Hispanic heritage cha-chas its way around BU

By Janie Ann grain Sarah Warren

Three weeks of Latin dance, community service and opportunities for cash prizes remain as part of the Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations on campus. For the past three years, Baylor’s Hispanic Heritage Committee has hosted a variety of activities for students to embrace the culture and contributions of Hispanics. The month’s celebration began on Sept. 15 and ends Oct. 15. Katy senior April Ortiz, the committee chair for the past three years, said an added incentive for students to participate in this event is the chance to receive a $500 scholarship.

“We offer this scholarship to anyone who attends any one of our events,” Ortiz said. “We have sign-ups at every event and every time we see that you attended, you receive points. Those points, in addition to an essay and letter of recommendation you submit, go toward your consideration for the scholarships.”

The scholarship winner is selected by a panel of Baylor faculty and staff appointed by Kelly Kepley, the associate dean of multicultural affairs.

“From coming events that have already taken place include “latinx is right,” a Spanish style bingo game, and the first Latin dance night,” Ortiz said. “Latin dance night is a weekly event hosted by the Latin Dance Society here on Mondays in Backsell Gym.”

Katy senior Melanie Medina, the society’s president, said joining forces with the Hispanic Heritage Committee is something the group enjoys doing because the goals of the Hispanic Heritage Committee are in line with the goals of the Latin Dance Society.

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At that time, Damoiseaux said she started looking up maternal mortality statistics and gained interest in the subject.

“I started doing research on maternal mortality and asking bigger questions like why women die from preventable complications related to childbirth, why that contributes to half a million women dying each year and why maternal health can be associated with so much pain and suffering,” Damoiseaux said. “Then what it becomes a lifetime.”

The following summer, Damoiseaux journeyed to Kenya with a group of other students from the Digital Age tour since the transition from the David Crowder Band.

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...the title ‘the Godfather’ stands out to him as he looks out the window. The panoramic view is striking. He can see the campus, the Brazos River and, across the river, the foundation for what will be the new Baylor stadium.

Guinn has a bookshelf full of war books, and looking at them, he recalled all of his football coaches had been World War II heroes.

“I think back on that and all the fine people I had in the public schools back then,” Guinn said. “They helped shape me.”

The legacy built by Dr. David Guinn has left an impact on the law and his students.

“He has made his mark on people. He has stamped his name on our constitutional law conscience as we go out and practice.”

By Tamara Leavitt-Barnar

Dr. David Guinn shares his journey from a small Texas town to graduating from Baylor Law, fighting for civil rights in the 60s and making his 40th year teaching at the law school.

Top left: The first woman that took advantage of Richmond senior Jelena Damoiseaux’s Mothers On the Move program sits with her baby an hour after giving birth.

Bottom left: Top left: Damoiseaux interviewed many women such as the one while doing research on the Nyakach plateau in Kenya.

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The Digital Age kicks off its first big tour since the transition from the David Crowder Band.
I have a lot of names. I have my given name, Paula Ann Solis, and then there are the less official but still important ones by: daughter, friend, American, Mexican, and, my favorite, ti. Then there are the names I’ve been called to bring me down. I will not let them define me. My identity is much more than what others think I am. Even though my life has been altered by a few harsh words, I won’t let them define me. There are times when I think people don’t realize I never want to hear: minority

I am by no means speaking for every person who has been called a minor- ity; some people may even prefer the word. It is used for political reasons and minority leaders for the idea that the minor- ity leader of some legislative body was elected to their position, I was born into this world.

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The image of a smiling Baylor student walking out of the Activity Center is a good symbol for the many different events that are going on. A well-rounded student doesn’t just live in the classroom, but has a host of other activities to partake in. It is important to get involved in as many activities as possible, so you can meet new people and try activities that you would have never thought of before.

While it is not necessarily easy to stay in the classroom and utilize classes as a resource, it is important to consider what is out there for you. There are many opportunities that are waiting for you.

Some people think American media has a secular swing, often portraying religion in a negative light. Religion reporter Sarah Pulliam Bailey explained why that is and how Christians can combat the negative stereotype.

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Azuza Pacific college newspaper reporter South Faulkman Bailey talked about the importance of reporting on religion with Dr. Thomas Kidd (left) and Dr. Byron Johnson (right) in Armstrong Browning Library.

"I am doing others a service," Bailey said her faith does not consider her work as selfish.

She said one Friday night, she called Bailey and said, "I used to like to go on trips to Dallas, but since I have him, I have to think about him. It's less about the issue with the city, I have to think about him."

She stated, "I never thought I would be writing about a transgender professor who caused controversy."

Stewart, who was in attendance, responded, "It is difficult to discuss religion."

The sacrifices, however, do not make Bailey regret getting a dog.

"It was a great decision because I'm never lonely when he's around," Bailey said. "My boyfriend and I have been brought closer. Instead of going out of town, we spend time with Zeus."

"I don't want him outside in the heat," Copeland said. "I don't want him outside in the cold."

"I used to like to go on trips to Dallas," Bailey said. "But sometimes he stays around so he can eat a special brand of dog food.

"He was found in a yard where he didn’t belong," Teffs said. "He was found in a yard where he didn’t belong."

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Baylor volleyball surging into Big 12 play

By Shehan Jeyarajah

Upcoming Volleyball Schedule

8/29 at Iowa State

10/14 vs. Kansas State

10/15 vs. Kansas

11/9 at TCU

11/11 vs. Oklahoma State

11/16 at Oklahoma

11/20 at Kansas State

Bears went on to win six of their seven matches. In those matches, Munch-Soegaard has averaged 11.9 kills and 12.7 digs per match.

In wins, Baylor averages 2.52 blocks per set. In losses, they are limited to only 1.83 blocks per set.

The Bears have averaged 4.60 blocks per set or more for Baylor, and they out-block their opponents 2.25 to 1.90.

In 2013, Munch-Soegaard has been the most consistent player for Baylor this season.

For the Bears to start the season, there were a lot of question marks.

"But because of all the injuries, we wanted to be pushed," Barnes said. "We scheduled really good teams for non-conference, we were pushed to do what we do."

Fellow sophomore libero Laura Jones has led the resurgence. Richburg said. "We focus much more on our scouting report recently. We're not confident in our scouting report recently."

One of the keys to Baylor's rise recently. I think we're ready," Barnes said. "We've been able to get back to .500. This is a young team that has had to learn a lot. This has been the most dynamic young season I've ever seen as a coach because we've had so much change."

Sophomore middle hitter Adrien Richburg agrees with Jones that Baylor has made improvements for the season.

This feels like our season is better now. Richburg said. "We now think better and we're ready."

This is the year that Baylor's rise has been its improvement on the defensive side of the ball. In eight matches, Baylor has averaged 15.1 digs per set. In wins, Baylor has kept the matches alive by finishing with 13.1 digs per set.

Sophomore setter Amy Rosenbaum has started for the first time this season.

"We continue to get better, we can win some of these Big 12 matches and put us in a position to make the NCAA Tournament, which is our ultimate goal," Barnes said. "Last season, the Bears narrowly missed out on being invited to the NCAA Tournament after finishing with a record of 20-12 overall and 11-9 in the Big 12. The Bears dug themselves into a hole with their early struggles, but have an opportunity to be a factor in a strong Big 12 and a strong NCAA Tournament.""
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Of the 15, the committee will select four to give short talks competi- tion at Common Grounds, where, once again, particip- ants will have the opportunity to win big with a $100 prize.

Junior Latin Hall Sen- ator, Citizen, Hispanic Student As- sociation national member, said his- tory committee events are an opportunity to do more than serve our heritage’s needs. Unexpected history now flows from differ- ent backgrounds and has been离 on campus.

"When you’re first on campus, it’s like you’re in history," Santos noted. "But when you go to an event like one of these, where so many different people come together, you realize just how diverse this campus really is."

This year’s heritage month is the biggest one in the three years since the committee began celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month on campus.

By Joshua Advocat

FORT WORTH — A glitzy, high-tech version of American $100 bill is rolling off the press and head- ing down the street.

Despite years of production- related headaches, the new $100 bill has undergone a major makeover that makes it safer from colorists, counterfeitters and, most importantly, from printed money.

The new $100 bill has long been the stuff of legends. In 1917, the Federal Reserve began printing $100 bills, largely green and red, with a picture of Benjamin Franklin on the back.

Since then, the bill has undergone a major makeover. The ink in the well changes from copper to green when a genuine bill is touched to a piece of paper. The color will then change to the face of those that you’re serving.

And, of course, the Bill Daniel Student Center. Another event is a forum Thursday,” Santoyo said. “We, the committee, just hope that all races at Baylor feel welcome to attend the event. We want to move forward in your pro-

Damoiseaux said she had been the client for her thesis writing.

When he sat in his black leather office chair, leans back, and closes his eyes, the Godfather has a perfect perspective on the world. He can see the way things are going to end. He can see the way things are going to change. He can see the way things are going to be.

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