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Bill calls for standardized test to graduate

Texas public university students could have to prove what they've learned

By Taylor Rexrode STAFF WRITER

State Sen. Brian Birdwell is proposing a bill to make sure college students get the most out of their education with one more test before graduation.

Birdwell filed Senate Bill 436 on Feb. 8 in the hopes of instituting a standardized test for all Texas public universities.

Birdwell released a statement about the importance of this bill to the success of Texas students and universities.

"For me, this bill is about en-

suring that Texans are able to make the most informed, valuefocused decision about where to begin a path to a college degree all while increasing transparency and protecting academic freedom at our institutions of higher education," Birdwell wrote in an email to the Lariat.

The bill will mandate that all public four-year institutions of higher education administer the Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA) to students before freshman year and at the end of senior year of college. The assessment was created in 2000 by the Council for AID to Education, and it measures writing, critical-thinking and problem-solving abilities.

According to the CLA website, the tests helps measure "an institution's contribution to the development of key higher order competencies" and helps "gauge summative performance authentically." The assessment scores will help parents and prospective students see how well they perform at a particular public uni-

Because it is a private institution, Baylor would not have to implement the assessment should

According to Carol McDon-

ald, president of the nonprofit organization Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas, Bayoperates under

Birdwell

the versity and College Account-

ability Network where consumer

is available. Standardized testing measurements are not available on the network.

However, students looking to transfer in and out of Baylor would have to take the exam, even if they only take one part of it. Students taking summer or winter classes at another four-year institution would not have to take the assessment since it is targeted for students who will graduate from the state school.

"If a student started at Bay-

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Scream and shout

Students cheer on the teams competing in the 2013 Intramural basketball championships on Wednesday at the McLane Student Life Center.

Students out to help people achieve their health goals

By ASHLEY PEREYRA REPORTER

From barbells to benches, a trio of Baylor students are out to help people reach their full poten-

Linden, Mich., junior Alex Barbaretta; Colorado Springs, Colo., senior Eric Press; and Linden, Mich., sophomore Shawna Tharp are a part of Barbell Fit-

Linden, Mich., junior Alex Barbaretta; Colorado Springs, Colo., senior

Eric Press; and Linden, Mich., sophomore Shawna Tharp work with

Barbell Fitness to help people achieve their health and fitness goals.

ness, a team dedicated to spreading awareness of health and fitness and bringing the tools to help people succeed.

The website, www.barbellfit. com, was originally a place to schedule sessions with Barbaretta, a personal trainer certified by the American Council on Exercise.

"That's really where it started as a place for clients to reach me," Barbaretta said. "And then I started getting a lot of questions from Facebook and email that they wanted answered. So I thought, 'OK,' Eric and I were good friends and he's like 'just go for it.' We started putting more on the web-

The website features free workouts, recipe ideas, an online store and the opportunity to train with Barbaretta. However, Barbell Fitness is more than just a web-

They post weekly videos on YouTube featuring question-andanswer sessions as well as work out routines, host giveaways on Instagram and offer an avenue through Facebook and Twitter for people to share their success with others.

"We do this thing every once in a while called Flex Friday giveaways," Barbaretta said. "We did it for two weeks in a row and we had no female entries. So we're like 'OK, we've got to do some-

Last month Tharp was brought onto the team as a fresh, female perspective.

She collaborates with Press and Barbaretta on ideas for work outs that are more appealing to

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Bomb threat evacuates 700 at A&M's Kyle Field

By Associated Press AND KATE McGuire STAFF WRITER

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M University officials are investigating a bomb threat at Kyle Field that prompted officials to issue a "Code Maroon" safety advisory and close the stadium and nearby buildings, displacing about 700 people.

An A&M statement Wednesday says the football stadium and adjacent buildings that were evacuated will remain closed for the rest of the day.

"I was just walking to class on the west side of campus and got a

text from the Texas A&M security systems that there was a bomb threat from Kyle Field," sophomore Chris DeVries said.

A&M says the threat was written on a wall of a nonacademic campus facility. Officials were informed at 10:50 a.m., flashed the "Code Maroon" message at 12:25 p.m. and gave the "all clear" at 7:10 p.m.

"It wasn't a big deal or anything because we had that threat earlier this year and right now only a part of the campus is closed," freshman Ashley Wright said.

"People aren't really freaking

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Texas A&M security personnel barricade the entrance to Kyle Field Wednesday in College Station after a bomb threat prompted the school to issue a "code maroon" safety advisory and close the stadium and

South Texas may get new med school

ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Texas lawmakers are moving forward with creating a new, unified campus for the University of Texas System in the Rio Grande valley.

Brownsville Rep. Rene Oliveira and other South Texas lawmakers laid out the legislation that would combine two campuses into a single university with a new medical school in South Texas.

The Board of Regents wants

to merge Texas-Pan American in Edinburg and Texas-Brownsville and spend \$100 million to accelerate plans for a medical school.

The Legislature has already set aside money for the project, but they still have not passed the laws to make it happen.

Oliveira said the new medical school would add hundreds of doctors to South Texas, where they are desperately needed. He said it would take up to two years to complete the merger.

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Suing for grades could set dangerous precedent

Editorial

Most people don't mean it when they say, "You don't like it? So sue me." But one graduate student who didn't like her grade did just that.

A judge recently ruled against former graduate student Megan Thode, who was suing Lehigh University for \$1.3 million in damages as well as to raise a C-plus grade she earned in a class that was mandatory to earn her master's degree in counseling and human services. Thode claimed the professor of the fieldwork class discriminated against her because she agrees with samesex marriage and the professor does not.

The judge decided Thode did not provide enough evidence to support her discrimination claim and said she saw no reason to believe Thode's grade was given for anything other than Thode's academic performance.

However, had the judge ruled in Thode's favor, her C-plus grade would have increased and she would have received \$1.3 million in damages, which is the amount Thode claimed she would have made in salary as a therapist if she'd been able to get her license in therapy. Thode graduated with her master's degree in human development and has a job as a drug and alcohol counselor.

We believe the judge made the right decision in this case because a dangerous new precedent could have been made. By a ruling in Thode's favor, it could cause our ability to sue and be sued to spiral out of

Thode is not the first student to attempt to increase her grade by way of a lawsuit, and she probably will not be the last.

In 2007, a student at the University of Massachusetts Amherst sued after receiving a C and the case was dismissed. In 2013, two Texas Southern University's Thurgood Marshall School of Law students sued after receiving Ds. Each of these cases

If judges rule in the favor of the plaintiff in cases such as these, they could set a precedent for future cases. A new pattern could emerge of lawsuits brought against universities for subjective grades and the plaintiff wins.

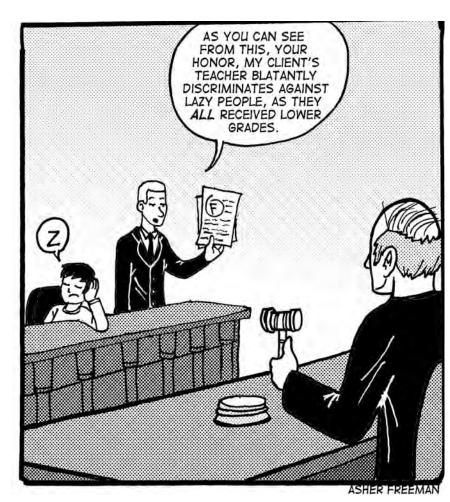
It's easy to make the case that some grades given in college or graduate school are subjective. Because grades measure activities like critical thinking or writing skills and are given by humans, that element of subjectiveness will always occur while professors are grading papers, tests or other work. It's why only those who have studied extensively can become professors — they must have the knowledge themselves to grade the works of others

Discrimination, of course, is wrong. But subjectiveness? It happens.

If Thode were to win a lawsuit that would retroactively change a given grade, it seems almost any student could sue for better grades with the flimsiest claims of discrimination, undermining our entire system of learning. Furthermore, setting such a precedent might encourage professors who are afraid of giving bad grades for fear of a law suit to give good grades, even in cases where they aren't deserved.

What, then, would be the point? College, unlike middle school soccer leagues, doesn't offer participation trophies. The point is to prepare you for the workforce, where you must produce to your employer's standard in order to hold a job.If everyone has a participation degree from college, how would employers know who to hire? A degree would come to mean nothing.

Does subjectiveness sometimes lead to negative consequences for students? Of course. But the alternative is worse: an everyone-gets-A's world where going to college won't mean anything because you don't have to distinguish yourself while there.





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Pigskin should not be sole point of Sing, or of college

The prospect of going to Pigskin Revue is not the be-all and

Sororities, fraternities and organizations across campus have worked tirelessly since the start of the semester to put together their perfect Sing acts, complete with sharp jazz hands and spot-on group vocals.

With judging quickly approaching, performing groups across campus are still working until late hours of the night in full stage-makeup regalia, oftentimes shirking their primary responsi-



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Professors have come to expect that students will be absent-mentally, physically or both—during the days and weeks leading up to Sing. Grades and attendance fall as Sing participants try to catch up

on sleep before the next midnight

The All-University Sing tradition, which has been a part of Baylor since 1953, has grown larger and grander with every passing year. With this long-standing tradition comes to pressure to uphold high standards set by performers from years past.

Though it's admirable to take pride in Baylor's tradition and student organizations, it's times like now, with tensions high in performances, that I remember that it's just Sing. And it's as simple as that.

The summer before I came to Baylor, I was a traveling colorguard performer. I rode by bus across the country-from Denver to Houston, Atlanta to Indianapolis-performing under stadium lights for thousands of people and competing against other teams from major cities across America.

After each show, I would sleep on the charter bus with my teammates while we drove overnight to the next city. We had a couple hours at our destination to sleep on air mattresses or sleeping bags in gymnasiums, but then it was back to rehearsing from sunrise until it was time to get ready for the next

We rehearsed in the heat of summer all day every day from May until August. I put myself through a never-ending cycle of mental and physical pain to keep up with the veteran performers when I should have been enjoying the experience for its own sake. One of the most important

lessons I learned that summer was to step back and prioritize. I wish I had known that every time I messed up, it was just another show and life would go on. It was as simple as that.

I don't mean to offer my story to downplay the importance of performing arts. I think performing is a wonderful way to build confidence, and performers gain an attention to detail that is unrivaled. But there are more important things to worry about than musical productions like Sing, where the vast majority of student performers are not theater, dance or music majors.

The outcome of this competition will not determine the success of each performer or even the greatness of each organization.

I encourage anyone participating in Sing to step back and gain perspective on his or her priorities this next week. I hope everyone sees the fun camaraderie of Sing and I hope that performers avoid putting all of their time and energy into one fleeting moment of glory when coming to Baylor means that we will have a college degree and a future career.

If doing well in Sing is your beall, end-all, then we as Baylor Nation might have bigger problems than we realized.

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Killer's last words leave more questions than answers

Christopher Dorner.

How deeply you live in the Baylor Bubble determines whether or not you recognize this name, or feel anything associated with it.

For those who don't know, the name belongs to a particularly troubled former Los Angeles Police Department officer. With a frightening arsenal of weapons and military experience, he recently pledged to wage a war on the officers of the LAPD, on-duty or off.

He lived as a fugitive for nearly

Sought in connection with the deaths of four people, Dorner is now dead. His body was burned beyond recognition during his final stand against those he waged

Two of the victims were engaged to each other, and the other two had wives and children. These were four real people, with real lives, whose violent deaths will impact their communities and families for years to come.

Unlike the plots of my favorite crime dramas, this case leaves me with far more questions than an-

"What do we conclude when the words of a man calling for better gun control are supported by his use of gun violence and the ease of which he accumulated his automatic firearms and silencers?"

The biggest question in my mind is what do we do with the words he left behind?

"No more Virginia Tech, Columbine HS, Wisconsin temple, Aurora theatre, Portland malls,

Tucson rally, Newtown Sandy Hook" and "America, you will realize today and tomorrow that this world is made up of all human beings who have the same general needs and wants in life for themselves, their kin, community and state. That is the freedom to LIVE and LOVE. They may eat different foods, enjoy different music, have



different dialects or speak a second language, but in essence are no different from you and I."

These are the quotes taken directly from the long Facebook post referred to as Dorner's "manifesto."

They aren't exactly the words that I imagined when I heard the phrase "cop-killer at large."

The majority of news reports describe Dorner's manifesto as "rambling," but it seems to me that the messages that he was trying to get across are clear, even remarkably so.

In the manifesto, Dorner names specific instances of corruption from the officers of the LAPD and the specific circumstances surrounding his —in his mind, wrongful - termination from the LAPD.

He lists the names of people whom he felt mistreated him and thanks those who showed him

In one part of his manifesto, he said, "I am an American by choice, I am a son, I am a brother, I am a military service member, I am a man who has lost complete faith in the system, when the system betrayed, slandered and libeled me."

In his manifesto, Dorner goes into details about a culture of violence, racism and corruption within the LAPD. He wrote that the drastic measures he would take would be the only way to bring the issues to the forefront.

Sadly, he believed that violence would be the only way to draw adequate national attention to those

"I am here to change and make policy," his writings said. "The culture of LAPD versus the community and honest/good officers needs to and will change."

Let's be realistic for a second.

I'm a student journalist writing for a student newspaper. This is not my big scoop and the Lariat is not sending me to Los Angeles to ask hard-hitting questions or blow the supposed corruption in the LAPD wide open.

I've haven't been to Los Ange-

I don't know Dorner, any LAPD officers or the families of Dorner's

I only have a few questions that I put forward to you, the readers.

Was Dorner right that Americans only move to enact social change in response to violence?

What do we conclude when the words of a man calling for better gun control are supported by his use of gun violence and the ease of which he accumulated his automatic firearms and silencers?

Why is the LAPD only reopening the case surrounding his dismissal after his death?

How do we treat the words of a violent killer who is asking for a better world?

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A routine cesarean section delivery at a Houston hospital went live with the surgery on Twitter on Wednesday, broadcasting snippets of information along with graphic pictures and video, part of a growing and ever more popular trend as hospitals and doctors hungry for clients use social media to promote their services. This photo was posted on its Twitter feed during the surgery. The patient and her family members were not identified.

Medical institutions hop on Twitter for exposure

By Ramit Plushnick-Masti ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON— Amy Shireman logged into Twitter early Wednesday to join thousands of people from 60 countries watch live something she had experienced but never seen: a baby boy delivered by cesarean section, in all its graphic imagery

The live Twitter broadcast brought to viewers by Houston's Memorial Hermann Health System was the medical institution's latest foray into a growing trend to gain exposure by showing the world via social media routine procedures that happen daily in operating rooms.

While the Internet and social media have been a part of the medical industry for years, hospitals and doctors are now using it to gain leverage in a competitive market. And what better way to do that than provide people with an authentic online version of the kinds of surgeries they've been watching for years on fictional TV shows such as "Grey's Anatomy," "House" and "ER?'

"It's fascinating to pull back the curtain on the mystery of the OR," said Natalie Camarata, the social media manager at Houston's Memorial Hermann Hospital who helped broadcast Wednesday's C-section as well as two other procedures, including a brain surgery done by Dr. Dong Kim, who gained notoriety when he treated former U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords after she was shot in the head in

Through a variety of matrices that help track online activity, Camarata estimated that 72,000 watched the C-section live on Twitter, while an additional 11,000 viewed it in another format. The viewers were from 60 countries, she said, with the most international followers coming from Germany, Norway and Israel.

During the procedure, viewers

staff responded. One viewer from Norway asked about the difference in how the umbilical cord is treated in a C-section. Several tweeted congratulations. In the two hours the hospital was live, it gained more than 600 followers, dozens of them in the first few minutes. Several noted the images were gory, joking they wouldn't watch it over breakfast.

Shireman, a 35-year-old mother of two from Pittsburgh, was intrigued to see "what was happening beyond the curtain" after having two C-sections herself.

While she had hoped the hospital would focus more on the risks, she said she would watch it again, and would consider watching other surgeries.

"The pictures of watching that baby come out of the womb were just amazing" Shireman said. "I know it was delayed a bit ... but it did have that live feel like you were right there in the OR."

Previously, when Memorial Hermann live tweeted a brain surgery, more than 235,000 watched, more than 280,000 viewed photos and video and the hospital gained 7,000 new followers. With each event, the hospital finds more and different people participating, Camarata said.

"When hospitals did it several years back, the online audience wasn't fully engaged," she said. "Now people are living Twitter, living Facebook. It's part of their everyday life.'

Tyler Haney, the vice president of digital marketing at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, said his hospital system has not live tweeted a surgery but also has not ruled it out.

For now, it is focusing on innovative things at the center, like providing the online audience an opportunity to interact with a brain computer interface, which increased traffic from social media outlets by 120 percent.

This trend — which the meditweeted questions, and doctors or cal industry latched on to later than others — will only grow, he said, quoting statistics that found 57 percent of people saying a social media connection would have a "strong impact" on their decision to seek treatment at a given hospi-

The Mayo Clinic has been a leader in the field, said Lee Aase, the clinic's social media director but has opted not to do live events from the OR, feeling that it is voyeuristic and does not provide additional benefits.

The clinic has focused instead on question-and-answer sessions on specific topics.

"People are taking their social network connections with them wherever they go and we certainly are seeing building interest in this,"

Dr. Anne Gonzalez, one of the surgeons who participated in the C-section and is affiliated with the system's women's hospital, said social media helps doctors navigate a competitive market.

"There's a lot of challenges with trying to make patients understand what you think is best for them in a very non-paternalistic way, and I think Twitter helps with that," she

Swedish Health Services, which has five hospitals and more than 100 clinics in the Seattle area, recently live tweeted an ear surgery, said Dana Lewis, manager of digital marketing and internal communications, using only words and photos to reach a hearing-impaired

The hospital also live tweeted a patient going through a sleep clinic and had some 10,000 people follow it in the middle of the night, she

"It's about reaching people where they are, so it doesn't make sense to have a seminar in the afternoon about not being able to sleep. Why not do it in the middle of the night ... when they can't sleep and they want to find out more about how they can get help?" Lewis said. "That's the beauty of social media."

Calif. DMV identifies victims of Tuesday shooting spree

By Gillian Flaccus ASSOCIATED PRESS

TUSTIN, Calif. — The first of three people killed in a gunman's rampage was identified Wednesday as a 20-year-old woman.

Police did not know why she was in the home of the shooter, who lived with his parents and was described by authorities as a video game-playing loner.

Courtney Aoki, 20, of Buena Park was shot multiple times early Tuesday in the home where gunman Ali Syed, 20, lived, said Orange County sheriff's spokesman Jim Amormino.

Authorities don't know her occupation, how she might have known Syed, how she got in the house — or what drove Syed to kill her with a shotgun and then leave a trail of dead and wounded as he stole a series of cars and eventually committed suicide at an intersec-

"There is no evidence, no notes that would explain his very bizarre and violent behavior," Amormino said, adding there was no evidence

of a sexual assault and the woman was found fully clothed.

The shootings and carjackings lasted about an hour and created chaos and terror for early morning commuters who were shot at, had their car stolen or saw someone get

In one 911 call, a panicked construction worker reported that the foreman at his business had been shot and one of the company's trucks stolen.

The man then followed Syed in another truck as he fled on the freeway, telling a dispatcher his lo-

"The guy has a shotgun and I need an ambulance too," the caller said. "There is someone who has been shot. Hurry up! I need an ambulance. Right away. Fast. There's someone with a shotgun. There's someone down! There's someone down!"

Syed was a loner and a "gamer" who spent hours holed up in his room, authorities said.

"He took one class at college and he did not work, so that gives him most of the day and evening and most of the time in his free time he was playing video games," Amormino said.

A 12-gauge shotgun used in the killings belonged to Syed and was purchased by his father about a year ago, he said.

The rampage began before dawn Tuesday at the home in Ladera Ranch, a wealthy Orange County suburb about 50 miles south of Los Angeles, and ended 25 miles to the north during the early morning rush hour.

Sved killed two more people during carjackings, injured at least three more, and shot up cars zooming down a busy freeway interchange before he ended it by putting the shotgun to his own head as police closed in.

The other two victims were identified as driver Melvin Lee Edwards, 69, of Laguna Hills and construction worker Jeremy Lewis, 26,

Syed had no criminal history and no history of mental illness or mental disability, said Lt. Paul Garaven, a Tustin police spokesman.

Family connection pulls eBay VP for guest lecture

By Paula Ann Solis Contributor

Baylor students will have the opportunity Friday to meet and speak with eBay's vice president of corporate communications, John

EBay advertises as the world's largest online marketplace.

Pluhowski, who has been with eBay for three years, will speak at 12:05 p.m. in 254 Castellaw Communications Center.

The event will be a casual brown bag luncheon.

Dr. Marlene Neill, lecturer in the journalism, public relations and new media department, said Pluhowski's background with eBay will prove useful for students from a broad array of majors, though marketing and public relations majors will find this lecture especially useful.

"He will cover what skills are required and how to distinguish yourself from competition, and he will also give information on changes in the industry and what business leaders expect from a PR strategist," Neill said.

Neill also said Pluhowski will discuss successful communication campaigns he has used in the past

Neill also mentioned an inter-

esting fact about Pluhowski - he is

a Baylor parent. Kingwood sophomore Emily Pluhowski is a Baylor journalism student and the daughter of John

Pluhowski. Emily acted as the ambassador between Pluhowski and the department to arrange for her father to speak at Baylor.

Journalism lecturer Kevin Tankersley wrote in an email to the Lariat that Emily Pluhowski took his class in a previous semester.

"Just through conversation, she told me about his job at eBay. Then I told her he had an open invitation to come anytime and speak, and it worked out that he could be here



John Pluhowski, vice president of eBay's Corporate Communications, will speak on at 12:05 p.m. Friday in 254 Castellaw Communications Center.

on Friday," Tankersley said.

Tankersley said Pluhowski will take questions from the students and the luncheon is expected to last at least an hour.

Tankersley said this event is not solely for journalism and public relation majors.

"This is just a great opportunity for Baylor students to hear what it's like out in the real world from someone who handles communications with eBay, a very, very large company that happens to run one of my very favorite websites," Tankerslev said.

Pluhowski, who is an alumnus

of the University of Maryland and Ithaca College, planned to visit this month to see Emily perform in All-University Sing in Sing Alliance.

Pluhowski will be coming in

from Silicon Valley, specifically San Jose, Calif., where eBay headquar-Emily said her father is in

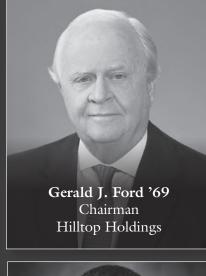
charge of much of the hiring in his division and she often goes to him for advice on how to seem more appealing for the future job mar-

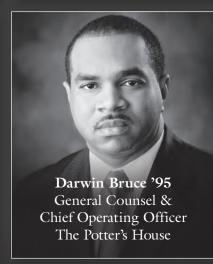
Baylor students also will have that same opportunity at Friday's luncheon.





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Dallas-based band Air Review will perform at Common Grounds on March 2. Their current album "Low Wishes" is about growing up. Their single "America's Son" has been gaining popularity on KXT, a Dallas radio station.

Rising band Air Review finds its musical niche

By Ashley Davis COPY EDITOR

The Dallas-based up-and-coming band Air Review is coming to Common Grounds on March 2 to play some songs from its new album "Low

Wishes."

The band currently has a single, "America's Son," playing on KXT. a Dallas radio station, and has been getting lots of media attention from organizations such as The Dallas Morning News, and the

The Baylor Lariat talked to Doug Hale, lead singer and frontman for the band, for a closer look at how this band has carved a niche for itself and where it wants to go from here.

Denton-Record Chronicle.

Q: How does it feel to see your hard work as a band paid off?

A: It's been very rewarding. We're really excited to see that we

put ourselves out there and people like what they're hearing. There's a lot we still have to say with our music, and our goal is to get as much exposure as we can.

> Every band has its rough patches, but we're very unified in our goals and we all want every show to be the best.

Q: What was inspiration behind this record?

A: There isn't really any one specific idea for this album. Sonically, we have a lot going on. The music people hear may not be as complicated as other bands' but we put a lot of energy into the musicmaking process. Some of the electronic sounds in this album are what we've been working on the

Q: What has been the hardest part about being a serious band in this area?

A: We started writing in 2008, and we were only looking to put out an EP. It was louder and had a more rock 'n' roll sound. We got some recognition for it, but we weren't really happy with the overall sound of the record. I don't know if our tastes changed or we all matured in the same way, but we got back together and made a totally different sound.

This album is a lot more laid back and kind of leans towards American folk/alternative music. And we like this one a lot more.

Q: Where do you want to go from here musically?

A: The last songs we wrote were "Animal" and "Rebel," the first and last track on the album. I think some of the sounds and patterns you see in these songs are where we want to go in the future.

We've spent so much time focusing on this album that we haven't thought a lot about the next one. We're really more focused on hopefully doing some national tours. We've never been out of Texas and we have some dates coming up, but we're looking forward to exposure on a national level.

Q: What kind of messages do you want to send with your

A: The overarching theme of

the album is about growing into adulthood. I guess one of the main ideas is that the faith and love and relationships in

our lives are always changing. And as we get older we realize they are a lot more complex than we think. There are also memories from high school and adolescence, so it's a bit nostal-

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gic as well. It takes people back to high school and those early relationships that shape our lives. I personally find that I know less and less about life, as I'm getting older.

Q: Can you describe your songwriting and compositional process in your rehearsals?

"The overarching theme of the album is about growing into adulthood. I guess one of the main ideas is that faith and love and relationships in our lives are always changing."

Doug Hale | Lead Singer

song is a little bit different. It usually starts on my laptop and I go to a quiet place to clear my head and think. I like to have it strong before I take it to the band, but as a whole it's a collaborative effort.

A: Every

son does all the work. For most of the songs we all contribute

something that's important to the final idea.

I'm actually a grump about songwriting. I don't like this part of the process as much as some people. I love to have written something and have people like it, but the actual process just isn't fun for me. My bandmates get on me and tease me about it, but it's something I've always had a problem with. I get over it and eventually start to feel the music come more organically, but it's a struggle at first.

Q: Do you have connections here in Waco that led you to Common Grounds?

No, this gig just came to us through our booking agent, but we are really excited to come to Waco. We've heard a lot of good things about the music scene here and we hope that people will like our show.

The band will play along with Caleb, Jillian Edwards Chapman and Lonely Hunter at 6:30 p.m. at Common Grounds, located at 1123 S. Eighth St..

Presale tickets are \$7 and can be bought at the venue or online at caleb030213-eorg.eventbrite.com. Day-of-show tickets will be \$10 at the door.

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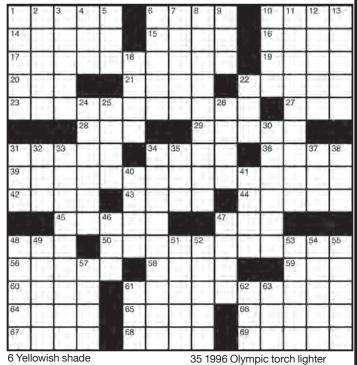
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Baylor drops game to Cyclones

By Daniel Hill SPORTS WRITER

The Baylor Bears lost to the Iowa State Cyclones 87-82 Wednesday at the Ferrell Center on a night where the Cyclones made 11 threepointers to sink the Bears. Jackson led the Bears in scoring with 30.

"This is a tough loss for us," Baylor head coach Scott Drew said. "Iowa State shot 54 percent from the field. That and our 55 percent from the free throw line was the difference in the game. 82 points is enough points to win, but the other team shoots 54 percent and scores 87. Defensively tonight, that was disappointing."

The contest started out with senior point guard Pierre Jackson racking up 15 first-half points.

With both teams racing up and down the court, the pace was quick. The Bears struggled to find their man on defense, and the Cyclones made them pay with the barrage of 3-pointers.

Iowa State junior forward Melvin Ejim recorded a double-double with 20 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Cyclones to victory on Baylor's home court.

Cyclone Senior guard Tyrus McGee played a valuable sixthman role for Iowa State. Mc-Gee knocked down three-of-five 3-pointers and eight-of-11 field goals to lead the Cyclones in scoring with 22 points off the bench.

Things seemed to be going Baylor's way when Pierre Jackson made an unexpected three pointer to give the Bears a 25-19 first half lead. Jackson was on a fast break and tossed the ball from just inside half court on an intended alley-oop



From front, junior guard Brady Heslip, junior forward Cory Jefferson and freshman forward Rico Gathers walk off of the court after an 87-82 loss to Iowa State on Wednesday at the Ferrell Center.

slam dunk to junior power forward Cory Jefferson. The ball ended up going through the net for a 3-point shot.

The momentum changed when the Cyclones tied the game up at 25 with a 6-0 run. The game remained close as Iowa State and Baylor traded buckets to keep the game

With a tie game, Iowa State then outscored Baylor 10-5 to take a 41-36 lead into half time.

Iowa State extended its lead, but Baylor rallied to go on a 7-0 run when junior forward Cory Jefferson slammed down a two-handed jam and made the free throw after he was fouled. Senior guard A.J. Walton hit a pair of free throws, and freshman center Isaiah Austin had a tip-in to pull the Bears within two points of the Cyclones, 43-45.

The Cyclones would not let Baylor claw all the way back. Clyburn hit two free throws to make

The game truly changed after Iowa State hit back-to-back three pointers from junior forward Melvin Ejim and Niang to take a commanding 58-50 lead.

The Bears got back within six points of Iowa State until the Cyclones all but ended the Bears' chances by once again hitting consecutive shots from the arc to gain an 11 point advantage, 70-56, before ultimately winning 87-82.

Baylor kept fouling Iowa State near the end of the game with hopes of making a miraculous comeback.

"[Defense] starts with the guards," Jackson said. "If we do a good job keeping them out of the paint then the other team can't do a good job of getting to the boards. We've just got to do a better job getting offensive rebounds.'

Jefferson had a double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds.

Aside from Jackson and Jefferson, no other Bear recorded doubledigit points.

"It's very tough," Jefferson said. "This is a home loss and another loss on our record, but there's nothing we can change about it anymore. The game is over. We just got to keep doing what we've been doing, going back to the gym and practicing on the things we've got to work on to prepare ourselves for the next game.'

Austin had a difficult time finding his rhythm in the game and had zero first-half points before scoring eight in the second half.

With the next two games on the road, 4 p.m. Saturday against Oklahoma and 7 p.m. Wednesday against West Virginia, the Bears are going to have to take care of business in enemy territory to shore up their resumé for the Big 12 Tournament and NCAA Tournament.

Galeano gets it done on court, in classroom

REPORTER

Sophomore Diego Galeano has played as many matches as anyone on the 20th-ranked Baylor men's tennis team this season.

He readily accepted his role as a utility man, playing with different doubles partners and in various singles spots when head coach Matt Knoll calls his name.

"I play a lot of singles and doubles," Galeano said. "Sometimes you're not in the lineup, sometimes you are. I just focus on playing my game every time I can help the team. I should be there and be able to do it the best I can. I want to be one more option for the coaching

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Diego Galeano | Men's Tennis

Originally from Asuncion, the capital city of Paraguay, he remembers his parents taking him to practice at nearby tennis courts.

He also played basketball and soccer as a child, but his passion for tennis quickly emerged.

This combination of talent and passion led to a college career at Baylor.

"I decided to play tennis at Baylor because I thought it was the best opportunity for me," he said. "Not only in the athletic department but also academically."

Galeano has made the most of his academic opportunity, making the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll last year as a business major.

Galeano shines in both the classroom and the on the tennis

He has won every singles match in dual match play this season with victories over Hawaii, SMU, Tulsa, Purdue, Texas-Pan American and UT Arlington.

In these matches, he has played in the bottom two singles spots of five and six.

However, these spots are oftentimes extremely important in determining if the team will take a win or give up a loss.

He attributes his success to constant inspiration from his family.

"My family is the best inspiration I have," Galeano said. "Everything I do is what they teach me to

When not playing tennis or studying, he enjoys the same activities most Baylor students do. "I like to play basketball and

hang out with my friends and have a good time with friends and family," he said.

Though he is playing great tennis now, he aspires to even higher

"My first goal is to win the second national championship for Baylor," Galeano said. "And then I want to be All-American."

The first championship came in 2004 under the direction of Knoll. Along with other members of

the team, Galeano plans to play professionally. The big spotlight at Baylor

should help him get established on a larger level. This pressure helped former

Bears Denes Lukacs, Lars Poerschke, Benjamin Becker, Benedikt Dorsch and John Peers all ascend to the professional ranks. "The reason I came to Baylor

is because the tennis program is great, and I want to keep improving my tennis skills," Galeano said. "I think when I came here I decided to play tennis professionally after college? As a team, the Bears are 5-1

on the season, including a perfect 4-0 home record. In its six matches, Baylor has only dropped six matches. The team will next take on North Florida at 2 p.m. today in Jacksonville, Fla. Two days later, the team will travel to Gainesville, Fla., to take on the Florida Gators. The Bears are currently the

20th-ranked team in the country. The only other Big 12 schools ranked in the top 25 are No. 9 Oklahoma and No. 15 Texas. Galeano and the Baylor F

will take on the Sooners in Waco on April 12. On April 17, the team will head

down I-35 to Austin to take on the Longhorns.

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No. 25 Lady Bears to take on Texas State

By Parmida Schahhosseini SPORTS WRITER

The No. 25 Baylor softball team will look to improve its record on its first road test against Texas State at 7 p.m. today in San Marcos for the Texas Shootout.

Baylor started the season slowly, despite winning the Getterman Classic on Feb. 10. Their offense couldn't get going, which put more pressure on the defense and pitching, but Baylor responded the following weekend with offensive speed and power as they got more aggressive and began hitting balls. This contributed to their 5-0 sweep of the Miken Classic, putting them at 10-2 for the season.

"I definitely think we got better than last weekend," freshman outfielder Linsey Hays said after winning the Miken Classic. "That's what we're trying to do, trying to get better every weekend, every game."

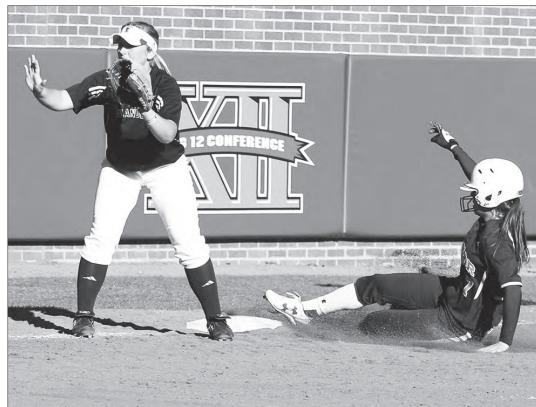
"I think this team plays great on the road," junior left-handed pitcher Whitney Canion said. "I'm ready for some team bonding, just team time on the road."

Team time is what the Lady Bears need because they are a young team trying to figure out the right chemistry.

After early struggles, Baylor found its rhythm as it had solid games last Friday to Sunday.

After a rough career start for freshman right-handed pitcher Heather Stearns, the nerves left her and she won her next three starts. She also closed a game against Pacific on Sunday by not allowing any

The freshmen contributed offensively, accounting for 21 of the 47 runs scored this season.



Sophomore outfielder Kaitlyn Thumann slides safely into third base Saturday against Texas A&M Corpus Christi. Baylor won both games against the Islanders, 4-1 and 7-0. The No. 25 Lady Bears are 10-2 on the season

Baylor has been playing more aggressive as they are now ranked 12th in the nation in stolen bases per game. Senior centerfielder Kathy Shelton is 86-of-93 for her career and she plans on adding more as head coach Glenn Moore said his offense needs to play with added aggression.

Baylor's transition to power offense will give the Texas State defense problems because of their inconsistent pitching. Of their five pitchers, only one has a winning record. While they have scored 35 runs in nine games, they have allowed 43. As a team, Texas State

has an ERA of 4.86, while their opponents have an ERA of 2.52.

The Texas State offense has two players with five or more runs compared to four players for Baylor.

Baylor's defense has been playing well, allowing a total of 15 runs in the 12 games they played this season. The 12 game homestand was beneficial for Baylor as they

tried to figure out their identity. "I believe we got better this weekend," Moore said. "Our pitching continues to be phenomenal, our defense improved and the hitters delivered in the clutch."

Baylor's confidence is growing

and it continues to show after big games.

Freshman third baseman Sarah Smith played well in her 11 starts with a batting average of .462. Overall, Baylor has a batting average of .299 while allowing its opponents hit just .137.

Texas State has a batting average of just .256. Moore expects the same effort

on the road that they gave at home.

"I am proud that we won our first two tournaments at home," Moore said. "I am eager to see how we respond on the road over the next couple of weekends."

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University of Texas board of regents under fire

AND MICHAEL BRICK ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN - House and Senate leaders on Wednesday agreed to create a special committee to investigate the University of Texas System board of regents, as a key senator filed a bill seeking to limit the power of board members.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Joe Straus agreed to form the joint panel following an emotional speech Dewhurst gave on the Senate floor Monday defending embattled University of Texas President Bill Powers.

Sen. Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, chairman of the Senate Higher Education Committee, said he wants to investigate whether the regents are "micromanaging" their nine

The joint committee will have subpoena power. Seliger has said it will call for testimony from regents and will likely demand copies of anonymous letters attacking Powers and his wife that have circulated among the regents. The first meetings could come in the next

Who authored the letters is unclear. But Dewhurst and Seliger said Powers' marriage has now come under attack from some re-

Powers met his wife while she was attending the university's law school and he was a professor. They married after she graduated in 1981 and have three children.

In a statement, Straus said the committee "will work to ensure that Texas colleges and universities provide an outstanding education for their students, are accountable to taxpayers, and operate within a governing structure that allows

The terms of three regents expire this month, but the members will serve until their replacements are chosen by Gov. Rick Perry, who has been pushing universities to lower costs for students and improve four-year graduation rates.

The Senate already has confirmation power over the appointments, but the Legislature only meets for 140 days every other year. Regents who are appointed in the interim are allowed to serve until they are confirmed by the

Also Wednesday, Seliger filed a bill that would prevent regents from voting on budget or personnel matters until they have been

confirmed by the Senate.

Dewhurst said he had discussed the investigation over breakfast with Perry and Straus. He said the inquiry will focus on the behavior of two or three regents. Without naming them, he said the regents in question are not near the end of

Asked about the governor's role in the controversy surrounding Powers, he said, "I believe Governor Perry's heart is in the right

Powers has been president of the 50,000-student flagship campus in Austin since 2006 and has been fighting off political criticism of his leadership for more than two years. He is believed to have a slim majority of support among the Perry-appointed regents.

Powers has clashed with some

regents over tuition, the roles of research and teaching at universities, the productivity of professors and a foundation that supplements law school salaries.

The university also has recently been embroiled in a fight with former women's track coach Bev Kearney, who resigned while in the process of being fired for having an inappropriate relationship with a student-athlete a decade ago. The university disclosed that a current assistant football coach was reprimanded but not fired in 2009 for inappropriate contact with a student trainer on a trip to a bowl

Kearney has questioned whether her firing was an act of discrimination because she is African-American and a lesbian and her attorney has threatened a lawsuit.

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lor and then went somewhere like A&M, they would have to take the exit exam," McDonald said. "It makes sense that if the state is going to require something like this, they're only going to do it at the institutions they own and pay for."

Dr. Jon Engelhardt, Baylor School of Education dean, said he believes this bill will not adequately measure what students learn during their years at their university.

"There are no standardized tests that give an indication of learning," Engelhardt said. "They measure things we just know. It assumes that what is measured on the test aligns with learning outcomes of the university. Universities are different in their programs and what they're trying to accomplish. They aren't just about English and math and critical thinking."

Engelhardt said he believes that various kinds of tests would be necessary to show learning since there are different levels of under-

"The only way to get a handle on learning is through multiple tests and different kinds of tests to see if you get the same answer," Engelhardt said. "If you want to know if a child understands, you look at different kinds of understanding."

NRA president weighs in on gun control at Q&A

By Jim Morrison

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - Na-

Keene spoke at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy Jr. Forum CNN chief national correspondent John King, who asked him if the NRA would support efforts to filibuster and block the votes.

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King also asked him if the NRA would punish members of Congress who support universal background checks on gun purchases, which he said recent polls show most Americans support, and which the NRA at one time supported but now opposes.

Keene responded: "The answer is yes."

Keene has become a public voice for the gun rights group in national debates following the December mass shooting at an elementary school in Newtown, Conn. Twenty children and six educators were killed in the Dec.

Asked why anyone should be

able to own an assault weapon, Keene said that classification is subject to wide interpretation and noted that the AR-15 hunting rifle, for instance, is the most popular long arm rifle in the U.S.

"If it's commonly owned and widely used for legal purposes, then it should be available to the public," he said.

He also took questions from students at the sold-out event.

One asked which kinds of

matic weapons," which are already illegal for private citizens. Another student who hoped to

illegal. Keene answered "fully auto-

be a schoolteacher in the fall asked about the NRA's support of armed guards in schools and the negative impact it might have on learning.

"You can't always screen people who are going to do something like this, so security makes sense,"

Keene said.

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out about it," junior Carly Potz-Nielsen said. "It's just another concern that students look at on their phones and go on

At the time of publication, Texas A&M administration said they were not releasing information about the investigation.

"We're still investigating and we hope to be operational again in the morning," a Texas A&M security official said Wednesday afternoon.

Another bomb threat Wednesday prompted officials at Navarro College to close its campus through Thursday.

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tional Rifle Association President David Keene said Wednesday he doesn't expect a filibuster from gun rights supporters as the Senate prepares to vote on potential gun control issues.

in a one-hour event moderated by

"A lot of times girls, I think, are afraid to

work out with weights and go down in the

area where the guys are working out," Tharp

said. "But I like to show that it is not that bad

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and is really beneficial."

all around the country."

"The president wants votes on will be votes," Keene said.

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experience," Barbaretta said. "For instance, bro science says eating every two or three hours helps you lose more fat. There's science that says it's absolute bogus. So we don't tell people to go eatsix to eight times a day. As long you go by the calorie in versus the calorie out. Energy balance is what we focus on. But I always say from my experience that I feel better when I eat every two to three hours so, you can experience over science but use the science to support your argument."

Barbell Fitness posts regularly on Face-

hopes to possibly open his own training facility.

Facebook page has garnered more than 1,200 were taking questions from Facebook and all likes from people around the U.S. that and answering them through video." 'We are promoters for a protein product While Barbell Fitness is made up of stucalled ViSalus," Tharp said. "Because of that dents, they utilize their education to inform we have a bunch of connections with people the public on the correct way to reach their Barbaretta said he hopes to continue Bar-Tharp majors in nutrition science with a bell Fitness even after he graduates. He also pre-med focus, Barbaretta majors in athletic training with a minor in nutrition science and

"If we can motivate or inspire just a cou-

"We have a YouTube channel as well. And we

try to get people to interact with that and ask

us questions. We actually just drove to Dallas

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