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CAMPUS NEWS

TCU Reacts: Remembering 9/11

By **ALEXANDRA PREUSSER**
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The TCU community spent time sharing their memories of 9/11 just before the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

The university held a live panel on Wednesday, Sept. 8, to discuss where America was 20 years ago, where the nation is now and where it is headed.

NBC 5 Today anchor, Deborah Ferguson '87, hosted the panel. Ron Pitcock, the J. Vaughn and Evelyne H. Wilson Honors Fellow and interim dean of the John V. Roach Honors College, and Meredith Casimes, TCU senior, joined Ferguson in the discussion.

Casimes, who was 15 months old when she lost her father in the 9/11 attacks at the Pentagon, shared how the event still affects her today.

"Even though 9/11 was 20 years ago, which seems like such a long time ago, it is still affecting my everyday life," Casimes said. "He was so dedicated to his work and was just so driven and motivated."

Another TCU alum, Beverly Bass '74, was flying an American Airlines plane from Paris to Dallas on Sept. 11. Her experience was turned into the Broadway musical "Come From Away."

For most, that day lives ingrained in their memory forever. TCU political science professors, Dr. Ralph G. Carter and Dr. James M. Scott, were



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2,977 American flags were placed in front of the Founder's Statue to honor the lives lost on 9/11.

in Washington D.C. on Sept. 11, not far from the White House or State Department, to interview members of Congress and their staff.

"There were some concerns about safety," Carter said. "Phone lines were tied up but after several hours I called my wife to let her know I was unharmed. Both airports were closed, so I was stuck in Washington for four more days until I could get a flight out and get back to DFW."

The attacks served as a wake-up call to many Americans who didn't think that other countries might not like us, Carter said.

After that day, many changes came upon the nation. The Department of Homeland Security was created, the economy suffered a negative impact and America sent thousands of troops to fight in the War on Terror.

Present day

The Trump administration made an agreement with the Taliban in February 2020, which confirmed a full withdrawal of U.S. troops by May 1, 2021.

In return, the Taliban agreed to halt attacks on U.S. service members and prevent Afghanistan from being used as a safe space for terrorists.

The Biden administration inherited this agreement but modified the agreement to slow down the withdrawal. Trump and Biden's decisions both received bipartisan support.

"That this agreement and process would end in the return to power of the Taliban was clear enough to all concerned from the start, and the impending collapse of the Afghanistan government was inevitable," Scott said.

In April 2021, President Joe Biden announced that all U.S. troops would be withdrawn from Afghanistan by September.

"Our military commanders advised me that once I made the decision to end the war, we needed to move swiftly to conduct the main elements of the drawdown," Biden said in a speech on July 8. "And in this context, speed is safety," he said.

The president said

in the same speech that the U.S. achieved its objectives in Afghanistan such as delivering justice to Osama Bin Laden and degrading the terrorist threat in the country.

The United States completed the withdrawal on Aug. 30, but not without more questions, concerns and lives lost.

A few days before the deadline, two bombs went off at the Kabul airport killing 13 U.S. service members and at least 60 Afghans. After an already criticized exit plan, Biden came back into the spotlight and stirred up a multitude of reactions.

"It could have gone better had it begun sooner and more quietly," Carter said. "Once the U.S. announced it was leaving, there was no incentive for Afghan National Army personnel to believe they would be supported by the corrupt Afghan government. Many of those troops were only there for the paycheck, and many had gone unpaid for a long time."

Although 80 percent of Americans approve of the withdrawal, about half think that the Biden administration's handling of the operation was poor, Scott said.

What's next

The Taliban have gained control over the country again, taking away women's rights and resorting to violence.



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SPORTS

Big 12 Conference officials vote to add four new member universities

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The Big 12 has endured its fair share of changes in the 27 years since its founding, but just over a month ago, Texas and Oklahoma made many question the future of the conference when the universities announced their future move to the SEC.

In response, the conference presidents voted to approve the addition of the University of Central Florida, BYU, Cincinnati and Houston on Friday.

With the move, the Big 12 will not only return to 12 members for the first time since 2010 but will be expanding geographically. Cincinnati gives West Virginia a neighbor, BYU expands the conference west past Lubbock, Houston will represent southern Texas and UCF is among the largest universities in the country, bringing the conference into Florida.

Texas and Oklahoma are two of eight remaining founding members of the Big 12 and are by far the largest athletic programs in

the conference in terms of revenue. The Texas athletic department annually brings in over \$200 million, and Oklahoma is the only Big 12 program to ever make the College Football Playoff.

Those two programs are difficult to replace revenue-wise, but all four newcomers are deserving of a shot in Power 5 football.

The Cincinnati Bearcats and BYU Cougars finished the 2020-2021 season at no. 8 and no. 11 in the AP poll, and UCF spent the

first four weeks in the rankings. UCF was also the self-claimed 2017 'national champion' after going 13-0 and beating Auburn in the Peach Bowl.

"The eight ADs remain committed to furthering the Big 12 as one of the nation's premier athletic conferences, and look forward to working with our presidents and chancellors to strengthen the league," said Bob Bowlsby, the Big 12 Commissioner, in a statement on Sept. 1. "Future exploration by the group will continue

to center on options that best position the long-term strength of the conference."

BYU is an FBS independent, while the other three schools are members of the American Athletic Conference and could join by 2023.

UT and OU plan to join the SEC in July 2025, though they could decide to buy out their contract with the Big 12 at any point before then.

The timeliness of the conference drama is no coincidence. Conferences make the majority of

their money through TV deals, and the Big 12's current 13-year, \$2.6 billion media rights deal with ESPN and Fox is set to end in 2025.

Bowlsby said the conference has had no formal discussions regarding media rights with its media partners.

Because the remaining eight schools were able to get on the same page, the new-look Big 12 should get the added exposure needed to make up for the departure of their two powerhouses.

No. 6 TCU soccer team ends road trip with a win against Ohio State

By **ANDRE GIAMMATTEI**

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Coming off of an overtime win against Alabama last Thursday, No. 6 TCU defeated Ohio State 4-1, continuing the best start in program history with an improved 7-0 record.

The Horned Frogs had a slow start in a first half that finished with no goals on the board and an Ohio State team that looked more comfortable on the pitch.

The Buckeyes outshot the visiting Frogs 6-3 in the first 45 minutes, executing an intense press that did not allow TCU to find its footing.

Senior Kayla Fischer was Ohio State's most dangerous player in the half, constantly finding space between the midfield and defensive lines.

For TCU, senior Maddy Warren had the

Frogs' only opportunity with a shot from outside the box that went high.

"The first half has been kind of boring to watch," coach Eric Bell said in a halftime interview. "They haven't given us any space to play, so we have to figure that out."

And they did.

The Frogs still struggled to create clear chances in the first 20 minutes of the second half, but the substitutions were the catalyst for the victory as first-year reserves Camryn Lancaster and Lauren Memoly were involved in the first two goals.

In the 66th minute, junior Gracie Brian found Lancaster with a through ball to the right wing. She would then cross the ball to junior Skylar Heinrich, another player who came off the bench. Heinrich's shot hit the post after it was deflected by the

keeper, allowing Lauren Memoly to open up the scoreline with a tap-in after following the play.

Three minutes later, Lancaster was open on the wing again and squared another ball to Memoly, who finished with a tight shot to the left post to double the Frogs' lead.

The two-goal advantage would not last for long as the Buckeyes bounced back with a goal in the 70th minute.

Forward Emaly Vatne found the ball in the box and after a poor first touch regained control with a touch over defender Jenna Winebrenner. Vatne finished with a half-volley to the opposite corner of the goal to put Ohio State within one.

The Buckeyes went forward looking for the equalizer and came close on a couple of occasions, forcing goalkeeper



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No. 6 TCU huddles up before their game at Ohio State on Sept. 12.

sophomore Lauren Kellet to make a career-high six saves.

Ohio State's push continued until the 83rd minute, when first-year Paige Crews dribbled through the pressure and found sophomore Olivia Hasler in her pocket. Hasler assisted senior Messiah Bright who finished with almost no angle after an initial save by the keeper to put TCU up 3-1.

A defensive mistake by the Buckeyes had Bright winning the ball on the run in the 86th minute. As she entered the box, she cut inside to beat the only defender left and with a left-footed strike, scored her second of the game and sealed the win for the Frogs.

"I'm pleased with the adjustments we made in the second half," Bell said. "The players were able to put them to use

and gave us a chance to win."

With the 4-1 victory, TCU doubled down on its 2019 victory against Ohio State for a total record of 2-0 against the Buckeyes.

With their three-game road trip behind them, TCU will be back at Garvey-Rosenthal Stadium to face No. 13 Pepperdine on Thursday. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. and will be available to stream on ESPN+.

CAMPUS NEWS

TCU builds spirit with new tradition on Friday afternoons

STORY AND PHOTOS

By **ALLIE BROWN**

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Fridays have long been a day to go purple, but this year TCU added a little spirit.

The marching band and spirit groups introduced a new tradition before the home opener: a parade from the TCU Music Center to Frog Fountain.

On Fridays at noon, marching band and spirit members parade through campus, pumping up students and fans for Saturday home football games.

“It was definitely a pleasant surprise,” First Year student Cat

Brannon said. “We just walked out from studying for a couple hours, and it really made me happy.”

Other students agreed, adding that it made them excited to attend the upcoming game.

“That’s the idea,” said director of athletic marketing Rory Rutledge. “It builds spirit within the students and campus as a whole, and then we bring that into the stadium on Saturday.”

Rutledge said the idea for the parade came from students who attended football brainstorming sessions and wanted to ramp up school spirit on Fridays.

The first parade included the Horned

Frog Marching Band, TCU Showgirls and Dutchmen. TCU Rangers stood at the end of the parade route.

TCU Showgirls danced at the helm while the Dutchmen followed with stickers to hand out to students and fans.

The marching band played the TCU fight song, Horned Frog Pride and cadences, the same sequence they perform before home games.

TCU Cheer was not in attendance for the debut, as the spirit groups alternate weeks due to class schedules and outside responsibilities, Rutledge said.

Students watching the parade said the parade not only got them excited

for the game but also got them excited for being back in person.

“We’re all sophomores, so we haven’t really had the whole real experience, I guess you could call it,” said sophomore Lexi Pepper about her and her friends. “We’re excited to actually get involved, be on campus and have some school spirit.”

Because this is a new tradition, every week will be a test run, and the parade may look different every week.

“We want it to be something that lasts and sticks,” Rutledge said. “As long as people want to see us and want to see the group out there, we’ll keep this going.”



PHOTO BY ALLIE BROWN

Band students parading through the campus.



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The TCU Showgirls parade around campus.



PHOTO BY ALLIE BROWN

TCU Dutchman getting students excited for the big game.



PHOTO BY ALLIE BROWN

Showgirls smile in front of Frog Fountain before kickoff.

COMMUNITY

The Writing Center continues to serve as a resource

By **KIAYA JOHNSON**

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Over 30 years later the Writing Center has helped over 35,000 undergraduate students, graduate students, doctoral students and professors.

The William L. Adams Center for Writing began with five original staff members in 1981. The center reached its peak of student participation in 2018 with 11,000 students utilizing its services.

The provost at the time of its founding, Provost Taylor, saw a crisis on campus and brought in different professionals from all across the country to help improve the writers on TCU's campus.

"I have been an advocate for the writing center since my first year at TCU. Now in my first semester of grad school, I still find myself using their services to improve my work and better understand assignments."

-JEWELL COOKSEY,
GRADUATE STUDENT/ ADVISOR

Staff members and peer consultants work with students to help better understand assignments, prepare thesis statements, organize purpose statements, properly cite sources and collect text evidence to support their main topic or claim.

Contrary to popular belief, the Writing Center does not only serve the English department. It is open to all students. Business majors rank No. 1 for students who use the Writing Center, while English students sit at No. 2.

Students may also submit papers online through the Writing Center's online service provided on its website.

After an assignment is submitted for review,



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

Hall is where the physical Writing Center is located.

students can expect to receive feedback within 24-48 hours, depending on the length of the assignment.

The Writing Center currently services students online through an online writing lab and via zoom. The center

has plans to reopen to in-person consultation in the fall.

Movie Review: Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings

By **VICTOR TORRES**

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When you are 25 movies into the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU), it becomes increasingly challenging to create unique and worthwhile experiences. With Shang-Chi being the first newcomer in a while, there has been considerable pressure on the release of this movie. However, this movie does succeed at offering some twists on the standard Marvel experience.

Shang-Chi is the son of Wenwu, keeper of the all-powerful Ten Rings, and leader of the ruthless Ten Rings army. Shang-Chi has long since fled from that life, but

when circumstances rope him back into the fight, he is forced to confront his father, reconcile with his past and choose who he wants to be. This conflict between father and son is the driving factor of the story.

The famous Tony Leung as Wenwu is a standout in the movie. He is both an intimidating and tragic villain, making him one of the more memorable recent MCU antagonists. Meanwhile, Simu Liu is quite charismatic as Shang-Chi, serving as both a relatable everyman and a highly skilled fighter. I also appreciated Shang-Chi's best friend Katy (played by Aquafina), as their

platonic relationship is refreshing to see in a superhero movie, and their comedic banter is hilarious.

During the battle sequences, the martial arts are superb, diverging away from standard MCU quick-cut fight scenes. The choreography and cinematography of each fight are able to shine – so much so that I frankly preferred the more grounded action scenes than the fantastical fights that would come later. However, that's getting too close to spoiler territory (but the third act is indeed an interesting spectacle).

Good acting and awesome choreography

are all well and good, but what about the story? A highlight of Shang-Chi's story is the theme of identity, as he continually runs away from his past and attempts to separate himself from the legacy of his brutal father. The contrast of these characters is intriguing, but this grounded familial could have been explored a little further. Supporting characters are often underutilized, and with such a talented cast that can be disappointing. Along with questionable pacing and common superhero-finales pitfalls, the film's own emotional identity can feel occasionally muddled.

Still, "Shang-Chi



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Scene from Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings.

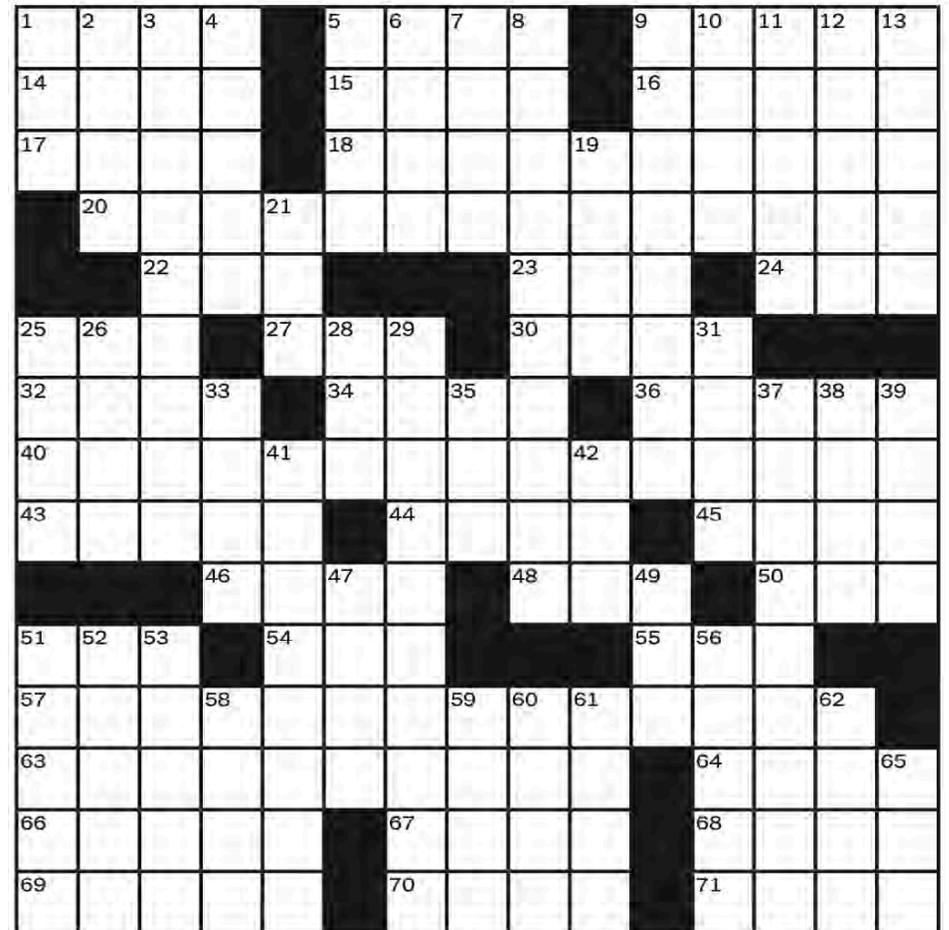
and the Legend of the Ten Rings" does indeed have an identity. In celebrating Chinese culture and pushing for Asian representation in Hollywood, the movie successfully gives a voice to a population generally ignored or trivialized in

blockbusters. Combined with beautiful fight sequences and likable characters, there's no denying that this movie is a good time. Ultimately, I can't wait to see more of Shang-Chi in future Marvel projects.

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The New York Times Edited by Will Shortz

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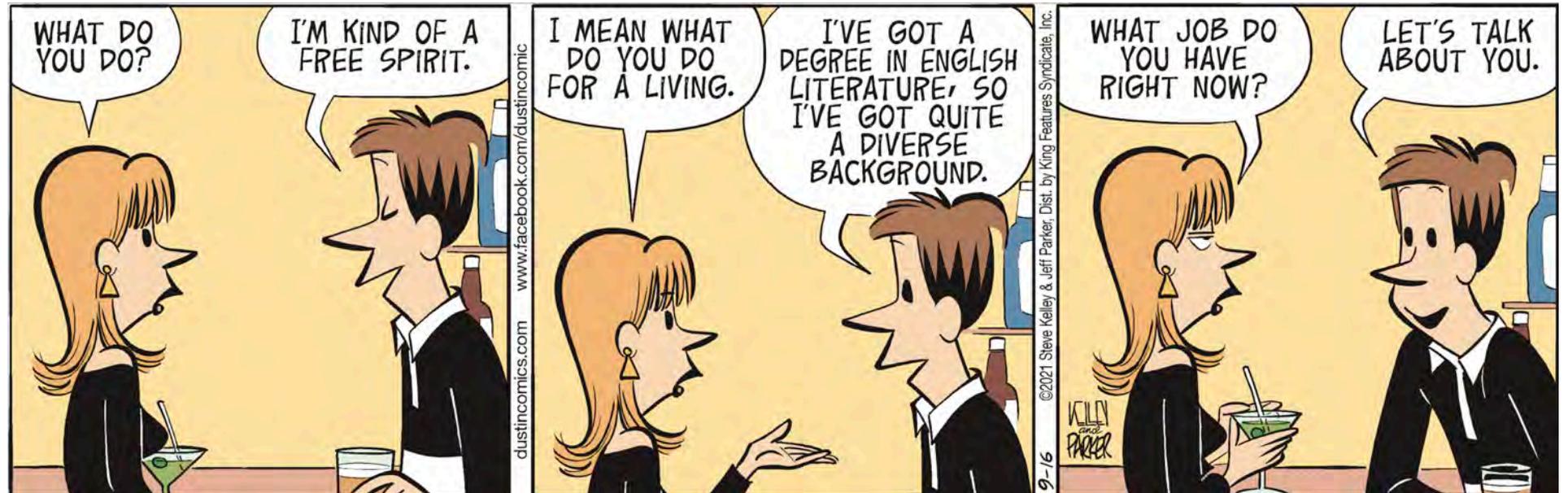
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Horoscope

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)
★★★★ Today you might get help from others to make improvements to where you work. You might introduce better ways of doing things. These improvements will involve cost-cutting and repurposing. Tonight: How can you improve your health?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Romance will be intense today. Actually, many experiences will be powerful, including your interactions with your kids. Don't be too bossy. Let's face it: You have definite ideas about how to change things for the better. Tonight: Be cooperative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You will have a

powerful discussion with a family member today, perhaps a parent, about what needs to be improved. Get rid of junk. Tidy up. Recycle and toss what you don't need. Tonight: Feel proud.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You're convincing today, which makes this a strong day for those of you in sales, marketing, teaching, acting or writing. You will use your words with care, and they will slice through issues like a hot knife cutting through butter. Tonight: Think before you speak.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Today you might see new uses for something that you already own. This is because you're resourceful, which is why you see new applications and uses for things. You also might see new ways to earn money. Tonight: Look around you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ This is an excellent day to take a realistic look in the mirror and ask yourself how you can improve your image. We can always improve our appearance in some way. Get creative. After all, you never get a second chance to make a first impression. Tonight: Ideas?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ This is a fabulous day to do research because you have a penetrating mind, plus the energy to keep looking for what you want. You'll be like a dog with a bone. Therefore, focus on finding answers to questions and solutions to old problems. Tonight: Consider your moneymaking ideas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ A discussion with someone could be important today, because they might help you discover what motivates you. Perhaps you

will discuss your hopes and dreams for the future with them. You might look within yourself to discover what you are really seeking in life. Tonight: Be forgiving.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ Your interactions with parents, bosses or the police will be intense and powerful today. Do not cross anyone in authority. (It won't be pretty.) Take it easy. Be reasonable. Stay calm and never underestimate the power of courtesy. Ironically, you can make a great impression on someone. Tonight: Steady as she goes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ This is a good day to get stuff done, especially if it relates to education (finishing an important paper), legal matters or medicine. In discussions about politics or religion, you will be opinionated and forceful! Tonight: Get organized.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Your ability to find discrepancies and problems in financial matters related to shared property, taxes, debt and inheritances is uncanny today. You will spot errors and will probably see better ways of doing things. Tonight: You see a better way of sharing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ A conversation with a close friend will be intense and powerful today. You will make quite an impact! You are motivated, and you intend to go after what you want because you want to get something done. Tonight: Enthusiasm is contagious!



SPORTS

TCU football slips by California on the backs of Evans, Johnston

By COLIN POST

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Everyone knows that if you get in a close fight with a bear, your chances of making it out alive are slim to none.

Well, TCU football got in a fight with a bear on Saturday at Amon G. Carter Stadium, and it took a pair of elite performances to get the team out alive by the hairs on its chin.

Riding on the backs of running back Zach Evans and wide receiver Quentin Johnston, the Frogs narrowly slipped by the California Golden Bears with a 34-32 win to improve TCU to 2-0 on the season.

“We’ll take it,” head coach Gary Patterson said of the close win. “It’s hard to be 2-0.”

Harnessing the 5-star potential that got him offers from schools like Alabama and LSU, Evans had his best game since coming to Fort Worth, scampering for 183 yards and a touchdown on 22 carries.

The sophomore’s yards and carry totals were both career highs, as he rushed for the most yards by a TCU player since Sewo Olonilua totaled 194 also against California in the 2018 Cheez-It Bowl.

“He [Evans] must be a terrible back,” Patterson joked. “I’ve been waiting all summer to say that. I’ve watched these rankings coming out on social media, and they have him ranked fifth or sixth and I’m just like ‘Really?’ But let them keep talking like that. We’ll just keep running

him.”

After leading the team with 22.1 yards per catch as a first-year, Johnston displayed his potential to be one of the best wideouts in the Big 12 with five catches for 95 yards and two scores.

Evans’ score had come as a saving grace for the TCU offense, as he burst 51 yards to the end zone with 11 seconds remaining in the first half to pull the Frogs within five before the break.

“I feel like it was tremendous,” Evans said of his score. “I think we were down two touchdowns. They [California] had just scored. Scoring right before the half let the O-line keep some hope [and] stay true to the run game.”

Prior to that score, the TCU offense had been staler than week-old bread.

Midway through the second quarter, facing a third-and-long, TCU quarterback Max Duggan threw a pass right into the hands of California’s Daniel Scott, who waltzed into the end zone for a pick-six.

At that moment, the Golden Bears had out-gained TCU 175-36 in yards of total offense, and the Frogs were facing a daunting 12-0 deficit in front of their home crowd.

Led by its stars, TCU then popped off on a 21-7 run capped by an 18-yard touchdown pass from Duggan to Johnston to give the Frogs their first lead of the day (21-19) with 8:43 left to play in the third quarter.

During that time, the

Frogs out-gained the Golden Bears 253-82 in yards of total offense.

“It’s an older offense,” Patterson said. “They started slow today. The thing I liked best is when they needed to get it done, they did.”

Johnston’s second touchdown was even more clutch and impressive than his first, as he caught a short curl from Duggan and stiff-armed his way 45 yards to the house to help the Frogs regain the lead in the fourth quarter following another score by the Golden Bears.

“It was all in the spur of the moment,” Johnston said of the score. “We needed a big play, and I was there to make it.”

From there, a nine-yard touchdown run by Duggan and a stop on California’s late two-point conversion attempt was enough for TCU to hold on for the win.

Duggan finished 17-for-31 for 234 yards, three touchdowns, and a pick through the air along with 71 yards and a score on the ground.

The quarterback was almost automatic from inside 15-20 yards in the contest, but he had missed his receivers on the four or five deep passes he had attempted.

“Obviously, I need to be better on the downfield throws, because I missed a lot of them,” Duggan said. “It really hurt us in times, and it would’ve helped us if I had hit them.”

Defensively, TCU had struggled most in the secondary, as



PHOTO BY ESAU RODRIGUEZ

TCU’s Zach Evans (6) had a career day with 183 yards rushing against California on Sept. 11, 2021.



PHOTO BY ESAU RODRIGUEZ

TCU receiver Quentin Johnston scans the air for a pass from quarterback Max Duggan against California on Sept. 11, 2021.

the team continues to miss the presence of senior cornerback Noah Daniels.

California quarterback Chase Garbers completed five passes of 28 yards or more in the game, three of which went to receivers guarded by TCU cornerback CJ Ceasar II.

Patterson said that

Ceasar II will continue to play in Daniels’ place until the talented corner can return from injury.

Garbers finished 16-for-27 with 309 yards and two touchdowns in the game, 241 yards and one touchdown of which came on those five big plays.

The win improves

Patterson to 8-0 all-time as a head coach against Pac-12 opponents.

Perhaps at a perfect time, TCU’s one bye week of the season has now arrived, as they have the next two weeks off from playing. The Frogs will take on cross-town rival SMU at home on Sept. 25.