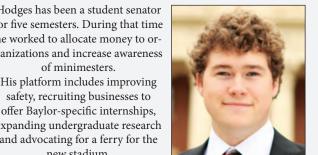


Hodges has been a student senator for five semesters. During that time he worked to allocate money to organizations and increase awareness of minimesters.



Adams has been both freshman and sophomore class president and has held several positions related to student safety, including a





safety, recruiting businesses to offer Baylor-specific internships, expanding undergraduate research and advocating for a ferry for the new stadium.

Her platform is based on increase safety and improving transportation. She wants to implement a tracking app for the bus system and instill better lighting off campus.

cabinet position.

in Boston

By Eileen Sullivan and Jay Lindsay Associated Press

BOSTON - Federal agents zeroed in Tuesday on how the Boston Marathon bombing was carried out - with kitchen pressure cookers packed with explosives, nails and other lethal shrapnel - but said they still didn't know who did it and why.

An intelligence bulletin issued to law enforcement and released late Tuesday included a picture of a mangled pressure cooker and a torn black bag the FBI said were part of a bomb.

The FBI and other law enforcement agencies repeatedly pleaded for members of the public to come forward with photos, videos or anything suspicious they might have seen or heard.

"The range of suspects and motives remains wide open," Richard DesLauriers, FBI agent in charge in Boston, said at a news conference. He vowed to "go to the ends of the Earth to identify the subject or subjects who are responsible for this despicable crime."

President Barack Obama branded the attack an act of terrorism but said officials don't know "whether it was planned and executed by a terrorist organization, foreign or domestic, or was the act of a malevolent individual."

Scores of victims remained in hospitals, many with grievous injuries, a day after the twin explosions near the marathon's finish

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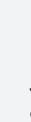
The Institute for Studies of Religion will host "Reflecting on an American Tragedy" from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Powell Chapel. A group of scholars will gather to discuss the continuing issues raised by the Branch Davidian standoff that killed some 80 group members 20 years ago.



External Vice President Candidates



Damrow has served in student government for three years and worked on the Public Relations Committee. His platform is based on the desire to start an alumni mentor program and increase the number of local internships available to students. He also hopes to expand the Bearbucks program.



Dallena Nguyen | Sophomore



Nguyen has served on student government for two years and currently serves on the Executive Council. Her platform focuses on improving campus safety by fixing roads on and immediately around campus as well as working to create more lighting on campus. She hopes to better the relationship between students and the administration.



Holt has had three years of experience in student government, is currently the chief of staff to the EVP and has served as interim EVP. Her platform includes a promise to attend Waco City Council meetings to keep students informed about the community and to start a newsletter to help students stay informed about student government.

Internal Vice President Candidates

Dominic Edwards | Junior

Edwards has had two years of experience in student government, working with finance, public relations, branding and the Honor Council. His platform centers on making student government more transparent and available to students and giving more student groups access to the Student Government Allocation Fund.



David Hornbeak | Junior

Lexington Holt | Junior

Hornbeak is a two-term senator who has worked on the Campus Improvement Committee and to improve campus safety. His platform includes the desire to make student government "more than just a bank" to students, while continuing to make campus more environmentally friendly and improve student relations with the administration.



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INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT: DOMINIC EDWARDS

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT: WESLEY HODGES



For the position of student body president, The Lariat endorses candidate Wesley Hodges.

When interviewing candidates to endorse for student body president, there were a few key traits that we were looking for.

The candidate had to have both a good grasp on the Baylor community and a good understanding of the Waco community.

He or she had to have a clear and diverse platform that demonstrated knowledge of the challenges that Baylor faces and the improvements we can make through the student government.

And most importantly, the candidate needed to have concrete steps to achieve their goals.

The decision to endorse Hodges based on these characteristics was unanimous

When Hodges came and spoke to the Lariat, we were impressed by his goals and the specific ways he proposed to achieve them.

From the ambitious — opening a ferry between downtown Waco and Baylor Stadium — to the more mundane — creating a database of available undergraduate research

— Hodges laid out a range of goals and seemed ready to achieve them. Among Hodges' other goals were increasing the study abroad

opportunities, recruiting busi-

nesses to offer more internships for Baylor students and improving lighting and security in and around campus.

Most importantly, he demonstrated a clear understanding of what he would need to do to achieve these goals.

Through his time serving in the Golden Wave Marching Band, learning in the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core and being a member of Phi Kappa Chi, we believe that Hodges' experience at Baylor is easily relatable to a large group of students and that he will be more in touch with his constituents because of it.

Hodges also demonstrated a familiarity with the Waco area and an eagerness to further connect the two communities.

The Lariat also liked Raechel Adams as a candidate but felt that her platform was too narrowly limited to campus security.

However, Adams' ideas were good and there should definitely be a place for her in the next administration.

*Lariat Editor-in-chief Caroline Brewton did not participate in the discussion, news coverage or endorsement of student body president Candidates due to a conflict of interest.



For the position of internal vice president, The Lariat endorses candidate Dominic Edwards.

We were particularly impressed with his desire to completely break down the walls between the student body and the student government.

One of the main problems that the student government has is a general lack of availability to the average student, according to Edwards. He wants to give the average student the ability to approach the student government with ideas on an informal basis.

For example, one of the ideas that Edwards presented was giving students the ability to walk into student government offices and talk to the elected officials about ideas or concerns by instituting mandatory office hours and an open-door policy for student body officials. He also proposed to implement focus groups for specific Student Senate committees and hold a student government tailgate so that students have many opportunities to connect with the people that they elected.

A transparent government centered on serving the people is exactly what student government should be, and that is what Edwards will bring to the table. We believe that having an accessible group of elected officials will lead to an increase in student involvement and an increase in desirable legislation.

His previous leadership positions on various student government committees and involvement around campus also led us to this endorsement. Edwards has served in student government for two years so far and has experience working on the Honor Council and chairing the PR committee. We liked his overall presentation and his ability to clearly communicate his ideas. This will help him both as a leader in student government and as a servant of the student body.

Another one of Edwards' stances that caught our eye was his view on the student government allocation fund.

He was very well informed on its uses and flaws, and we believe he uniquely qualified to fix the problems associated with it. Better management and publicity will

sponsible choice for the position.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT: LEXI HOLT



For the position of external vice president, The Lariat endorses candidate Lexi Holt.

Not only does Holt have experience as acting external vice president from the times she has had to stand in during the current one's absence, but Holt is currently the chief of staff to the external vice president and has had three years of experience in student government.

Oftentimes, when an office position changes hands, the officer's work in that position stops.

Holt, on the other hand, said she believes the that previous officer's work should not just stop when the term ends. This provides a spirit of collaboration among current and former officers that we like and that members of student government can benefit from.

In addition, Holt's platform emphasizes the connection between Waco and Baylor, a topic we would like to see expanded and which is crucial in this position.

One major point we liked from Holt is that she said attending the Waco City Council meetings is an important part of bursting the Baylor Bubble.

Holt also said she would like the Passport Waco program, an effort increase student involvement in the community through partnerships with local businesses, to expand and improve next. She said if she's elected to the position, she will start approaching businesses beginning in June to promote the program. This type of initiative is what we want in an EVP.

Outside of her role as a student government officer, she said she frequently visits different restaurants in Waco and tries to eat outside her comfort zone.

Holt is a holistic person who is involved with Baylor and the community. She has made the Dean's List multiple times. She is part of Alpha Chi Omega. Community involvement is an important quality to have as a member of student government. Her community service involves working with Campus Kitchen and Urban Missions. Holt also attends Harris Creek Baptist Church.

Holt's opponent, Thomas Damrow, did not seem to present same community involvement as Holt. Dallena Nguyen, Holt's other opponent, did not have the same experience Holt does in working with this position.

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Student athletes actually work for their perks

Back in February, I received an email from my roommate. In the subject box, she typed "Thought you might get a kick out of this!" In the email was a link to an article published in the Daily Illini, the



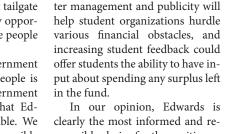
I chose the latter. We are sorry for getting scholarships for playing a sport.

"It would take me 18 years to discover coordination, stamina or anything that vaguely resembled

"Athletes at nearly all American colleges and universities get some sort of specialized physical, nutritional, psychological and academic accommodations,"she wrote.

How unfair is that? Why should

academics. However, I think I can speak for the majority of athletes when I say that that this is a "perk" we could live without. I guess we didn't realize required studying was something to be jealous of.



University of Illinois' equivalent to the Lariat. The column, which ran Feb. 19, was titled "Student Athletes: The Kings and Queens of Campus."

I was intrigued.

As I read the article I found myself getting increasingly upset and angry as the writer, Renee Wunderlich, used words to portray student athletes as spoiled brats who were incapable of any sort of independent success.

When I finished the article, I was fuming. Being an athlete myself, I couldn't fathom how someone how could misconstrue student athletes so badly. I was more worried about if there are people at Baylor who think like Wunderlich, though.

I had almost forgotten completely about the article until yesterday. I was cutting through Jones library, and I heard the word "athlete" come from the group of peoLarissa Campos | Reporter

ple in front of me. Their conversation immediately had my focus. I won't repeat exactly what these few Baylor students had to say about student athletes. I'll just say I was horrified that Wunderlich's beliefs are actually shared on Baylor's campus.

I found myself at a crossroads. I could get angry with these people for their beliefs. Or I could consider their perspective and apologize for all the things Wunderlich and like-minded people accuse us of.

athleticism. And it's too bad, really - Had I hit my fitness stride just a few years earlier, maybe I could be getting more out of this University," Wunderlich wrote.

You are right, Wunderlich. Our scholarships have nothing to do with our own hard work and dedication to our sport. It has everything to do with winning the genetic lottery.

Athletic scholarships have nothing to do with the countless number of hours we log at practice and extra training to become elite athletes. They have nothing to do with the sacrifices we have made throughout our life to earn an athletic scholarship. You're right. There was no hard work in becoming a college athlete. We all just came out of the womb scoring touchdowns and hitting 3-point-

We are also sorry for all the free stuff we get.

our physical, nutritional, psychological and academic needs be any more important than yours? I'm sure you spend your time outside of class running, squatting three times your body weight and pushing 100-pound plates the length of a football field. I'm sure your normal daily exertion requires the same type of physical and nutritional attention our bodies need to survive practices every day.

Also, our responsibilities as athletes are easy compared to what you do. Think about it this way: We mess up at our job and not only is our team let down, but the entire campus is let down. We miss one shot, have one bad game, and suddenly we are the least-liked person on campus. I bet you're up against that type of pressure every day too, right?

We are sorry that we have our own facility for study hall and other amenities to help us succeed in

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Most of all, we are sorry for forfeiting any sort of normal social life in order to become the best team we are capable of being.

We are sorry for dedicating our college experience to becoming an athletic program that you and the rest of the university can be proud of.

So, to Wunderlich and other like-minded athlete haters: The list of apologies could go on forever, but to summarize, we are deeply sorry for all of the "benefits" we get for our extremely "easy" lives.

When I wake up at 5 a.m. tomorrow to practice in the rain before going to class, I will be sure to think of you, cozy in your bed, and remember how lucky I am to have an immensely "easier" life than you.

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Sen. George Mitchell stars in On Topic conversation

By Dan Henson Reporter

U.S. Distinguished Sen. George J. Mitchell_Maine 1980-95) wowed a packed house in Waco Hall on Tuesday night with the discussion of his involvement and insights on conflicts in Northern Ireland and throughout the Middle East.

President Ken Starr and Mitchell began the conversation by remembering Monday's atrocities in Boston, and the lives of those whom were lost, including the young Martin Richard. During the Boston Marathon on Monday, two bombs exploded close to the finish line, injuring more than 100 people and killing three.

"I feel personally about this, because I grew up in Maine and I have spent a lot of time in Boston," Mitchell said.

Mitchell was asked to serve as a special envoy for Middle East Peace by President Obama in 2009. He represented the United States in diplomatic relations in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

"There is no such thing as a conflict that can't be ended," Mitchell said. He said there are many threats for Israel. Two of these threats, which are widely understood today, such as rockets and isolation. "Hezbollah has 30-50,000 rockets," Mitchell said.

Israel faces issues with isolation in that the nation has the support of the United States, but in that geographic area, it is the minority.

A third threat for Israel, according to Mitchell, is that the birth rates of Arabs are such that by the middle of this century, the majority of the population in that country will be Arab.

When asked by Starr about the recent election in Egypt and their current governmental struggle, Mitchell said that the real key and difficulty in the region is in guaranteeing the rights of the minority.

"It is not an easy thing for any society to do. It hasn't been for ours," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said that many societies today think that they would be better off with a meritocracy, in which can change their social and economic status, like that of the United States, which is not necessarily true.

When asked by Starr about his opinion on the United States' involvement in the conflict in Syria, Mitchell said there are three competing forces and we have the challenge of figuring out how to handle each of these societies.

"The last thing we need is another war over there," Mitchell said.

Starr posed the question, "Pakistan the country, a friend or not a friend of the United States?" Mitchell promptly professed MATT HELLMAN I LARIAT PHOTO EDITO

Baylor President Ken Starr is joined by Sen. George Mitchell Tuesday in Waco Hall for On Topic, a conversation about the country and important issues facing the nation.

that he does not believe in labeling a country a friend or not a friend. "What we should search for are common interests," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said this will be one of the greatest challenges over the next half century.

He said that by the middle of this century, there will be as many Muslims as there were people on earth in the 1960s.

Mitchell has been awarded the Medal of Freedom and has also been knighted by the Queen of England for his diplomatic work in Northern Ireland.

Mitchell said the violence he saw during his work in Northern Ireland was horrific and random. And through all of the violence, ordinary men and women, particularly women, stood up in the face of the chaos in hopes of just achieving a normal life.

"It was an inspiration to see them do that, especially those who suffered adverse consequences as a result," Mitchell said. "They did the right thing, at the right time for their country."

Starr also commended Mitchell's character in his cooperation with former Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole. Mitchell told Dole on his first day as Senate Majority Leader that he would not stoop to petty quarreling.

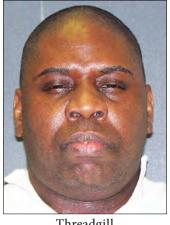
"We understood that we had a higher loyalty," Mitchell said.

Man convicted in carjack slaying of teen to face execution

By Michael Graczyk Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — The U.S. Supreme Court refused to halt the scheduled execution of a Texas man, clearing the way for his punishment Tuesday evening for the carjack-slaying of a teenager 12 years ago.

Attorneys for Ronnie Threadgill, 40, argued his case deserved review because he had deficient legal help during his 2002 capital murder trial when he was sentenced to die for the killing of 17-year-old Dexter McDonald. The appeal argued he would not have received a death sentence if he had better legal representation, and asked his case be returned to a lower court.



Threadgill

The high court's rejection came in a brief order less than an hour before Threadgill's scheduled lethal injection.

McDonald was sitting in the back seat of a friend's idling car near Corsicana, about 60 miles south of Dallas, on April 15, 2001, when Threadgill started shooting then jumped inside the vehicle and drove off. He threw McDonald from the car; the teenager died of a gunshot wound to the chest. Threadgill, who already had a long criminal record, led officers on a chase along Interstate 45 through Navarro County. He lost control of the stolen car and slid into a ditch, then ran away. Police found him hiding at a truck stop, clinging to an axle under a parked semitrailer. A bandana that witnesses said

the carjacker was wearing was found stuffed under the truck trailer. Blood on Threadgill's clothing matched McDonald's blood.

Threadgill's fingerprints were found on the stolen car.

Rob Dunn, one of Threadgill's trial attorneys, said the number of people who saw the attack left "no wiggle room" to convince jurors that someone else was responsible for the crime. He said his strategy had been to try to keep him off death row.

"There was a multitude of witnesses there at that club that had seen him there and then the shooting took place, and a multitude of witnesses watched him drag the deceased out of the car at the end of the block and throw him down," Dunn said.

Prosecutors called nearly a dozen witnesses during the punishment phase to show Threadgill's reputation for trouble. He already had felony convictions for cocaine possession and burglary and misdemeanor convictions for assault, resisting arrest, theft, criminal trespass, criminal mischief and marijuana possession. Three months before the fatal carjacking, Threadgill was released from a prison on mandatory supervision, a form of parole.

A clinical psychologist testifying for the defense showed Threadgill was chemically dependent and came from a family with a history of substance abuse. His mother testified that she was on parole for drug possession at the time.

Appeals lawyer Lydia Brandt argued to the Supreme Court that jurors weren't given an accurate picture of Threadgill's abusive and tumultuous childhood, nor were they told that his mother encouraged her children in criminal activity and that his mother, male relatives and his three siblings all had criminal records.

But state attorneys told the justices his legal help throughout had been proper and competent. His appeal with the punishment fast approaching was "nothing more than a meritless attempt to postpone his execution," according to Stephen Hoffman, an assistant Texas attorney general.

At least 10 other Texas prisoners have executions scheduled in the coming months, including another inmate set to die next week. If the Supreme Court rejects his appeal, Threadgill's execution would be the third in Texas this year.



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Five for Fighting talks Dia performance, current events

By Rebecca Fiedler Reporter

Though many Baylor students may be familiar with the use of Five For Fighting's song "Chances" in the popular film "The Blind Side," or have heard the band's songs "Superman" and "100 Years" coming through their car radio, they can now experience the band live in concert.

At 8 p.m. Thursday on Fountain Mall, Five For Fighting will take the stage as the headlining act for Diadeloso, though Thursday's weather forecast of the possibility of severe thunderstorms might complicate events.

Five For Fighting is composed of one man, John Ondrasik, its other members being musician hired to accompany Ondrasik.

Ondrasik said there's always a wide range of ages in the audiences at his shows.

Five For Fighting's performance will be catering not solely to the band's fans, but to students who might not be as familiar with the band's work. Waconia, Minn., senior Suzie Jacob said she thinks she might go to the concert if her friends are attending. She is familiar with the band's song "100 Years" but is not making any efforts to see the concert based on fandom.

"I think they're good. It's not one of those bands where I've been a fan for years or something and I have to be there," Jacobs said.

San Antonio junior Abby Ortiz said that she has been a Five For Fighting fan for years. She even considers "100 Years" to be a theme song for her own life. She plans on trying to attend Thursday's concert.

"I really, really want to be there," she said.

Ondrasik said he classifies himself as a singer-songwriter of the 1970s tradition. He said he began plinking away at the piano as a small child. He grew up listening to piano players Billy Joel and Elton John, to the Beatles and to songwriters like James Taylor, Joni Mitchell and Paul Simon.

"By no means do I put myself in their league, but I think it's not a coincidence that my songs tend to have a message, and they tend to have a beginning, middle and an end," Ondrasik said. "And those were my influence and I think that's kind of what I do. I try to tell stories, express sentiments."

Ondrasik has made six albums and has been able to make a living as a singersongwriter for the last 10 years.

Ondrasik said he considers himself different than musicians who tour all the time. He chooses to tour less so that he can spend time with his family. Music is not the only passion Ondrasik has, either.

Ondrasik is a sportswriter who writes for the Los Angeles Kings hockey team. He has written articles for the Sports Illustrated website about basketball and hockey. Even his band's name, "Five For Fighting," shows his love of sports, as it refers to a hockey penalty. In reference to his life of sports writing and music, Ondrasik noted that people often want to be something they are not.

"Athletes want to be musicians, musicians want to be athletes, and because I'm not a very good athlete, I'll be a sportswriter instead," Ondrasik said.

When talking to college students, Ondrasik uses himself as an example of success after many attempted failures once no one wanted to play his now-popular hit song "Superman" on the radio, and initially no record companies were interested in the song.

"When I talk especially to college kids about their dreams and aspirations, I always remind them, you know, that for me everybody passed on my biggest song, and you do at times have to, you know, trust your gut and go down with the ship," Ondrasik said.

Ondrasik said he is looking forward to playing for Diadeloso and is hoping for the chance to meet Lady Bears basketball player Brittney Griner.

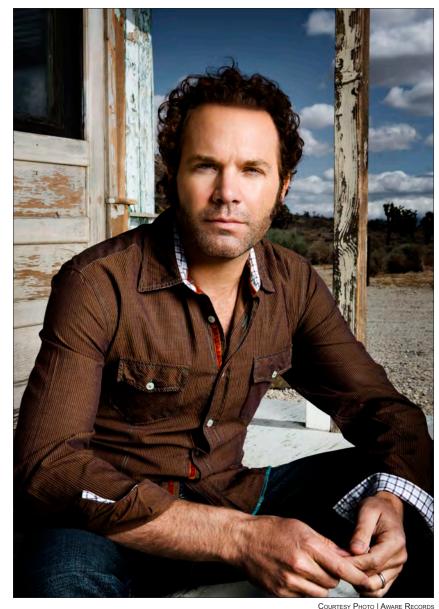
"For me as an older guy, it's always fun to come and do the college shows, because you guys keep me young," Ondrasik said. "We have a lot of fun. And for someone who's very passionate about their sports, and someone who understands that you have one of the greatest athletes on the planet at your school, I'm very excited to come and perhaps meet her."

Another reason Ondrasik said he will enjoy performing at Baylor is because it will be a diversion from the recent tragedy cast upon those affected by the bombings at the Boston Marathon Monday. Performing in the midst of such events is not alien to him.

"If you look back, 'Superman' was a big song around 9/11, and I played a concert for New York and I've had experience in the aftermath of terrorist attacks in playing for some of the victims and some of the emergency workers, and this attack today has kind of brought a lot of that back," Ondrasik said

Ondrasik said that he felt terrible acts were done by the bombers, but he saw good being done by emergency workers in response.

"You see incredible acts of heroism in this tragedy, this attack," Ondrasik said. "I think you have to recognize it, but you also have to realize that the goal of the terrorists is to keep us from doing shows like Thursday's, and to have us be afraid, but we need to continue doing what we're doing and at the same time recognize those who were lost and recognize those who performed heroic acts today," Ondrasik said.



Five for Fighting's John Ondrasik will perform at 6 p.m. Thursday at Baylor for Diadeloso. Ondrasik said he is excited to play and that it will be a welcome distraction from Monday's Boston Marathon shootings.

Baylor student blows past the battle round on NBC's 'The Voice'



By Linda Nguyen A&E Editor

Lorena sophomore Holly Tucker blew away the judges in the battle rounds of NBC's "The Voice" Monday, beating teammate and roommate Michelle Raitzin for a spot in the next stage of the competition, the knockout performances.

The battle rounds are the second stage of the competition for "The Voice," following the blind auditions. If Tucker advances past the knockout rounds, she will compete in the final live performances.

Tucker battled Raitzin with country singer Carrie Underwood's recent single "Blown Away."

"It was electrifying just because I got up there, and I looked at Michelle and I remember thinking, 'This is going to be awesome," Tucker said.

Tucker and Raitzin impressed

what I did. When he started talking, he started talking about Michelle at first then he switched to me."

She said when she found out she had won, she looked at Shelton in surprise.

"I thought he was going to pick Michelle," Tucker said. "I was mentally preparing what I would say if I lost."

Shelton said during the show that Tucker had a great performance.

"Holly, you set the bar so high so early on," Shelton said on the show. "You had the challenge of trying to get there again, which sucks, but you did it. You did it even beyond that."

Tucker said she was touched by Shelton's remarks.

"That made my heart so happy," Tucker said. "I felt so blessed and humbled at that moment. I felt like I really did what he asked me to do. That's all I've wanted to do in this competition is learn."

"It helps calm my nerves," Tucker said. "God gives me a peace past all understanding. I have to get my nerves under control and praying is the thing that helps me."

Tucker said praying before this performance especially helped her going into the round.

"He just gave me a sense of peace," Tucker said. "Even if I lose, it's going to be OK. I'm not done in music. That's what allowed me to get on stage and have fun instead of overthinking the whole performance."

She said, in this case, God gave her the anger Shelton said she needed to make her performance better.

"I started singing and I felt an anger that I've never really felt before," Tucker said. "I think God was giving me that because that's what I needed for the performance."

Tucker said she has enjoyed the ntire experience competing on "The Voice." She said preparing for the battle rounds was an interesting experience.

think that's where we really connected because we can both really put out the power."

Tucker said "Blown Away" was also an interesting choice in song because although it's not a traditional country song.

"Preparing for that was a really cool experience," Tucker said. "Meeting Michelle though the process, we became like sisters through the whole thing. We would really respect each other. If we wanted to practice separately, we gave each other space."

Tucker said they also rehearsed with each other frequently.

"We kind of ended up over-rehearsing," Tucker said. "Coming on that stage for the performance, we had to bring new energy. The adrenaline of the night helped."

Tucker is still enrolled at Baylor taking classes part time while she's competing on "The Voice," "I'm only taking two classes," Tucker said. "Professors are working with me kind of like they work with the athletes, except this is singing. They're really supportive; Baylor has been really supportive of me. I've been able to continue my education and that's a blessing."

Lorena sophomore Holly Tucker competed against Michelle Raitzin Monday in the battle rounds of "The Voice

judge Blake Shelton so much he asked if he could choose both of them, but he ended up choosing Tucker over Raitzin

"Blake kind of scared me there," Tucker said. "Going into it, he had always told me I needed anger and confidence, so going out there, that's

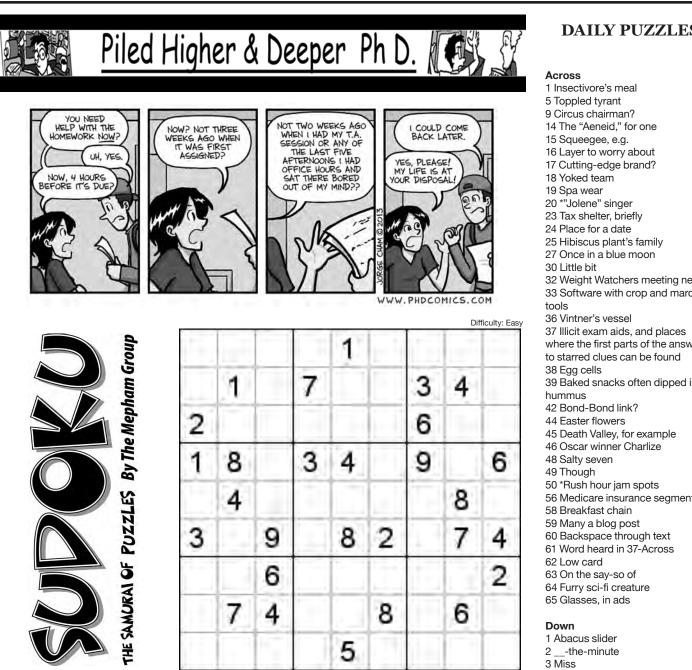
After Tucker was announced as the winner, she said in her mind, she was thanking God.

"You got me here," Tucker said. "You got me past this round. I'm going to make you proud."

Tucker said she prays before every performance.

"Blake chose to pair me with Michelle Raitzin, and at first I thought that was a really odd choice because she's more R&B and pop and soul, but I'm really soul too," Tucker said. "I

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Softball heads to North Texas to take on Mean Green

By Parmida Schahhosseini Sports Writer

Coming off a sweep of Oklahoma State, the No. 16 Lady Bears will take a break from Big 12 games to play a double-header against North Texas starting at 4 p.m. today in Lovelace Stadium in Denton.

The Lady Bears have already defeated North Texas twice this season in the Texas Shootout in late February. Baylor won the first game 8-3 and the second game 9-3.

Baylor was riding a 12-game winning streak before facing North Texas last time. The Baylor offense was in a groove, recording doubledigit hits in both games against the Mean Green.

North Texas is looking to find some momentum, having lost five of its last seven games.

Most teams do better at home because of the crowd and familiarity of the environment, but that cannot be said of North Texas, which has a 4-8 home record.

Baylor will look to take advantage of that and record another win. Baylor's pitching has improved despite early struggles against No. 5 Texas and No. 1 Oklahoma. Junior left-handed pitcher Whitney Canion and freshman right-handed pitcher Heather Stearns have gotten back into form on the mound.

Against Oklahoma State, Stearns only allowed three hits, two runs and four walks while striking out 17 batters. Canion is slowly starting to get back into rhythm by pitching one of her best games this season. Canion also struck out 17 batters while only allowing three hits and three walks without allowing a run against Oklahoma State over the weekend.

"Any time you have good consistent pitcher around the zone, it frees the defense out and relaxes them a bit," head coach Glenn Moore said. "Then you're able to scratch across a couple of runs. You feel a lot better."

Despite going up against the Cowgirls' ace, Kat Espinosa, Baylor had 15 hits and eight runs in the three games. Baylor struggled offensively, but the pitching staff and defense kept the Lady Bears in the games.

However, Baylor will look to improve its offensive play against North Texas. The pitching staff for North Texas has a 3.89 ERA, striking out 178 batters while allowing 257 hits, 159 runs and 120 walks.

Baylor's offense hopes to take advantage of the pitching staff by reading each pitch carefully to increase pitch counts.

"When you make a pitcher throw a lot of pitches, she's going to get worn down and then hopefully make more mistakes," senior center fielder Kathy Shelton said. "Then you have to take advantage of those mistakes."

In addition to Shelton, sopho-

more outfielder Kaitlyn Thumann, freshman infielder Sarah Smith and junior first baseman Holly Holl have been giving the offense a lift.

Shelton is hitting .373 and is tied with Thumann for the most hits on the team at 53. Shelton has also stolen 30 bases, which also leads the team. Thumann is hitting .390 and has scored 35 runs. She has also stolen 24 bases this season.

Smith has a .404 batting average and has generated 44 hits and scored 15 runs. Smith also ties freshman outfielder Linsey Hays for the most home runs on the team with four.

Despite early struggles, Holl has caught fire in recent games. Against Texas State on Tuesday, Holl went 3-3 with four RBIs and scored one run. Against Oklahoma State, Holl went 2-2 while scoring a run in the first game, and had two RBIs in the third game.

"[Moore] sat me and I was able to recollect and just get my head straight," Holl said. "That's what I really needed to do, and I think it was one of the best things for me."

Brooke Foster is the only North Texas player batting over .300, but the team has four players including Foster batting above .250.

North Texas struggles offensively and is getting outscored 159 to 151 on the season, which will allow Baylor's pitching staff to take advantage of the situation.



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Junior left-handed pitcher Whitney Canion winds up for a pitch Saturday against the Oklahoma State Cowgirls Baylor won the game 1-0 and eventually swept the series 3-0.



Fox broadcasters Pat Summerall, left, and John Madden stand in the booth at the Louisiana Superdome before the NFL Super Bowl XXXVI football game on Feb. 3, 2002, in New Orleans

Summerall dies; NFL loses legend

By Stephen Hawkins Associated Press England beat St. Louis 20-17. "It's right down the pipe. Adam

Baylor shut out against Bobcats 3-0

By Daniel Hill Sports Writer

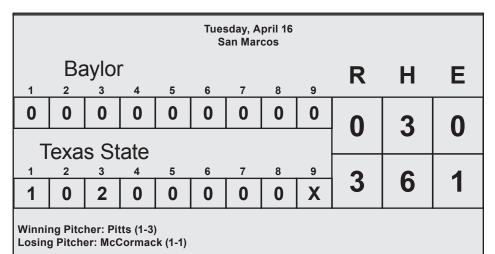
The Baylor Bears lost 3-0 to the Texas State Bobcats on Tuesday in San Marcos. The Bears are now 19-18 on the season. The loss drops the Bears record to 5-2 against teams from the Western Athletic Conference this season. With the win, the Bobcats are now 16-20 overall on the year.

"I thought they pitched it pretty well," head coach Steve Smith said. "Some nights, you just have to give them credit and this was one of them. They ran a bunch of different guys out there that gave us different looks and did a nice job. There weren't a lot of walks and they didn't kick it around."

After an 11-game home stand where Baylor went 8-3, the Bears hit the road for the next five games, which started Tuesday against Texas State in San Marcos.

In the top of the first, junior second baseman Lawton Langford hit a single to keep his 28-game on-base streak alive.

Junior left-handed pitcher Bobby McCormack got the start on the mound for the Bears. It was only McCormack's second start of the season. Coming into the game, McCormack had a 1.29 ERA and a 1-0 record in seven total innings of work.



Miles Landry came out to pitch for Baylor. Landry gave up a walk and a two-run home run to the Bobcats to give Texas State a 3-0 lead.

Landry was pulled from the game and senior right-handed pitcher Kolt Browder made a relief appearance. Browder took care of business and pitched two scoreless innings for the Bears before junior right-handed pitcher Josh Michalec took over in the fifth inning. Michalec pitched three scoreless innings for Baylor

pitched three scoreless innings for Baylor. "We ran some guys out there early in the lot of pitchers on any regular routine. That was the case tonight."

In the bottom of the eighth, sophomore right-handed pitcher Austin Stone tossed a perfect inning to give the Bears a chance to rally in the top of the ninth inning.

The Bears' bats were silent for the night and the Bobcats earned the 3-0 shutout victory. The Bears struggled at the plate and only tallied three hits on the night. The reigning Big 12 Player of the Week, senior third baseman Cal Towey, was 0-3 on the night and senior right fielder Nathan Orf, who leads the team in batting average and has the sixth best batting average in the Big 12, was 0-4. Towey, Orf and junior designated hitter Grayson Porter combined to make Baylor's three, four and five hitters come up empty on the night, going 0-11.

DALLAS — Pat Summerall was the calm alongside John Madden's storm.

Over four decades, Summerall described some of the biggest games in America in his deep, resonant voice. Simple, spare, he delivered the details on 16 Super Bowls, the Masters and the U.S. Open tennis tournament with a simple, understated style that was the perfect complement for the "booms!" and "bangs!" of Madden, his football partner for the last half of the NFL player-turned-broadcaster's career.

Summerall died Tuesday at age 82 of cardiac arrest, said University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center spokesman Jeff Carlton, speaking on behalf of Summerall's wife, Cheri.

"Pat was my broadcasting partner for a long time, but more than that he was my friend for all of these years," Madden said in a statement. "Pat Summerall is the voice of football and always will be."

His final play-by-play words beside Madden were succinct, of course, as he called the gameending field goal of the Super Bowl for Fox on Feb. 3, 2002, when New Vinatieri. No time on the clock. And the Patriots have won Super Bowl XXXVI. Unbelievable," Summerall said.

Summerall played 10 NFL seasons from 1952 to 1961 with the Chicago Cardinals and New York Giants, but it was in his second career that he became a voice familiar to generations of sports fans, not only those of the NFL.

"Pat was a friend of nearly 40 years," CBS Sports broadcaster Verne Lundquist said. "He was a master of restraint in his commentary, an example for all of us."

When CBS lost its NFL deal after the 1993 season, Summerall switched to Fox to keep calling NFL games with Madden. Summerall had hoped to keep working with CBS for other events like the Masters, but network executives saw it otherwise. At the time, CBS Sports anchor Jim Nantz said he was "very saddened" that Summerall didn't get to leave CBS under his own terms.

"Pat Summerall was a hero to me," Nantz said. "I treasured the gift of friendship that I had with him. I was his understudy for 10 years. He could not have been more generous or kind to a young broadcaster."

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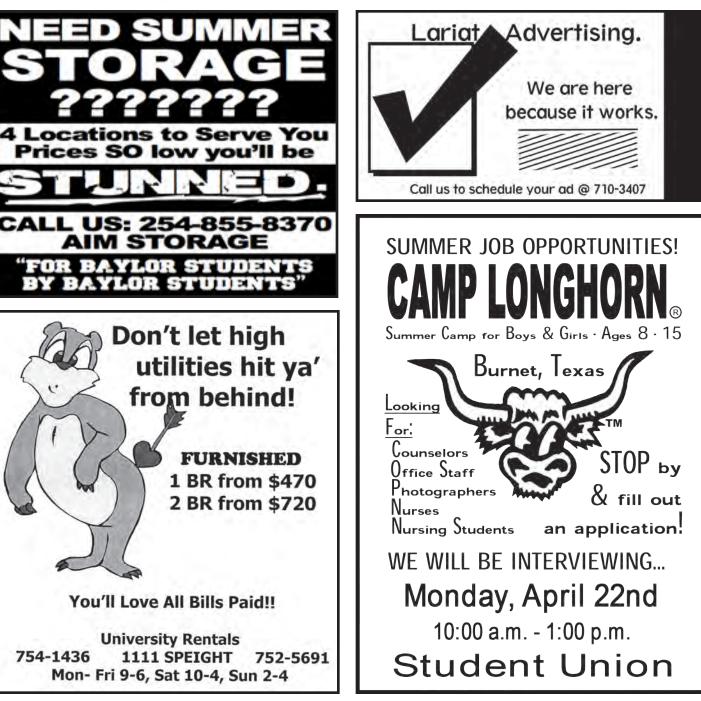
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game that hadn't pitched much," Smith said. "I thought McCormack did a nice job once he got into the game a little bit. I was disappointed for Miles because I know how bad he wants to get it done and how hard he's been working. That's the problem with the whole nature of college baseball – we don't play enough games to keep a



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line killed three people, wounded more than 170 and reawakened fears of terrorism. A 9-year-old girl and 10-year-old boy were among 17 victims listed in critical condition.

Heightening jitters in Washington, where security already had been tightened after the bombing, a letter addressed to a senator and poisoned with ricin or a similarly toxic substance was intercepted at a mail facility outside the capital, lawmakers said.

There was no immediate indication the episode was related to the Boston attack. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said the letter was sent to Republican Sen. Roger Wicker, of Mississippi.

Officials found that the bombs in Boston consisted of explosives put in ordinary 1.6-gallon pressure cookers, one with shards of metal and ball bearings, the other with nails, according to a person close to the investigation who spoke on condition of anonymity because the probe was still going on. The bombs were stuffed into black duffel bags and left on the ground, the person said.

DesLauriers confirmed that investigators had found pieces of black nylon from a bag or backpack and fragments of BBs and nails, possibly contained in a pressure cooker. He said the items were sent to the FBI laboratory at Quantico, Va., for analysis.

The FBI said it is looking at what Boston television station WHDH said are photos sent by a viewer that show the scene right before and after the bombs went off. The photo shows something next to a mailbox that appears to be a bag, but it's unclear what the significance is.

"We're taking a look at hundreds of photos, and that's one of them," FBI spokesman Jason Pack said.

Investigators said they haven't determined what was used to set off the explosives.

Pressure cooker explosives have been used in international terrorism and have been recommended for lone-wolf operatives by al-Qaida's branch in Yemen.

But information on how to make the bombs is readily found online, and U.S. officials said Americans should not rush to judgment in linking the attack to overseas terrorists.

DesLauriers said there had been no claim of responsibility for the attack.

He urged people to come forward with anything suspicious, such as hearing someone express an interest in explosives or a desire to attack the marathon, seeing someone carrying a dark heavy bag fire juggling stunt team, will be on stage at noon. Mentalist and magician Max Major will perform at 1:30 p.m.

Students with an appetite will find plenty of food, said Chester, N.J., junior Pauline Minnaar, chairman of Diadeloso.

Six food trucks will be parked on Fountain Mall, serving a variety of culinary temptations from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The trucks are La Lola Loca, Kona Ice Snowcones, The Mix, Lard Have Mercy, The Peached Tortilla and Nettie's Place.

A free barbecue lunch will be offered in the Burleson Quadrangle from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Students, faculty and staff must present a Baylor I.D. to receive lunch.

"It's a slightly different menu and a little more fun," Minnaar said.

Students can participate in athletic tournaments, including outdoor basketball, sand volleyball, tug of war and ultimate Frisbee. The top three men and women's teams will receive intramural

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confines of the university, but we also have a presence off campus."

Waco and Baylor police will patrol and monitor on-and-off campus activities on Diadeloso. Doak said the Baylor police will do "what we always do" and that Diadeloso will not change their procedures.

"We are going to deal with irresponsible behavior whether it is on campus or off campus," Doak said. "That's not just Diadeloso, that's any day. Nothing changes there."

Doak said he recognizes that Diadeloso brings different challenges but that these problems will be dealt with individually as needed.



Uproar band The Derivatives is one of many entertainers set to perform Thursday at Diadeloso. They will perform at 10:30 a.m., followed by fellow Uproar band O, Loveland at 11 a.m.

points for their respective organizations.

Campus golf, the Strongest

Man contest and the Paint Run also provide an opportunity for students to get competitive. The

winners of the competitions will receive prizes such as gift cards to local restaurants.

ple at Baylor think it's a big deal. We are not used to experiencing something like that. With it being restricted, it becomes a bigger deal

restricted, it becomes a bigger deal to us. It makes us want to do it even more." Some students, however, think

that Baylor and the police could do more to keep students safe and following the laws.

Eagen, Minn., senior Joshua Gates said police officers need to be more consistent.

"I think they need to make a decision," Gates said. "They need to let it completely happen and not care or they need to get on it and stop all underage drinking. I hope they crack down on it."

Baylor has a zero tolerance policy for drinking, possession of alcoholic beverages and public intoxication on campus and police will make sure students off campus abide by state and federal laws, including age restrictions.

Fogleman said that the main concern of Baylor officials is student safety.

"I think it's important to note that the administration is concerned about the health and safety of our students and the continuation of our great Diadeloso tradition," Fogleman said.

W. Patrick Swanton said he would not reveal operational plans for Thursday — such as where officers will be stationed or whether or not this year will be different from last year's Diadeloso — but he said students who stay within legal boundaries will be able to "go without any noticeable police presence."

"Ideally, we won't have to do anything," Swanton said. "It's about responsibility, enjoying the day but making sure to not ruin this for students in the years to come by putting someone in harm's way." For many students, this poten-

tial crackdown on security and

surveillance off-campus comes as an unwelcome interference on their free day.

A Baylor student who wishes to remain anonymous because of his participation in 10th Street activities said that no matter how many officers patrol off campus, the Baylor administration and police forces will not be able to squash off-campus festivities.

"I think they have no chance of getting rid of off-campus Diadeloso because it is the most fun tradition at Baylor," he said. "It's one giant party within a couple blocks. Although many state schools may

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at the race or hearing mysterious explosions recently.

"Someone knows who did this," the FBI agent said.

The bombs exploded 10 or more seconds apart, tearing off victims' limbs and spattering streets with blood, instantly turning the festive race into a hellish scene of confusion, horror and heroics.

The blasts killed 8-yearold Martin Richard, of Boston, 29-year-old Krystle Campbell, of Medford, and a third victim, identified only as a graduate student at Boston University.

Doctors who treated the wounded corroborated reports that the bombs were packed with shrapnel intended to cause mayhem.

"We've removed BBs, and we've removed nails from kids. One of the sickest things for me was just to see nails sticking out of a little girl's body," said Dr. David Mooney, director of the trauma center at Boston Children's Hospital.

At Massachusetts General Hospital, all four amputations performed there were above the knee, with no hope of saving more of the legs, said Dr. George Velmahos, chief of trauma surgery.

"It wasn't a hard decision to make," he said. "We just completed the ugly job that the bomb did."

Obama plans to visit Boston on Thursday to attend an interfaith service in honor of the victims. He has traveled four times to cities reeling from mass violence, most recently in December after the schoolhouse shooting in Newtown, Conn.

In the wake of the attack, security was stepped up around the White House and across the country. Police massed at federal buildings and transit centers in the nation's capital, critical response teams deployed in New York City and security officers with bombsniffing dogs spread through Chicago's Union Station. The Strickland Scholars Program provides graduates of BA or BS degree programs a path to earning Texas teacher certification while completing a Master of Science in Education degree.

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