

ROSE BOWL 2011 EDITION

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West grandstand implosion marks new era in Frog football

By Katie Love

News Now Executive Producer

With a wind chill of 28 degrees and a scheduled implosion for 8 a.m. Sunday morning, crowds still made it out to watch the implosion of Amon G. Carter Stadium.

Rubbing her hands together to warm them, alumna Jennifer Dart said that even though she was freezing, she wouldn't miss the implosion. Dart said she has been coming to football games at the stadium since she was 5 years old.

"This is a good turnout," Dart said. "I think the community is really behind the growth of the university, and they are excited about the new stadium going in."

When one long blast from the Frog Horn came the crowd cheered, knowing the sound meant the implosion would happen in less than a minute.

Bundled up with scarves and mittens, people held up their phones, cameras and video cameras to watch the stadium collapse. Mark Cohen, director of athletics media relations, said it was not just an athletic or a TCU event — the implosion of the stadium took cooperation from everyone in the city.

"It's something that just doesn't happen that often," Cohen said. "Then you combine that with the BCS announcement coming up later tonight, and it's an incredible Sunday to be a Horned Frog."

The structure came down in three parts and only took about 30 seconds to collapse.

Junior film, television, and digital media major Abby Blunt said everyone wants to see an explosion in real life.

"This is actually my morning to sleep in after weeks of writing papers, but I still came," Blunt said. "It's so weird to look at it on campus and not seeing the stadium there."

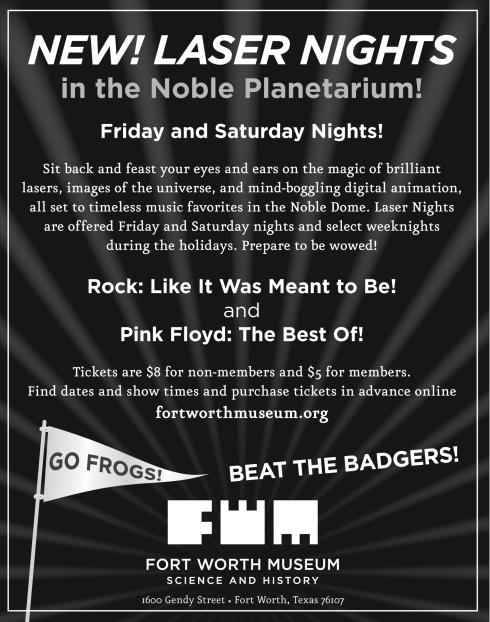
Renovation for the stadium is expected to be finished in time for the 2012 football season.



MATT COFFELT / MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

The upper deck of the Amon G. Carter Stadium falls as explosives go off. The implosion happened on Sunday morning and is the first major step toward the stadium's \$105 million renovation.





TCU can prove its worth with fan support at Rose Bowl Game



Allen Kellogg

ANALYSIS

For the first time in its history, TCU will play a BCS game against an automatic-qualifying BCS team.

No. 5 Wisconsin against No. 3 TCU in the Rose Bowl is a game millions will tune in to see. Wisconsin is a perennial football powerhouse with a huge fan base; TCU is the exact opposite. The BCS does not like TCU because it does not have enough fans to travel to postseason games or attract a large crowd.

For years, TCU has been held from of the national spotlight because of television contracts with smaller networks. While the SEC is popular because all its games are broadcast on CBS through the nation, games on the Versus Network or CBS College Sports Network reach a smaller market, so many college football fans have yet to see

more than a few highlights of the Horned Frogs on ESPN.

Another reason people don't watch a lot of TCU football is that the games are all blowouts. Fans want to see thrilling upsets and close finishes, the kind of games that make the college football season so crazy.

When viewers do happen to catch a TCU game on TV, the Frogs are up by 30 points and the back-

ups are in the game. Pollsters also prefer to watch the exciting games in the Big Ten or SEC rather than TCU's blowouts.

Many of the people who vote in the polls for college football do not watch all the games; there are simply too many. Most of the coaches and pollsters follow what the box score says rather than base their votes on the actual game. Because of this, many college football experts have not seen TCU play against an "even" opponent.

The Rose Bowl can change all of these things. Millions of eyes will be glued to the television screen to watch TCU and Wisconsin battle. The game will be on national television, so all the experts will watch. If TCU plays well, non-AQ teams will receive more credit, and the superconference teams will have to accept that their reign over the college foot-

ball world is ending.

If TCU wants to continue to gain credit to reach a possible future national championship, then it will have to win this game. Horned Frog fans can do their part by supporting TCU by traveling to the game and showing the rest of the nation what a fine school TCU is.

Allen Kellogg is a sophomore journalism major from Alexandria, Va.



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Students show support for the football team during the first game of the season against Oregon State at the new Dallas Cowboys Stadium in Arlington.



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	Auburn vs. Oregon	Arkansas vs. Ohio State	Stanford vs. Virginia Tech	Oklahoma vs. Connecticut	TCU vs. Wisconsin
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OPINION

Newton kept Frogs from title game

Steven Bocanegra

Following Oregon's and Auburn's victories Saturday, the BCS National Championship Game has been set between the Ducks and the Tigers.

The Horned Frogs were left smelling roses as they prepare to face the Wisconsin Badgers in "The Granddaddy of Them All": the Rose Bowl. But the Horned Frog faithful are left to wonder what might have been if the recent NCAA ruling on Auburn quarterback Cam Newton's eligibility had gone the other way.

I don't question Newton's on-field talent — he will win the Heisman Trophy by a significant margin. I question, however, the process that brought him to Auburn and the manner in which the NCAA ruled on the situation.

Speculation is that Newton and his father Cecil Newton, through the owner of a scouting service, allegedly tried to secure a payment — estimated at about \$180,000 — from Mississippi State to play at the university during his recruitment. This also drew speculation that Auburn also provided a payment to Cecil Newton for his son to attend Auburn, which is a major NCAA violation.

After a brief investigation by the NCAA, it ruled that Cam Newton was eligible to play the rest of the season. The NCAA found that Cam Newton was not aware of the actions of his father and the scouting service owner, who actively sought a pay-for-play scenario for Cam Newton. As part of the ruling, Auburn has limited Cecil Newton's access to its athletics department.

The decision by the NCAA made me question the thought process of the NCAA after the

Reggie Bush scandal, which involved Bush's parents receiving improper benefits, much like the Newton situation.

The ruling on the Bush case resulted in sanctions against the University of Southern California, unlike Auburn, which faces no major penalties or sanctions after the investigation and is still ongoing because the NCAA won't comment on the continuing investigation.

USC athletic director Pat Haden questioned the NCAA ruling by saying, "In the Reggie Bush case, when the parent [did] something inappropriate, the kid and the school suffered."

The big downside was that the decision seemed to be aimed at TCU and all non-automatic qualifying schools, and I think the NCAA never wants to see a non-AQ school in the national championship game.

Without Cam Newton, Auburn most likely wouldn't have gone undefeated and would not be in the position to play for the national championship. Instead, TCU would make a return trip to Glendale, Ariz., and have a chance to play for its third national title.

The NCAA never wants to see a non-AQ win a national title over a big money university. Michael Wilbon of the ESPN show "Pardon the Interruption" recently said, "the first thing I thought of when Cam Newton was ruled eligible is the NCAA wants to keep TCU out of the national championship game."

Instead of wondering what could or should have been, Frog nation needs to be in full force in Pasadena to show the NCAA that not only is the team worthy of a national title shot, but also that TCU has arrived and is here to stay.

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Auburn quarterback Cam Newton was eligible to play in the SEC title game, even though the NCAA says his father broke rules by shopping his son to another school.



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Rough week, less playing time for Frogs in the NFL

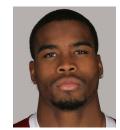


Name: David Hawthorne Position: Linebacker Years played at TCU: 2004-07 Current team: Seattle Seahawks

Outcome of game: Seattle Seahawks 31, Carolina Panthers 14

Stats: Tackles – 14

Analysis: Hawthorne led the Seahawks with 14 tackles this week as he continues to lead the team in tackles on the season. After falling behind 14-0 behind two Carolina rushing touchdowns, Seattle's defense took a stand and shut out the Panthers for the remainder of the game. They were able to hold the Panthers to under 300 yards of total offense. Hawthorne continues to lead this defense and has the possibility to lead them into the playoffs.



Name: Daryl Washington
Position: Linebacker
Years played at TCU: 2006-09
Current team: Arizona Cardinals

Outcome of game: St. Louis Rams 19, Arizona Cardinals 6

Stats: None

Analysis: Washington's decreased role over the past few weeks has left him with little to no playing time. This is unfortunate after seeing him develop into a solid starter in just his rookie season. However we have already seen a few changes in the starting lineup. If this defense continues to struggle, Washington could find himself with a decent amount of playing time.

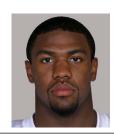


Name: Aaron Brown
Position: Running back
Years played at TCU: 2005-08
Current team: Detroit Lions

Outcome of game: Chicago Bears 24, Detroit Lions 20

Stats: None

Analysis: Brown did not record a catch or carry Sunday against the Bears. Jahvid Best's toe is improving, as he had nine carries this week, while Maurice Morris had 10. Either way, it looks like Brown is the team's clear-cut No. 3 RB when both Best and Morris are healthy.



Name: Jerry Hughes

Position: Defensive end/linebacker Years played at TCU: 2006-09 Current team: Indianapolis Colts

Outcome of game: Dallas Cowboys 38, Indianapolis Colts 35

Stats: None

Analysis: As the Colts continue to struggle, Hughes sees less and less playing time. Hughes' best shot to see more playing time is for the Colts to get up big so the defense can pin their ears back and rush the passer. Until Hughes sees more playing time we won't really know how good he can be.



Name: Drew Coleman Position: Cornerback Years played at TCU: 2004-05 Current team: New York Jets

Outcome of game: New England Patriots 45, New York Jets 3

Stats: None

Analysis: Coleman and the Jets defense got burned time after time against the Patriots. Tom Brady was able to pass it on this defense for over 325 yards while throwing four touchdowns to four different receivers. In addition the running backs, led by BenJarvus Green-Ellis, combined for over 100 yards and two touchdowns. The Jets struggled this week, and if they continue to struggle it will be tough for them to make a deep run into the playoffs.



Name: LaDainian Tomlinson
Position: Running back
Years played at TCU: 1997-2000
Current team: New York Jets

Outcome of game: New England Patriots 45, New York Jets 3

Stats:

Rushes – 10 Receptions – two Rushing yards – 47 Receiving yards - 14

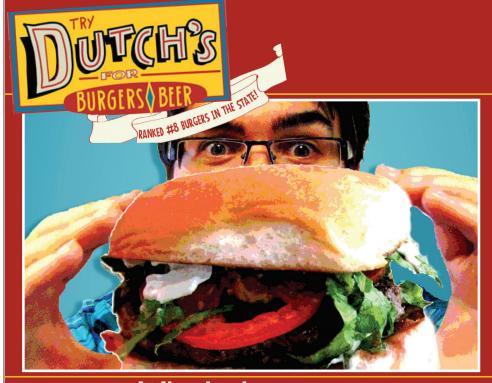
Analysis: We have seen a steady decrease in Tomlinson's role over the last few weeks as the Jets look to rest him for the playoffs. LT hasn't found the end zone or rushed for more than 60 yards since mid-October. This week the Jets got down early to the New England Patriots and were unable to get a successful running game going effectively taking Tomlinson and his counterpart, Shonn Greene, out of the offense. The combination of this may not be great for this week, but it will be a key factor going into the playoffs.





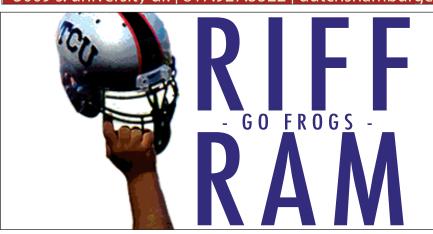






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ROSE PARADE

Flowered floats are a must-see

By Amelia Wenzel

Staff Reporter

Students traveling to Pasadena for the Rose Bowl will witness excitement not only on the field but also at one of the most spectacular and famous parades of the year. The 122nd Rose Parade presented by Honda will take place at 8:00 PST the morning of the game, Jan. 1.

The Rose Parade was founded in the winter of 1890 by Pasadena's Valley Hunt Club to promote California's mild winter climate. Visitors would come from colder states to watch chariot races, jousting and other games. Because flowers were still blooming in the winter in California, competitors would decorate carriages with flowers and parade through the town.

As years went on, the parade gained national acclaim. In 1895, the Tournament of Roses Association was formed to take charge of the growing festival.

Each year a theme for the parade is chosen by the President of the Tournament of Roses. A Grand Marshal is also chosen to preside over the parade and perform the coin toss at the Rose Bowl game.

The 2011 Grand Marshal is Food Network star Paula Dean. Past Grand Marshals include Walt Disney, Frank Sinatra and John Wayne.

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Awards based on creative design, floral craftsmanship, computerized animation, thematic interpretation and floral and color presentation are given to 25 floats. Aside from flow-

ers, other materials such as bark, seeds, spices and leaves are also allowed in the design.

The 5.5-mile parade route will begin at Green Street and Orange Grove in Pasadena. Tickets are available for purchase for viewers to sit in the grandstands set up along the streets. Curbside viewing is also available on a first come, first served basis. Parade fans can begin camping out for spots at noon the day before the parade.

Students and fans who will not be traveling to California can join the more than 51 million Americans who watch the parade on television. The parade will be broadcast on ABC, Hallmark Channel, HGTV, KTLA (Tribune), NBC, RFD-TV and Univision.

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Frogs part of Rose Bowl history

By Madison Pelletier

POSTSEASON

Sports Editor

The same day TCU said goodbye to 80-year-old Amon G. Carter Stadium, the No. 3 Horned Frog football team said hello to its future appearance in the Rose Bowl against No. 5 Wisconsin.

Fans woke up early Sunday morning to see the historical landmark imploded, and just 12 hours later, the same fans gathered at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum to see where the Frogs would end their 2010 season.

Radio Voice of the Frogs Brian Estridge said to head football coach Gary Patterson, "On the day we blow up Amon G. Carter Stadium, we blow up the BCS."

Patterson said California in January will be different than other BCS bowl games because of the atmosphere and the history within the game. The Rose Bowl was first played in 1902, making this year the 97th Rose Bowl Game, the game was not played from 1903-1915.

"To walk out onto a stage that is 'The Granddaddy of Them All'...to be a part of something like this, is very special," Patterson said.

He said he didn't think the Frogs will fully understand how special the Rose Bowl is until the team arrives in Pasadena in later December.

"It's a great bowl game, and they've got a great committee, so we're real excited."

Tank Carder

Junior linebacker

Senior quarterback Andy Dalton said the Rose Bowl is a great opportunity for the Frogs to gain exposure in a game with such a strong atmosphere and was also the perfect place to end his college career.

"It's a dream come true...to finally get the opportunity to play in the Rose Bowl," he said.

Patterson said some of the greatest players have competed in the bowl, and he was

excited for the Horned Frogs to have the chance to be part of that history.

Linebacker Tank Carder said playing in the Rose Bowl was an honor for both himself and his team. The junior said the team was glad that it was invited to be part of the historic game.

"We're totally satisfied to go to the Rose Bowl. It's a great bowl game, and they've got a great committee, so we're real excited," Carder said.

The Frogs are ready for their second consecutive BCS bowl appearance, Patterson said. This time, the Frogs know what challenges a BCS bowl game brings.

"We've been here, we understand what it's all about, we understand the challenges that are in front of us," Patterson said.

The Frogs hope to have a different outcome than last year's 17-10 loss against Boise State in the Fiesta Bowl.

"Our whole goal is not just to play well, it's to have an opportunity to win," Patter-

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Wisconsin's Nick Toon bites a rose after an NCAA college football game against Northwestern Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010, in Madison, Wis. Wisconsin won 70-23.

son said. "That's what we're going to do."

The Badgers and the Horned Frogs will meet for the first time since 1970, when they tied 14-14.

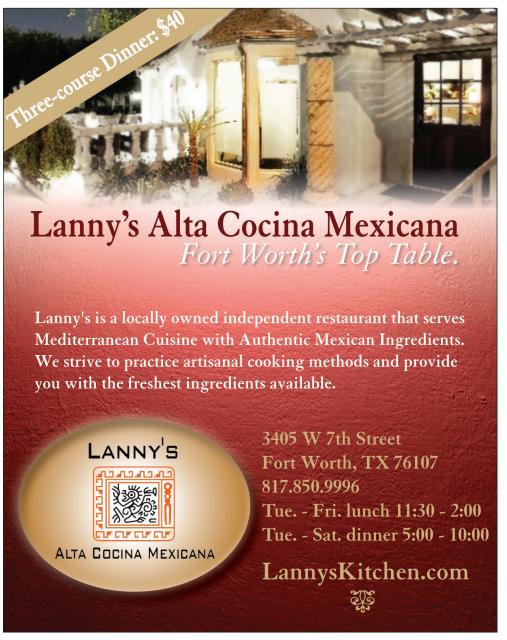
The Rose Bowl will be the first time the Frogs take on an automatic-qualifying opponent in a BCS bowl. It also will

be the first time the Frogs take on a Big Ten opponent since 2004, when the Frogs defeated Northwestern 48-45 in double overtime at home, making the Frogs 2-0 against Big Ten opponents under Patterson.

This season, the Frogs recorded their second consecutive undefeated regular season, and they are just one of three undefeated teams in the nation. TCU's 12-0 season record ties it for the nation's second-longest winning streak with Oregon.

The Frogs will take on Wisconsin in "The Granddaddy of Them All" at 4:10 p.m. CT Jan. 1 in Pasadena, Calif.





Students find alternatives to get to Rose Bowl

By Andrea Drusch

News Editor

For many TCU students, seeing the football team selected for the Rose Bowl was like Christmas come early.

They supported the team through 12 straight victories this season, witnessed the final game in Amon G. Carter Stadium and woke up at 8 a.m. to purchase bowl game tickets. Now the only thing keeping those fans from cheering on the Frogs in Pasadena is 1,400 miles.

Since the announcement of the Rose Bowl teams, plane tickets from Dallas/ Fort Worth and Dallas Love Field airports to Los Angeles have been listed as high as \$800. Even on discount sites, tickets can hardly be found for less than \$400, more than double the price of the game tickets.

Senior Mika Southall and junior David Sheetz both

said they purchased their game tickets the morning they went on sale, but neither have secured an airline reservation. As ticket prices continue go up, they are looking for other means of transportation.

"I actually haven't bought plane tickets yet," Southall said. "I'm not sure how I'm getting there. I'd love to do a road trip and get a bunch of friends together, but I'm just not sure if it's going to work out."

Sheetz said that although ticket prices were high, driving was a last resort.

"They're kind of expensive right now, about \$600 I think for the roundtrip," he said. "I just know that it's really far away and that I don't want to drive that far."

Sophomore Casey Tounget said he and his friends were considering taking a bus to save money on airfare. But even bus tickets are not cheap, he said.

"I actually haven't bought plane tickets yet. I'm not sure how I'm getting there. I'd love to do a road trip and get a bunch of friends together, but I'm just not sure if it's going to work out."

Mika Southall

"I think the lowest I saw [plane tickets] at was like \$360 something, and I've seen them all the way up to 800 bucks."

He said a bus ticket was \$250 round trip, stopping for a night in Albuquerque each way.

Freshmen Logan Webb, Alex Erwin, Ariana Vitarelli and Helen Halbach will make the drive to Pasadena estimating a cost of about undecided, she said nothing \$60 each for gas.

Though driving was the most cost-efficient transportation they had found, Webb said it would not be the easiest route. They had to first convince their parents to let them go.

Webb said they planned to drink plenty of Red Bulls and switch drivers every three hours of the 22-hour drive. Still, Vitarelli's parents were wary of allowing her to take such a long road

They were really nervous about it, and they're still kinda nervous about it," she said. After appealing to them about the value of a road trip as a college rite of passage, they finally gave in, she said.

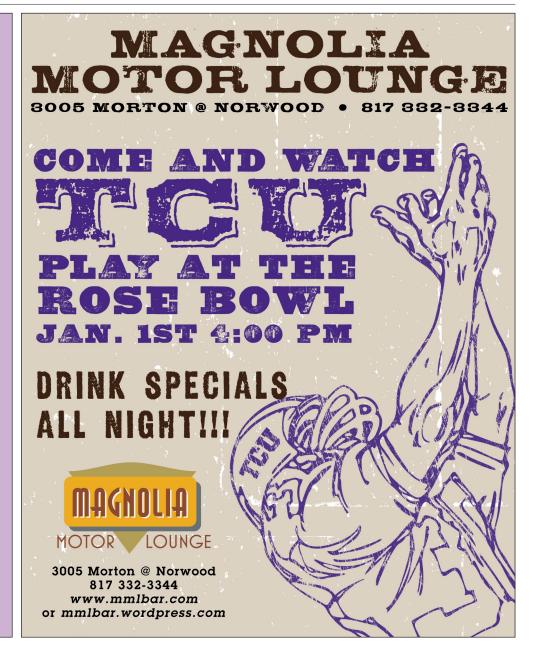
Webb wasn't sure exactly when her group would leave or whether they would travel with other students in a caravan. Though the details

together in Vitarelli's car, of their road trip are still could keep her from going to the game.



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COLLEGE GAMEDAY

Frogs to be on GameDay again



Kylie Osterloh

Kirk Herbstreit's live college football analysis is likely the last thing that would entice TCU students to wake up at 7 a.m. on New Year's Day. But because of the Rose Parade starting just an hour later, it may be worth the morning struggle.

The College GameDay crew will broadcast the Frogs' final game of the season with a live pregame show at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif. Since its inaugural road show in 1993, College GameDay has visited eight Rose Bowl match-ups.

This is the second time the show will be at a TCU

game this season.

After the BCS Selection Show, the GameDay crew had differing opinions about the implications of

Final BCS Standings

1. Auburn	13-0
2. Oregon	12-0
3. TCU	12-0
4. Stanford	11-1
5. Wisconsin	11-1
6. Ohio State	11-1
7. Oklahoma	11-2
8. Arkansas	10-2
9. Michigan State	11-1
10. Boise State	11-1

the Rose Bowl match-up.

Herbstreit said the game would be a chance for the Horned Frogs to finally prove themselves.

"If TCU has a breakthrough and they knock off Wisconsin in that game, I think we'll be talking about that, and it justifies this entire year and lends credibility to not only TCU, but others down the road at getting more of an opportunity," he said.

Chris Fowler disagreed. He said he believed that win or lose, the game wouldn't lead to much change in the public's perception of TCU as a top football program.

"There have been a lot of teams over the years that just never know how they might have played and matched up in a championship format that would allow them," he said. "It's a great reward and it's a great game, but it's not leading to anything else."

Kylie Osterloh is a junior political science major from Castle Rock, Colo.

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TCU defense must shut down efficient Wisconsin running game



Josh Davis

The Rose Bowl promises to be an unforgivable physical match up between Wisconsin's straight ahead rushing attack and TCU's speedy defensive secondary. Both the Badgers and Frogs have looked dominant at times this year, and Wisconsin might be the hottest team in the country at the moment after running up 201 points in its final three wins of the season. However, if the TCU defense gets back to its October mindset when it allowed just 16 points over five games, this game could be defined by Andy Dalton and the TCU offense against the Wisconsin defense.

Wisconsin Offense vs. TCU Defense The Big Ten has always been lineman country, so it's no surprise the Badgers enter the Rose Bowl with one of the best offensive lines in the NCAA. Offensive tackle Gabe Carimi and guard John Moffitt were both first-team All-Big Ten selections and anchor a line that averages 320 pounds per player. The biggest line TCU has faced so far this year was BYU, which averaged about 315 pounds per player.

Wisconsin is led offensively by a trio of running backs that can beat you in a number of ways. Junior back John Clay is the biggest of the three at 255 pounds and is nearly impossible to stop in short-yardage situations. Sophomore Montee Ball filled in for Clay as a hamstring injury nagged the junior down the stretch and brings a mix of power (listed at 235 pounds) and speed. The third back, Big Ten freshman of the year James White, has been electric this year, racking up a team-leading 1,029 rushing yards with a seven-yard-percarry average. To top it off,

Wisconsin has lost only three fumbles all year.

While the Badgers passing offense hasn't piled up statistics, quarter-

statistics, quarterback Scott
Tolzien has
been steady
(74 percent
completion
percentage)
and consistent
(only six interceptions), and has
moved the ball
efficiently to firstteam All-Big Ten
tight end Lance
Kendricks.

Kendricks leads Wisconsin in receptions (39), receiving yards (627) and receiving touchdowns (five).

The TCU defense has given up only 89 yards per game on the ground this season, and while the size discrepancy on the line is a concern, expect Gary Patterson to stack extra defenders in the box. The Frogs haven't seen a back as big and effective as Clay this season, and memorably struggled with SMU running back

Zach Line (235 pounds) when SMU spread its offense. Wisconsin will not run the spread, but if cornerbacks have to bring down

Clay and Ball in the open field, tackling will be an issue. TCU safety Colin Jones needs his usual solid game (70 tackles, 10.5 tackles

for loss).

There is no reason to doubt Patterson's run defense, which consistently is among

the NCAA's best, but this may be the best running team TCU has faced since Patterson became head coach. The Frogs won't shut down the run entirely, but they should force Tolzien to make big plays with his arm.

TCU Offense vs. Wisconsin Defense

Senior Andy Dalton will square off against a top-30 Badger defense, and if massive offensive tackle Marcus Cannon keeps All-Big Ten defensive lineman J.J. Watt (seven sacks) at bay, Dalton will have big play opportunities.

On the ground, Ed Wesley has led TCU with 1,065 rushing yards, though Matthew Tucker, Waymon James and Dalton have all run effectively this year (4.8 or better YPC). Clock control was a huge factor in Michigan State's win over the Badgers, and in Wisconsin's 31-30 escape over Iowa, they narrowly outgained the Hawkeyes on the ground. Staying on the field keeps the Badger running backs from finding a rhythm.

Dalton's top four receiving targets — Jeremy Kerley, Josh Boyce, Bart Johnson and Jimmy Young — will match up with a solid Wisconsin defensive backfield. Defensive backs Aaron Henry (second team All-Big Ten) and

Antonio Fenelus (4 interceptions) are both good in coverage, so Dalton will need to go through his progression quickly to find an open man.

Despite the Badgers' recent offensive success, TCU and Wisconsin have scored an equal number of points this year and have an equal yardsper-carry average. Wisconsin has done so against an arguably better schedule, but the TCU offense has been as good as any when balanced.

Special Teams

One of few weaknesses the Badgers have shown this season is on kick and punt coverage. Both Michigan State and Arizona State have special teams touchdowns against Wisconsin, and Kerley needs to be a difference maker in the field position war. Wisconsin also has won two games this year thanks to blocked extra points and averages 14 fewer penalty yards per game than TCU.

Josh Davis is a senior broadcast journalism major from Dallas.



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Statistically, Frogs have defensive edge

Statistical Comparison:

TCU 12-0 (8-0 MWC) vs. Wisconsin 11-1 (7-1 Big Ten)

Ouarterbacks:

TCU Senior Andy Dalton enters the game with the most wins among active Division I quarterbacks (41) and is the fifth-ranked quarterback in the nation. Wisconsin senior Scott Tolzien is ranked just above Dalton at number four

Dalton: 66.2 percent completion rate, 2,638 vards, 26 TDs and six interceptions; 167 passer rating *Tolzien:* 74.3 percent completion rate, 2,300 vards, 16 TDs and six interceptions; 169.8 passer rating

Overall Offense:

TCU and Wisconsin both average 43 points per game.

TCU: 230.3 pass yards per game, 261.2 on the ground Wisconsin: 202.8 pass yards per game, 247.3 on the ground

Running Backs:

Ed Wesley (TCU, Sophomore): 162 attempts, 1,065 yards, 11 TDs, 6.6 yards per attempt

Matthew Tucker (TCU, Sophomore): 144 attempts, 694 yards, seven TDs, 4.8 yards per attempt

James White (WIS, Freshman): 148 attempts, 1,029 yards, 14 TDs, 7.0 yards per attempt

John Clay (WIS, Junior): 176 attempts, 936 yards, 13 TDs, 5.3 yards per attempt

Receiving leaders: WR Josh Boyce (TCU, Freshman): 33 receptions, 602 yards, six TDs

WR Jeremy Kerley (TCU, Senior): 50 receptions, 517 yards, 10 TDs TE Lance Kendricks (WIS, Senior): 39 receptions, 627 yards, five TDs WR Nick Toon (WIS, Junior): 33 Receptions, 413 yards, three TDs

Defense:

TCU: 11.4 points allowed per game, 12 interceptions, 215.4 yards per game Sophomore LB Tanner Brock leads TCU with 97 tackles for the

Wisconsin: 20.5 points allowed per game, 14 interceptions, 323.5 yards per game Junior DL J.J. Watt leads Wisconsin with 59 tackles

Special Teams

Kickers

Ross Evans (TCU, Junior): 11/13 Fields goals, 65/70 extra points Phillip Welch (WIS, Junior): 15/19 Field goals, 66/66 extra points

Anson Kelton (TCU, Junior): 38 punts, 42.2 average Brad Nortman (WIS, Junior): 35

Kick returners

nunts. 42.8 average

Jeremy Kerley (TCU, Senior): 17 attempts, 28 yard average, long of 83 James White (WIS, Freshman): 17 attempts, 19.4 yard average, long of 31

Punt returners

Jeremy Kerley (TCU, Senior): 30 attempts, 12.9 average, long of 45 David Gilreath (WIS, Senior): Six attempts, 11.5 average, long of 27

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MARCHING BAND

Football's success boosts band enrollment

By Sean McDermott

Staff Reporter

The success of the football team has a lot to do with the rise in the members of the marching band, a drum major for the marching band said.

Senior drum major Hannah Harvey said the Horned Frogs getting to the Fiesta Bowl last season was a big draw for incoming freshmen to join the marching band.

Junior nursing major and fellow drum major Spencer Heath said it was staggering how much the band has grown over the past couple of years.

"During my freshman and sophomore years I think we were hovering around 160 to 170 members, and this year we have 215 members," Heath said.

When looking at the number of band members during the summertime. Heath said it was shocking and that he didn't know if he could lead so many people.

Despite a continuing growth in the number of marching band members, Heath said the band has still kept its small, close-knit feel, but now there is more of a presence of sound coming from the band. Heath sees chemistry as an important factor to have among a band of 215 members.

"One of my biggest goals this year as drum major has been to foster a strong interpersonal relationship between myself and the marching band," Heath said.

Harvey also said chemistry amongst band members is important because the marching band is all about having a good time but still keeping that competitive edge. She said one of the most important ways for the marching band to sound and look spot on is spent during their practices.

Director of the Marching Band Brian Youngblood said the band practices three times a week and for two hours each practice. On game days, Youngblood said the band arrives at the stadium four hours before kickoff and runs through the pregame and halftime shows.

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Spencer Heath Drum major

Harvey said there isn't anything else like being able to perform in front of a stadium full of screaming fans. She said there has been a change in the crowd since she came to TCU and that more and more people are staying in the stands until after the band's performance.

"We really feed off of the energy of the fans and the students, and it seems like they are enjoying what the band is doing" Harvey said.

During the game, Harvey said she hopes more and more fans catch onto the chants and yells the band does to add more to the game experience for fans.

Heath said that just like the band feeds off of energy from the crowd, the band and other spirit organizations, like the TCU Showgirls and the cheerleaders, give energy to the crowd and create a cycle.

When Youngblood arrived at TCU 12 years ago, he said there was no tradition involved with the marching band and that they didn't play throughout the game or stay standing.

Before and after every year Youngblood said evaluations are done by band leadership to see how the marching band can improve the experience of the game by either adding or removing any cheers that go well with the students or not so well.

"We look at what the best third down music is, the best field goal music is and what we should do on kickoffs and many other things," Youngblood said.

Last year at the Fiesta Bowl, Harvey said the band practiced every day for at least four hours when it arrived in Phoenix.

The main concern about being on a national stage in a BCS bowl game compared to a non-BCS bowl game was being unsure if the band would be playing across from another band with more members that played with more sound.

Youngblood said the band has been preparing for years for the football team to make a BCS bowl game because he wanted the band to be ready to play on that level across from a band with more than 400 members.





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Horned Frogs prepare to play on historic Rose Bowl stage

By Chris Blake

News Now Sports Director

California and Southern California played at the newlyrenovated Rose Bowl on Oct. 28, 1922, and since then, the Rose Bowl has been the site of numerous New Year's Day college football games.

Eighteen Heisman Trophy winners, 28 national champions and 191 consensus All-Americans have played at Pasadena's historic stadium and the Horned Frogs have a chance to join the list.

Head coach Gary Patterson said he does not know if his players will realize the magnitude of the game until they walk onto the field to face Wisconsin.

"To know all the players that have played there, to walk out into a stage that is, as they say, the granddaddy of them all, to be a part of something like that is very special," the 10th-year head coach said. "And I don't think our kids will really understand how special it is until they get a chance to go there."

Aside from a chance to play for a national title, senior quarterback Andy Dalton said there would not be a better way to end his career as the all-time TCU wins leader.

"To know all the players that have played there, to walk out into a stage that is, as they say, the granddaddy of them all, to be a part of something like that is very special."

Gary Patterson Head coach

"This is a dream come true," he said. "You grow up wanting to play in big games like this, you always watch these games on TV and now [we] finally get an opportunity to play in the Rose Bowl, which not a lot of teams out of the Pac-10 and Big Ten have been able to do."

Since 1947, the Rose Bowl has had a contract to take the champions from the Big Ten and Pac-10 conferences unless it was the site of the national championship game or it lost one of its two traditional teams to the title game.

Dalton said the 2006 National Championship Game at the Rose Bowl between Texas and Southern California was the Rose Bowl Game that he remembered most. That night, the image of Longhorns quarterback Vince Young eluding a Trojan defender on the way to scoring the winning touchdown became ingrained in college football history.

The Rose Bowl has not always been home to college football. After its first college football game in 1902 was a 49-0 blowout, Roman-style chariot races replaced football for the next 14 years until the Tournament of Roses Association permanently reinstated football.

Outside of football and chariots, the Rose Bowl played host to nearly 100,000 fans

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Floats make their way along the route in the 121st Rose Parade on Friday, January 1, 2010, in Pasadena, Calif.

who watched U2 perform and Brandi Chastain's Women's World Cup-winning penalty kick against China in 1999.

Multimedia also has grown up at "The Granddaddy of Them All." The Rose Bowl Game was the first transcontinental radio broadcast of a sporting event in 1927, the first national telecast of a college football game in 1952 and the first nationwide color telecast of a college football match in 1962.

TCU will be the first team from a non-automatic qualifying conference to play at the Rose Bowl in the Bowl Championship Series era.

"Going and playing at the Rose Bowl is a big honor, and I know there's a lot of big name teams that have played there," linebacker Tank Carder said. "It's just an honor for TCU to be a part of that."







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