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#### A&M player missing

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M police say freshman wide receiver Thomas Johnson is missing.

The department says that the 18-year-old was last seen leaving his residence in College Station at 5 p.m. Monday. Johnson went to high school in Dallas and police believe he might have traveled to that area.

L t . Allan Baron says there are no other details available.

A g - Thomas Johnson g i e s coach Kevin Sumlin released a statement expressing his concern, saying: "Authorities are working closely with his family, friends and law enforcement agencies to help locate him ... We pray for his quick and safe return."



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## A rocking Thanksgiving

The Derivatives entertain a crowd of Baylor students, faculty and staff during the annual all-university Thanksgiving Dinner on Wednesday in the Burleson Quadrangle.

# Use your words to save lives during Up' til Dawn

BY LINDA NGUYEN  
STAFF WRITER

Be a hero.  
Save a life by something as simple as writing a letter.

That's the goal of the Up' til Dawn finale event that will take place from 7 p.m. to midnight Friday in Russell Gymnasium.

The event is hosted by the Baylor chapter of Up' til Dawn, a national organization that raises money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

During the event, which is a culmination of a week of letter writing, participants will engage in a letter writing campaign, addressing pre-made letters that ask

for donations to their family and friends. The event is open to students, and costs \$5 to register. The money will cover the cost of posting the letters. T-shirts will also be sold at the event for \$5.

Nacogdoches senior Kelsey Carpenter, co-president of Baylor's Up' til Dawn, said participating in the event is a good way for students to raise money for St. Jude.

"Basically, Up' til Dawn is an organization on campus whose sole purpose is to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Hospital," Carpenter said. "Every patient that goes to St. Jude does not pay to go there. Food, education and housing for parents and even sib-

lings is covered."

The money raised from the Up' til Dawn finale event, as well as the other bake sales and car washes throughout the school year, is used by St. Jude to provide treatment and living accommodations for children and their families.

Carpenter said the finale event is Up' til Dawn's biggest fundraiser of the year.

"Last year, we raised \$24,000," Carpenter said. "Participants bring as many addresses as they can. We have pre-made letters that they fill out. The goal is to get all the people they send letters to

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# BU lecturer puts Arabic spin on Bible

## Saadi becomes first to translate literature into colloquial Arabic

BY LINDA NGUYEN  
STAFF WRITER

Bible translating has become a family activity for a Baylor Arabic professor, his brother and mother.

Dr. Abdul-Massih Saadi, lecturer in Arabic in the modern foreign languages department, has recently completed the translation and publication of the New Testament into colloquial Arabic and modern standard Arabic.

This is the first time a piece of literature has been translated into colloquial Arabic.

"For the whole Arabic speaking world, there is no New Testament version for colloquium," Saadi said. "In fact, there is no literature in colloquium at all in Arabic history."

Saadi said he also used the Aramaic version of the Bible rather than the Greek version to do his translations, which was also unique to other Arabic translations of the Bible.

"I used the Greek to consult with the Aramaic. Most of the time they agreed with one another," Saadi said.

Saadi said the idea first came to him about 30 years ago when he was teaching in a monastery.

"I was the principal of the monastery," Saadi said. "I gave my students an assignment to

translate a passage from the standard to the colloquial. I asked every student to translate to their mother tongue dialect. As a result, everybody found a tremendous treasure and hidden meaning in what each student did."

Saadi said the assignment was controversial because many people in the Middle East thought Classical Arabic was the holy language and the other dialects should not be spoken in any respected place such as professional or religious settings.

"That's been proven to be wrong," Saadi said. "Ultimately, the Gospel itself was written in the colloquial language, colloquial Greek, and when it was translated to Aramaic, it was the colloquial Aramaic."

Saadi said the actual translation of the New Testament began 15 years ago during his time as a graduate student.

"I was introduced to people from Wycliffe Bible translation," Saadi said. "We were chatting about my idea and they told me, 'How about if we encourage you to do this.' With their resources we undertook this project. We took it as a family."

Saadi's brother, Saad Saadi, said he was blessed to have been

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COURTESY PHOTO

Dr. Abdul Saadi (left) sits next to his mother Evelyn, his brother Saad and a friend during Wycliffe Bible Translation.

# Texas leads the race in secession signatures

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One week after an election that disheartened many conservatives, citizens from 34 states are petitioning the White House to secede from the Union, and Texas is leading the rebellious pack with more than 103,000 online signatures.

The request from Texans "to withdraw from the United States of America and create its own NEW government," follows a long tradition of wishful and independent thinking in a state that once was its own nation.

From the ill-fated Republic of Texas rebellion of 1997 to the never-say-die Texas Nationalist Movement, the notion of Lone Star independence doesn't seem to go away.

The issue resurfaced just three years ago when a crowd chanted "secede, secede, secede," to Gov. Rick Perry at a political rally.

Perry did not disavow

the ultimate Texas option of telling the feds to shove it.

"If Washington continues to thumb their nose at the American people, who knows what might come out of that? Texas is a very unique place,

and we're a pretty independent lot to boot," he said.

On the same "We the People" website Tuesday, a petition was posted for Austin to secede from Texas and become a state in the Union, if Texas succeeds in its efforts. The city suffers "difficulties stemming from the lack of civil, religious, and political freedoms imposed upon the city by less liberally minded Texans," it reads. And its authors note: "We would also like to an-

nex Dublin, Texas, Lockhart, Texas, and Shiner, Texas."

The Austin petition had logged more than 6,000 signatures Wednesday evening.

As the latest expression of a secession sentiment gains bemused attention nationally, even Perry is joining Texas academics, tea party members and others in disown-

ing the post-election impulse to separate.

"It's a tantrum. It has no value. No legitimacy," Mac McDowell, 55, a San Antonio tea party member, said of the online petition.

"Secession worked out very poorly for everyone in the South the last time it was tried," said McDowell, who emphasized he was speaking for himself, not the party.

While he shares some of the sentiments of the petition signers, he said there are constructive, constitutional means by which citizens and states can seek relief from an overly intrusive federal government and the burden of an ever-increasing national debt.

"The idea of secession has been tested on the field of battle, but never in court," he added.

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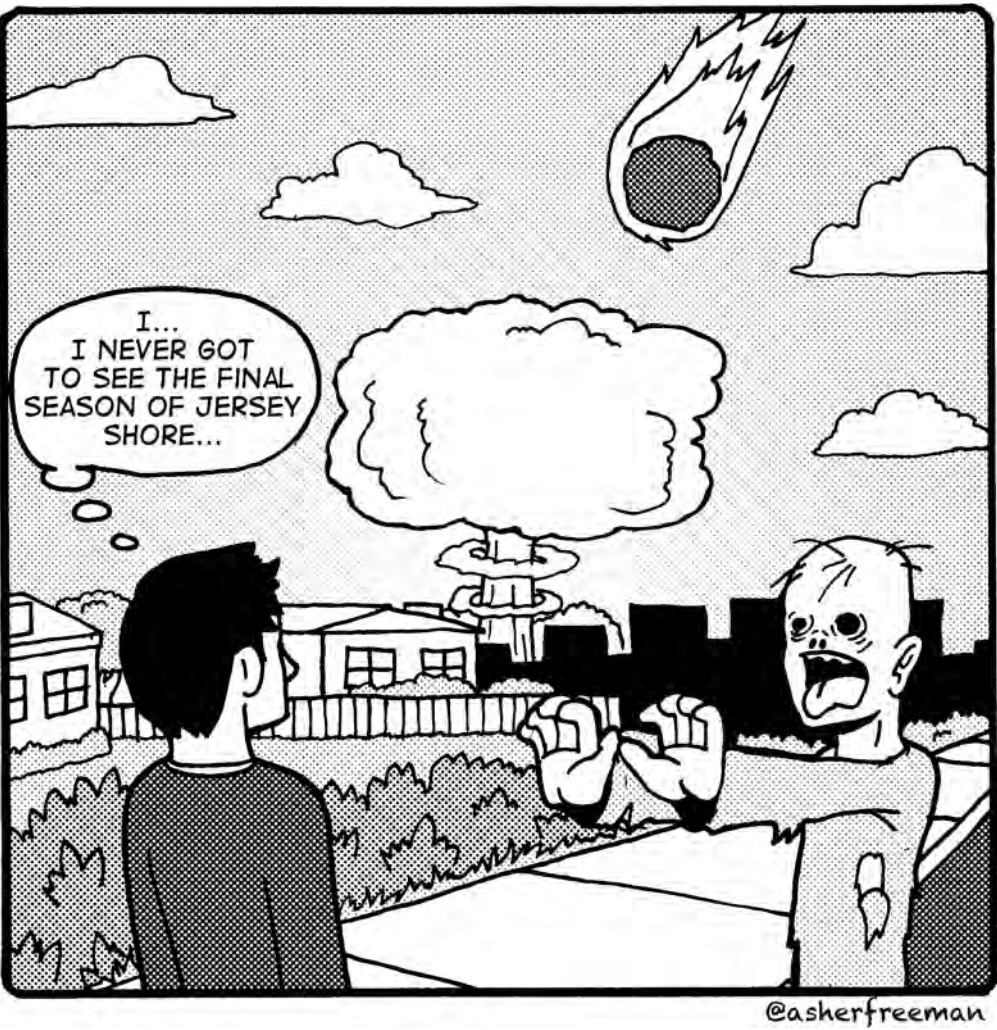
# Brace yourselves; the end of the world is coming

## Editorial

It's funny how the end of the world seems to have disappeared from our collective radar. You know, December 21, 2012 (as predicted by the Mayan calendar)? Only a few weeks from now? It's fast approaching. For the past few years, it has been widely disputed among historians and theologians on what will happen when the Mesoamerican Long Count Calendar comes to an end, the generally agreed-upon date being Dec. 21, 2012. Some texts say "apocalypse" and some say "spiritual transformation" that will spread across the world on this dreaded date. And those in the Christian tradition have been predicting the end of the world since it started (you know, when the Bible was written). But all speculations aside, now that the mysterious time is near, what should we do to prepare? Considering that we have holidays for everything else (Arbor Day comes to mind), shouldn't there be an 'end-of-the-world day' as well? A time to spend with family, eating food and giving thanks for all of the wonderful things in your life before they're snatched away by the earth's imminent demise?

We should appropriate Thanksgiving to celebrate the end of the world. Thanksgiving this year is especially important, as there won't be a Christmas. It's our last chance to hear the sweet voices of our relatives and friends before normal life resumes (if briefly) and we're all pulled away into our respective worlds to await our doom. It's a chance to consider what is really important — to reflect on the snuffing out of life on Earth. And then, on Black Friday, we can indulge in mindless, hedonistic consumerism during our last chance to catch those great sales before all possessions become totally irrelevant. Just be careful not to trample anyone in your rush to get into Best Buy to get a \$300 Super-Macintosh-Mega-Computer; everyone deserves a chance at their last few days of life. In fact, isn't this combination of realizing the truly important things and mindless consumerism the answer to all of our problems? Or maybe the ones we've scoffed at all along are right. Maybe the one's who are seriously preparing for a post-apocalyptic world will have the last laugh. If so, we can only hope that some of them will be kind when the time comes and loan us a space in their underground bunkers and some of canned beans during the nuclear/zombie horde/alien invasion. Knowing that we don't have to be "good" much longer, can't we afford a few weeks of patience, kindness and compassion for all life on Earth, coupled with a "live life like we're dying mentality" that urges us to wring every last drop from the towel that is our collective life? Help that old lady across the street, volunteer at a soup kitchen, and while you're at it, buy that new 50-million-inch flat screen you've always wanted and watch movies with your closest friends. It's a win-win scenario. If the world ends, we'll have lived full lives (at least in these last, few, precious weeks) and if not, then we'll still have lived an awesome few weeks. In fact, perhaps we could live that way forever. When you know the end is coming, you treat every day as a holiday or gift.

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Even without the rapidly approaching destruction of everything we know, our lives could end any day. We're fragile and human. Let's not forget it. Live like the world is ending these next few weeks, even if it's not. It will be worth it in the end, whenever that may be.

# Cyclists: Slow your roll for the safety of pedestrians

## Viewpoint

The biker: capable of achieving speeds of 20-plus mph, capable of going from max speed to pain in less than one second, susceptible to blunt force trauma. The pedestrian: capable of achieving top speeds of 12 to 15 mph, incapable of looking 360 degrees simultaneously, incapable of hearing inaudible bikes, incapable of taking flight or teleporting, capable of going from max speed to pain in less than one second, susceptible to blunt force trauma. Thirty five percent of Americans will get hit by a bike at least once in their life (OK, I made that up, but 65 percent of statistics are made up anyway). I hate to use this space to vent, or rant (whatever you want to call it), but I have that opportunity, so I think I'll take advantage of it.

Bikers, for the love of all things, slow your roll. I've had more than half a mind, on an excessive number of occasions, to throw my backpack in front of your front tire or stick a stick between your spokes. Pedestrians shouldn't have to be ever-vigilant, prepared to fling themselves out of the way at any moment because you only allotted 34.56 seconds to get from point A to point B. You are not Moses and we are not the Red Sea. If you've ever had any doubt about whether a bicycle-pedestrian collision is painful for both parties (maybe not the most accurate word in this case), let me remove it for you. I can, from firsthand experience, confirm the painfulness of being the "collisionee" at least, and I can imagine it's not pleasant for the "collisioner" either. When I was about 8 years old, I

was hit from behind by a biker going way too fast. It went like this: crash!, I'm surprised, I go down, bike comes down on top, I get up, I look at kid, kid looks at me, we say nothing, kid gets back on bike, kid rides away, I'm stunned, I sit down, I try to make sense, I realize severe pain and blood. Skin and blood were left on the pavement that day, and probably on the bike too. I was attached to that skin and blood. I will never get those or the sleepless nights back. Now, I would rather slow you down with writing than stop you cold with skin and blood. Hopefully, the former can prevent the latter. But I got biked, and it took forever to clean the tire tracks off my forehead (OK, I made that part up). Nevertheless, it's not an experience I care to relive and not one I recommend. Like most kids, I was taught to

look both ways before crossing the road. That experience taught me you might also need to look both ways before crossing the sidewalk. But even that's not enough. Some of you seem to instantaneously materialize out of thin air, going a variety of speeds, traversing all



Connor Yearsley | Reporter

traversable surfaces, and zig-zagging in no predictable manner. Last I checked pedestrians still have right-of-way, so, please yield right-of-way right away and ride away at a safe distance. I mean, I always enjoyed playing dodgeball, but never "dodgebike." Also, bikers, when you're coming from behind, more often than not, pedestrians don't know you're there until you whoosh past them. Bikes are very quiet. If only John Williams' main theme from "Jaws" could alert us to your presence. There seems to be a widespread, erroneous assumption (and you know what they say about making assumptions) that bikers are exempt from the rules of the road. A widespread assumption is no less erroneous because it's widespread. Too many times I've seen bikers run through stop signs and traffic lights. It's a miracle some-

one hasn't had to be pried from a Prius or un-fused from a Fusion. For self-preservation's sake, and grisly-scene-avoidance's sake, stop at stop signs and traffic lights. Physics would say there is less leeway for bikes than for a Ford Super Duty. So as you pilot your two-wheeled hazards, please try to have a little more regard for pedestrians. I have nothing against bikes. I know they're good for your cardio and your calves and carbon-emission reductions and, more importantly, your calves. However, my fellow pedestrians and I ask you, implore you even, to slow your roll. You don't have to stop your roll, just slow it. Thanks. Connor Yearsley is a senior business journalism major from Garland. He is a lab reporter at the Baylor Lariat.

# ‘Liberal culture of hate’ to blame for political division

## Lariat Letters

I know most of us are trying to put the acerbic politics of the latest election behind us, but I feel like I need to throw one last bucket of gas on the slowly dying fire. Last Friday the Lariat printed an opinion piece written by Leonard Pitts for the Miami Herald. In this article he asserted, amongst other things, that the Republican party has "embraced the politics of pitchforks and bomb throwing" and that by electing Barack Obama into the white house for another four years, Americans somehow made a stand against extreme politics. First off, this characterization of any resistance to the Obama administration as dangerous and extreme is not only a reducto ad

absurdum way of dodging any attempts to hold this administration accountable, it's an offensive, hateful and potentially damaging characterization at that. Ironically, the pitchfork has traditionally been a symbol of agrarian peasants revolting against harsh feudal lords. I would think the pitchfork would be a symbol that the Left would embrace as symbolic of the class warfare that they seem to encourage. I suppose that the new feudal lords of the 21st century technocratic bureaucracy are not to be rebelled against, but I digress. If conservative America is truly in a "pitchfork and bomb-throwing" mood, it is only because they have been pushed to the brink by a liberal political establishment that has become

increasingly hard-line, and by a leftist culture of hate. For the last few decades, conservative bashing has become the hip, edgy cultural norm, not to mention a multimillion-dollar industry. Michael Moore, Jon Stewart, Seth MacFarlane and Bill Maher, I am looking straight at you. It has become standard operating procedure for left-leaning action groups, ideologues, and public figures to eschew fair debate for shrill polemics and mindless tropes designed to belittle, ridicule, insult, and ultimately de-humanize their political opponents. Instead of respecting the fact that conservative Americans are Americans too, and we have a right to live our lives by our culture and our faith, the Left seeks

to deny us those very rights by demonizing us as "intolerant," "ignorant," "redneck," "backwards," "crazy," "nut-jobs," "racists," "homophobes" and "fascists." I cannot help but wonder if this is how it started for the Kuls and Ukrainians living under the Soviet tyranny that would ultimately kill millions of them. I am not suggesting that Obama is going to start forcibly starving red states into submission, but the culture of hate that the Left has developed, whereby people with different opinions and world-views are deemed to be of questionable humanity, has been the harbinger of countless atrocities and genocides throughout history. Conservatives shouldn't have to "compromise" with people who see them as sub-human and seek

to deny them the basic right to live by their world-view, culture and faith. Until liberals can put aside their culture of hate, this country will not heal. William C VanRonzelen IV Master's Candidate Economics Salem, Mo. Corrections The Baylor Lariat is committed to ensuring fair and accurate reporting and will correct errors of substance on Page 2. Corrections can be submitted by sending an e-mail to Lariat\_letters@baylor.edu or by calling 254-710-4099.

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# Professor addresses concerns of divided government

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# JaZZ and StanZaZ show adds diversity to Baylor scene



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By Ashley Davis  
Copy Editor

Baylor has a rich musical scene, and it's about to get even richer with the third annual JaZZ and StanZaZ show tonight.

The show, hosted by the Zeta Phi Beta sorority and Diverse Verses Poetry group, will be held from 6:20 to 9 p.m. in the Bill Daniel Student Center Den.

Performances will include song and spoken word poetry selections by Baylor students from a variety of backgrounds.

The event is a production held as part of Zeta Week, in which the sorority hosts several events to promote their organization and collaborate with other campus organizations, such as Diverse Verses Poetry Group.

Diverse Verses is a relatively new organization that started three years ago in an effort to promote spoken word poetry on campus. The group also hosts Open Mic Night and has participated in the

Waco Cultural Arts Fest.

Dr. Mia Moody-Ramirez, faculty adviser for the organization has been awarded the Diversity Enhancement Award by the Campus Diversity Committee for 2012.

"We just wanted to collaborate with another group on campus," Grand Prairie senior and coordinator for the event Eseosa Azenabor said. "We wanted to have a classy evening on campus, kind of like the jam sessions you see in movies, and that lead us to jazz as the genre we chose."

Azenabor said the two organizations chose jazz and poetry as the genres for the event to create a classy but easy-going atmosphere for other students to enjoy.

Six singers and six poets will participate.

The performers were invited to sing or perform poetry by the two organizations. They will include cover songs and original pieces.

The performers were recommended by their reputations as performers and singer/songwriters.

While only a few of them are music majors, all of them have a musical background.

Killeen senior Dayna Richardson is one of the performers. Though she is a communications major, she said she plans to pursue being a cruise ship entertainer after graduation.

"JaZZ and StanZaZ is an awesome event because you get to see all the amazing singers and poets that you wouldn't get to see normally on campus. There are a lot of great talents here that go overlooked by the general populace," Richardson said.

Fort Collins, Colo., senior Brooke Jostad is a singer/songwriter majoring in social work. She will perform an original piece for the event.

There will be free food at the event and the organizations are giving out a free CD filled with smooth jazz, neo-soul and R&B music to those who attend.

## 'Silver Linings' makes overly cute comedy about mental illnesses

By Roger Moore  
McClatchy-Tribune

Movies about the mentally ill tend to render them in cute, charming strokes — with only the occasional blast of ugly to remind us, "Oh yeah, this gorgeous, love-lorn soul is still crazy."

And "Silver Linings Playbook" has a hint of that. You cast Bradley Cooper as a mentally ill man who probably got out of the psychiatric ward a bit too early, and Jennifer Lawrence as a young cop's widow who isn't really coping with that fact, and the Hollywood ending is written all over it.

But Cooper gives his most natural, affecting and compelling performance yet as Pat, a divorced ex-school teacher who won't accept the fact that he's divorced, or that the school system would never rehire him. People may duck him in amusing ways, but the message is clear. He's dangerous.

And as Tiffany, Lawrence makes us forget her dewy youth just minutes into her brittle, biting turn as a woman whose unbalanced rage is even more cleverly concealed than Pat's.

Pat's mom (Jacki Weaver of "Animal Kingdom") is the one who has the faith that her son would be better off at home in Philadelphia. His sports-nut dad (Robert De Niro, perfect) isn't so sure. When Pat pulls a plastic garbage bag over his sweatshirt so that he can jog and lose weight faster, Dad seems to have a point.

"I'm getting really fit for Nikki,"

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the son explains. That's the ex-wife Pat expects to win back.

Others aren't as delusional, which is why the shrill Veronica (Julia Stiles) nags her husband (John Ortiz) to invite Pat, whom she fears and despises, to dinner. She wants the mentally unstable guy to meet her mentally unstable sister, Tiffany. Is Veronica an idiot?

But that jaw-droppingly awkward dinner meeting is where this David O. Russell ("The Fighter") film takes off. The sparks fly between these two — and not necessarily romantic ones. They have an easy rapport, joking and comparing medications. But Pat's unshakable belief that he's winning back his ex, who has a restraining order on him, makes him seem touchier, scarier and further gone than Tiffany. Until testy Tiffany takes a moment to assure us that's a much tighter race than you'd expect.

Pat has these little mantras he picked up from group therapy and psychological counseling. "Excelsior!" he shouts at random moments when he needs some affirmation.

"If you stay positive, you have a shot at a silver lining." That's what he's looking for in all this.

Tiffany? "I don't get what I want, OK?" Her volatility is a frightening thing, especially when she feels she's in a contest. "You think that I'm crazier than you."

Russell, famous for his own off-camera temper, deftly balances each amusing encounter with tragic revelations and unbalanced

moments — threatening to bring matters to an ugly head, or deepen the connection between these two disconnected people. In film and in fiction there's always a glib cause-and-effect with mental illness — "this" led directly to "that." We get a little of that here as we're given the back story and we meet enough relatives to see the trees these two apples fell from.

Anupam Kher is the cute psychotherapist. Shea Whigham is Pat's successful, more functional brother, a performance that suggests a less sensitive oaf who unthinkingly channeled Dad's Philadelphia Eagles obsession into a safer corner of his psyche.

And Chris Tucker turns up as a funny, dialed-down mental patient pal of Pat's who can seem the most normal of all of them. But he lets us sense that coiled up inside is a sneaky, motor-mouthed maniac, the Tucker of "Rush Hour," straining to get out.

"Silver Linings Playbook," adapted from Matthew Quick's novel, is a ringing endorsement of "the talking cure," two people whose professional counseling is nothing compared to the ways they challenge each other and themselves to get better, each to make a better impression on the other.

Not that this will work, of course. We have to take it as a matter of faith that whatever happens, the "Hollywood ending" this film delivers will be unexpected, even if we — like the characters — have to look extra hard for that silver lining.

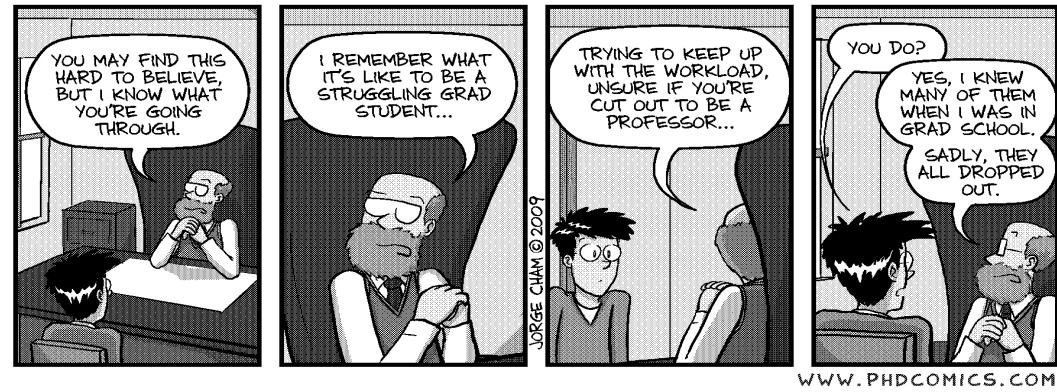


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## Oppan Gangnam Style

Tuesday, singer Madonna, left, performs onstage with South Korean rapper PSY during her MDNA concert at Madison Square Garden in New York. Psy joined Madonna and her troupe of dancers onstage to perform his hit song "Gangnam Style."

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# Bears sweep TCU

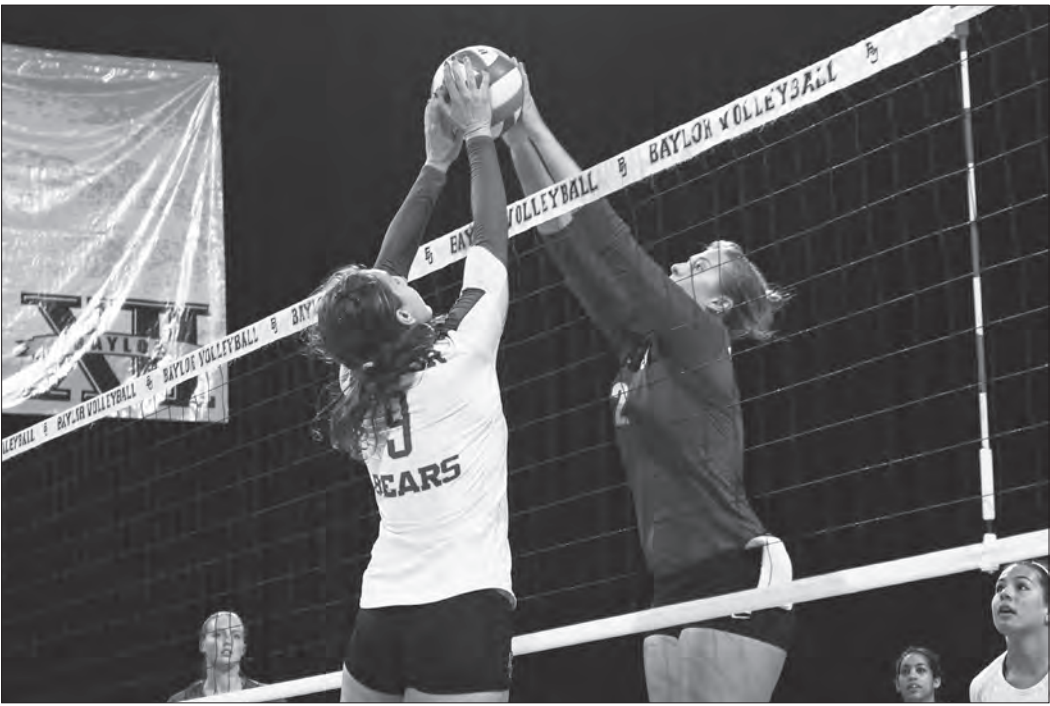
By DANIEL HILL  
SPORTS WRITER

When TCU and Baylor last squared off in volleyball, it took a grueling five sets to narrowly decide a Baylor victory. This time in Fort Worth for the rematch between the two schools, Baylor decisively took care of business to earn a 3-0 sweep (25-21, 25-20, 25-21). The win gave the Bears back-to-back road sweeps after they defeated West Virginia in straight sets last Saturday.

The first set went back and forth with the teams tied at 10-10. Then Baylor senior middle hitter Torri Campbell went to the service line and earned four consecutive points for the bears. Both teams struggled with service receive in the first set, but Baylor earned 4.5 team blocks and limited TCU to only a .158 hitting percentage.

With senior setter Kate Harris' serving and passing, the Bears started to assert themselves. Campbell and junior outside hitter Zoe Adom carried the Bears offensively down the stretch to lead the Bears to a 25-21 win in the first set.

The second set played out in competitive fashion. The Bears started to dominate the action at the net and Campbell and sopho-



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No. 9 setter Kate Harris blocks the ball as Oklahoma No. 2 setter Julia Doyle attempts to spike it during the game on Wednesday Nov. 7 at the Ferrell Center. The Sooners defeated the Bears 3-1.

more middle hitter Adri Nora were just too much for the Horned Frogs.

Behind a display of offensive skills from senior outside hitter Alyssa Dibbern, Adom, Campbell and Nora, the Bears won the second set 25-20. With the Bears eyeing road sweep in Big 12 play, the match went into the third set and the Bears picked up right where they left off from the first and second sets. Baylor jumped out to a quick 4-2 in part because of TCU's mistakes and Nora's offense.

The Horned Frogs showed their resilience and tied the third set at 4-4.

The Bears struggled some in service receive as TCU placed the ball well on their serves to take a 6-4 lead.

True freshman outside hitter Thea Munch-Soegaard also added

a spark to the Bears with her serving and with her offense. TCU struggled to find open court with the Bears strong defensive play and dominating net presence. With their backs up against the wall and facing the threat of a sweep on its home court, TCU battled to take a healthy 12-8 lead. With Campbell's serving, Baylor jumped right back into the game and only trailed by one point at 12-11. TCU led 14-11 until Adri Nora had a thundering kill.

TCU made some defensive adjustments and started rotating their middle hitter back behind the center line to counter Baylor's offense.

The strategy worked and TCU held on with a 17-15 lead. Baylor led 19-18 after play from freshman libero Hope Ogden and Soegaard. With Baylor leading 20-18, TCU

felt the pressure from Baylor and called timeout.

Campbell and Soegaard continued to contribute offensively and Baylor took a 21-19 lead.

Zoe Adom had 10 kills for the Bears and really stung TCU with her powerful, across-the-court kills.

Adom had an impressive kill to give the Bears a 23-21 lead. Behind the serving of Harris, Baylor gained another point to get to 24.

Then Torri Campbell sealed the deal with another kill to give Baylor the win and back to back road sweeps in Big 12 play.

The Bears swept West Virginia 3-0 on Saturday and on Wednesday night, swept TCU 3-0.

Baylor's next match is at 1 p.m. on Saturday against Iowa State at the Ferrell Center.

# Heslip, Baylor take on Boston College

By GREG DEVRIES  
SPORTS WRITER

The No. 16 Baylor men's basketball team will face the undefeated Boston College Eagles at 2 p.m. today in its first round game at the Charleston Classic in Charleston, S.C.

Seniors Brady Heslip started his career as a member of the Boston College basketball team before transferring to Baylor. Heslip did not play in any games, however.

Heslip started this season shooting just 20 percent from the three-point arc. While his shooting numbers may be down, teams still have to put a defender in his face because he is such an established threat. This stretches the floor and allows guards to penetrate.

The Bears are 2-0 on the season after two convincing home victories over Lehigh and Jackson State by an average margin of 26.5 points per game.

Despite the Bears' early success, senior guard Pierre Jackson believes that the team can still get better.

"I still think we have a lot to improve on," Jackson said. "We can be a lot better, but right now we're playing good. We're all clicking. We can get better at rebounding, just boxing out the shooter after shooting."

Boston College is 1-0 on the season after beating Florida International 84-70. The Eagles are led by sophomore forward Ryan Anderson who dropped 29 points, including 11 of 14 shooting from the free throw line, 17 rebounds.

The key to stopping the Eagles is preventing Anderson from getting the ball. The rest of the starters combined to shoot 33 percent from the field including 0 for 10 from beyond the arc. If the Eagles repeat these numbers against Baylor, then they will have a very difficult time keeping up.

Baylor will hope to have freshman center Isaiah Austin back for this game. Austin rolled his ankle after landing on a defender's foot during Baylor's game against Lehigh. While head coach Scott Drew said that the injury did not appear to be too serious, he also said it was too early to tell.

"[Isaiah] is rehabbing hard," Drew said. "Hopefully we can get him back. I'm hoping for Charleston, obviously, but it's still too early to know for sure."

Despite playing just 17 minutes in the first two games due to the injury, Austin was named the Big 12 newcomer of the week.

The Bears would like to have their 7-footer back to help defend Boston College's 7-footer Dennis Clifford. Clifford finished Boston College's first game with 12 points on six-of-eight shooting and five rebounds in just 18 minutes. He also recorded three blocks in the game.

With Anderson and Clifford down low, Baylor's interior defense will have to be strong. Luckily for Baylor, the team has recorded 15 blocks in its two games, including eight from junior forward Cory Jefferson.

Since the Eagles play two strong players in the frontcourt, three guards round out the rest of the starting five, but the experience is less than common.

Baylor starts three guards also, but all of them have a lot of experience.

Seniors A.J. Walton and Jackson and junior Brady Heslip all have more experience than each of Boston College's guards.

"I feel like I'm playing with the best guards in the nation," freshman forward Rico Gathers said. "That was one of my main reasons for wanting to come here and play for Baylor. Because I knew they had a fire point guard. It's a blessing."

# No. 1 Baylor signs four for 2013-2014

By KRISTA PIRTLE  
SPORTS EDITOR

For defending national champion Baylor, the best way to continue its excellence after graduating 6-foot-8-inch phenom Brittney Griner is to recruit and sign the top-ranked high school players from Tennessee and Texas and the younger sister of a current starter. Yesterday, the Lady Bears did just that.

Nina David, 6-foot-1-inch forward from Memphis, Tenn., is No. 1 in the state and No. 7 nationally at her position. Last season as a junior, she averaged 19.4 points, 9.0 rebounds, 2.5 assists and 3.6 steals while leading her high school to the 3A state title.

"Nina is a lefty that can play a variety of positions," Mulkey said. "She is tough-nosed, physical and athletic and will bring that grittiness to our program. Nina has a motor that will not quit and she doesn't mind mixing it up. In addition, she is a strong student."

Imani Wright, 5-foot-11-inch guard from Hooks, Texas is also the top-ranked player in her state and No. 7 at her position nationally.

Last season as a junior, Wright averaged 16.0 points, 11.8 rebounds and 3.5 assists a game. Wright is also a jumper and sprinter, winning five gold medals at the UIL state track meet during her time in high school.

"Imani is the epitome of a student-athlete, she is an unbelievable person and her work ethic and self-motivation will serve our program

well, both on and off the court," Mulkey said. "She is a young lady mature beyond her years. Athletically, Imani brings us size and the ability to score in a variety of ways. We also see her as being a good defender due to her leaping and sprinting ability."

Breanna Hayden, 5-foot-10-inch guard from Dallas, is the younger sister of current starter, senior guard Kimetria Hayden.

As a junior, Hayden averaged 26.0 points and 9.0 rebounds a game.

She is ranked No. 13 at her position.

"BreBre is much like her sister in that she is a tenacious and fearless competitor," Mulkey said. "She brings mental toughness and versatility to our program. Because of her high basketball IQ, she will be able to play multiple positions. The Hayden family has instilled hard work and toughness into their family and we will see those same attributes in BreBre."

Rounding out the signees is Khadijah Cave, 6-foot-4-inch post from Augusta, Georgia. She averaged 17.3 points, 12.0 rebounds, 4.0 blocks and 5.0 steals per game while shooting 56 percent from the floor. Cave is also a softball pitcher, 400 runner and a member of the cross-country team.

"Khadijah is a long post player with athleticism and speed," Mulkey said. "She will give us a presence that we will not have at that point. KK is hard working, has a strong work ethic and has a strong desire to reach her potential at the highest level."

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# One more member of Bush clan hits Texas political radar

By WILL WEISSERT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas — George P. Bush’s father has issued a fundraising letter asking donors to open their pocketbooks because his son “is considering” running for Texas land commissioner, though a political strategist for the younger Bush said Wednesday that no final decision has been made.

A rising star among Hispanic conservatives, George Prescott Bush is the grandson of one president and nephew of another. He made headlines last week by filing “appointment of a campaign treasurer” forms with the Texas Ethics Commission — the first step toward seeking statewide office.

The forms did not say which office Bush plans to seek. Political strategist Trey Newton would say only that Bush is mulling a run for land commissioner, attorney general or comptroller, most likely in 2014.

The letter from Bush’s father, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, suggested he had settled on land commissioner, which is often a stepping stone to higher office in Texas.



George P. Bush speaks with Florida State University students In this Sept. 17 photo before beginning a bus tour in Tallahassee, Fla. A Texas official on Thursday said Bush, nephew of former President George W. Bush, has made a campaign filing that is required for someone to run for office in his home state.

“The office that George is considering running for is Land Commissioner which oversees the mineral rights, commercial real estate

owned and sovereign submerged lands of the state of Texas, as well as veterans’ affairs and historic archives,” he wrote.

The letter concluded, “What can I say? I am proud of my son. I hope you will write a personal check.”

But Newton later issued a clarification: “As Governor Bush stated, George P. is considering running for Texas Land Commissioner, however no firm decision has been made.”

“We have said from day one that George P. is looking where he can best serve the state and people of Texas which includes considering Texas Land Commissioner as well as Attorney General, Texas Comptroller and other statewide positions,” he said in an emailed statement responding to the letter. “Right now, the organization is in an exploratory process,” Newton continued, “where George P. is travelling the state meeting with Texans about how best to serve.”

Bush, a 36-year-old attorney from Fort Worth, is a Spanish-speaker whose mother, Columba, is originally from Mexico. He is deputy finance chairman of the Republican Party of Texas. His uncle is George W. Bush, who was Texas’ governor before becoming president. His grandfather is George H.W. Bush.

Hispanics account for two-thirds of Texas’ population growth over the last decade and now make

up 35 percent of its population. A Democrat has not won statewide office in Texas since 1994, but Bush may want to see who else in the Republican Party is running before settling on a race.

Gov. Rick Perry and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst are both eying re-election runs in 2014. Perry has held the governor’s office since December 2000, and Dewhurst has been in his post for a decade.

That’s sparked a logjam among GOP statewide officeholders, many of whom are anxious to move up.

Attorney General Greg Abbott has raised \$14 million, presumably to run for governor.

Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson and Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples have already said they will challenge Dewhurst, while Comptroller Susan Combs and state Sen. Dan Patrick are also expected to run for lieutenant governor.

If Perry decides not to seek another term as governor, then Bush will likely want to run for attorney general. But if Abbott stays put, Bush is expected to run for land commissioner while Patterson campaigns for lieutenant governor.

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send money in their name and in Baylor’s name.”

Carpenter said the event isn’t all about addressing letters, however.

“We also have a lot of entertainment,” Carpenter said. “We’re giving away tons of prizes, about \$400 worth from local businesses. We’ll have music and games and a photo booth. It’ll be a really fun time.”

Some of the games and entertainment will be “Minute to Win it” style games like Mummified, a partner game where one person wraps the other person in toilet paper, and fish bowl, which is a game where participants toss ping pong

balls into fish bowls and whoever gets the most ping pong balls into the fish bowls wins. All the winners receive a prize. Some of the prizes include a Baylor basketball signed by Brittney Griner, a football signed by the Baylor football team and a baseball signed by the Baylor baseball team.

Carpenter said Up’ til Dawn is important to her personally because of the prevalence of cancer in people’s lives.

“Cancer pretty much affects everyone, but when you see these children that are being diagnosed with these fatal diseases, you want

them to be able to have a future,” Carpenter said. “It’s so sad to me that some of these children won’t have a future. I don’t want cost to be the reason for that. Up’ til Dawn is a great way to raise money and give children a future.”

Weslaco senior Brianna Smith, the other co-president, said the organization helps her serve others.

“I’ve always wanted to help kids, but being an undergraduate, you can’t do much beside raise money,” Smith said. “St. Jude treats kids with cancer for free, and even though it takes millions of dollars to run a hospital, even if you raise

\$25, it still helps.”

Smith has been involved in Up’ til Dawn since her sophomore year.

“My sophomore year we raised \$13,000, and last year we raised \$24,000,” Smith said. “We did a lot and we learned a lot.”

Smith said the increase could be attributed to increased participation, which led to more letters being answered and more donations given to St. Jude.

Smith said students who can’t come to the finale event are still encouraged to get involved with Up’ til Dawn.

“They can email us at uptil-

dawn@baylor.edu or like us on Facebook,” Smith said. “We’re also planning on doing something smaller in the spring, and we always do bake sales and car washes.”

Smith said students who want to address letters but can’t go to the finale event on Friday should also email uptildawn@baylor.edu.

“They can email us so we just meet with them and give them their letters,” Smith said. “A lot of board members are more than willing to meet up with individuals and groups.”

Smith said the finale event will be superhero-themed to go along

with the theme “Be a Hero, Save a Life.”

“At the event we’ll have different tables with superheroes, and they’re fighting a disease,” Smith said.

St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital is a pediatric cancer treatment and research hospital in Memphis, Tenn. They provide treatment for children with cancer and help provide living accommodations for their families using money raised through donations and fundraisers on the hospital’s behalf. No family ever pays for treatment at St. Jude.

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a part of the translation.

“I’m very, very happy to see this translation in a book and knowing many people will enjoy it,” Saad Saadi said. “Thousands of people will enjoy it.”

Saad Saadi said his family enjoyed the work of translating the Bible and each had something to contribute to the translation.

Abdul-Massih Saadi’s knowledge of Greek and Hebrew, his

brother’s knowledge of the Arabic and Syriac language and their mother’s help listening and giving feedback on their translations helped complete the work.

“We were enjoying the work together,” Saad Saadi said. “It’s like we were enjoying each other on the table of Jesus.”

Saad Saadi said he personally felt called by God to contribute to the translation.

“This was the most enjoyable task I’ve ever gotten involved in and I want to thank God for giving me this chance, this gracious chance, to serve his word to translate and to reach more people in the world,” Saad Saadi said.

Abdul-Massih Saadi said he and his brother repeatedly read their translations to their mother, Evelyn Saadi, and asked her to repeat it back to them in her own

words.

“We read it for her multiple times,” Saadi said. “She would repeat whatever we told her in our own words and we got that as our feedback.”

Abdul-Massih Saadi translated for his mother as she remarked on her experiences working on the Bible translation.

She said she remembered reading the translations to people who

were illiterate because they wanted to make sure people from all walks of life understood their translations.

“Some of the illiterate people enjoyed it and they were telling us, ‘Without you, we would not be able to understand,’” Evelyn Saadi said. “They suggested us to put the gospels on audio so they can listen. They were saying that we were the only source for this. They were

happy about it too and of course we were happy and ultimately this is the happiness of God that he’s provided to us and wants us to share.”

Abdul-Massih Saadi said they are currently translating the Old Testament and hope to publish some Old Testament books such as the Book of Psalms by the time the second edition of the New Testament comes out.

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Jon Kaplan, 63, another local tea party member, said the petitions reflect the extreme polarization of America, and a gut reaction to the re-election of President Barack Obama.

“Most of us would not have imagined we’d see a call for secession in our lifetimes. We might have thought it was a kooky movement, but we’ve reached the point

where a significant number of people are taking this seriously,” he said. “People wonder, ‘Have we lost the country?’”

James Henson, director of the Texas Politics Project at the University of Texas at Austin, said the latest secession impulse follows a long Texas tradition.

“There is this idealization of Texas nationalism and Texas po-

litical history that resonates and is amplified by opposition in Texas to the president,” he said.

Because of the tools of the electronic age, he said, the anger of a tiny minority of Texans is being exaggerated.

But, Henson said, it’s unlikely to have even temporary, much less lasting significance.

“It has no policy relevance

whatsoever. While the notion of national citizenship in the United States was not universally accepted in the early days of the country, the issue was settled by the Civil War and the 14th amendment. People might float an alternative concept, but it has no basis in legal or political reality,” he said.

David Crockett, a political science professor at Trinity Universi-

ty, likewise predicted a swift disappearance of the secession bubble.

“This is just a link the White House put on its website to show the government is being transparent. It’s a way for people to contact their government. Ho, ho, ho,” he said with a sarcastic chuckle.

Crockett said that, while creating online secession petitions is an “amusing and conspicuous way to

vent,” it does little to advance the political cause or broaden the conversation.

“You get back out there and make your causes more palatable to people. You fight harder. You get better candidates, as opposed to doing something like this,” he said. “I’m not saying you don’t have the right to do this, but it’s just blowing off steam.”

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