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Texans rally on steps of state Capitol Supporters of Planned Parenthood converse with lawmakers



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Texans rally for the reinstatement of the Medicaid Women's Health Program and Planned Parenthood in front of the Capitol on Thursday. At right, Bushland junior Trenton Garza shows off his shirt in support for the rally.

ONE IN FIVE WOMEN IN TEXAS HAVE USED PLANNED PARENTHOOD AT SOME TIME IN THEIR LIFE. -PLANNED PARENTHOOD



Kuwaiti women balance tradition

By Taylor Rexrode Staff Writer

AUSTIN — Planned Parenthood supporters rallied on the Capitol steps Thursday in the hopes of reinstating the Medicaid Women's Health Program.

This Medicaid program was replaced by the Texas Women's Health Program on Jan. 1. This program cut family planning funding and led to the closure of 53 Planned Parenthood centers across the state.

The Planned Parenthood Lobby Day, created by the Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, drew men and women from across the state to Austin.

The rally started at 11 a.m. on the south steps of the Capitol, bringing in hundreds of supporters, including Baylor students Trenton Garza and Alicia Kobylecky.

The lobby day was in response to the last legislative session, where Texas legislators cut family planning expenses by \$73.6 million.

The changes in legislation left approximately 160,000 women without access to breast and cervical cancer screenings, birth control and other basic forms of preventive care according to Planned Parenthood.

The Texas Women's Health Plan, which replaced the Medicaid Women's Health Plan on Jan. 1, came with an Affiliate Ban Rule.

This banned health care providers associated with abortion clinics from participating in the program.

The new Texas plan stopped funds from reaching 50 Planned Parenthood clinics that participated in the former Medicaid program.

Garza, a junior from Bushland, said the current system for women's health is lacking a sense of privacy.

"Women could no longer choose their provider," Garza said. "That is a matter of individual choice and privacy whereas the state was

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Smoking guns

Assistant United States Attorney Alan Jackson will give a presentation titled "Shooting from the Hip: the Strange and Wonderful World of Federal Firearms Statutes," at 3:30 p.m. March 28 in room 120 of the Baylor Law School. He will discuss federal firearms and firearms trafficking laws, their role in curbing violence and drugs, and what President Obama's executive orders do and don't do.



and equal rights BU research fellow goes inside Middle Eastern feminism

By Madison Ferril Reporter

For many Americans, thinking of Kuwait may spark thoughts of the First Gulf War.

However Dr. Alessandra Gonzalez, an alumna and research fellow with the Baylor Institute for the Study of Religion, thinks of



paradox Gonzalez of femi-

nism in this small Middle Eastern country to the forefront.

Gonzalez said she be-

came interested in Islamic feminism while searching for a topic for her dissertation. During her search, Gonzalez said she noticed that women in Kuwait weren't granted full political rights — meaning the right to vote and run for office —until 2005. Gonzalez wanted to know why.

"I wanted to know what had motivated these women to fight for their political rights within their faith and tradition," Gonzalez said.

Gonzalez said Kuwaiti women are heavily influenced by the society and culture they live in, which is traditionally conservative. Many of these women, she said, many women still want to maintain some traditional values, although they want equal rights.

"We all have outside factors

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JON CHOL JIN ASSOCIATED PRES

North Koreans attend a rally Thursday in support of a statement given by a spokesman for the Supreme Command of the Korean People's Army vowing to cancel the 1953 cease-fire that ended the Korean War.

North Korea hit by new UN sanctions after threats

By Hyung-Jin Kim Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The U.N. Security Council responded swiftly to North Korea's latest nuclear test by punishing the reclusive regime Thursday with tough, new sanctions targeting its economy and leadership, despite Pyongyang's threat of a pre-emptive nuclear strike on the United States.

The penalties came in a unani-

mous resolution drafted by the U.S. along with China, which is North Korea's main benefactor. Beijing said the focus now should be to "defuse the tensions" by restarting negotiations.

The resolution sent a powerful message to North Korea's new young leader, Kim Jong Un, that the international community condemns his defiance of Security Council bans on nuclear and ballistic tests and is prepared to take even tougher action if he continues flouting international obligations.

"Taken together, these sanctions will bite, and bite hard," U.S. Ambassador Susan Rice said. "They increase North Korea's isolation and raise the cost to North Korea's leaders of defying the international community."

The new sanctions came in response to North Korea's underground nuclear test on Feb. 12

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Blinded to spark discussion on diversity at BU

By Taylor Rexrode Staff Writer

After a restful spring break, students will come together with eyes closed and minds open for the sixth annual Blinded event and Justice Week.

Blinded, hosted by Baylor's International Justice Mission and

Student Government, will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, March 18, in the Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center.

Blinded is an open forum that brings together students and faculty from across the university to talk about diversity issues, including race, sexuality, religion and socioeconomic status. Students are blindfolded and then put in small groups to talk about these topics without knowing the identity of other group members.

Faculty members lead the discussions and are not blindfolded. These facilitators rotate to other groups to start new topics.

Woodville sophomore Kristyn

Miller believes the blindfolds help to bring equality and comfort to each small group.

"The blindfold breaks down a metaphorical wall that you can't see past," Miller said. "When you are taking away vision, you're more apt to give a more personal testament of yourself. Ideally, it will break down the barriers of these students and their insecurities so they can talk more openly."

Justice Week will continue the rest of the week by raising awareness for people oppressed around the world.

Students will have the opportunity to hear from keynote

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Waging war against Internet piracy is useless

Editorial

Trying to stop Internet piracy is like playing a never-ending game of whack-a-mole.

One site may shut down, but in no time, it will be replaced — and the sites and those who frequent them just keep coming.

Music, videos, e-books, software, photos and comics are downloaded illegally several million times a day, according to torrentfreak.com, a site that reports on copyright and piracy news.

Since the dawn of the Napster days, the government has constantly said that it will shut down piracy operations, but the most the government manages to do is pick one person and make an example out of them.

Aside from the government taking on The Pirate Bay Company, a major website that facilitates the peer-to-peer file sharing of torrent files and magnet links, most of the major crackdowns have targeted small-scale pirates, who are most likely 14-year-old techie boys in their rooms downloading the latest music and movies to share with their friends.

Internet service providers and

the entertainment industry threw their latest punch at pirates on Feb. 25 when they called for the "Copyright Alert System."

It is currently unknown what type of punishment each service provider will use, but under Verizon's proposed plan-which was ironically leaked on the internet last month-subscribers who are found to be illegally sharing content will be sent six electronic warnings, as reported by a monitoring service working on behalf of copyright owners, and if they fail to comply, they could temporarily lose Web access or have their Internet speed slowed to a crawl for two to three days.

While things such as the "Copyright Alert System" could possibly deter small-scale operations or individuals, it is not likely to do anything to large operations.

Because it is not possible to slow Internet access indefinitely and many pirates operate from multiple ISP addresses based overseas, all the government and these service providers are doing is pushing them to find more creative ways to obtain and share their content.

There are too many holes in this plan. Where there's a will, there's a way. And time has proved again and again that there is a will

to download free illegal content across all platforms.

Piracy, though, doesn't have to be a bad thing.

Take the HBO show "Game of Thrones," for instance. It was named the most pirated show on television in 2012.

Last week, its director spoke in favor of piracy, saying piracy is partially responsible for the "cultural buzz" that the show needs to survive.

The show is clearly not hurting because of the piracy; it is only fueling the purchase of related merchandise. Thanks to those illegal reproductions of its episodes, it reaches an audience of more than those who subscribe to the HBO channel.

While sharing copyrighted content is definitely not ideal or legal, you would be hard pressed to find someone who hasn't taken their fair share of songs from Limewire.

Online media sharing is not going to go away any time soon.

While the government and the entertainment industry have tried to keep up, the people they should really be trying to stop will always be a step ahead. It's useless and ineffective.

Instead, entertainers should concentrate on pushing show or

alcohol content is over .5. It is .15.

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music related merchandise. It's is a fact of life.

Piracy is here to stay - but service providers and entertainers won't be unless they keep up with

the times and concentrate on merchandising.

ASHER FREEMAN

Remember, physical merchandise is much harder to steal.

Earning the name: Emo Park tradition at risk of change

At Baylor, sometimes the names can be a bit confusing.

For example, the English department is located in the Carroll Science Building, there is no fountain on Fountain Mall and nobody knows what the name Minglewood Bowl has to do with that patch of grass behind the Martin Parking Garage.

Another area of campus, known mostly to a few old-timers, seems to be fated to have its namesake fade to the same obscurity as Mr. Minglewood — Emo Park.

Walking by the area now one might hardly notice it. A broad concrete walkway under the spreading oaks bridges the gap between the SUB and Carroll Science.

The name that the area's original inhabitants gave it translated roughly to "that place where the big ugly fountain is."

Unfortunately the fountain the original Baylorites were referring Baylor would be treated to the sound of the emo's mournful song lifting over the morning mist. It would rise and fall, without any real point or melody, but on foggy Baylor mornings that haunting cry had the power to chill your soul.

Unfortunately, shortly after their discovery the emo population started to decline.

Scientists still debate as to what caused this to happen. Some claim it was due to the inability of the species to reproduce, but that seems unlikely as the population suffered from low growth rates for years before their extinction.

A more likely explanation is that they were muscled out by one of the invasive species that has colonized the area.

Visitors to the park today will notice the large population of hipsters that has swept over the surrounding area. Their hammockshaped nests fill the trees every spring. With so many hipsters competing for space, the emo population was more than likely edged out of existence. This seems to be the norm for American fauna. By the folly of our ancestors we have traded the mighty buffalo for the pedestrian cow, the passenger pigeon for the infuriating rock dove and the noble emo for the nattering, preening hipster.

In the story "Texas DPS to crack down on DWIs" which ran on Feb. 7, it was incorrectly printed that Texas DPS patrols would be doubled that day. They will be doubled today.

Corrections

An infographic which ran with the story also incorrectly reported that a DWI Class A misdemeanor occurs in cases where the blood

more public attention

710-1712.

Imagine yourself lying on an ice-cold bed with tubes running throughout your body as you begin to wonder if you're going to make it. You stare out the window wishing you could be free and enjoying life. While this may sound depressing, it is the sad reality for many cancer patients.

Cancer is a deadly disease that affects not only the millions of people who are diagnosed yearly, but their friends and family as well. Cancer has impacted most people in one way or another. Researchers wish to be one (mainly because I'm not called to be a doctor), but that doesn't mean I can't help. For me, cancer is personal because I have lost many people to this disease.

Cancer awareness needs

That is why I decided to do Relay For Life at Baylor. Not only do I participate in the event, but also as a committee member I get to help plan the event with other members.

This experience has been one of the greatest events I have participated in because I really am making a difference. Last year, we had a speaker come and talk to us about how the American Cancer Society helped when he had cancer.





are looking for cures but have yet to find one.

The only positive news thus far is the increased number of survivors. According to an article by the National Cancer Institute, there is a decline in death rates among several cancers, such as lung and breast cancer.

However, without a cure, there is always the risk of a relapse. Despite the numbers, the number of diagnoses for certain cancers is increasing. We need to step up as individuals and help find a cure, because in one instant your life can be changed.

February was National Cancer Prevention and many organizations spread awareness in various ways. For example, the Lady Bears Basketball team played in the "Sicem for the Cure" game against TCU to spread awareness for breast cancer. They encouraged fans to wear pink for support.

I am not a doctor, nor do I ever

He mentioned the fact that cancer treatment has improved significantly as doctors are learning more. The advancements in medicine in the past two years are astounding due to all the money that goes to research.

It may not seem that way, but number of survivors proves it. We have a long way to go before we find a cure, but at least we are still trying. We owe it to the patients and their families.

One doesn't have to be in a laboratory trying to find a cure; a simple donation can do the trick. Spreading awareness, participating in cancer walks, participating in the Relay For Life event at Baylor, all of that can make an impact. People are in hospitals wondering if they can see another day, the least we can do is help in any way we can.

Parmida Schahhosseini | Sports writer

Those people might be strangers, but what if they weren't?

Think of it this way: Last year Invisible Children made a video and tried to start the Kony 2012 movement, a campaign to make an obscure criminal more known to the world. While it lasted a short time due to certain circumstances, it still got people's attention.

It went viral and exploded on social media and most importantly it got people talking. Why can't cancer awareness explode like that?

Cancer affects everyone around the globe, so doesn't it deserve that kind of attention? Has it been around so long that people overlook it? Imagine what would happen if everyone cared and did something.

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to survives in name only. Archaeologists believe it was destroyed some time before electronic records could document it.

The park was given its proper name by the renowned naturalist John James Yarborough, who first observed the large flocks of emos that inhabited the park. Yarborough described his first encounter in his journals:

"I walked some distance from the main dwellings of this place and came to a glen of oaks. While walking beneath their great boughs, I was startled from my reverie by the sobbing cry of some great bird. On further investigation I discova specimen. If I am successful, this will be the first specimen described in detail by western science. It will be a joy to have it under my dissection knife."

Rob Bradfield | Asst City Editor

ered the source of the sound - a

flock of large black birds perched

along the path. Their disheveled,

glossy black plumage with pale

skin showing beneath has led me

to the conclusion that these are

the birds which the locals refer to

as Emeauxs [sic]. I must return

soon with my net-gun to retrieve

Yarborough became the first western scientist to describe the species known as Emo Despairicus, from a single adolescent male that he managed to capture on the journey.

Older members of the Baylor community will remember these majestic animals perching on the concrete slabs, strutting around the park and performing their elaborate courtship rituals.

On rare occasions, birders at

It is our duty to take action now so our children will have more of our natural heritage than just a name.

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Professor teaches religion while fighting for academic freedom

BY CAROLINE BREWTON, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

e is an intense man with a dynamic speaking style, who makes big, dramatic gestures to underscore his points. In lecture halls, he jumps around the stage, electrifying his audience with the near-manic energy he brings to his passion for teaching. Dr. Lynn Tatum is a senior lecturer in the Honors College, teaching mostly religion classes — a subject which he has loved for decades. But religion isn't the only subject that excites this impassioned professor.

Academic freedom, or the right for a professor to teach, write and research in his or her discipline, is important to Tatum. Tatum fights for academic freedom as a member of the national American Association of University Professors (AAUP). He currently serves on the AAUP's six-person executive committee of the association of state conferences, traveling regularly to speak on academic freedom.

For Tatum, a Baptist, the issue is personal.

"Baptists were born out of dissent," he said. "And so theologically, I think it's important that we have the right to disagree, otherwise we're not real Baptists. So you have to have that space where dissent and conversation can occur."

But that's very uncomfortable to some Baptists because of Christianity's focus on orthodoxy, or correct belief. Many who feel that orthodoxy must be maintained come into tension with openness and inquiry.

Unlike those who believe students should be told what to think, Tatum said he believes professors should teach them how to think for themselves. Free discussion is essential to this process — hence, his belief in academic freedom.

His fascination with academic freedom and its connection to good

"He's a cock-eyed optimist. He's very funny," Darden said.

The majority of ratings for Tatum on the popular professor rating site RateMyProfessors are overwhelmingly positive. All ratings on the first page placed him at "Good quality."

However, despite rating him highly, one student from a religion 1301 class seems to disagree with his teaching style.

"Don't take him if you are easily offended or don't know how to defend your Faith," read the rating, posted on Aug. 2, 2011.

Others disagree. A member of the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core, Tomball junior Sabrina Bosiacki took a class from Tatum in the fall that dealt with the Middle East.

"I think Dr. Tatum was a great teacher because of his dedication to academic freedom, and I was lucky to have been in his class," Bosiacki said.

She said she felt comfortable in Tatum's class.

"His teaching style was very effective for the subject material. It helped me learn about the Middle East by thinking about it, rather than just hearing about it," she said.

Bosiacki, too, said she feels open discussion is crucial to learning — after all, it helped her in class — and that students should be exposed to debate and controversy.

"Students should not be allowed to live in ignorance of certain truths just because the subject was controversial. We all came to college for a reason, and hiding truths to protect the delicacies of some students is wrong," Bosiacki said.

Like Bosiacki, Tatum said in his own days as an undergraduate, he benefitted from the principles he defends today. Tatum grew up active in his church, he said, and that interest in religion followed him to Baylor, where he received his bachelor's degree. He decided to study religion because his thinking on the subject had been stimulated by some of his

teaching began when two areas of his own interest collided.

"In the late '70s, early '80s as Baptists were going through a theological war over, essentially, freedom of thought," he said.

At the same time, Tatum became fascinated with the Middle East. It was a time when growing fears over the Palestine Liberation Organization had reached a head, and the organization was regarded as a primary enemy of the United States.

"After having lived over in the Middle East, I became convinced it wasn't black and white, that in fact, these are complex issues, and if we're going to make any progress there, you're going to need to have that ability to have a range of opinions and discuss," Tatum said. "So these two areas of controversy, Middle East studies and religion, had people telling me I shouldn't say certain things about the Middle East or about religion. And so it absolutely convinced me of the incredible importance of academic freedom."

Resistance to academic freedom might have several causes, he explained. All new knowledge is, at first, controversial, and those with a vested interest in the old and traditional might resist the transmission of the new. But just because knowledge is new is no reason to shy away from it; in fact, Tatum said he wants others to embrace, discuss and study it.

"When a professor is doing their job in a true atmosphere of academic freedom, you can trust that your professor is telling you the best that they know, not what will a.) get them a raise, or b.) keep them from getting in trouble, or c.) keep them from getting fired," Tatum said. "And there are people out there who want to see religion professors fired if we're not teaching exactly the right thing."

That's nothing new to Tatum, who says that his no-holds-barred attitude towards openness has caused some to ask for his removal from campus. Once, a local pastor called for his firing and he's received several angry letters. In one letter, Tatum's methods were described as "crap."

"Professing Christians who are in authority [...] should not corrupt the minds of young believers," the letter reads.

Tatum doesn't see his methods as corrupting anything. He said he believes exposing students to new ideas, even new ideas that may shock them, is best done in the right environment.

"I think for students to struggle through ... is exactly what young Christians need, and our job is not to protect them from dangerous ideas, but to help them work through scary ideas in a setting that's supportive, at least in my case, taught by a Christian Sunday school teacher, a Bible expert. Where else should students be exposed to these ideas?" he said.

Robert Darden, an associate professor in the journalism, public relations and new media department, echoed Tatum's sentiments.

"If not a university, then where?" Darden asked. Darden and Tatum are old friends who met after Tatum began teaching at Baylor.

Darden, who believes Tatum is a "prophetic voice on campus," said he admires Tatum's championing of academic freedom, which has come at "great personal expense." In his approach to free discussion, Tatum echoes the guidelines of both the AAUP and journalism, Darden's own field, he said. Tatum's students seem mostly pleased with his thoughtinspiring methods.

Darden credits this to Tatum's irrepressible personality.

professors.

"I came here, had some fantastic professors in religion that scared the heck out of me," Tatum said. "They got me thinking about very serious questions that both fascinated and frightened me."

In '74, Tatum went on the very first Baylor in Israel program as the result of a mistake. Originally scheduled to go to the Soviet Union, a trip which fell through, Tatum said he received an offer to go to Israel instead. After a war broke out in Cypress while he was there, the airports in Israel were shut down and he was stuck. A five-week trip turned into a majority of his summer, but Tatum was not upset by the delay.

"I loved it," he said. "That's when I confirmed this is what I wanted to study."

After his graduation from Baylor, Tatum began graduate work at Claremont College before moving on to Duke University. Baylor invited him to come back and teach while he was still finishing his Ph.D., he said.

He only had a bachelor's degree the first two years he taught, although he finished his dissertation while here. Tatum said he discovered his passion for teaching during that time.

"I actually discovered, really quite by accident, that I was ...quite good at it," he said. "I don't know anybody who enjoys teaching more than I do."

For the most part, Tatum said he loves nearly all aspects of teaching, except for grading.

"They pay me to read books, to talk about stuff I want to talk about, and meet with interesting students," he said. "It's unbelievable."

His favorite part?

"Seeing the light go on in a student's eyes is fantastic. Part of it is autobiographic. I can remember, and I can point to specific classroom experiences where I walked into a classroom, and when I leave 45 minutes later, I'm different. I had some of those professors," he said.

"I think occasionally it happens," he said. "The work is to try to make it a better world. And my job — society pays me in order to produce better human beings. More thoughtful people, more insightful people."

Tatum said this is important because those in the job market are looking for people who don't just have a degree, but have "struggled with issues of right and wrong," a crucial part of a Baylor education.

"Even in business, what you hope is that Baylor graduates aren't just looking for the bottom line, because even our business graduates have struggled with issues of right and wrong. I'm part of that tradition. Each of us, a little bit rubs off this rough edge and that challenges a student to think a little bit ... that's my job. It's not just about transmitting knowledge," he said.

Tatum said he encourages students to challenge themselves by asking the hard questions.

"You know the old Socratic phrase 'The unexamined life is not worth living.' Well, the unexamined life is just kind of dumb, to paraphrase it," he said.

Tatum, who said he gets an "adrenaline rush" from a good discussion, said he wants the conversation to spark something in students.

"I think being in a classroom where the conversation is crackling...it hardly gets better than that."

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Law alumnus still devotes time for Baylor's future

By Dan Henson REPORTER

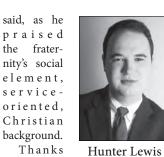
He lives in Dallas now, but his legacy remains with Baylor.

Currently a successful lawyer in Dallas, 27-year-old Hunter Lewis liked Baylor so much he spent years here and remains involved as an alum.

Lewis earned a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from Baylor University in 2007, and graduated from Baylor Law School with a Juris-Doctor in 2010.

During his time as an undergraduate in the fall of 2005, Lewis helped found the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity Theta Kappa chapter at Baylor, making it the first chapter to be colonized after the centennial celebration of the fraternity.

"I wanted to be part of something new and different," Lewis



along with

that of his fellow founding members, the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity Theta Kappa chapter now boasts over 70 members.

"He was a good ambassador for Pi Kapp and Baylor," Ryan Ruska, fellow Pi Kappa Phi fraternity Theta Kappa chapter alumni and friend of Lewis, said.

Lewis was also a member of the Baylor Student Congress during his freshman and sophomore years, and after the organization's name was changed to the Baylor Student Senate, he served as a student senator during his junior and senior years.

Lewis was also a member of the Baylor Ambassadors, who are responsible for assisting Baylor in lobbying its local, state and federal officials as well as hosting public officials that visit Baylor.

As a Baylor Ambassador, he lobbied the Texas Equalization Grant before both houses of the Texas State Legislature, to provide scholarship money for students in private schools.

After getting his undergraduate degree and beginning his career as a law student at Baylor Law School in the spring of 2008, he joined the Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Society.

After graduating law school and spending a few years working as a family lawyer in Dallas, he wound up at Kinser & Bates, L.L.P., where he currently practices matrimonial law exclusively. Kinser & Bates L.L.P. focuses on such family law matters as divorce, prenuptial agreements, and child support, among others.

Lewis has co-authored several articles in his professional career. Most notably, Lewis co-authored the "Evolution of Texas Property Law" with his boss Katherine A. Kinser. In this article, Lewis helped explain the evolution of property laws in Texas over the last 50 years, which saw many changes, including Texas becoming a no-fault state in divorce cases -a factor that affects his own practice.

In addition to his career as a lawyer, Lewis is an active member of several professional associations including the Dallas Bar Association, The Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, the Annette Stewart Inn of Court, The Dervish Club and the Royal Order of La Fiesta.

Lewis has made sure to stay very involved with Baylor as an alum as well. He often returns to Waco to watch football games and to reconnect with his friends in the Baylor community. Lewis and Ruska have season tickets to Baylor's football games.

"We just have fun coming back," Ruska said.

He is also still very involved with the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity. Lewis is the Chapter Advisor for the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity chapter at the University of North Texas, and he still comes back to Waco and works with the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity Theta Kappa Alumni chapter as a member of its Board of Directors.

"His passion for Pi Kapp and Baylor are unmatched by anyone I have ever seen," Ruska said.

He was one of the founding members of the Baylor Law School Alumni Association Steering Committee in Dallas, which he described as a really good way to keep the Baylor Law community connected

More recently, Lewis has joined the Baylor Young Professionals program in Dallas, with which he said that he is seeing a lot of promise. This program helps graduates from 10 to 15 years out of college mix, mingle and build connections

"What we aim to accomplish network-wide is that every Baylor alum has a chance to plug back into Baylor," Derek Stephens, Assistant Director of Young Graduates and Online Communities, said.

Baylor to D.C. this summer to gain political perspective

By KATE MCGUIRE STAFF WRITER

The Washington D.C. Internship Program, which provides students the opportunity to work with congressmen and women, is setting the stage for Baylor's new vision, Pro Futuris.

Every year, Baylor's dept of political science offers the Washington, D.C. Internship program to 10-15 students. Students are selected to work with representatives and committees in Congress, departments in the executive branch and other associations.

These students will work during the summer in Washington to fulfill their required duties for the internship and the program, including attending the two-day Poage-Mayborn Washington Seminar, keeping a journal of everyday experiences, and submitting a recap paper at the end.

Students who join the program receive three credit hours for its completion.

Students in the program may serve in a variety of places, such as Capitol Hill, the White House, Supreme Court, government agencies, nonprofit organizations and lobbying firms.

"It's a wonderful opportunity for our students to get engaged, especially civic engagement," said internal vice president Brian Kim. "We have been advocating for this in student senate and it is one of major initiatives by the student body officers."

Dr. James Curry, the undergraduate director of the political science department, Bob Bullock, professor of public policy & administration and director of the Washington D.C. internship program, said he found students who participate in the summer internship tend to stay in Washington and work.

"Because so many of our graduates have gone to D.C. for their careers, we enjoy a phenomenal number of alumni supporters of the program. These graduates have chosen to give back to the university and to its current students," Curry wrote in an email to the Lariat. "The alumni are very helpful to prospective interns by assisting with internship placements and mentoring."

These alumni work with current students to provide connection, communication and education, helping students to create mentor bonds with the alumni.

"Working with Dr Curry, who wants to get students involved in different internships, helps students work with our alumni all over the country," Kim said.

This fits into Baylor's new 10year vision - Pro Futuris, which began in 2012 - of global expansion and education coming through alumni beyond the classroom, which is discussed in the first pillar of the vision.

In addition the program expands opportunities for "students to engage with community, state, national, and international leaders," another objective listed in the first pillar.

Dr. Kevin Jackson, vice president for Student Life, said programs like the D.C. Internship Program are helping to further that vision.

"Whenever we can get our students with legislators and educators, it causes a win -win situation. Students receive interaction with these people and Baylor gets recognition. This expands our presence in D.C., around America and around the world," Jackson said.

Jackson said he believes the D.C. program offers the potential of international expansion of the influence of Baylor by taking students out of the classroom and engaging them in an environment where they can network with international leaders and their D.C. mentors.

"Judge Ken Starr is very supportive of these programs to advance Baylor's influence in the world," Jackson said. "Pro Futuris has charged each department.

These are the early stages for the departments to begin this vision."

The program is available primarily to those who major in the political science department, because students receive credit for political science classes, Curry said.

Students must pay tuition, living, transportation and miscellaneous costs. The tuition is between \$5,350 and \$5,900, while housing and transportation must be found and provided by the student.

Information and support on attaining these necessities will be provided by Curry.

Scholarships for tuition may be available through the Mayborn Foundation.

For more information, visit http://www.baylor.edu/political_ science



nity's social element, serviceoriented, Christian background.

Thanks to his work,

world," Hall said, as he reminisced about growing up in rural Louisiana and seeing the world change so much.

ternational, Hall was asked by Baylor President Ken Starr to join his leadership team. Hall accepted the position in October 2012.

Baylor," Hall said. His position did not exist before he was appointed to it by Starr. "My job now is to try to figure out ways, with the leadership at the university, and various decision committees how we can do things that not only need to be done, but can be done and be sustained long-term."

Student government also hosted Chris Holmes, the assistant general counsel at Baylor. Holmes sought to clarify what the current laws in Texas say regarding concealed carry on Baylor's campus.

"It's a fairly complicated area," Holmes said. Senate Bill 182, if passed, would make it legal to carry a concealed weapon, provided the carrier has obtained a CHL through the proper legal channels, on public and private college and university campuses. Baylor, as a private institution, would be allowed to opt out of the law, Holmes said.

Student government passed four bills Thursday as well.

Senior Blessing Amune briefly discussed a bill that she had authored that would allocate \$696.90 from the student government allocation fund to help the Delta Epsilon Psi fraternity fund the reception costs for the third annual Juvenile Diabetes lecture.

Fort Worth sophomore Dallena Nguyen discussed a bill that she had authored that would allocate \$5,162.37 to fund the Relay for Life at Baylor, which also passed.

The student government also voted in unanimous favor of allocating funds for Stepping Out 2013.

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Artists take the stage as part of new music festival

BY REBECCA FIEDLER REPORTER

Yesterday, the music portion of the Waco Independent Media Expo, held at Common Grounds coffee shop in Waco, showcased a diverse range of musicians.

The music festival began slowly with Common Grounds staff members composing a large amount of this audience, along with a small handful of music supporters.

One of the first people to perform was the Common Grounds live event coordinator Wes Butler.

Butler played a number of acoustic songs he has written for his wife throughout the course of their relationship, including one called "Heart Beats Harder."

"It's an old song," Butler said. "It's from right when my wife and I first started kind of dating and we were both going through some baggage. I feel like we kind of had some walls up and the song is essentially saying, 'I want to fight for this. Show me yourself."

Butler said he considers himself an acoustic pop and rock artist, and lives in Waco with his wife. working at $C \circ m m \circ n$ Grounds, taking the every stage now and and then,

traveling and leading worship for student events.

Another act early on in the expo was Kat Dixon; vocalist, guitarist and mandolin player for the local band Married with Sea Mon-

Dixon played a glossy, black electric guitar, singing in a blues style reminiscent of artist Adele. All but one of her songs were original.

"I would just love to not have a day job," Dixon said. "I just want to write music all the time. That's what I want to do for a living."

Dixon expressed herself not only through her music, but through her clothing as well, sporting a long floral dress, her red hair formed into dreadlocks, adorned with an antique-looking tiara and pearl style beading.

"I pretty much just open my jewelry box each morning and try to fit as much on as I can," Dixon said. "I figured I was playing a show at two in the afternoon. I thought I might as well be as ridiculous as possible."

Dixon said she exposes her emotional struggles through her lyrics. Her guitar twanged her voice projected, her songs winding through blue notes. Later in the day, Andrew

"We always seem to have the ability to win crowds. *If they haven't seen us before, they tend to enjoy* what they see."

Matt Parmenter | Quiet Company bass guitarist

> one-shoed percussionist, Rick Harn, played.

> Sullivan is a professional musician from Dallas and sells his music on CDs and through forums like iTunes.

The lack of audience didn't



As part of the Waco Independent Media Expo on Thursday, the band Johnny's Body performed at Common Grounds.

seem to dissuade Sullivan. He had a cheerful disposition.

a box-shaped "I graduated and started writing music, and I'm paying all the bills right now," Sullivan said of himself and his family. "We're happy and I'm playing several times a week. So I may not be Dave Barnes heel of the or something like that, but I'd like foot, by his to be."

More people were present for the rock music of Austin-based group Quiet Company, whose music pierced eardrums with the sound of guitars, keyboards, drums, a red electric trombone,

and a melodica — a modified form of the harmonica that looks like a mini electric keyboard and is powered by the musician blowing into a tube.

Had the band chosen to call themselves "Beard," their name would have been less contradictory to their presentation. Each of the five members sported a similarlystyled brown beard; a style the band bares thanks to the influence of the bearded lead singer, said Matt Parmenter, the band's bass guitarist.

The band emoted with every

note. Lead singer Taylor Muse leapt and twirled around the stage with his guitar, flipping his hair and bowing deep, waving his hand in the air, running his fingers over his scalp.

"Last time we played here, I fell off the stage," Muse said after almost tripping over a rug on stage.

All of the band members played emphatically. "We always seem to have the ability to win crowds," Parmenter said. "If they haven't seen us before, they tend to enjoy what they see. I don't think that's an arrogant statement; it's just, like, an observation. I feel like we've got a pretty energetic live show"

MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Quiet Company and its members broke a record at last year's Austin Music Awards, winning 10 awards at the event, including best drummer, best producer and best indie rock band, Parmenter said.

When almost no one answered when Muse asked the band's audience members how they were doing, Muse said with a smile, "Kill yourselves." However, he revised the previous statement later, when he cultivated a laugh from the audience, and said, "OK, live."

Nightclub to feature popular country band, hopes to have full house



By KATE MCGUIRE STAFF WRITER

For students who aren't leaving for spring break until Sunday, they can go see the Casey Donahew Band, a popular country/Texas Red Dirt band that has been traveling across the country for the past couple of months.

The concert will be at 9 p.m. Saturday at Whiskey River nightclub.

Sam Badar, owner of Whiskey River, said he is getting prepared to have Donahew and is expecting a sold-out show.

"Casey played last year in October in Bell County Expo Center and they had 7,800 people," Badar said, "so we are expecting at least 2,000 people. Our capacity is 2,000 people so

ton, started playing for local nightclubs like the Thirsty Armadillo in Fort Worth and released his first CD, "Lost Days," according to the Casey Donahew Band website.

His then girlfriend and now wife, Melinda Donahew, started booking gigs for Casey Donahew around Texas. After the release of his second CD, "Casey Donahew Band," which sold 32,000 copies, Casey Donahew became a mega indie-red dirt hit, according to the Casey Donahew Band website.

Donahew talks of his success coming from those who inspired him.

"I'm a big Elvis fan and a big Garth Brooks fan," Donahew said. "Pat Green really lead me towards Texas music. They have been inspiring us, really motivating us to get out there and play.

come from a lot of different backgrounds," Donahew said. "We write songs that people can relate to and that's what draws them in."

Donahew said "Fallen" is one of his favorite songs.

"For some reason, that song still strikes a chord somewhere in me and the fans still seem to enjoy it," Donahew said.

The Casey Donahew Band has played in Waco several times before, beginning in 2006, Donahew said.

"Its one of the major college towns in Texas," Donahew said. "That seems to be where we spend a lot of our time playing."

Donahew has advice for college musicians trying to make it in the music/entertainment business:

Donahew said, "The music business is a tough business. Just keep writing songs and watch your money."

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The Casey Donahew Band will perform at 9 p.m. Saturday at Whiskey River nightclub

we're expecting max capacity."

Tickets are available at Cavender's Boot City, Basic Bits Leather Company, Appaloosa Trading Post and the Whiskey River box office.

Pre-sale tickets are \$15 and tickets are \$20 at the door.

The band first originated when Donahew, a student at the University of Texas at ArlingLeading the way in the industry."

The band released five albums and one Christmas single. His newest single, "Whiskey Baby," will be released in a few weeks.

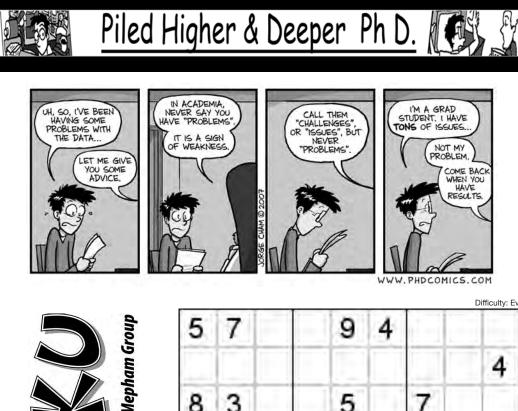
Donahew said he believes their music speaks to others and is appealing due to the multicultural background of the band's members.

"We have our own blend of musicians that

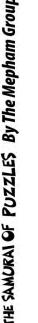
Answers at www.baylorlariat.com

Badar said he strongly believes music can change the lives of kids and youth.

He said he wants to be the club where college students can experience a stress-free environment and enjoy new, up and coming acts.







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Sports

Baseball prepares for three-game series against Illini

By Daniel Hill Sports Writer

The Baylor Bears host Illinois this weekend for a three-game series. Illinois and Baylor will square off today at 6:35 p.m. and then Saturday the two teams will meet for a double-header. Game one on Saturday is at 2:05 p.m., and the back end of the double-header is scheduled to start at 6:35 p.m. at Baylor Ballpark.

After struggling at the start of the season, the Bears have turned it around and gained some momentum by winning five of their six games to give them a 7-6 record.

"Yeah, it felt good definitely to be over .500 and to grind it out," senior third baseman Cal Towey said. "I feel like our last three games have been played pretty well, grinding out AB's and counts. Pitchers have been throwing strikes."

The Bears' bullpen has been solid this season. When the Bears are leading after the sixth inning, they are 5-0.

As a team, the Bears pitching staff has a 4.42 ERA and are holding opponents to a .219 batting average.

"We have a lot of guys out in the bullpen and a lot of not heralded names, but we do have a lot of guys who contribute and perform and do their role," junior left-handed



Senior outfielder Nathan Orf makes contact with a pitch Wednesday against Louisiana Tech. The Bears went on with to win the game 5-4 and moved to 7-6 on the season.

pitcher Doug Ashby said. "That's something [assistant] coach [Trevor] Mote works with us all on. He wants us all to be individuals. He doesn't want cookie-cutter pitchers. My role is just to keep the ball

down in the zone and to throw strikes so that's what I was able to come out and do."

Offensively, the Bears have benefited from timely hitting and positive plate appearances with a team batting average of .273. Senior right fielder Nathan Orf leads the team in batting average at .479. Orf and junior second baseman Lawton Langford are tied for the lead in runs scored with 10 runs each. Illinois is an aggressive team on the base paths and boast a heavy pitching rotation of right-handed throwers.

"They are running a lot and we are going to see three right-handed starters," Baylor head coach Steve Smith said. "They are running more than I would have expected a Big 10 team to do, with all due respect. No slight intended there."

Last season's Baylor squad relied on mashing the ball deep and hitting towering home runs. This year's team relies more on contact and positive plate appearances to generate offense.

"It's a very different team," sophomore first baseman Duncan Wendel said. "It's all contact hitters now except for Cal [Towey] and a couple of other hitters. It's really just sticking with everybody's approach of single, get a hit here and get a hit here. Instead of get the big hit here that's the double or whatever. We're just trying to be who we are."

Baylor's starting pitcher tonight will be junior right-handed pitcher Dillon Newman. Newman has a 1.62 ERA and is 2-0 in over sixteen innings of work.

For the first game on Saturday, senior right-handed pitcher Max Garner will take the mound for the Bears. Garner is 1-2 with a 2.79 ERA this season.

On the back end of Saturday's double-header, Baylor's starting pitcher will be sophomore right-hander Austin Stone. Stone has one loss on the season and a 6.43 ERA in seven innings of work this season.

"I think right now we've got two guys in Garner and Newman that have been pretty consistent, particularly Dillon," Smith said. "I think Austin is going to be fine. I think Austin is just young and still trying to figure it out a little bit. The other guys are a little bit older and more savvy."

Last season the Bears experience unprecedented success on the diamond. Smith believes this year's team can duplicate that same level of success.

"I think we've played okay. I think offensively, we're competing well at the plate," Smith said. "I think on the mound, when we've gotten good starting pitching, that's kind of set the tone for the whole game. I think there are still improvements to be made there. We're what eleven, twelve, thirteen games into it? Honestly, we are not too far away from where we were a year ago at this same time. So hopefully we can continue to progress and get to where we were last year."

Two more soccer players invited to professional teams

By Larissa Campos Reporter

After nearly two months of traveling to different tryouts across the country, former soccer players Lisa Sliwinski and Hanna Gilmore may have found a new home playing professional soccer.

Sliwinski and Gilmore finished their senior seasons with 10 and seven goals respectively.

The newly formed National Women's Soccer League was founded after the fold of Women's Professional Soccer in 2012. The league has eight teams spread out through the United States and is expected to begin this season sometime towards the end of spring.

Sliwinski was invited to attend the preseason of four different professional women's soccer teams, the Chicago Red Stars, the Washington Spirit, FC Kansas City and Portland Thorns FC.

After thinking about it, Sliwinski pursued the offer from FC Kansas City over the other teams. "I think Kansas City really liked Lisa's ability to be versatile," head coach Marci Jobson said. "But I think they are looking to play her as a strong post-up forward."

Sliwinski said she is excited to pursue the opportunity but is more excited for the reputation it's building for the soccer program at Baylor.

"Hopefully now future players will see Baylor as a place to prepare you for the next level," Sliwinski said. "It was perfect timing for us that the league started right after our senior year season. I just hope it motivates other players to take their careers beyond college soccer."

Although the invitation to the preseason practices is a big step towards playing professionally, it does not solidify a place on the final roster for the girls. Teams release final rosters after preseason practices.

"This invite is pretty much a foot in the door," Sliwinski said. "We are all really excited about the opportunity but now is when the real work starts."

Gilmore was also asked to attend the Chicago Red Stars preseason practices.

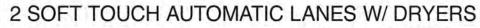
After spending the last two summers training in Chicago, Gilmore said she couldn't have picked a better place to begin a new chapter in her life.

"There isn't really a player that works harder than Hanna does day in and day out," teammate Kate Beaudoin said. "I don't think anyone deserves this opportunity more and I'm looking forward to seeing her do big things."

At the beginning of February, senior Carlie Davis was also invited to preseason practices with Portland Thorns FC and said she is glad her former teammates are joining her on the road to professional soccer.

"Lisa and Hanna have been my training partners and the two that inspired me to pursue a dream," Davis said. "I am so happy we are doing this together but will also be on separate journeys in three different cities."





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Freshman infielder Robin Landrith catches a high fly ball against Illinois State on Feb. 7 at Getterman Stadium. Baylor won the game 8-0.

Softball back at Getterman

By Parmida Schahhosseini Sports Writer

It has been less than a week since the No. 17 Baylor Lady Bears made a statement and upset No. 3 Arizona State 6-2 in the last game of the Wilson DeMarini Invitational on Sunday in Tempe, Ariz. Baylor will play a three-game series against Purdue, beginning with a double header at noon on Saturday and concluding with a game at noon on Sunday in Getterman Stadium.

Purdue is on a five-game winning streak after defeating Texas A&M Corpus Christi twice, Texas State twice and North Texas.

If Purdue beats Baylor, it would be its first win over a ranked team in six tries this season. The Boiler Makers are batting .278 for the season and have six players batting .250 or higher. At .453, outfielder Andie Varsho has 11 RBIs, 12 runs and 12 stolen bases. Second baseman Ashley Burkhardt leads the team with 16 runs scored and has eight RBIs.

Purdue's pitchers have combined for a 1.92 ERA and 84 strikeouts. Sophomore Lely Moore has a

shutout to her credit and has struck out 31 batters in 47 innings. Sophomore Alex Whittemore won her only start with a .50 ERA, striking out 11 players in 14 innings.

Baylor has won 18 of its last 19 games, including an upset against the Sun Devils.

"We are playing well as a team right now and getting better," head coach Glenn Moore said.

Junior left-handed pitcher Whitney Canion is still working on her pitches after coming off an ACL tear last season. However, Canion is still effective with a 1.18 ERA and 92 strikeouts. Senior Courtney Repka is undefeated with a .44 ERA. Freshman right-handed pitcher Heather Stearns has yet to lose a game after her first start and is pitching effectively with an ERA of .90 and 54 strikeouts.

"I just think Heather coming in, in a closing situation, [it] was nice to see her do that," Canion said after a game against Pacific. "We all have to learn how to close a game and seeing her close a game like that was good."

Baylor's offense combines speed and power, posing a dual threat. The team is batting .318 on

Despite stranding runners, Baylor has been able to score runs, putting pressure on other teams. The at-bats for Baylor have been consistent. Sophomore outfielder Kaitlyn Thumann, with a .418 batting average, leads Baylor in runs with 22. Thumann also has 28 hits,

Senior center fielder Kathy Shelton has also been productive, batting .378 with 14 runs, 28 hits and 14 RBIs. Freshman third baseman Sarah Smith has contributed 11 RBI, 11 runs, 27 hits and three home runs with a .491 batting average.

two home runs and 14 RBIs.

"We have more confidence up to the plate," Smith said.

Redshirt freshman outfielder Linsey Hays has been giving Baylor the production it was looking for on offense with her power swings.

She was named Big 12 Player of the Week for the first time in her career, and she is the first freshman to receive this award in 2013. Hays played a strong game against Arizona State, going three-of-four with two RBIs and a home run. Hays leads Baylor in home runs with four, and RBIs with 15.

NCAA Indoor Championships up next for Baylor track

By Maleesa Johnson Reporter

Baylor track and field is sending 10 athletes and one relay alternate to the 2013 NCAA Indoor Championships in Fayetteville, Ark., this weekend.

Altogether, the team is scheduled for six events, including three individual women's events, two individual men's events and one men's relay.

On Feb. 23 and 24 at the Big 12 Indoor Championships, 28 members of Baylor track and field earned 39 All-Big 12 honors.

This included two All-Big 12 honors earned by 15 of the competitors for the women's team, and 19 All-Big 12 accolades earned by 13 of the men.

After a fourth-place finish at the Big 12 Indoor Championships, with a record-setting six event titles for Baylor, the Bears have been buckling down for one of the biggest meets of the season.

"You always want to try to place as high as you can," head coach Todd Harbour said. "We've had a lot of success indoors over the years, a lot of top four finishes. We're ranked 25th and 27th, so it's always nice to try to exceed those expectations and exceed your rankings."

If these athletes perform to the caliber that they have in past NCAA Indoor Championships, it should be a successful meet for Baylor.

Six returning competitors have earned All-America honors previously for this meet, including Justin Allen, Blake Heriot, Drew Seale, Erin Atkinson, Tiffani McReynolds, and Skylar White.

Of those athletes, Atkinson, Seale and McReynolds have made All-American status within the last two seasons.

"I feel good," Harbour said. "We've got a good group, you know, veterans. Skylar [White] has been there before and done it, Erin [Atkinson] was there; they were both All-Americans last year. Blake [Heriot] knows what it's all about, so we've got a good group going.

We've got some young ones too; this will be Felix [Obi]'s first time."

After returning from an injury last year, junior hurdler Tiffani McReynolds has had a successful season thus far.

She has the second-best mark in the NCAA for the 60-meter hurdles this season with a time of 8.02. Two weekends ago, she won her third straight Big 12 title and has yet to lose a 60-meter hurdle event this season.

McReynolds Additionally, holds all top ten records for Baylor in this event.

"I feel a lot better practice-wise than I did last week and the week before conference," McReynolds said.

During her freshman year, ters and Baylor's first title in this McReynolds placed second at the NCAA Indoor Championships. This year, she is going into the event as No. 2 in the nation.

"I'm really excited," McReynolds said. "Hopefully I can go ahead and take the title this year."

One of the athletes to earn a title at the past Big 12 Championship was junior sprinter Blake Heriot, who has big hopes for this meet.

He won the 200-meters with career-best time of 20.77, the ninth-fastest mark in school history and the fifth-best in the NCAA this season.

His title earned Baylor its sixth Big 12 Indoor title in the 200-meevent since 2009.

"I've been so excited this week," Heriot said. "Hopefully I can get the win and score more points for the team. Those are the things I want to accomplish."

Additionally, Baylor's throwers, Atkinson and White, will join the team for this meet with a combined five wins for the season so far. The men's 4x400-meter relay team also joins the ranks.

Unfortunately, the team will have to compete without senior sprinter Everett Walker due to an injury.

Obi, a triple jumper, is Baylor's highest-ranking male entering the NCAA Championships.



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interceding and saying, 'Well, you can go to any provider except those who are somehow affiliated with an abortion clinic."

State Rep. Senfronia Thompson, who is filing House Bill 2819 to restore the Medicaid Women's Health Program, spoke at the rally along with other representatives.

The keynote speaker at the event was Stephanie March, an actress best known for her role as Assistant District Attorney Alexandra Cabot on NBC's "Law and Order: Special Victims Unit."

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that influence our personal decisions," Gonzalez said.

Through surveys and interviews, Gonzalez found younger Kuwaitis want to combine traditional and modern values in their approach to feminism.

"The youth I talked to hold both modern and traditional values," Gonzalez said. "There's still a desire to maintain some identity with the past."

Gonzalez traveled to Kuwait and did her research through a combination of 1,000 surveys given to Kuwaiti college students and 30 in-depth interviews with both

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March, a native Texan, spoke about how legislators and citizens can do better in upholding what she sees as family values that Texans share.

"We can do better," March said. "I'm tired of Texas playing politics with women's lives. How can we hold ourselves up as an example of family when we consistently deny our mothers, our sisters, our wives, our girlfriends and our daughters access to the most basic life-saving health care?"

State Sen. Wendy Davis also

spoke at the event on the importance of family planning services for Texas. Davis said lobby day is important for doing what is "right for human beings."

"It's wonderful to be with people of like mind who truly are developing their politics around what's right for human beings, who are truly thinking about the human consequences of the decisions that we make," Davis said. "For women who are trying to make sure they have a bright future for themselves, each of us forms an incredibly important piece to make sure she can do that. To join with Planned Parenthood in a rally of support is wonderful."

After the rally, lobby meetings commenced inside the Capitol. Citizens spoke to their state representatives on behalf of Planned Parenthood, leaving behind materials with facts and statistics and what changes they wish to see in legislation.

Today is the last day for bills to be filed in this legislative session.

Kobylecky, a doctoral student

from Greenville, said she enjoyed the experience for the interactions that she had with fellow lobbyers. "I love people's stories," Koby-

lecky said. "It was awesome to see so many women and men who were ridiculously passionate about supporting women's health care enough to come down here and just talk with people about it, people who they knew wouldn't agree with them."

Garza said that the experience was important for democracy.

"This was such an experience,"

"Equal pay laws are on the

books, but it's sometimes difficult

for women to get jobs because they

don't have the necessary skill sets,"

these women were access to educa-

tion and professional training and

of law covering issues such as mar-

riage, divorce and child custody. In

Kuwait, this type of law is deeply

rooted in the holy books of Islam,

the Quran and the Hadith. The Ha-

dith consists of sayings attributed

to Muhammad, but not stated in

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personal status laws, she said.

Some other important issues to

Personal status law is the body

Gonzalez said.

such passionate people for this cause. As for going in and talking with the staff for legislation, that's democracy. I hope they listen and that it influences their choices in upcoming bills."

Garza said. "It's good to be around

Planned Parenthood has served citizens of Texas for 75 years, providing birth control, annual well-woman exams, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases, breast and cervical exams and sex education.

the Quran.

Gonzalez said she hopes her book is helpful to anyone who wants to learn more about faith and women's rights in another country.

She said she thinks that possibilities can open up when people take the time to see an issue from another viewpoint.

"As American feminists have their debates I think we can learn from these women to take progress slowly and check in on ourselves. An element of self-criticism is healthy."

men and women about women's za rights. Gonzalez said initial research for the book took two years, and it took two more years for her to write, edit and publish the book.

Dr. Paul Froese, who served as the chair of Gonzalez's dissertation committee, said Gonzalez wrote the book in an attempt to describe a phenomenon frequently misunderstood in the West.

"Feminism comes in different forms," Froese said. "There's not one route to greater gender equality, just like there's not one route to greater democracy."

Surprised by her findings, Gon-

zalez said she had to reconsider many of her own views about Islam and women's rights in the Middle East.

"These women are agents of their own change and don't need to be saved," Gonzalez said.

In addition, Gonzalez said some men are helping women gain more rights in Kuwait. "I think one of the greatest

analogies I was told is that the country is like a family," Gonzalez said. "Men and women work together."

Gonzalez said while she uses the term Islamic feminism in her

book, many people she interviewed were hesitant to identify as feminists. "Many people didn't say they

were feminists," Gonzalez said. "They were more likely to say 'I'm for women's equality' or 'I'm for women's rights."

Most women Gonzalez surveyed or interviewed were concerned about the issue of economic independence.

The more conservative aspects of the culture often encourage women to stay at home — which can limit their ability to work or learn skills.

cepted throughout the week.

Baylor's International Justice Mission chapter plans to raise \$2,700 during the week. All proceeds will go to help victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of oppression through the International Justice Mission national office.

Toohey said these events are important to raise awareness and gain support for the International Justice Mission.

"You'll see pockets of individuals that take an interest or have a passion for social justice issues," Toohey said. "It's really hard and there's not an organization other than IJM that strictly focuses and makes such a powerful statement about the issues. Justice Week is a great time to culminate these issues and raise awareness and hopefully find those students and bring them into the mission." and were the fourth set imposed by the U.N. since the country's first test in 2006. They are aimed at reining in Pyongyang's nuclear and missile development by requiring all countries to freeze financial transactions or services that could contribute to the programs.

North Korea kept up its warlike rhetoric Friday after the U.N. vote, issuing a statement saying it was canceling a hotline and a nonaggression pact with rival South Korea.

North Korea's Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of Korea, the country's arm for dealing with cross-border affairs with Seoul, said it will retaliate with "crushing strikes" if enemies intrude into its territory "even an inch and fire even a single shell." It also said it was voiding past nuclear disarmament agreements between North and South Korea.

South and North Korea agreed in a 1992 joint declaration not to produce, test or use nuclear weapons. North Korea has since conducted three nuclear tests.

The resolution also targets North Korea's ruling elite by banning all nations from exporting expensive jewelry, yachts, luxury automobiles and race cars to the North. It also imposes new travel sanctions that would require countries to expel agents working for sanctioned North Korean companies.

The success of the sanctions could depend on how well they are enforced by China.

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speaker Katariina Rosenblatt from 6
to 8 p.m. March 19 in Barfield Draw-
ing Room. Rosenblatt, a Truth Panelami. She recently creation
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speaker through the Frederick Douglass Family Initiatives, will speak to attendees about the importance of social justice awareness, particularly in regards to human trafficking. According to their website, the Truth Panel honors Sojourner Truth and uses its collective voices "as a means of prevention, comfort and empowerment for those that have been trafficked for sex and labor exploitation and to keep those that haven't from ever knowing this crime." The Frederick Douglass Family Initiative is an apolitical and non-religious organization that works toward securing freedom for all people.

Rosenblatt endured human trafficking and domestic violence from ages 13 to 17 while living in Mi-

ami. She recently created There is H.O.P.E. For Me, a volunteer organization. H.O.P.E. stands for healing, opportunity, purpose and empowerment of sexual abuse victims.

The Justice Week feature on Tuesday, March 19, will be the Tunnel of Oppression from 6 to 10 p.m. on the second floor of the SUB. The tunnel will feature types of oppression, including racism, poverty, immigration and sex trafficking, portrayed artistically in skits, interpretive dance and spoken word.

"It's going to be really artistic," Houston senior Dalychia Saah, Justice Week chair, said. "It's meant to see oppression in a different light."

The event on Thursday, March 21, called Stand For Freedom, will last for 27 hours, from 1 p.m. Thursday through 4 p.m. on Fountain Mall. Students will take a stance

against injustice by participating in all-night activities. Student organization Engineers with a Mission will also display four houses at Stand for Freedom to represent poverty in four different countries.

Chloe Toohey, co-adviser for Baylor's International Justice Mission chapter through the office of community engagement and service, said the 27 hours have significance for remembering victims.

"You're standing for 27 hours for the 27 million estimated slaves trafficked in the world today," Toohey said.

Oso's Frozen Yogurt at 215 Mary Ave. will host the final fundraiser for Justice Week from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday.

The majority of donations will be collected at Stand for Freedom but cash or check donations will be ac-

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