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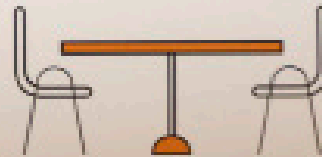


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## CAMPUS NEWS

## Race and Reconciliation Initiative to research racism

By ALEXIS KING

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU's Race and Reconciliation Initiative (RRI) held its first virtual town hall where members discussed whether the commission will lead to an inclusive community.

Starting this semester, RRI plans to focus its research on "Black Americans and TCU's experiences with racism, slavery and the Confederacy."

In addition, the initiative will collaborate with other existing programs on campus to raise awareness of racism and inequality.

To start the meeting, the chair of the initiative, Associate Professor of African American studies Frederick Gooding, listed the names of Black individuals who lost their lives due to police brutality and white supremacy.

Gooding said the initiative is focusing on the "seen and unseen experiences that happen to Black people in these white institutions."

Marcellis Perkins, graduate research assistant, moderated the town hall.

Gooding said the three goals the initiative wants to focus on throughout the course of its work are to study TCU's prior relationship with slavery, racism and the Confederacy;

to build upon the historical research other individuals have done in the past; and to offer critical perspectives and deeper understanding to recognize a change.



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A Race and Reconciliation Sign has been set up next to the Founders Statue.

With many students wondering how the initiative will change the TCU community, Gooding said they are not a "magic wand, nor are we a silver bullet, but within this time period, there is so much we can do."

After Gooding's introduction, Perkins introduced the following panelists to speak on the initiative: undergraduate representative Tosin Alao, assistant professor of professional practice Lynn Hampton, department chair of strategic communication Jacqueline Lambiase and the president of the National Alumni Board, Tracy Renee Williams.

During the town hall, the panel explained the importance of the initiative and demonstrated how it will help educate the campus community.

Lambiase said the university's history has been "erased and this initiative will need to work forward to make a change for the people on this campus."



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Frederick Gooding Jr., assistant professor of African-American Studies in the John V. Roach Honors College and Chair of the RRI.

One of the updates was about the pillar next to the Founder's Statue, where students can scan a QR code to learn more about TCU's history and updated information.

At the end of the town hall, Gooding answered several questions submitted by students about how this initiative will change the community.

When asked how

students will know this initiative is not a performative marketing tactic, Gooding said although it will take time to establish effective change, the initiative's purpose is to create "a more inclusive society on campus."

RRI will hold another town hall on Sept. 24 at 3:30 pm.



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CAMPUS NEWS

# SGA vice presidential runoff Thursday

BY DREW MITCHELL  
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Students will vote Thursday in a runoff election between two vice presidential candidates for the Student Government Association.

Since none of the vice presidential candidates received more than 50% of the vote in Tuesday's election, students will choose either Liliana Ogden or Cage Sawyers Thursday. Ballots will be sent via email.

Ogden received 591 votes, 41.5% of the total. Sawyers received 707 votes, 49.65% of the total. Drew Stewart, who is not included in the runoff, received 126

votes, 8.85% of the total.

The runoff election began Thursday at 9 a.m. and closes at 8 p.m. Students can contact Vivian Noyd, SGA's elections and regulations chair, if there are any problems with the ballots.

Two seats were filled during the election: Paige Shiring is president, and Gabby Douthitt is treasurer. Both of these candidates ran unopposed.

Ogden said it's been a long week and she's excited because the runoff shows that students care about the elections. "Thank you so much for all of your love and support," she



PHOTO BY ERIC SASADEUSZ  
Liliana Ogden.

said. "Don't lose hope and just take 30 seconds out of your day to vote [Thursday], because your vote matters. Action starts now and we can do this together."

Tuesday, students were also sent ballots to



PHOTO COURTESY OF SGA  
Cage Sawyers.

vote for their college and class representatives.

There are seats available for some colleges: one for the Bob Schieffer College of Communication, three for the College of Science & Engineering and two

**"Don't lose hope and just take 30 seconds out of your day to vote [Thursday], because your vote matters."**



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Gabby Douthitt.

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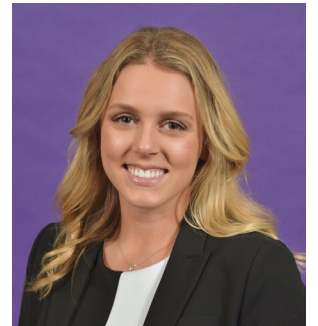


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Paige Shiring.

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# LEAD ON,<sup>SM</sup> DIFFERENCE MAKERS.

**Congratulations to the finalists for the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award**

These individuals are recognized for providing TCU with the critical voices necessary for change and for their sustained actions to transform the University by making it an even more diverse, equitable and inclusive learning environment and place to work. The winner will be announced at Fall Convocation.

**NADA ELIAS-LAMBERT, Ph.D.**  
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Harris College of Nursing & Health Sciences*

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*Assistant Dean  
School of Interdisciplinary Studies*

**ADAM MCKINNEY**  
*Assistant Professor of Dance  
College of Fine Art*

## SPORTS

# Game on: Students can play intramural sports

By **ALEXANDRA PREUSSER**  
STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU is trying to make this semester as close to normal as possible by offering intramural sports.

Registration for sand volleyball and indoor soccer ended Aug. 25. About 60 teams signed up for sand volleyball and about 25 teams for indoor soccer, said Sheldon Tate, the assistant director of intramural sports.

The University Recreation Center is abiding by all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines as well as federal, state and local regulations to keep participants safe.

Unlike in previous years, players will have to wear masks during games unless they have underlying health conditions that would compromise their health, Tate said. The rec center staff has not received pushback for this rule.

There will be a socially distant check-in process,

which includes a verbal checklist to ask participants if they have been experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, Tate said.

The rec center staff is being flexible with scheduling and rescheduling games.

Another change is that spectators will not be allowed at indoor events.

“We are mourning the loss of that temporarily, but we think it is a fair trade because, in order for us to have it, we can only have the people who need to be in the facility in the facility,” he said.

After the games, participants will exit through the Rickel side of the rec center, Tate said.

Indoor soccer games are played all day on Sundays with built-in times for cleaning in between matches, Tate said.

If students do not want to participate in the in-person intramural sports, the rec center has created virtual opportunities, including a fun run and a video game tournament.

Students who



The University Recreation Center.

PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

participate in the in-person events are taking advantage of the safe on-campus activity and taking notice of the protocols the intramural staff has put in place.

“My friends and I have been really impressed with how clear the new processes have been communicated from the intramural staff, especially because the rec center reservation system adoption has been difficult,” said Jack Sewell, who is playing sand volleyball. “The intramural staff has sent multiple emails guiding participants on where they enter, exit and wait to ensure social distancing in between games.”

For other students, this is an opportunity to play a sport they signed up for in the spring



PHOTO BY KAITLYN FREETAGE

Spring 2020 intramural sports were cut short amidst the COVID-19 outbreak.

before students were sent home.

“We decided to play intramural sand volleyball because we were really excited about making a team and playing in spring, but then got sent home, so

we were really excited to hear they were doing it,” said Sidney Smith, a junior interior design major.

Tate said the rec center is planning on offering intramural sports in the spring. The

offerings will depend on how this semester goes and what the health guidelines are at the time.

**“WE HAVE REVAMPED OUR FORFEIT AND DEFAULT POLICIES. IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL, WE DON’T WANT YOU TO COME IN HERE. WE ARE NOT GOING TO PENALIZE YOU FOR IT.”**

- **SHELDON TATE**

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF INTRAMURAL SPORTS

CAMPUS NEWS

# COVID-19 cases drop

By **COLLIN GRAY**  
STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

Following five days of decline in new COVID-19 cases and a decrease in total cases, TCU officials said the situation may be improving.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Kathy Cavins-Tull wrote Monday in an email to faculty and staff the news is not a celebration but a sign that the university's efforts at slowing the spread of the disease are working.

Cavins-Tull wrote she expects to see "upticks and downward trends" in the coming days.

According to the email, there were far fewer on- and off-campus gatherings of students over the weekend. Events held after the first week of classes were identified as the source of a spike in infections leading into last week.

Though TCU reported a decline in total active cases Monday, Cavins-Tull

wrote measures such as avoiding gatherings, wearing masks, social distancing, and frequent hand washing and cleaning should be continued.

This is a shift from her email to students last week, when she announced the availabil-

accommodate students in the upcoming cold and flu season.

As students recover, TCU will have more beds available, but Cavins-Tull said TCU isn't out of the woods yet.

"While it is hard to avoid gatherings among friends who have

***"IT'S OUR JOB TO CALIBRATE THE NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS AND TRY TO KEEP STUDENTS CONSCIENTIOUS, WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT."***

**- KATHY CAVINS-TULL**

VICE CHANCELLOR FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

ity of isolation beds was at 42%. She said she sent the message to make sure students were concerned about the availability.

Though the status of isolation bed availability is Level Yellow, Cavins-Tull said TCU has enough personal protective equipment to

been apart, I believe the necessary changes in behavior will have positive results," she wrote in Monday's email.



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Tables in the library are marked off as "limited use" to promote social distancing.

# 2020 WASSENICH AWARD

for

## MENTORING IN THE TCU COMMUNITY

Established by

Linda and Mark Wassenich '65 '64,  
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**LEAD ON.**

**TCU**

# # PROTECT

## Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Sept. 3, 2020:

Multitalented, stoic or yielding, you have a high moral code and are not always what you seem. Your physical beauty can distract from your other attributes, but this year you do what you really want to do, and you succeed at it. You are a mold breaker. If single, you hesitate to commit, and you may let a special someone slip away. If attached, you are romantic for life. LEO adores 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)

★★★★ Keep track of your dreams. Ideas are vivid at work. You can tap deeply into the collective unconscious for inspiration. Universal knowledge and eternal truths are the themes of the day. You have compassion for those down on their luck. Tonight: Meditate and sleep early.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Focus on your direction and motivation. Flow with the current and accept what comes your way. Where are you going and why? The spotlight at work is on cooperation. Show your appreciation to others. A partner is highlighted. Tonight: Attend a professional gathering.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You communicate your

feelings well to co-workers, who are sympathetic. You are looking for a raise or advancement. You know you deserve it. Your life is more public now, so avoid emotional displays. You attract the attention of higher-ups. Tonight: Relax.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ New opportunities arise related to higher education or travel. You yearn for a new experience. You also might gain an opportunity related to a publishing project. You can create a positive change through your ideas. Tonight: Go somewhere you have never been before.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ You investigate, analyze or simply observe what is going on today. You quickly come to a conclusion and wonder why others do not see what you see. Keep secrets entrusted to you. You feel obligated to fulfill your promises. Tonight: Watch a favorite movie.

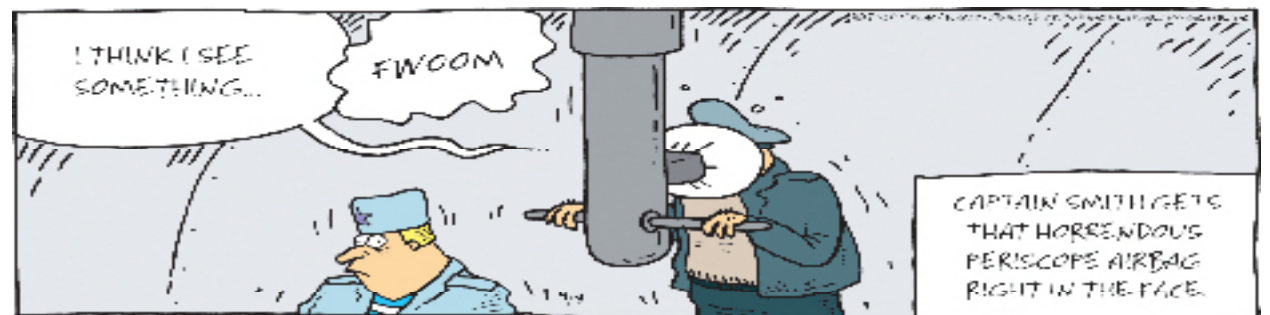
### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You aggressively pursue a partnership today as you explore a new venture. You take the lead in what you are doing. You will not take no for an answer. Loved ones and friends are more important than usual. Tonight: Take the night off.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Tour emphasis today is on your daily work and service to others. Attend to details and be careful not to overlook a

### Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



### Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



seemingly minor matter that could take on great importance later. Keep up with your exercise and watch your diet. Tonight: Relax at home.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ It's a good day for pursuing a creative project. Drama is highlighted, possibly involving children. Dress boldly. Showmanship is emphasized. You feel creative and passionate, as well as impulsive and honest. Follow your heart about a relationship. Tonight: Celebrate yourself.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You work best on your own today. Secrets, intrigue and confidential information play a role. Knowledge is essential to your success. Express your desires but avoid self-deception. Maintain your emotional balance. A partner or lover plays a role. Tonight: Quality time with family.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ You feel mentally restless and your mind moves quickly from one thought to another. A change of scenery

works in your favor. You speak your mind in any contact with siblings or neighbors. It is time to write, revise and publicize. Tonight: Read voraciously.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

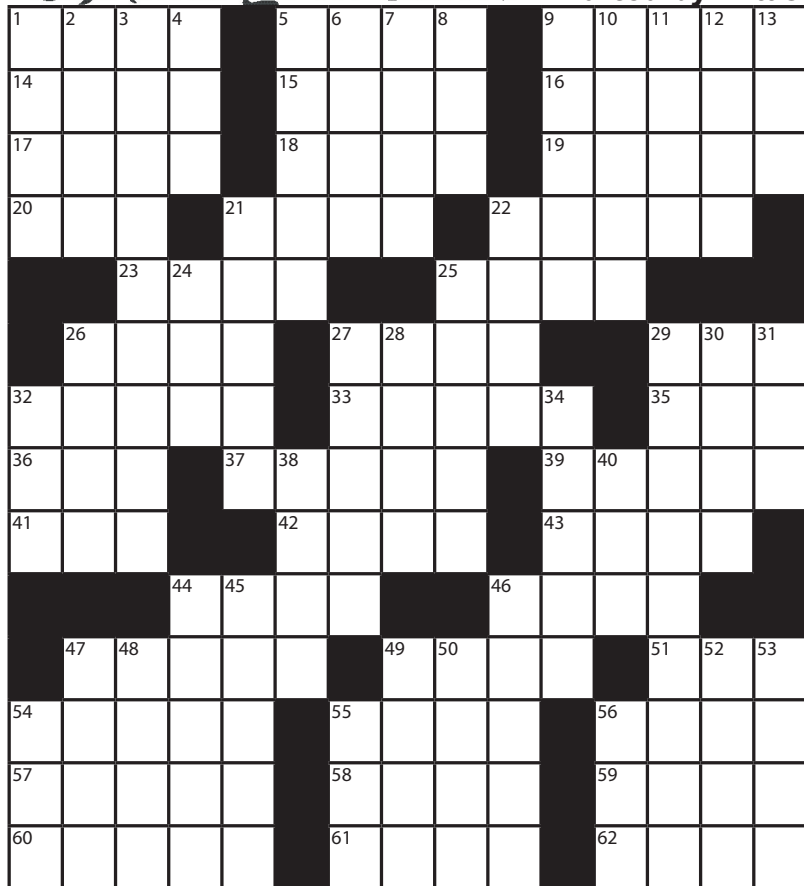
★★★★ Expect emotional experiences related to money and your values. It's a good day for investments, but be practical. Don't make any major purchases now. You seek financial and domestic security, and you feel best surrounded by familiar objects. Tonight: Date night at home.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You get recharged for the weekend. Your face is in the public. The way you see yourself today is the way others see you. You're physically vital and top of your game professionally. Focus on making yourself and others happy. Tonight: Entertain.

# THE PURPLE

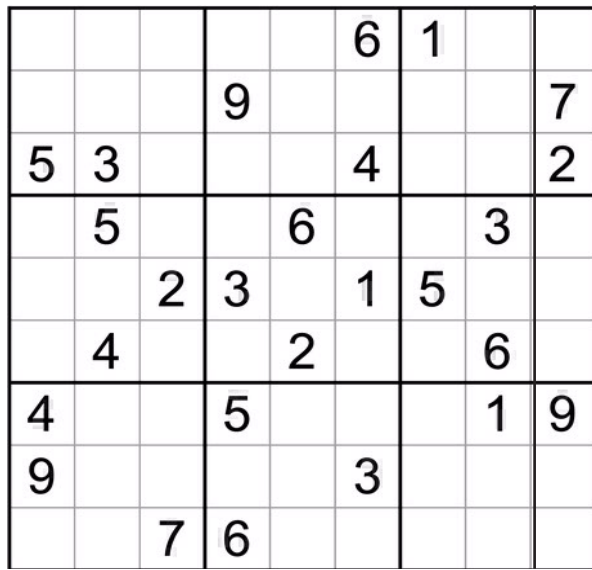
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- ACROSS**
- 1 & 5 Fiancée
  - 9 & 14 Recyclable metal
  - 15 & 16 Real estate showing
  - 17 & 18 It's all downhill from here
  - 19 & 20 Graphic artist's medium
  - 21 & 22 Something neat, with "the"
  - 23 & 25 Pasties, e.g.
  - 26 & 27 Close with a handle
  - 29 & 32 Partisan divide, so to speak
  - 33 & 35 Exhausts
  - 36 & 37 Bunny hill, for one
  - 39 & 41 "Hang on ..."
  - 42 & 43 Some perfume ingredients
  - 44 & 46 What a considerate speaker tries to strike
  - 47 & 49 Toppled by the wind
  - 51 & 54 Appropriate ratio for this puzzle?
  - 55 & 56 Raised one's paddle, say
  - 57 & 58 Quaker in the woods

- 59 & 60 Ones whose livelihoods are derived from agriculture or forestry work
- 61 & 62 Some retirement savings

- DOWN**
- 1 Connection you might miss while flying?
  - 2 Charter member of OPEC
  - 3 Genre for Joni Mitchell and Joan Baez
  - 4 Photo lab request: Abbr.
  - 5 Rental availability sign
  - 6 Boy on "The Andy Griffith Show"
  - 7 \$100 bills, in slang
  - 8 Chemical suffix that's also a direction
  - 9 Perform brilliantly
  - 10 Items set up in agility drills
  - 11 "Wow, no manners!"
  - 12 Warts and all
  - 13 Smallest hail size, about a quarter-inch in diameter
  - 21 Hayride seats
  - 22 High flier
  - 24 Approximate shape of the British pound sign
  - 25 Baby food form
  - 26 Fish with a pointed snout
  - 27 Remained in effect



**DIRECTIONS**  
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**SOLUTION**

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## TCU Trivia

True or False? Chancellor emeritus William Tucker has 1873 on his license plate.

**SOLUTION**



**TCU TRIVIA ANSWER**

- 28 Source of power for a golf swing
- 29 Holder of a toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, etc.
- 30 Shacks
- 31 Ticket abbr. that's found inside "ticket abbr."
- 32 Buffoon
- 34 Faint from emotion
- 38 \_\_\_ Hubbard, Scientology founder
- 40 French department that borders Switzerland
- 44 Sort who's lost all hope
- 45 Jesse who broke three world records in 45 minutes
- 46 Message that can be favorited
- 47 "Like a \_\_\_!"
- 48 Easy run
- 49 Choice in a sleepover game
- 50 Extolling poetry
- 52 Turkey piece
- 53 Casino calculation
- 54 Greek consonant
- 55 Any of the Sierra Nevadas: Abbr.
- 56 Sierra Nevada, e.g.

**True**

## SPORTS

# Patterson happy with how football has handled COVID-19

By **COLIN POST**  
LINE EDITOR

After 19 years as the head coach of TCU football, Gary Patterson still faces new challenges.

Perhaps one of his biggest to date has been the coronavirus pandemic, which changed the way he has to approach the game and put his 20th season at the helm of the Horned Frogs in jeopardy.

The last two months have been a roller coaster for TCU football.

## Summer roadblocks

They began official practice in July, facing new guidelines like face coverings for coaches, individual water bottles and frequent sanitation.

Then, the Frogs held their breath as conferences voted in early August on whether to move on with fall sports.

After the Big 12 voted to continue with the football season, TCU announced quarterback Max Duggan would be out indefinitely due to a heart condition revealed by a COVID-19 test.

When Patterson met with the media on Monday, he was unwilling to give an update on Duggan's medical condition, but he said Duggan had a real chance to return for a portion of the 2020 season.

Despite the roadblocks, Patterson said he likes what he has seen from the Horned Frogs on and off the field with 10 days until kickoff.

He commended the

team for doing a good job following the university's health and safety protocols.

"That's really a positive for the university—the way they've handled this and the way they've done things," Patterson said. "It's taken an army to get down to what we need to try to get done. It's truly been amazing. My hats go off to our kids."

Patterson also praised the team for working hard in the "Texas heat" to prepare for the season.

He said the team will test the day before games, meaning players lower on the depth chart need to be ready if a starter tests positive.

## New faces on offense

With Duggan out, Georgia transfer Matthew Downing is the expected starter at quarterback. Downing joined the Frogs in 2019 after redshirting at Georgia the year before. He has thrown just 10 passes in his collegiate career, completing eight of them for 88 yards.

"He's not an eighth-grader. He's a college quarterback," Patterson said of Downing's ability to get comfortable with the first team. "He was a quarterback at Georgia before he came here, so you have a competitor. You have a really smart kid."

Before the first game, Patterson hopes to tighten up the support around Downing, primarily via the receiving core and offensive line.

"It's really not

Downing. It's making sure all our wide receivers get on the same page," Patterson said. "Offensive line—you've got a younger offensive football team."

First-years Quentin Johnson, Blair Conwright and Savion Williams and Nebraska transfer JD Spielman highlight a group of new TCU receivers as the Frogs try to replace Jalen Reagor, who was taken in the first round of the NFL Draft last spring.

## Wallow eyed as defensive leader

On the defensive side of things, Patterson will rely on linebacker Garrett Wallow for his leadership and dynamic play making.

"There's still Garrett Wallow, and then everyone else needs to raise their level," Patterson said of his linebacker core. "His leadership, his knowledge of the game, of how we play and what we do [will be important]."

Wallow led the Big 12 with 125 tackles in 2019.

Wallow could be joined by LSU transfer and former five-star recruit Marcel Brooks. But the Horned Frogs are still waiting to hear back from the NCAA on the status of his eligibility waiver.

TCU kicks off its season Friday, Sept. 11 against SMU at 8 p.m. The game will be aired on Fox Sports 1.

"We've got two weeks left to get ourselves where we need to get to and what we need to do," Patterson said.



PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGUETASOTO

Garrett Wallow swats down a pass attempt by Oklahoma in 2018.



PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGUETASOTO

Patterson addresses the media.