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Abby Goldberg was 13 when she died of suicide. Her sister and current TCU student, Abby Golberg, was 15.

## TCU to expand suicide prevention campaign

By **GRACE AMISS**

LINE EDITOR, TCU 360

It's been five years since Sarah Goldberg's younger sister Abby took her life. Abby was 13 at the time.

"At a certain point, you have to move on," Goldberg said. "Your life continues, and you make new memories, but it is one of those things that never really goes away. It is hard, and it is painful, but ever since, my family has done a lot for suicide prevention."

Goldberg, a finance and political science double major, and her family are advocates for mental health awareness. She said she understands the importance of de-stigmatizing the word "suicide" and supports the TCU Counseling & Mental Health Center's efforts to make the campus more aware of the signs that someone

could be struggling.

Now in its eighth year, TCU's R U OK? outreach program is in the process of submitting a grant proposal that would allow the suicide awareness and prevention campaign to be extended.

Feelings of confusion, loneliness and anxiety have the potential to lead to depression. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among college students. TCU is actively working to create awareness of this topic.

Since 2010, TCU has lost seven students to suicide, said Eric Wood, the associate director of counseling and mental health.

There hasn't been suicide reported on campus since March 2017, Wood said.

The R U OK? campaign has worked to promote health-seeking behaviors. Its main

goal is increasing mental health awareness on campus. It also educates students, staff and parents about suicide.

The website lists warning signs and risk factors. There's also contact information for further assistance.

Goldberg said spreading the word about mental health is vital, especially at places full of students who need help, such as college campuses.

This unexpected aspect of suicide is something Wood wants to draw attention to.

"A lot of people do not understand how prevalent suicide is among college students," Wood said. "For every 10,000 students on campus, you can expect one completed suicide per year."

Having a support system while in college and knowing when to reach out for help are two

very important factors to being mentally healthy, Goldberg said.

"People will take their lives because they feel like nobody is going to remember them," she said. Goldberg said being there for people struggling with mental health issues is important. "Just telling them that they have so much to value in this world," Goldberg said.

Aside from working closely with The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, the Goldbergs and other volunteers created "REDgen," a non-profit organization based in the greater Milwaukee area that educates the public about youth mental health.

"I am just doing my part to make a difference in someone else's life," Goldberg said.



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**SPORTS**

# Men's basketball topped by WVU

By **ROBBIE VAGLIO**  
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The Horned Frogs were unable to complete the season sweep of No. 20 West Virginia Monday night as the Mountaineers defeated TCU, 82-66.

Bench scoring proved to be the difference in the contest as the Mountaineers' substitutes outscored the Horned Frogs by 30, 38-8. WVU's Teddy Allen and James Bolden combined for 30 points off the bench.

TCU kept the game interesting throughout the first half and led by as much as five. With eight minutes remaining in the first half, the game



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Desmond Bane drives while being defended by West Virginia forward Wesley Harris during the game.

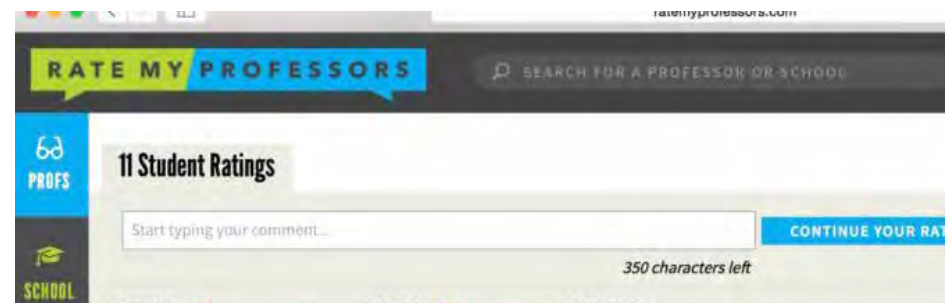
was knotted at 19 points. A jumper from Bolden pushed the Mountaineers

up two points, the first points of a 19-8 run by West Virginia to finish the half to lead 38-27.

Twenty-three of WVU's bench points came in the first half and the Mountaineers recorded 10 second-chance points to TCU's two.

West Virginia's late first-half run proved to be the difference maker as the Mountaineers led by as little as five points throughout the final 20 minutes. The Horned Frogs cut the lead to five twice in the second half but were held without a field goal for four minutes as the Mountaineers finished the game on a 15-7 run.

**CAMPUS NEWS**



**PHOTO SCREENSHOT FROM RATE MY PROFESSORS**

# Professor rating site makes impact

By **KRISTEN NOTO**  
STAFF WRITER

Would take again. Level of difficulty. Hotness. These are all factors for Rate My Professors. College students across the country read reviews during class registration to find out what professors are like and which ones to take - or not to take.

For some students, reviews don't carry much weight, but for others, it's a determining factor.

"It greatly influences my decision to take a class or not," finance major Peyton Purcell said. "I will not take a class with a teacher who has a poor rating or bad comments if I can avoid it."

"I look into the way reviews are written about the class structure,

grading scale and how much I will learn within the course," Morris Herman, a business major, said. "Besides talking to my peers about their favorite teachers, it is my next source of finding out information regarding professors here at TCU."

Professors at TCU are aware of the website and its popularity; however, only a small number look at the posts.

Dr. Layne Craig, an English professor, said she has never read her reviews. She said it's tempting, but she chooses not to read the reviews.

Craig teaches two core English courses. She said she believes her ratings affect how many people sign up for her classes after she overheard students talking about it before registration.

Professors said ESPOTs give them better, more useful feedback than Rate My Professors.

"I find that looking at ESPOTs gives a good sense of what students find specifically helpful or unhelpful, which serves me better when I'm planning the next semester's worth of classes," Craig said.

Dr. Sally Fortenberry, a fashion merchandise professor, said she finds ESPOT's more effective than Rate My Professor but not many students fill out ESPOTs. She said she has looked at the website to see what students said about her and her class. She said she tries to find constructive and relevant comments she can use to make positive changes in her classes and her teaching style.

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## CAMPUS NEWS

# TCU ramping up anti-hazing efforts for the semester

By **CORINNE HILDEBRANDT**  
STAFF WRITER

Chapter-wide suspensions, regular meetings with leadership from nationals and newly developed protocols are just some of the punishments TCU's chapters of Delta Delta Delta, Delta Tau Delta and Pi Beta Phi faced last semester after being found in violation of TCU's hazing policy.

In the past three years, five sororities and fraternities have faced sanctions for hazing. While there have been no fatalities at TCU, at least 70 deaths nationwide have been attributed since 2000.

Still, TCU officials said they want students to understand the dangers of hazing and be vigilant about safety.

Evan Konecky, a coordinator for Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL), said although the events happening at other schools don't directly affect the university's Greek culture, FSL is working with each organization to maintain a positive environment for students.

"I think all of our organizations need a reality check," Konecky said.

This is why FSL is pairing up with the president of every fraternity and sorority to get a sense of what composes each chapter, Konecky added.

"We're in the business of making sure that everyone is following the national policies that they set out and also the policies that TCU set out

in the student organization handbook," said Konecky. "That's what we really follow."

FSL is providing guest speakers, frequenting chapter meetings and hosting conferences with each chapter's president in its effort to raise awareness.

"We're going to see more president round table discussions about what's happening across the country, so we can be more proactive instead of retroactive here at TCU," Konecky said.

Joshua Witkop, a sophomore member of Beta Theta Pi, said he feels the reputation of an organization lies in the core of its members.

"The individuals compose the body and the body reflects the individuals," Witkop said.

Because of this, Witkop said he realizes the importance of educating members to ensure TCU's Greek chapters represent the university positively.

"In order to really reinforce those understandings and those fundamental views of how life works, I think it is valuable to keep implementing education," Witkop said.

## Hazing:

Each semester, a hazing memorandum is sent out campus-wide as a reminder of the anti-hazing law the Texas Legislature enacted in 1987.

Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Michael Russel said the email addresses the laws and disciplinary



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actions for hazing at both the university and the state level.

Texas law defines hazing as "any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, hold office in, or maintaining membership in an organization whose members are or include students at an educational institution."

Although the university and the state provide a legal definition

of what constitutes as hazing, Russel said the term can be loosely construed as the interpretation tends to vary from person to person.

Konecky said his definition coincides with Abraham Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, a theory that explains a person's attempt to fulfill their basic needs.

Konecky said hazing is making somebody do something against their own will, and if it is an act they agree to, they're doing it because they want to fit in.

With TCU's Greek affiliation at more than 50 percent of the student body, Konecky said students want to feel the approval and sense of belonging to a group,

which is why students participate in activities against their own ambition.

"Our students want to get that experience," he said. "So, they're going to put up and tolerate what students normally wouldn't want to tolerate if our Greek life wasn't so big."

In addition to the state of Texas hazing statute, TCU has the right to enforce its own rules against hazing.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Kathy Cavins-Tull said there are policies set in place for behavior that violates the TCU Code of Conduct.

"We keep track of violations every semester," Cavins-Tull said. "Individual issues

are handled through the regular conduct process, and groups are managed by a combination of the governance procedures outlined by their national headquarters and our grievance process for student organizations."

With TCU's continued investments in infrastructure and resources for the university's Greek culture, Konecky said he believes the trajectory of interest in Greek affiliation among students will still remain at a high level.

"TCU isn't changing their perspective of Greek life," he said. "We still think it is a very important part of the TCU's identity, having a strong Greek community."

## COMMUNITY

## City to OK Westcliff rezoning, tackle loopholes for ‘stealth dorms’

By KAYLEY RYAN

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Westcliff and Westcliff West residents neighborhoods are being rezoned, pending city approval in March and April, to slow duplexes and multiplexes development, councilman Brian Byrd said.

Most Westcliff-area homes are occupied by single families, but zoning dating back to 1940 allows developers to erect duplexes, said Beth Knight, senior planner for Fort Worth’s city planning and development.

“When [city zoning] was put in place in 1940, there was already this standard setup of a main house and then a standard house in the back for the help,” Knight told residents at a Westcliff meeting Nov. 22. “[The city] set up duplex zoning or B-zoning to accommodate that in large swaths, entire neighborhoods.”

For residents of single-family homes, more duplexes and multiplexes act like “stealth dorms,” attracting more college students and disruptive parties past 10 p.m., said Loren Baxter, the president of the Westcliff West neighborhood association.

Fort Worth requires neighbors to keep their noise level at 60 decibels, or the volume of a normal conversation, between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.

Sandra Soria, a Westcliff West resident

of almost 20 years, said she has called the police to handle noise violations at a duplex that is diagonally across from her home. The duplex has housed students from the same fraternity year after year, she said.

Soria said she has also noticed more cars lining the streets during parties.

“I don’t like it when I can’t see when I pull out of my driveway because it’s wall-to-wall cars,” she said.

Westcliff resident Kenneth Hawley said he picked up beer cans from his front yard after college parties. Though he doesn’t live near any duplexes, he does live near college students who host parties in their single-family houses.

“I’m a pretty tolerant guy,” Hawley said. “But the next day when I’m picking up beer cans in my yard and bottles and McDonald’s and all that other trash, I draw the line.”

TCU Housing Director Craig Allen said he has heard complaints about students who vomited in neighbors’ bushes and urinated in their lawns at parties.

“I can remember one where a neighbor had an elderly parent, and they couldn’t even get their parent to the sidewalk because the students had parked right in front of the sidewalk,” he said.

**Single-family feel**

Maintaining the feel of a single-family neighborhood is a major concern for residents.

Byrd said more than 30 B-zoned lots in the

neighborhood have been bought by developers.

“I’m sympathetic with the homeowners who have been there for decades and don’t want to see their neighborhood disaffected,” he said.

Soria said she and her partner like to sit on their back porch in the evening. Two-story duplexes that tower over single-family dwellings encroach on her privacy, she said.

During TCU Parents’ Weekend last year, Soria said students on the roof of the duplex near her could see into her backyard.

“Our back porch faces the roof of these people, so when they’re on the roof, it’s like we don’t have any privacy in our yard,” she said.

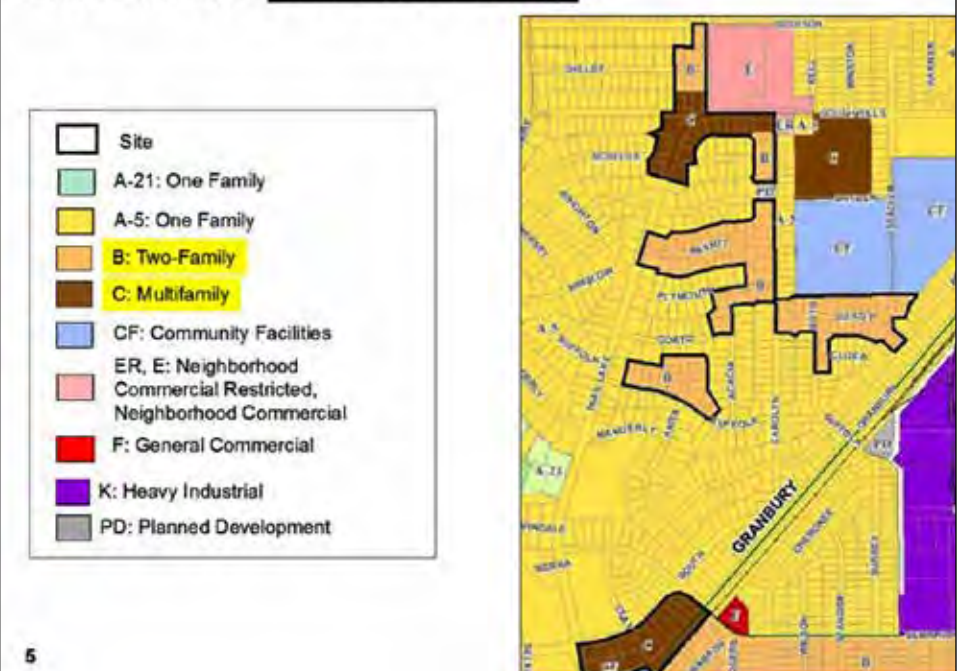
Westcliff resident Joy Brooks, a mother of two, lives across the street from a duplex and hasn’t had any problems with it.

But she does want to maintain the family-friendly character of the neighborhood so her kids will continue to have a “safe and respectful” environment.

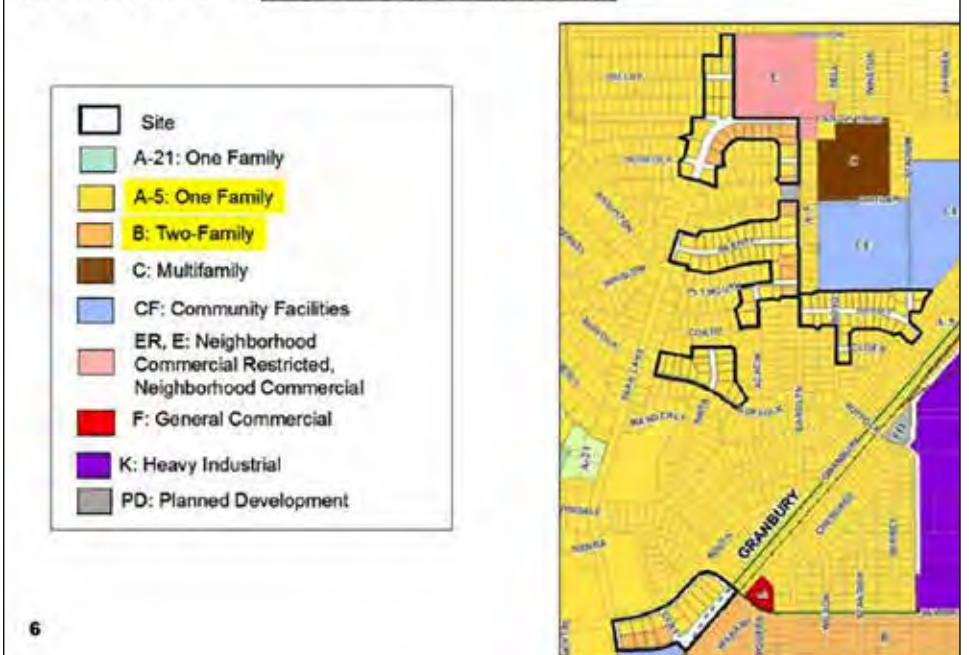
“There’s a difference between a family raising a child and a college student going to TCU,” she said. “I’m all for growth, but still there’s no reason to destroy a bunch of old neighborhoods.”

**Rezoning on the agenda**

After November meetings with residents and property owners, Byrd said he heard no opposition to rezoning. The city council approved

**What is the current zoning?**

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**What is the proposed zoning?**

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the initiation of zoning changes on Feb. 6.

Next, the zoning commission will hear the changes on March 14 and the city council will decide on April 3.

The proposal in the works would rezone most

Westcliff and Westcliff West single-family homes to A- or single-family zoning. But the rezoning will only affect further development, not uproot current duplexes or multiplexes, Knight said.

“We have the full

expectation that your neighborhood, absent stealth dorms and all that other stuff, would have remained single-family zoned uses,” Knight told residents at the meeting.

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Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Some of your friends seem to be out of sorts. You can expect one of them to make a major change that could affect you. You might not understand what is happening right now, but when you look back, you will know that today was important. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You are determined to make a difference. Know that you are likely to run into the unexpected. Your smile opens doors and permits you to lead others through this wildly emotional day. Stay calm, but be ready to take the lead, if need be. Tonight: On top of the world.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You could experience some fast changes that you did not anticipate. How you deal with a close friend at a distance could surprise not only that person, but you as well. Understand your limits. Realize what is expected of you, and happily oblige. Tonight: Read between the lines.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You could be emotional and somewhat unclear about what to do. Trust that in a few days, you will have made the right decision with the help of a partner. You seem to be overwhelmed when considering the pros and cons of a financial situation. Tonight: Make headway.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You might feel as if there is no other choice than the present one. Stay more in touch with what you need. Do not hesitate to forge ahead to make your wish a possibility. Others seem testy at times, and at other times could be quite accommodating. Tonight: Go with the

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



flow.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You can be difficult and touchy. In fact, today you might feel more irritated than usual just doing your normal thing. If you don't feel comfortable with what is going on, stop

and reflect on the issue before starting up a conversation. Ask questions. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Be realistic about what you find out. You might want to keep some information to yourself for now. Reflect

on what is happening, then assess the implications and your choices. Not coming to a decision might be OK for a while. Tonight: Stay within your budget.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You could be at a point where you can't deal with the stress surrounding

an older person or relative. You would be well-advised to keep your cool for now. Do a better job of listening and digesting information. If others seem off the rails, don't worry. Tonight: This, too, shall pass.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You could be trying to approach a situation differently. Stay with the tried and true for now, while you weigh the pros and cons of a potential new direction. Take your time, as it could be difficult to reverse course at the last minute. Tonight: Plans could change at any moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You will need to stay on top of what is causing you and a close friend some stress. You might not be as comfortable handling a certain financial arrangement as you thought you'd be. Support yourself, especially if you feel the need for change. Tonight: Pay bills first, then decide.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You might want to head in a new direction. Your vision could be changing because of a new set of needs and desires. You are likely to make this adjustment more gracefully than you had thought possible. Others will respond better than you had anticipated. Tonight: All smiles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Reach out to someone you rarely spend time with but trust implicitly. The two of you will enjoy the bantering back and forth. Whether you realize it, you are helping each other question one another's beliefs in order to make a health, strong decision. Tonight: Make it early.



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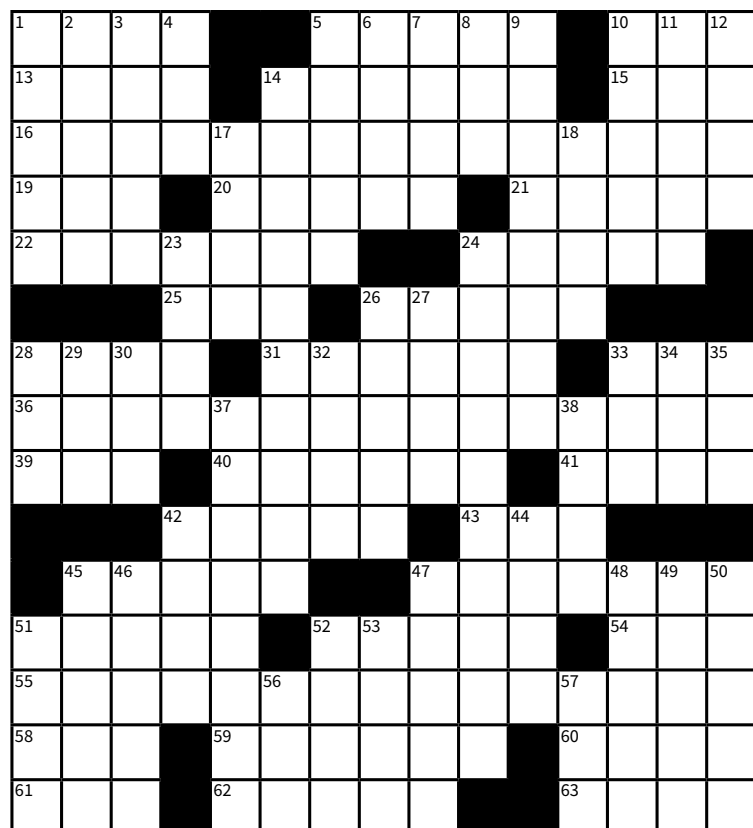
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43 Square figure?

45 Big pipes

47 Body shot?

51 Actress Hayek of "Frida"

52 Elite group

54 Hit 2011 animated film

55 Line from someone who's been interrupted

58 Beethoven's "Minuet \_\_\_\_" ... or a continuation of 55-Across

59 Visibly embarrassed

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62 Giving orders

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10 Wham or bam

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12 Fruity drink brand

14 Fruity filled cakes

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18 Man buns and the Mannequin Challenge, once

23 Dr. \_\_\_\_

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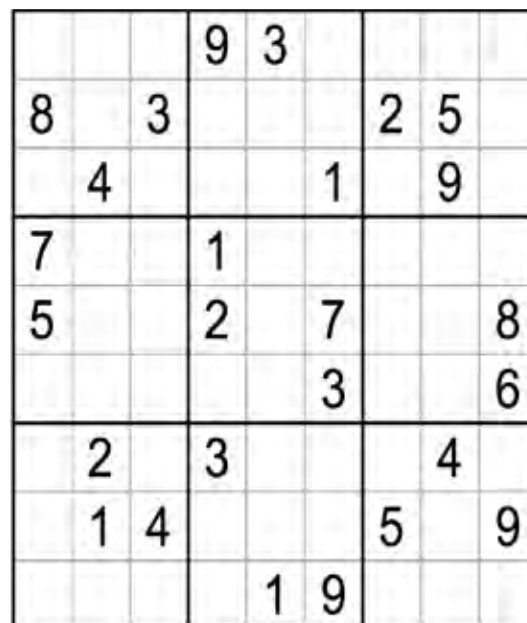
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## Sudoku



#### DIRECTIONS

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

#### SOLUTION FROM 2/8

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## TCU Trivia

**Buildings:** The spire of the Carr Chapel is 147 feet tall. **True or False?**

#### SOLUTION FROM 2/8

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#### TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

**FALSE!** It is 137 feet tall.

## CAMPUS NEWS



## DACA advocates rally near Sadler, ask Boschini for more vocal support

By **ELIZABETH CAMPBELL**  
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A group of students, alumni, faculty and community members are requesting Chancellor Victor Boschini to release a proactive statement in support of students who are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

The activists wanted Boschini to answer four questions, according to the letter they delivered to his office:

What concrete proposals will TCU enact to protect undocumented members of our community from deportation?

Will TCU use its extensive lobbying power to fight for the rights of undocumented students and community members by supporting a clean DREAM Act?

How can TCU claim to protect undocumented immigrants when Charlie Geren, an anti-immigrant legislator, sits on our Board of Trustees?

Will TCU leaders urge U.S. Representative Kay Granger to meet with immigrant rights activists like United Fort Worth?

Boschini told the group he wouldn't make a statement because the undocumented and immigrant students he talked to don't want him to. He said those students appreciated him not drawing attention to them and would tell people Boschini makes them feel safe.

"I stand on my record," Boschini said. "They're trying to paint me like I don't care about these kids, but I do. Talk to anybody who works with me. I just think the way I accomplish it is different from the way they want it accomplished. Of course, I think my way's right, and they think their way's right. It's hard."

Protest organizer and graduate student Mayra Guardiola, however, disagrees. She said Boschini needs to be proactive, not reactive, on current legislation and reassure DACA and immigrant students.

"So many of us are terrified," Guardiola said. "We need to let them know as TCU members we are here to support them."

The conversation grew

heated at one point as the two sides clashed over their different plans for handling the issue, with the protestors repeatedly asking Boschini to make a "diplomatic message" on behalf of immigrant students. Boschini repeatedly refused. However, he told the student representatives they should continue their activism and spread a message of support to DACA students.

"You have more reach than I have and more power than I have," Boschini said. "There are 10,000 of you and only one of me."

Organizer and Brite Divinity Student, John Noble, said he didn't agree with Boschini and thought a message from Boschini would carry more weight.

Both parties were able to agree on the importance of promoting the resources available on campus for students who are impacted.

"I would say any student who feels threatened by this, go into the counseling center immediately and get help," Boschini

"There's tons of places on campus you can get resources we could help you."

The conversation followed a march and rally that gathered together about three dozen people. The march started at the Founder's statue, went past Moudy and ended on the steps of Sadler. Throughout the march, protestors shouted chants such as: "Trump, Abbott, Granger: they put immigrants in danger!" "Si se puede!" and "Ho, ho, hey, hey, immigrants are here to stay!"

Following the march, people gave speeches on the steps of Sadler to share their stories of immigrants they know and to voice their support for the TCU immigrant community.

Students gathered in protest to pressure campus and community leaders to support the Clean Dream Act, a bill that would grant a pathway to citizenship for 2.1 million Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients without any border security stipulations.



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Students gathered in protest to pressure campus and community leaders to support the Clean Dream Act.

The event was organized by Mayra Guardiola, a graduate student, who said she's trying to mobilize people on campus to get Chancellor Boschini to vocalize his stance on immigration reform and convince his cabinet members with ties to Washington to reject legislature that includes border security measures.

In addition to the protest, Guardiola set up

a phone banking station where protestors could call Chancellor Victor Boschini's office and Rep. Kay Granger's office to voice their support of a clean DREAM act. There was also a spot where people could sign pre-written letters to Boschini and Granger to voice their support. Guardiola said those letters would be delivered to the respective offices within a few days.