. Again this unusual campaign, we have never had a transition like this.

Q: Ignorance. What might the future generation be able to do to prevent this?

A: the truth always helps. We just have to stay at it. Young people have to understand that this about you and about all of you here and it's not something that .. the role of government is to improve the lives of citizens. It is not meant to be entertaining or anything. We have to demand that our public officials represent that for us. This was not a record vote turnout like people had said.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Dec. 1, 2016:

This year you have a way of looking at personal matters that will allow you to see the best way of handling them. You probably will maintain a hectic pace in the next 12 months. If you are single, you could meet someone of significance this year. This bond might start as a friendship, but it will develop into something more. If you are attached, the two of you can be found playfully swapping jokes and laughing. Together, you are a strong team that is nearly unbeatable. CAPRICORN might be full of him- or herself. 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)

★★★★ Your sense of direction and your dedication point you toward making significant changes. You might have to answer to a demanding boss or relative. A loved one will present a strong front and actively pursue his or her goal, whether you like it or not. Tonight: On top of the world.

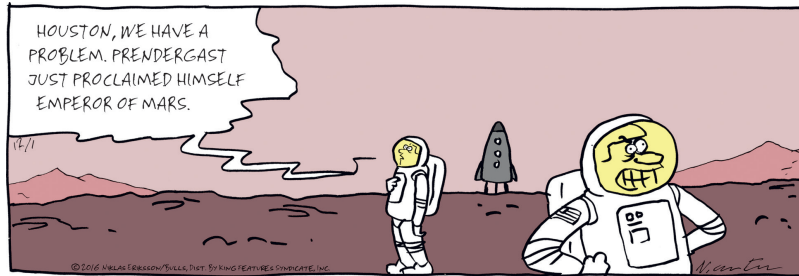
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You could see a situation in a very different light if you speak to someone you care about who has insight into your true personality. Your high energy will help you avoid a problem at the last minute. Know when to say "enough is enough." Tonight: Happiest surrounded by friends.

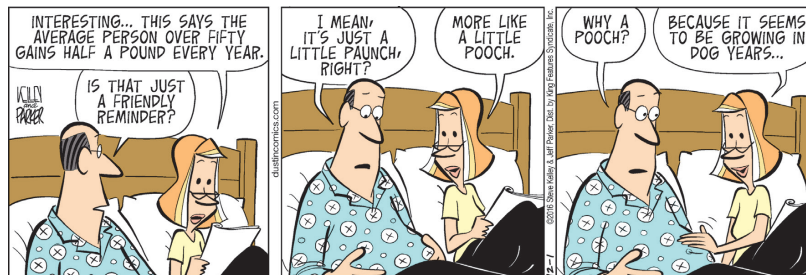
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ One-on-one relating takes you down a new path. Your imagination helps you see how creative you can be when dealing with others. You might find that you'll gain a lot if you can detach and see a situation from a new perspective. Remain positive. Tonight: All smiles.

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ You will feel much more in touch with what is happening within a special relationship if you open up. You might find that you can break through any barriers as a result. Let the other party believe that he or she is running the show. Tonight: "Yes" is the only answer.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You could be in a position where you want to take your time and make a

key decision. How you handle a personal matter could change as the day goes on. Plan on some downtime for yourself. It is possible to be too much of a people person sometimes. Tonight: As you like it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You could be in one of your most creative moments. You know what you want, and you know how to get there. You might mix some exciting moments into your plans. You are

unusually attractive right now. A new bond becomes a possibility. Tonight: In the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You know that there is much more to do, and you will enjoy doing it. Deal with a confusing personal matter, even if it is driving you a little crazy. You might not be able to pin down the cause of a problem, so ask questions. Tonight: Have a serious discussion with a friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You are full of pizzazz and fun, but others might find it difficult to relate to you in an open manner. You seem to be more comfortable being less serious, but what have you been missing out on as a result? Only you can answer that question. Tonight: Indulge yourself a little.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You might be more prepared than others for what is coming down the pike. A quick exchange of words could be more significant than you realize. Take one for granted. Keep a close eye on your spending, as that would be the smart way to go. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You are full of life and quite capable of convincing anyone of anything. You will maintain your distance when there is a problem. Create a perfect day to relax and unwind. You seem to have a sense of what is about to happen right before it does. Tonight: Ask and you shall receive.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You are generally a calm yet outspoken thinker. Right now, however, you seem to have transformed into an almost too assertive personality who is determined to get whatever he or she wants. You could have a problem if you continue down this path. Tonight: Play it low-key.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might want to reach out to someone at a distance whom you care a lot about. Understand where each of you is coming from. You have an intuitive sense of what is about to occur. Be more aware of your thoughts and feelings. Tonight: Be where the action is.

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TCU Trivia

TRUE OR FALSE: Beasley Hall was built in the year 1922. 1922 was also the year the TCU Horned Frogs football team ended the season 4-5-3.

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- 14 Fair-hiring inits.
- 15 Midriff-showing garment
- 16 "Kinda sorta"
- 17 Area ____
- 18 Tile in a mosaic
- 19 The "World's Most Dangerous Group"
- 20 Like fish and chips
- 22 Like many celebrity memoirs
- 24 Some gold rush remnants
- 25 Sister publication of 18 Magazine
- 26 What's done in Haiti?
- 27 Suffix with drunk
- 28 Column on an airport screen: Abbr.
- 29 #1 hit for Bill Withers (1972) and Club Nouveau (1987)
- 32 ____ es Salaam
- 34 Address not found on a GPS
- 35 Full of ghosts ... like four answers in this puzzle?
- 37 "Now I ain't sayin' ____ a gold digger" (Kanye West lyric)
- 40 ____ Pérignon (brand of bubbly)
- 41 Milton Berle hosted the world's first one
- 43 Berry said to have anti-aging qualities
- 46 Crew leader, for short
- 47 Advice between "buy" and "sell"
- 48 Zapper
- 51 Campfire entertainment
- 53 Monster film hit of 1984
- 54 How the fashionable dress
- 56 Grp. that brought Colbert to Baghdad
- 57 "That was over the line"
- 59 Like on Twitter, informally
- 60 Bleu expanse
- 61 School assignment specification
- 62 Word before "Happy New Year!"
- 63 It went boom, for short
- 64 Repeat offenses, metaphorically
- 65 GPS lines: Abbr.

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- 2 Package delivery person
- 3 Fit for a queen
- 4 It follows a curtain-raising
- 5 Inauguration V.I.P.: Abbr.
- 6 Comedian Daniel
- 7 Brief records, in brief
- 8 Knight's ride
- 9 Shredded
- 10 4,200 feet, for the Golden Gate Bridge
- 11 One involved with underground rock bands?
- 12 "This ____!" (fighting words)
- 13 Tête-à-têtes
- 21 Element #50
- 23 Ingot, e.g.
- 25 Home of the Thunder, the Double-A affiliate of the Yankees
- 26 Certain bug
- 27 ____ Darya
- 30 "Now you're talking!"
- 31 "Smokey, this is not _____. This is bowling. There are rules!" ("The Big Lebowski" quote)
- 32 Joe Biden's home: Abbr.
- 33 Suffix with hater

36 Ted Cruz's home: Abbr.

- 37 Aimed at
- 38 Suriname colonizer
- 39 Last song recorded by all four Beatles, with "the"
- 40 German article
- 42 By way of: Abbr.
- 43 Reunion attendees
- 44 Welfare worker's workload
- 45 Of ____ (so to speak)
- 46 More adorable
- 49 Boxing segments: Abbr.
- 50 Joint ailment
- 51 Bit of dust
- 52 Tap options
- 54 Take a long bath
- 55 Fashion's ____ Saint Laurent
- 58 Early fifth-century year

SOLUTION FROM 11/17

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

FALSE! Beasley Hall was built in the year 1952. The football team ended the season 2-5-3 in 1922.



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TCU *Christmas tree lighting*

1. Students posed with Santa after telling him what they want for Christmas. Tree lighting visitors were welcome to take free photos with Mr. Clause.
2. Four-legged friends were welcome to attend the lighting and many accepted the invitation. Some wore Christmas sweaters and got to take a picture with Superfrog Santa Clause.
3. Purple and white lights made the BLUU sparkle. Snowflakes were projected onto the building creating a sight even Scrooge would smile at.
4. The normal purple and white lights of Frog Fountain turned green and red to celebrate the holidays. Many tree lighting visitors took photos with the TCU monument.



4.

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