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Phi Alpha Theta is holding a book sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. today in front of the Tidwell Bible Building. Books will start at 50 cents each.

Know your money

Student Financial Services is hosting a workshop titled "Understanding Student Loans" from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. today in the Beckham Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center. The workshop, which is for freshmen, aims to help students manage their finances. A second workshop for upperclassmen will be held from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Feb. 28.

A big day of service

Students, staff and faculty will gather with the Waco community on April 13 to give service to the greater Waco area for Steppin' Out. Registration is taking place now until March 26. To sign up, visit baylor.edu/steppinout.



Professors unite against concealed carry

By LINDA WILKINS
CITY EDITOR

Baylor professors have signed and filed a letter in opposition to Sen. Bill 128, filed by Texas Senator Brian Birdwell on Jan. 17. The bill would allow students to carry concealed weapons on college campuses.

Dr. Blake Burleson, a senior lecturer in the religion department, and Dr. Robin Wallace, a professor of musicology in the School of Music, took the letter and the 120 signatures by Baylor faculty and staff to Birdwell's office Monday.

The letter was a collaborative effort between Burleson and Wallace that began a week ago.

"We found out about this bill and we were concerned that bringing guns onto campus would not make the campus safer," Burleson said. "In fact, we think that bringing guns onto campus will actually make the campus more dangerous."



LINDA WILKINS | CITY EDITOR

Dr. Blake Burleson (left) and Dr. Robin Wallace stand before they turn in a letter on Monday to Texas Sen. Brian Birdwell's office in opposition to a concealed carry bill filed by Birdwell on Jan. 17.

After they completed the letter, it began circulating among Baylor professors almost immediately.

"It's not a systematic campaign," Burleson said. "It's really

been word of mouth, so 120 signatures in such a brief time gives you some indication of the widespread support. It's really just the tip of the iceberg."

Wallace said they discussed

the bill with other professors and faculty in order to write the letter.

"This was done by having discussed this issue extensively with colleagues both here and at other universities," Wallace said. "Opposition to a bill like this is as close to unanimous as you're going to have on any issue."

All of the 120 signatures that Burleson and Wallace gave to Birdwell's office Monday were Baylor faculty and staff. Wallace said the next step is for the faculty and professors at McLennan Community College to read the letter and have the chance to sign it.

Burleson said in a statement Monday that the signers of the letter include Republicans, Democrats and Independents.

He also said there are three main reasons he, along with the other signers of the letter, believes the bill is not a good idea.

"First, we believe that allowing students to bring deadly weapons into classrooms will be disruptive

to the educational process where the free exchange of ideas is essential and fervent debate is encouraged," Burleson said.

Wallace also said he believes a safe environment would not be possible with the passage of this bill.

"My concern is also that it violates what to me is the most fundamental aspect of what I do, which is to create a safe environment where people feel comfortable expressing themselves and being themselves," Wallace said. "I cannot imagine doing that in a classroom where I know people could be carrying a concealed weapon."

In addition, Baylor Police Chief Jim Doak said the job of trained officers could be made more difficult.

Doak said officers are not going to target a person just because they have a gun but in a situation with live gunfire, there is very little

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Students support Special Olympics basketball teams in Russell Gym

By LARISSA CAMPOS
REPORTER

Baylor students lined the walls of Russell Gym and cheered on six Special Olympics teams walking in behind their team's banner.

To kick off the Area 12 Special Olympics basketball tournament at Baylor this weekend, the teams made a lap around the gym and enjoyed the cheers and applause from their fans before competition began.

"The opening ceremony was so cool to watch," said Colleyville junior Kat Ludlow. "They made it kind of like the Olympics and had a torch that was passed from one team to another. It was a special moment for the athletes."

Baylor has a Special Olympics volunteer group that puts on several events in conjunction with Area 12-Heart of Texas Special Olympics every year.

The tournament was a two-day event starting on Friday afternoon and finishing on Saturday. Dr. Margaret Woody, professor

of health, human performance and recreation and director of human performance, was in charge of the event. With the help of student volunteers, she was able to give the athletes a weekend of competitive basketball and the chance to interact with other Special Olympic athletes from the Waco area.

Woody stressed how important having volunteers is. She said without people volunteering to come and help out, the event wouldn't have even been possible. She was very thankful for the students that took time out of their busy schedules to come out and make the weekend special.

The Baylor volunteers were in charge of a variety of jobs throughout the weekend. Some helped set up and clean up the gyms before and after the event. Some worked the score tables during the games. But most of the volunteers were assigned to be fans of the teams and sit on their

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MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Waco resident Ronnie Buskner participates in the Special Olympics basketball game on Saturday in Russell Gymnasium.



PAUL CARR | DIRECTOR OF STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

High flying

Cypress junior Brittany Vincitore competes on the beam for the Baylor Club Gymnastics team Saturday at Texas A&M. Four Baylor gymnasts joined 84 other club sport competitors from 12 universities, including A&M, Texas, Texas Tech, Oklahoma, UMHB and Texas State. The Baylor Club Gymnastics team is hosting a meet from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at Zero Gravity in Hewitt. Admission is \$5, but students and faculty get in free with a Baylor ID.

BU grad studies neurology abroad as Fulbright Scholar

By KATE MCGUIRE
STAFF WRITER

Being able to travel, study what you love, and have fun at the same time may seem impossible, but to Rachel Cliburn, it's all in a day's work.

Currently in the Netherlands, Rachel Cliburn is an outgoing, positive person who enjoys the study of addiction and its effects on the brain.

Cliburn said that while studying abroad in Maastricht, she wanted to learn about being a Fulbright Scholar and saw that the University of Maastricht of-

fered a program where she could earn her master's.

"She was aware it was a fine university. She worked with professors to put together a winning application," Elizabeth Vardaman, Associate Dean for Special Academic Projects, said.

Vardaman said Cliburn was disciplined and had support from her faculty members.

"One of her greatest attributes was that she was a very grateful and gracious person. She was very disciplined. And very grateful for the support she received from her faculty members," Vardaman said.

During her last few years at

Baylor, Cliburn started studying how people make predictions even when they don't know the situation or outcome.

Dr. Charles Weaver, professor of psychology and neuroscience at Baylor, said Rachel focused on researching whether people know they don't know something.

Cliburn worked alongside Weaver to understand if people think this way or not by developing her own thesis and researching literature for about three months.

"She was always a very serious

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Leave grades standardized: An A should be an A

Editorial

Grades are important to everyone. Whether they're worried about getting into graduate school, law school or even into the work force, grades are important. The academic scholarships most students have are also contingent upon maintaining a certain grade point average.

Academic distinctions, honors and societies are all dependent on maintaining a certain GPA, a certain ratio of A's to B's to everything else. It's hard enough to maintain our GPAs without having to worry about each professor trying to re-define the grading scale.

Baylor currently has a fairly standard grading scale in place: 90 and above is an A, 88-89 is a B+, 80-88 is a B, 78-79 is a C+, 70-78 is a C, 60-69 is a D and 59 and below is an F.

This is the grading scale students expect to have going into a class, but then occasionally, you walk into a class and a professor decides to deviate from this standard.

One of the most frustrating deviations, more so than when pro-

fessors decide to do away with the plus system in their class, is when a professor dictates a student must get at least a 93 in order to get an A in the class.

It's hard enough trying to get above a 90 in many classes.

“We work hard to earn our grades and we’re shorted when a professor doesn’t give us the grade we would have earned in practically any other class without a skewed grading scale.”

When a graduate school, law school or medical school admissions committee looks at a student's application and sees a big fat B for a class, it's not going to matter whether that B was a 92 or if it was an 80. All that committee sees is that it's a B.

When an employer sees a GPA or a transcript, there are no numerical grades there, just a letter grade. All of that student's hard

work is condensed into a letter grade. That's bad enough, so why try to blur the lines between letter grades? Why make it so ambiguous?

There are many other ways to redistribute grades so they fall into a normal distribution curve. Raising the cutoff for an A is not going to help normalize the distribution of grades any more than keeping the cutoff for an A at 90.

From a student's perspective, it just doesn't make sense. We work hard to earn our grades and we're shorted when a professor doesn't give us the grade we would have earned in practically any other class without a skewed grading scale.

The grading system should be standardized. Professors shouldn't just decide that they aren't going to give A's for 90's. Students should be able to enter a class on the first day and say, "If I make a 90, I'll make an A."

At the very least, students should be able to enter a class and know, before a syllabus is given, what an A is.

While a professor should be able to lower the threshold to earn an A, raising of the threshold is deceiving and can really affect students who work hard.



Duke it out: Mutual combat duels still allowed in Texas

It was only a few days ago that I found out one of the most interesting things about Texas. Did you know Texas still has a mutual combat law? In essence, dueling is still legal according to sections 22.01 and 22.06 in the Texas penal code.

The law states that any two individuals who feel the need to fight can agree to mutual combat through a signed for or even just verbal or implied communication and have at it (fists only, however). As long as no "serious" bodily injury occurs and both participants know what degree of risk they are hazardous, mutual combat is a defense for a criminal or civil suit that may be leveled against you.

Several states still have this as an active law, but the restrictions vary. For example, in California, the law is only applicable under the authority of a professional fighting association. But not in Texas!

I was decided on my career as a journalist until I made this discovery through a random Internet search and the chance reading of a few comments on Reddit. Now that I know dueling is still legal, there is no reason for me to pursue truth and justice through words.

Forget hoping that more people will muster the wherewithal to pick up a newspaper and get informed on important issues. Forget arguing with people through editori-

als and columns on problems we can't really solve. As a result of this discovery I've decided to shed the veneer of civility and educated reason and replace it with the simplest answer to everything: physical violence.

I can easily see how things might escalate between two parties who seriously think they're going to fight and not reap any legal consequences. But what if the restric-

and last course of action in any conflict, then we would have our arguments, fight with respect and honor and leave the problems at the door the next day. But alas, I dream. I also have dreams where everyone knows kung fu and can speak any language they want with no effort.

I suppose it's too much to ask that our modern, supposedly more civilized society, not degenerate every argument into childish slap-fests or passive aggressive actions that only make things worse for everyone involved. The world we live in is way too complicated and trivial to ever have the seamless coordination and equal codes of honor all around that I envision. And perhaps the prolific use of automatic weapons since their invention has complicated things.

But now that you know about this law, think twice about the next argument you have with a friend (or enemy). It may just save your relationship. You can decide not to complicate matters with excuses and rack your brain for eloquent (or not so eloquent) arguments and instead duel (the legal way) and accept the outcome.

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Ashley Davis | Copy Editor

tions for this law were the ultimate code of honor? What if honor in a fair fight was still a respectable way to handle disagreements? Wouldn't it be beautiful? In a perfect world, if mutual combat was the first

A truce proposal for bikers, motorists and pedestrians

As someone who rides their bicycle on campus, I apologize to motorists and pedestrians.

On my way to campus, I bolt through six blocks of traffic, speed through three stop signs and hardly glance left or right the entire time. I'm already late for class because I overestimated my biking ability, so I'll be going pretty fast. If I have to get across Fountain Mall, I part the migration of students on the two narrow sidewalks like Moses parting the Red Sea.

Behind me, the path of my destruction can be seen in the skid marks of cars and dropped books of students. My headphones are in at full blast, so you shouldn't bother honking or trying to get my attention.

Are you on a longboard? Better stay out of my way; you're moving too slow! Is there another cyclist on the road? Instinctively, I start a middle-of-the-road, 12 mph race, ignoring walkers in our path or cars behind us.

Is that a moped? Those guys are cheaters! They don't know how much work it is to ride a bike back and forth from class. I don't care if they get over 100 miles per gallon; my 200-calorie bike ride is better for the environment, right?

I know this is somewhat of an exaggeration, but cyclist, motor-

ists and walkers definitely don't get along. I honestly think riding my bike to school makes me a worse human being. I don't know for sure, but I would say that I have an extremely angry facial expression whenever I ride my bike to and from class.

I become hypersensitive of everyone else's actions. It makes me mad! I can't keep living like this!



Travis Taylor | Lariat Photographer

So, as a cyclist, I propose a truce with all pedestrians and motorists. All we have to do is follow a few simple rules:

- Motorists, please just yield to bikes. Yes, we understand that

we are a huge pain. We never signal our turns appropriately. We randomly swerve into the middle of the road. We have no sense of what is around us. But if you see us, just keep that foot on the brake. We promise to get better.

- Cyclists, keep the headphones on low. Look around once in a while. At least have the common courtesy to gradually slow down at an intersection.
- Cyclist and motorists, yield to pedestrians. Ending up on someone's hood is not a good way to start the day when you are walking to class.
- Pedestrians, just keep doing what you are doing. As a cyclist, the most annoying thing to run into (sometimes literally) is an indecisive walker. If you see a cyclist coming your way, just keep walking in the same direction at the same speed. We see you, and we will go around you. I understand that I cannot speak for every cyclist on campus, but in general, we prefer to move out of the pedestrian's way and not the other way around. And finally...
- Always yield to Brittney Griner. Always.

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AN APP MADE FOR A BEAR.



DIY: Tree of Life Necklace

DIY PROJECT



By LINDA NGUYEN
A&E EDITOR

When I saw this necklace on Etsy, I immediately wanted one, but I was not going to pay \$75 no matter how much it was calling my name. So I Googled the name hoping to find some instructions on how to make one for myself. I found a YouTube video with step-by-step instructions. The YouTube video explains this DIY the best, but I've tried my best to write out the steps and include what I did differently.



LINDA NGUYEN | LARIAT A&E EDITOR
Completed Tree of Life Necklace

Tree of Life Necklace (adapted from CamilleSharon's YouTube tutorial)

What you need:

- 16 gauge wire (5 pieces at 8-9 inches each and one piece at 6 inches)
- 24 gauge wire (one at 8 inches)
- Beads (I just bought a string of beads at a craft store)
- Pliers
- Something circular to form the hoop around (I used a water bottle)

Instructions:

1. Take the 16 gauge wire and make a loop around one end. She uses a pair of round-nose pliers for this but really a regular pair of pliers would do the trick as well. Or you can invest in a set of crafting pliers. I bought my set for about \$10 at Hobby Lobby. Shape the rest of the wire into a circle forming your frame. Make a loop going in the opposite direction on the other end of the wire.
2. The next step was actually the trickiest part for me, but you're going to essentially wire the two ends together. You accomplish this by taking the smaller, six in. piece of wire, threading it through one of the loops you made and twisting it around a couple times. Then you bring the two ends together and twist the wire around both ends a few times. Finally you twist the wire around the other looped end a few times, securing the wire. After that, you can cut off the excess wire.
3. Now you should have a hoop

with two loops at the top. Next you're going to take one of the 16 gauge wire pieces, fold it in half and twist it around the hoop. Twist it a couple times to secure it to the hoop, but don't over-twist or you'll break the wire. Then you're going to string the beads on. This is where I started diverging from the video. Since my hoop was smaller, I didn't need as many beads as she was using, nor did I use as much wire as she was using. I've found that the best way to do this pendant is to put half the wire branches on one side and the other half on the other side, so you don't have to worry about try to move the branches to the other side of the pendant at the end. You can secure the wires all at once or do the branches one at a time. I typically do the branches one at a time.

4. Next you're going to add the beads to the branch wires. This can be modified any way you want, but for this necklace, the order I used from left to right is 3-4-4-5-5 with three branches on the left side and two on the right side. This is entirely dependent on the size of your frame and the size of your beads. I like to eyeball it while I'm working on it so there are just enough beads. Also since the branches are divided in two, I split the number of beads further so I ended up stringing the beads 1-2-2-2-2-2-2-3-2-3.

5. I preferred to do one branch at a time, and from the middle out. So after you string the beads, twist wire to hold the beads in place. Eventually, you'll have five branches with beads on them.

6. Now you have some more creative freedom. You're going to twist the excess wires together to form the trunk of the tree until you almost reach the bottom.

7. Then you're going to fan out the wires and twist them around the bottom of the hoop to form the "roots." Don't worry about being too exact because it's a tree and imperfections add to the beauty of the piece.

8. Finally string a chain through the top loop of the hoop and you're done.

In her video, she makes a two in diameter pendant. I thought it was a little big for me, so I shaped the hoop smaller to make the pendant smaller. The hoop ends up being the outer frame of the pendant. Therefore I used fewer branch wires and beads than she did in her tutorial.

This project has become one of my go-to projects for unique gifts and the tediousness of twisting the wire, adding the beads, shaping the necklace makes it also ideal when I need something to take my mind off of school and relax a little.

I gave this project a difficulty rating 4.5/5 because of the attention to detail involved in twisting the wires and shaping the pendant.

Baylor shakes it up in Founders Mall

By TAYLOR REXRODE
STAFF WRITER

On Diadeloso in 1996, Baylor hosted its first on-campus dance, forever lifting a ban on dancing at the largest Baptist university in the world.

Now nearly 17 years later, students dance to the beat of their own drum by the hundreds in banana suits, sombreros, Speedos and other costumes.

Students shuffled to the "Harlem Shake," a 30-second, "anything goes" dance, at 4 p.m. Friday. They danced on and around the Judge Baylor statue in Founders Mall, wielding cut-outs of Queen Elizabeth and President Ken Starr, CPR dummies, foam swords and Baylor paraphernalia.

Carlsbad, N.M., junior Kevin Freeman coordinated the Baylor Harlem Shake event on Facebook after watching these gone-viral dance videos on YouTube.

"I thought it was pretty funny," Freeman said. "I thought, 'Hey, it would be cool if Baylor did that,' so I planned it on Tuesday."

What started as a Facebook invitation to 20 friends quickly turned into a Facebook group with more than 800 confirmed attendees. At the event, nearly 300 people showed up in costumes ready to shake it up.

Austin freshman Kristenella Chilinski, who started the dance wearing a bear coat inspired by the television series "Workaholics," said dances like the Harlem Shake go viral for their oddity.

"I think it's the really strange, unique things that go viral," Chilinski said. "Everyone wanted to make a Harlem Shake video so it became popular. It was a chance to have a lot of fun and meet new people. People wanted to take the



Baylor students participate in a Harlem Shake Video on Friday. Students dressed up in costumes and danced in Founders Mall.

chance."

Shreveport, La., senior Dylan Greenleaf danced at the top of the Judge Baylor statue wearing rainbow-colored shorts. He said he believes that the video shows Baylor students letting loose and showing the fun side of Baylor student life.

"I think most people have a perception of Baylor that the students won't do crazy stuff," Greenleaf said. "Baylor students are just as crazy as everyone else. They want to have a good time. A lot of

freshmen were able to come as well as people off-campus. The turnout shows that several people from all classifications came to have a good time."

Dickinson senior Casey Floyd, who filmed the Harlem Shake, said he agrees that people will see Baylor in a positive light with the video.

"If people look at us as a strictly Christian college that has a no-fun vibe to it, then it could change their opinions," Floyd said. "I think

people will think Baylor kids know how to have fun."

Most of all, students believe that the dance itself shows how important it is to dance and go crazy despite other people's opinions.

"I like how everyone just goes completely crazy and how no one cares what anyone else does," Greenleaf said. "I like all the crazy costumes. Everyone is wearing crazy clothes so no one is judging you for looking insane. That's the best part."

Researchers examine link between violent entertainment and aggressive behavior

By REBECCA KEEGAN
LOS ANGELES TIMES
Via McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

As part of a broader gun control plan he announced last month, President Obama said he will push Congress to fund research into the causes of gun violence - including, potentially, the role of entertainment.

Researchers have been tackling the subject of links between violent entertainment and violent behavior for years, often coming to divergent conclusions.

Here are a few intriguing findings:
In a 2009 study called "Comfortably Numb," psychologists at the University of Michigan, Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam and Iowa State University found that exposure to violent media numbs people to the pain and suffering of others.

In one part, 320 college students played a violent or a nonviolent video game for 20 minutes. Afterward, while they completed a lengthy

questionnaire, participants heard a loud fight in which someone was injured outside the lab.

Those who played the violent games took 450 percent longer to help the injured victim, rated the fight as less serious and were less likely to hear the fight in comparison to participants who played nonviolent games.

In the second part of the study, 162 adults attending violent and nonviolent movies witnessed a young woman with an injured ankle struggle to pick up her crutches outside the theater.

Those who had just watched the violent movie took 26 percent longer to help than those who hadn't.

In 2008, economists at UC Berkeley and UC San Diego presented a paper that credits violent films with actually making the nation safer, because of a phenomenon they called "voluntary incapacitation" - essentially, when potential criminals were in dark theaters chomping on popcorn, they were less likely to commit acts of violence.

Studying crime data and film release schedules between 1995 and 2004, the researchers found that on weekends when violent films were in theaters, the number of assaults in the U.S. decreased by about 1,000. "The results emphasize that media exposure affects behavior not only via content, but also because it changes time spent in alternative activities," the researchers wrote.

In 2008, psychologists at Texas A&M University studied 428 undergraduate students, measuring their aggression levels, video game habits, exposure to family violence and violent criminal behavior through a series of questionnaires. The strongest predictors of violent criminal behavior were a male gender and exposure to physical abuse. Once those factors were controlled for, playing violent video games was not a predictor of criminal violence. But, researchers wrote, aggressive individuals already prone to committing violent acts may use games as a "stylistic catalyst," effectively modeling their violence on a game they've played.

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15 36-year Senator Hatch of Utah
16 Neither partner
17 Reached an agreement
19 Civil War nickname
20 Bordeaux buddy
21 Mothers on a farm
22 "I'd like to say something"
23 Thoroughly evil
28 Laundromat lineup
29 Snug as a bug in a rug
30 Followers: Suf.
31 Doesn't enunciate
33 Magazine VIPs
34 Very eager
38 Atty.'s group
41 Naval slammers
42 Peril
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48 Family support group for some rehab patients
50 "My pleasure!"
53 Squeezes (out)
54 "___ Yankees"
55 California ball club, in sports crawl lines
56 Census datum
57 Sibling who stereotypically feels left out, and a hint to the little one hiding in 17-, 23-, 34- and 50-Across
61 Having four sharps, in music
62 Bit of broccoli
63 Singer Tennessee ___ Ford
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25 Letter-shaped fasteners
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27 Pump name seen in Canada
31 Stretch
32 Fireplace fuel
35 Wind in the orchestra
36 Walked all over
37 Air___: Florida-based carrier
38 Memory malady
39 Shelf support
40 Took over, as territory
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44 Horn of Africa country
45 Prepared for baking, as bread dough
47 French possessive
48 [Sigh!]
49 With 58-Down, judge in '90s news
51 Not in a predictable way
52 Spills the beans
56 Haus husband
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59 "The ___ Patrick Show": sports talk program
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No. 1 Lady Bears win at UConn

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No. 1 Lady Bears defeated No. 3 UConn 76-70 in front of a sell-out crowd in Connecticut Monday night. Everybody in the stands wore pink in support of the Play 4Kay Challenge to support breast cancer awareness.

“It is a great game that we agreed to play, but it’s great for fans, it’s great for TV and it’s great for women’s basketball,” head coach Kim Mulkey said.

Despite only scoring four points in the first half, senior center Brittney Griner scored 21 in the second half, reaching another milestone Monday night with 3,000 career points. She is only the eight person in women’s Division I history to achieve this mark.

Connecticut asserted itself ear-

ly. Baylor struggled in the opening minutes, shooting 1-6 in the first four minutes as Connecticut’s zone defense put pressure on Baylor. Connecticut went on a 12-2 run as they outrebounded Baylor early in the game with their physical presence. However, Baylor responded and went on a 7-0 run.

Both teams turned the ball over multiple times with early travel calls, but they settled down and began to play physical ball without turnovers.

The game got physical as senior forward Destiny Williams was hit in the face, causing a contact to fall out of her eye.

Baylor’s defense left Connecticut scoreless for about four minutes, but Connecticut head coach Geno Auriemma called a timeout and as a result, its offense picked up the pace, scoring five quick points

after Baylor was within four. Connecticut had success when they engaged Griner. When Mulkey took Griner out, the offense began to free up and score. However, Mulkey put Griner back in and the offense and she draw defenders in to get her teammates open shots. Baylor ended the half going on a 8-2 run as junior guard Odyssey Sims stole the ball and passed it to Hayden for the a score.

Griner got a flagrant foul just after the start of the second half, extending the lead. Connecticut made both free throws, but Baylor came back, scoring eight quick points. The lead change went back and forth as Connecticut and Baylor made back-to-back 3-point jumpers.

With 12:05 left in the game, Baylor’s offense picked up as they scored 21 points in the half com-

pared to the 26 points they had the whole first half. Connecticut went back to zone defense, but Griner found the gap and scored. Both all-Americans asserted themselves, becoming a factor in the second half.

Just as it seems that Baylor will run away with the game, Connecticut scored four quick points to cut the lead to two. Baylor responded as Griner made a 2-point jumper, making her just two points shy of 3,000 points.

Connecticut made a 3-point jumper with 26 seconds left, but after a clutch free throw by Williams Baylor went on to win. After shooting for 27 percent in the first half, Baylor shot 61 percent in the second half to come out on top.

The Lady Bears will next take on Texas at noon Saturday in the Ferrell Center.



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Senior forward Destiny Williams goes for a rebound Monday night against No. 3 UConn. The Bears won the game 76-70.

NBA legend Buss dies at 80

By GREG BEACHAM
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LOS ANGELES — Jerry Buss, the Los Angeles Lakers’ playboy owner who shepherded the NBA team to 10 championships from the Showtime dynasty of the 1980s to the Kobe Bryant era, died Monday. He was 80.

He died at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, said Bob Steiner, his assistant.

Buss had been hospitalized for most of the past 18 months while undergoing cancer treatment, but the immediate cause of death was kidney failure, Steiner said.

With his condition worsening in recent weeks, several prominent former Lakers visited Buss to say goodbye.

Famers Abdul-Jabbar and Worthy formed lifelong bonds with Buss during the Lakers’ run to five titles in nine years in the 1980s, when the Lakers earned a reputation as basketball’s most exciting team with their flamboyant Showtime style.

The buzz extended throughout the Forum, where Buss used the Laker Girls, a brass band and promotions to keep Los Angeles fans interested in all four quarters of their games.

Courtside seats, priced at \$15 when he bought the Lakers, became the hottest tickets in Hollywood — and they still are, with fixture Jack Nicholson and many other celebrities attending every home game.

Worthy tweeted that Buss was “not only the greatest sports owner, but a true friend & just a really cool guy. Loved him dearly.”

After a rough stretch of the 1990s for the Lakers, Jackson led O’Neal and Bryant to a three-peat from 2000-02, rekindling the Lakers’ mystique, before Bryant and Pau Gasol won two more titles under Jackson in 2009 and 2010.

“Today is a very sad day for all the Lakers and basketball,” Gasol tweeted. “All my support and condolences to the Buss family. Rest in peace Dr. Buss.”

He also grew to love basketball, describing himself as an “overly competitive but underly endowed player.”

The former mathematician’s fortune grew out of a \$1,000 real-estate investment in a West Los Angeles apartment building with partner Frank Mariani, an aerospace engineer and co-worker.

Heavily leveraging his fortune and various real-estate holdings, Buss purchased Cooke’s entire Los Angeles sports empire in 1979, including a 13,000-acre ranch in Kern County.

Buss cited his love of basketball as the motivation for his purchase, and he immediately worked to transform the Lakers — who had won just one NBA title since moving west from Minneapolis in 1960 — into a star-powered endeavor befitting Hollywood.

“One of the first things I tried to do when I bought the team was to make it an identification for this city, like Motown in Detroit,” he told the Los Angeles Times in 2008. “I try to keep that identification alive. I’m a real Angeleno. I want us to be part of the community.”

Buss’ plans immediately worked: Johnson, Abdul-Jabbar and coach Paul Westhead led the Lakers to the 1980 title.

Overall, the Lakers made the finals nine times in Buss’ first 12 seasons while rekindling the NBA’s best rivalry with the Boston Celtics, and Buss basked in the worldwide celebrity he received from his team’s achievements. His womanizing and partying became Hollywood legend, with even his players struggling to keep up with Buss’ lifestyle.

Johnson’s HIV diagnosis and retirement in 1991 staggered Buss and the Lakers, the owner recalled in 2011. The Lakers struggled through much of the 1990s, going through seven coaches and making just one conference finals appearance in an eight-year stretch despite the 1996 arrivals of O’Neal, who signed with Los Angeles as a free agent, and Bryant, the 17-year-old high schooler acquired in a draft-week trade.

Shaq and Kobe didn’t reach their potential until Buss persuaded Jackson, the Chicago Bulls’ six-time NBA champion coach, to take over the Lakers in 1999. Los Angeles immediately won the next three NBA titles in brand-new Staples Center, AEG’s state-of-the-art downtown arena built with the Lakers as the primary tenant.

After the Lakers traded O’Neal in 2004, they hovered in mediocrity again until acquiring Gasol in a heist of a trade with Memphis in early 2008. Los Angeles made the next three NBA finals, winning two more titles.

Buss owned the NHL’s Kings from 1979-87, and the WNBA’s Los Angeles Sparks won two league titles under Buss’ ownership. He also owned Los Angeles franchises in World Team Tennis and the Major Indoor Soccer League.

Buss’ children all have worked for the Lakers organization in various capacities for several years. Jim Buss, the Lakers’ executive vice president of player personnel and the second-oldest child, has taken over much of the club’s primary decision-making responsibilities in the last few years, while daughter Jeanie runs the franchise’s business side.

Buss is survived by six children. Arrangements are pending for a funeral and memorial services.

Baylor	Saturday Manhattan, Kan	Kansas State
61		81
45.7	FG pct.	45.5
68.8% (11-16)	Free Throws	76.9% (10-13)
30	Rebounds	33
19	Turnovers	6
Walton, 14	Lead Scorer	Rodriguez, 22

Men fall to No. 10 Kansas State

By DANIEL HILL
SPORTS WRITER

The Baylor Bears lost Saturday 81-61 to the No. 10 team in the nation, the Kansas State Wildcats. The Wildcats forced the Bears into 19 turnovers and dominated the second half of play.

Baylor played competitive basketball with Kansas State in the first half, but too many turnovers and mistakes led to the loss.

“I thought Kansas State showed why they are the 10th-ranked team in the nation,” Baylor head coach Scott Drew said. “We have done a much better job of taking care of the ball in other games and in the backcourt. K-State forced us into 19 turnovers. So, hats off to their defense. The second thing was offensive rebounding. That was disappointing. Second chance points were 15-5 [in favor of] them, and that kind of sums up the game right there.”

Kansas State rattled the Bears by playing ferocious defense and by being well prepared for the Baylor offensive attack. Sophomore point guard Angel Rodriguez and senior forward Jordan Henriquez both recorded double-doubles for Kansas State. Rodriguez was the key cog in the Wildcats’ machine as he distributed the ball to his teammates for 10 assists and had 22 points of his own. Henriquez played valuable interior defense for the Wildcats. Henriquez had 10 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks.

“They played great defense,” junior guard Brady Heslip said. “They have some seriously good defenders. (Rodney) McGruder is a very good defender. (Angel) Rodriguez gets his hands in there and tips some loose balls. I do not know how many steals those two had together, but then you have (Jordan) Henriquez with some blocked shots. I had a couple of really bad turnovers that I wish I could get back, but credit to them. They played really well. They played really good defense too.”



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Junior forward Cory Jefferson goes up for a dunk against Kansas State Saturday in Manhattan, Kan.

“The NBA has lost a visionary owner whose influence on our league is incalculable and will be felt for decades to come,” NBA Commissioner David Stern said. “More importantly, we have lost a dear and valued friend.”

Under Buss’ leadership since 1979, the Lakers became Southern California’s most beloved sports franchise and a worldwide extension of Hollywood glamour. Buss acquired, nurtured and befriended a staggering array of talented players and basketball minds during his Hall of Fame tenure.

“He was a great man and an incredible friend,” Johnson tweeted.

Few owners in sports history can approach Buss’ accomplishments with the Lakers, who made the NBA finals 16 times during his nearly 34 years in charge, winning 10 titles between 1980 and 2010. With 1,786 victories, the Lakers easily are the NBA’s winningest franchise since he bought the club, which is now run largely by Jim Buss and Jeanie Buss, two of his six children.

“We not only have lost our cherished father, but a beloved man of our community and a person respected by the world basketball community,” the Buss family said in a statement issued by the Lakers.

Buss always referred to the Lakers as his extended family, and his players rewarded his fan-like excitement with devotion, friendship and two hands full of championship rings. Working with front-office executives Jerry West, Bill Sharman and Mitch Kupchak, Buss spent lavishly to win his titles despite lacking a huge personal fortune, often running the NBA’s highest payroll while also paying high-profile coaches Pat Riley and Phil Jackson.

Always an innovative businessman, Buss paid for the Lakers through both their wild success and his own groundbreaking moves to raise revenue. He co-founded a basic-cable sports television network and sold the naming rights to the Forum at times when both now-standard strategies were unusual, further justifying his induction to the Pro Basketball Hall of Fame in 2010.

Buss was a “cornerstone of the Los Angeles sports community and his name will always be synonymous with his beloved Lakers,” Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa said. “It was through his stewardship that the Lakers brought ‘Showtime’ basketball and numerous championship rings to this great city. Today we mourn the loss and celebrate the life of a man who helped shape the modern landscape of sports in L.A.”

Johnson and fellow Hall of



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Jerry Buss smiles at the Playmate of the Year luncheon at the Playboy Mansion in 2008.

Although Buss gained fame and fortune with the Lakers, he also was a scholar, Renaissance man and bon vivant who epitomized California cool his entire public life.

Buss rarely appeared in public without at least one attractive, much younger woman on his arm at USC football games, high-stakes poker tournaments, hundreds of boxing matches promoted by Buss at the Forum — and, of course, Lakers games from his private box at Staples Center, which was built under his watch. In failing health recently, Buss hadn’t attended a Lakers game this season.

Last month, Forbes estimated the Lakers were worth \$1 billion, second most in the NBA.

Buss also helped change televised sports by co-founding the Prime Ticket network in 1985, receiving a star on Hollywood Walk of Fame in 2006 for his work in television.

Breaking the contemporary model of subscription services for televised sports, Buss’ Prime Ticket put beloved broadcaster Chick Hearn and the Lakers’ home games on basic cable.

Buss also sold the naming rights to the Forum in 1988 to Great Western Savings & Loan — another deal that was ahead of its time.

Born in Salt Lake City, Gerald Hatten Buss was raised in poverty in Wyoming before improving his life through education.

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FCS students hit Rock Bottom for real-world studies

By **ASHLEY PEREYRA**
REPORTER

The dates are set. At the end of this month, Brittney Corley, a 2006 Baylor graduate with a degree in fashion merchandising, and Dr. Rochelle R. Brunson, a Family and consumer sciences professor, will bring the classroom to the workplace. Brunson's students will experience what it is like to work and deal with problems in a real business environment. "I just feel the students need to be out," Brunson said. "You know, [the] classroom is wonderful and that is where they learn the basics. But a lot of things need another skill as well."



Corley

Corley, who is the owner of Rock Bottom Boutique in Waco, moved to Waco from College Station in 2009 with her husband. "The story behind the opening was a very rushed process. I started considering it in September and looking for a place in October. Within a couple of weeks, we

settled on my original location downtown on Austin Avenue And within six weeks, we were up and running. It was total chaos," Corley said. Soon after opening her store on Nov. 13, 2009, Scott Bryant, a lecturer in the accounting department, approached Corley about having his class work with her store. "He came to me initially, asking if he could use my store to run hand in hand with giving an example to students. Afterwards it was one class after another and it kind of evolved," Corley said. Brunson first met Corley on a site visit when one of her students interned at Rock Bottom Boutique two years ago. A few months later Brunson approached Corley again. This time it was for her Visual Merchandising and Promotion class. At first, she wanted her students to get work experience on creating front window displays. "Brittney at Rock Bottom has been exceptionally open for us to do that and it's been good for the students. Some of things they also do — instead of displaying and even merchandising — everything, the colors, what is the floor, what types of wood are used, what kind of fixtures, what lighting is used," Brunson said. "They learn what lighting is best, which is the most flattering, where you should put spots. Back and forth. It's a big pic-

ture." But last semester, the relationship expanded with Brunson's Merchandise Buying and Assortment Planning class. Brunson asked Corley to print out vendor and sales reports from the last year for her students. "They could look at specifics with fresh eyes," Brunson said. "She sees it all the time. But it was a good project for them to be able to see that maybe some of these vendors we shouldn't go back to." Brunson's classes are also scheduled to visit Target, Liberty Brand and Spice Village. Her classes are a part of the apparel merchandising undergraduate degree. Merchandise Buying and Assortment Planning will be a required course for the degree starting fall 2014. Brunson said she encourages her students to have internships with varied experiences in their field but suggests that sometimes smaller stores are a better fit. "I've worked in big stores and small stores. A lot of the time in small ones, you can learn more because you can ask questions of the owner," Brunson said. Corley offers internships to students of any major, but focuses more specifically on fashion merchandising. Corley said she believes any experience working in a store is



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The Rock Bottom Boutique, owned by Brittney Corley, is partnering with Dr. Rochelle R. Brunson, lecturer in the family and consumer sciences department, to give Baylor FCS students an opportunity to experience a real-life business environment.

valuable for both the store and the intern. "For me, it's a younger perspective. I don't consider myself old by any means but I am very out of the

loop as far as what is cool, what people like and the venues to draw them in," Corley said. Rock Bottom Boutique is located at 4700 Bosque Blvd. For

more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/RockBottom-Boutique>.

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tle room left for thought. "We are not going to ask if you're a good guy or a bad guy," Doak said. "If you have an active shooter, and someone is standing there holding a gun, then they are also at risk." Burleson said the second reason the bill would harm rather than hurt college campuses is because campuses are a place of transition where students interact with each other in a close environment and allowing guns would diminish that closeness. Burleson said they are not aware of any research to support the idea that concealed weapons on campus would increase safety. While the bill does state that private institutions would be able to make their own rules regarding concealed carry on campus, Burleson said Baylor would still be affected. "We support our colleagues at MCC and across the state, public and private," Burleson said. "We'll have to opt out and by opting out we'll be forced to put up signs on

campus to indicate that this is a gun-free zone." Wallace said there would be no legal force behind the signs on campus. Wallace said Baylor would have to enforce a university policy against concealed carry on campus. "Somebody who violated that rule would no longer be committing a felony as they are at present," Wallace said. Lynn Tatum, a senior lecturer in the Honors College at Baylor, said he was not involved in the writing process of the letter, but he said he agrees with what it states. Tatum said the legislation would also harm Texas education. He said it would be more difficult to recruit professors and faculty to work at universities because they may not want to come to a classroom that could have armed people in it. "While Baylor will almost certainly be exempt, because we are a private institution, it still hurts us that this would be allowed at public institutions," Tatum said.

John Devries, a part-time adjunct instructor at McLennan Community College, said he would not be able to teach in a classroom that has a gun in it. MCC is a public institution and thus would be under the new legislation if it is passed. Burleson and Wallace both said the letter does not have an affiliation with Baylor. "We are speaking for ourselves," Wallace said. "We don't officially represent Baylor University." Lori Fogleman, director of media communications at Baylor, said the authors were expressing their own opinion, which is their right as Americans. "The faculty, staff and students are using their rights as American citizens to freely express their own opinions on an issue that is important to them," Fogleman said. "While they speak as individuals and not as representative of the university, we applaud their efforts to participate in the democratic process by having their voices heard."

Russia, CPS investigate death of 3-year-old adoptee

By **NOMAAN MERCHANT**
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DALLAS — Russian authorities have blamed "inhuman treatment" for the death of a 3-year-old boy adopted by an American family, but Texas officials say they are still investigating claims that the child was abused before his death. Russia's Investigative Committee said Monday that it had questions about the death of an adoptee authorities identified as Maxim Kuzmin. The committee is the country's top investigative agency. Texas Child Protective Services spokesman Patrick Crimmins confirmed the agency had received a report on Jan. 21 of the death of a 3-year-old named Max Shatto, and that the Ector County Sheriff's Office in West Texas was investigating. Crimmins said CPS had received allegations of physical abuse and neglect, but had not determined whether those allegations were true. Sgt. Gary Duesler, spokesman for the Ector County Sheriff's Office, said no arrests

have been made and authorities are waiting for autopsy results. An obituary for Max Shatto published Jan. 26 by the Midland Reporter-Telegram says he was born on Jan. 9, 2010, in the town of Pskov, near Russia's western border with Estonia. The boy lived with a family in Gardendale, about 350 miles west of Dallas, before his death on Jan. 21, according to the obituary. The boy's listed adoptive parents, Alan and Laura Shatto, did not return a phone message Monday. The death comes weeks after Russia announced it was banning all American adoptions in retaliation for a new U.S. law targeting alleged Russian human-rights violators. The ban also reflects lingering resentment over the 60,000 Russian children adopted by Americans in the past two decades, of which at least 19 have died. Russian Foreign Ministry official Konstantin Dolgov said in a statement that the boy's death was "yet another case of inhuman treatment of a Russian child adopted by American parents."

Duesler said he could not immediately confirm or deny Russian allegations of abuse. Most U.S. government offices were closed Monday in observance of a federal holiday. Dolgov also accused the U.S. Department of State of not helping Russian consular officials investigate the death. A State Department official said the government is aware of the case and "takes very seriously the welfare of children, particularly children who have been adopted from other countries." "We will continue to assist the Russian Embassy and consulate officials in making contact with the appropriate authorities in Texas," said the State Department official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the person was not authorized to speak on the record about the matter. Crimmins said the Russian consulate had contacted Child Protective Services. Associated Press writers Merrill Hartson and Pete Yost in Washington and Vladimir Isachenkov in Moscow contributed to this report.

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benches during games. Naperville, Ill., junior Taylor Heatherly got the opportunity to spend the day with a team from Corsicana. She said that what she enjoyed most was the passion and joy that each of the athletes had throughout the tournament. "This team was down the whole game and kept battling back," Heatherly said. "In the end, one of the players hit a 3-point shot to win the game and the team had a huge celebration. It was so awesome to see them rally together and achieve something like they did." Heatherly said she was also

touched by the selflessness of the athletes. "At the end of that big game the team decided to take a picture," Heatherly said. "One of the players said, 'This win is for my brother. He would be here but he's in the hospital.' Another player said, 'It's like God wanted us to win.'" Heatherly said it was worth her time to volunteer and she felt like she gained a lot from the experience. She said she was thankful for the opportunity to spend her day surrounded by such kind-hearted and spirited personalities and encouraged anyone who has the

chance to volunteer at a Special Olympic event. The weekend prior to the tournament, 16 group members participated in Waco's third-annual Polar Plunge to raise money for the Special Olympics. All of the money raised will be used to fund sports training and competitions for the 1,050 Special Olympic athletes in the Waco area. The group also held a bake sale Monday on campus to help raise funds for the Heart of Texas Chargers, one of the teams that participated in the basketball tournament.

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scholar and saw neuroscience as a field she wanted to go towards professionally," Vardaman said. Cliburn has been partaking in the cultural differences in the Netherlands but enjoys riding her bike, running and playing her ukulele during her free time there. "It's been a whirlwind coming here," Rachel Cliburn said. "I thought this would only be a pipe dream to come back and the deadline for the Fulbright application was so close that I had a much tighter time scale." While Cliburn spends most of her time in the lab researching addictions, she also plays the piano, cello, guitar along with the ukulele. She has made several YouTube videos of her singing and ukulele playing abilities. Cliburn said she had many hobbies and interests that helped shape her view on the world around her while she was at Baylor. She was involved with Baylor crew, orchestra and Honors College, as well as being a student leader for science SL's. Cliburn said she also got involved with two internships and studied abroad in Maastricht as

well as working two jobs, one being at Applebee's. She became interested in addictions and the brain her sophomore year at Baylor. The study abroad opportunity influenced her decision to apply to be a Fulbright scholar and study at the University of Maastricht. "She has always been fascinated with the brain, knowing that it is very complex and most people know relatively very little about it," Nancy Cliburn, Rachel's mother, said. Cliburn is not only interested in the general functions of the brain but is researching how chemicals that affect the brain, such as those found in alcohol and antidepressants, alter the brain's everyday functions. Her parents recall her first interest in science. "In middle school she did a project on the brain and memory and really liked the subject. So then in high school she took a lot of science courses but did not want to be an engineer. She then found out about neuroscience and got interested in that," Nancy Cliburn said. Cliburn currently holds a bach-

elor's of neuroscience degree from Baylor and has just completed her master's degree of neuroscience from the University of Maastricht and is finishing her time on the Fulbright scholarship researching in the Netherlands. Caroline Cliburn, Rachel's younger sister who is currently a freshman studying mechanical engineering at Baylor, remembers over winter break when she got to see her sister. "She would be playing the piano and then I will sing along but she always wants to change up the tempo so it becomes a fun moment for us," Caroline Cliburn said. Caroline said she misses her sister's attitude on life and can't wait to see her this summer. "Rachel always takes the positive outlooks at life and this comes from her relationship with the Lord. She is very thankful for what God has given her," Caroline Cliburn said. Rachel Cliburn said that although she loves to have fun at times she knows that God has blessed her.

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