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Briles offered new 10-year contract

By PARMIDA SCHAHHOSSEINI
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor football is off to a historic 8-0 start and it doesn't look like Baylor is ready to slow down anytime soon.

Despite the uncertainty around the Big 12, Baylor Head Coach Art Briles' position at Baylor is cemented with a 10-year contract extension, which was approved by the regents Wednesday night.

"Art Briles and Baylor are a wonderful fit," Baylor athletic director Ian McCaw told the Waco Tribune-Herald. "We are grateful for his long-term commitment and desire to lead Baylor football forward for many years to come. Baylor Nation is indebted to Coach Briles for his vision, passion and dedication to rebuilding Baylor football and turning it into a destination job."

The numbers of the new contract have not been disclosed, but under the previous deal, Briles was set to average \$3.5 annually. In 2012, Briles made \$2.4 million, which is a significant raise from the \$1.5 million he made in 2010.

Prior to this extension, Briles was the 34th highest paid college coach, and the eight highest paid coach in the Big 12.

Alabama Head Coach Nick Saban is the highest paid coach in college football at \$5.5 million, but Texas Head Coach Mack Brown is right behind him making 5.4 million.

Oklahoma Head Coach Bob Stoops makes \$4.7 million, Oklahoma State Head Coach Mike Gundy makes \$3.4 million,

Gary Patterson, TCU Head Coach, makes \$3.1 million, Kansas State Head Coach Bill Snyder makes \$2.8 million, West Virginia Head Coach Dana Holgorsen makes \$2.6 million and Kansas Head Coach Charlie Weis makes \$2.5 million dollars.

When Briles arrived at Baylor, the program had suffered its 12th losing season.

After back-to-back 4-8 seasons, Briles' revival began.

In 2010 Baylor went to the Texas Bowl, its first goal berth since 1994.

The following year, Briles followed it with a 10-3 campaign propelling Quarterback Robert Griffin III to become the first Baylor player to win the Heisman.

In 2012, Baylor played its most complete game with a 52-24 win over Kansas State and the Bears haven't lost since.

"We've got a lot of bridges to cross. We feel like we're in the infant stages of our program, without question," Briles told the Associated Press. "That's what makes it exciting."

Briles is the first head coach to take the Bears to three straight bowl games. Making the bowl is no longer a goal, but an expectation.

With four games left, Baylor hopes to go undefeated and get a BCS bowl berth.

"To his credit, Art's created something here that's really special and we hope he's going to see it through to the final line," McCaw told the Associated Press.



Head coach Art Briles gives an interview after the Bears defeated the University of Oklahoma 41-12 at Floyd Casey Stadium on Thursday. The university offered Briles a 10-year extension to his coaching contract Wednesday.

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Healthcare 101: Many Texans fall into Medicaid, insurance marketplace gap

By JORDAN CORONA
REPORTER

Many in Texas have no options for health coverage despite the aims of the Affordable Care Act.

Jan Gill is finishing her third semester at McLennan Community College. Stacking books in the library a few hours every day, she collects a pay-

check from her work-study.

"I'm with CHIP," Gill said. "It covers my medical and dental."

CHIP is Texas' Medicaid program for minors. It covers medical expenses for children whose families don't have a very large income.

In a few months, Gill will celebrate her 19th birthday and then she'll decide what to do about health insurance. Since state leaders decided not to expand Medicaid, she may be strapped for options.

"The insurance I have now is only going to cover me until I'm 19," Gill said. "My mom doesn't have health insurance that will cover me."

In May 2013, Texas legislators had the option to accept funds from the federal government and include more people in Medicaid coverage.



The expansion would have put childless adults, who earn less about \$16,000/year under the Medicaid umbrella.

Republican Rep. John Zerwas, district 28, was in Austin the day the legislature decided against expansion.

"A lot of it was because of a political slant, more than anything," Zerwas said.

Zerwas had an idea to make insurance policies available to many of

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Hawaii bill legalizes gay marriage

By OSKAR GARCIA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU — Gov. Neil Abercrombie signed a bill Wednesday legalizing gay marriage in Hawaii, the state that kicked off a national discussion of the issue more than two decades ago.

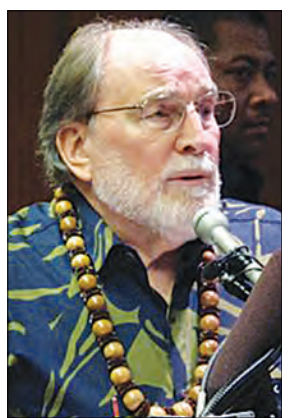
Now, the island chain is positioning itself for a boost in tourism as people take advantage of the new law and the state provides another example of the nation's changing views on marriage.

"Another universe is about to change for all time," Abercrombie said before signing the bill, comparing the legislation to Title IX, the landmark 1972 legislation that required gender equity in every educational program that receives federal funding.

Speaking before a theater of invited guests at a convention center near the tourist hub of Waikiki, Abercrombie said he believes the law is in line with the spirit of aloha embodied in the state constitution, and with the values of the monarchs who ruled Hawaii well before it became a state.

"Done," the governor said after quickly signing the measure following his speech.

Hawaii's gay marriage debate began in 1990 when two women applied for a marriage license, leading to a court battle and a 1993 Hawaii Supreme Court decision that said their rights to equal protection were



Abercrombie

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BU to host hundreds at chemistry meeting

By HENRY ECKELS
REPORTER

Hundreds of chemists from across the country are coming to Waco this weekend to attend the 67th Southwest regional meeting of the American Chemical Society.

Baylor's department of chemistry and biochemistry will help host the conference, which will be in town from Saturday to Tuesday at the Waco Convention Center.

Dr. Robert Kane, associate professor of Baylor's chemistry department,

said he had been vouching for Baylor's chance to host a meeting for years.

"I put in a bid for this twelve years ago, when our department was very different," Kane said. "We were located in a smaller building and had a smaller faculty. Now that our department is larger, the ACS considered us for hosting one of their annual meetings."

Kane said there is a sort of prestige that comes with hosting an ACS meeting because it allows universities to show off the strength of their academic programs and research depart-

ments.

"ACS is the biggest scientific community in the world, as far as active members," Kane said. "This is the first time we've ever had it in Waco. It's sort of like our coming out party, our debut."

Barbara Rauls, administrative assistant for Baylor's department of chemistry, said the conference would include scientists and researchers from all across the American Southwest.

"Professors from 23 different universities are coming to give lectures and share research," Rauls said. "Re-

nowned chemists from all over the United States are coming to give high profile lectures and sell chemistry research equipment."

Some of the scheduled events for this meeting include Baylor's annual Gooch-Stephens Lectures in chemistry, featuring a presentation by Dr. Donald R. Blake, professor of chemistry and earth system science at the University of California-Irvine.

Kane said that although any un-

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WEB

Bump, set, spike! Check out the slideshow from Wednesday's game against Texas Tech.



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New Air Force ROTC commander brings 30 years of experience to Baylor's program.



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Senior linebacker Eddie Lackey's bringing the intensity and leadership to the Bears.



MLS Playoffs deserve attention

Editorial

A passionate sport is in the middle of its playoffs in America and nobody seems to notice. While flying under the radar, the Major League Soccer Playoffs have been filled with raucous crowds and thrilling action on the pitch.

With the knockout rounds and conference semifinals over, it's now down to the Western Conference Championship between the Portland Timbers and Real Salt Lake. In the Eastern Conference, the last two teams remaining are Sporting Kansas City and the Houston Dynamo.

The MLS Playoffs go largely unnoticed in the spectrum of American sports because the MLS must compete with the likes of the National Football League, college football, NBA, college basketball and for the first portion of the MLS Playoffs, Major League Baseball.

Football is certainly the juggernaut of American sports as far as attention and headlines go, but the MLS Playoffs are deserving of more attention from the public, as well as more coverage from the sports media. Soccer's publicity is rising in the United States, and the MLS Playoffs deserve a platform that reflect that popularity.

ESPN has a knack for promoting sporting events that are only on its own airwaves. A recent example of this is when Baylor hosted Oklahoma on the Fox Sports 1 network. On the same night as that Big 12 showdown, ESPN was televising the Oregon at Stanford game.

As a result, in the days leading up to Thursday of both football games, ESPN clearly devoted more attention to the Oregon vs. Stanford game while turning a blind eye to Oklahoma at Baylor. A fan would argue that the Pac-12 matchup features higher ranked teams than OU vs. Baylor, which is true, but it still does not justify the lack of attention ESPN devoted to arguably the Big 12's biggest game.

For the MLS, the same concept holds true. Leading up to the MLS Cup, every single round of the MLS Playoffs schedule

is televised by NBC or NBC Sports Network. Therefore, ESPN devotes minimal time to covering the MLS. This changes when ESPN airs the MLS Cup, which is where a champion is crowned in American soccer.

The MLS Cup is on Dec. 7 on ESPN, where it will attract a wide viewing audience, and ESPN surely will hype up the match all week leading up to the final.

In the meantime, the second leg of the conference championships are taking place on Nov. 23 and Nov. 24 between four fantastic soccer clubs.

The Houston Dynamo won two MLS Cups and are a team powered by a brilliant coach in Dominic Kinnear and veteran leadership with midfielder Brad Davis serving as captain. For Dynamo home matches, the Houston crowd is decked out in orange in a jubilant, thrilling atmosphere for championship soccer.

The same can be said for Houston's opponent, Sporting Kansas City, which is one of the 10 charter clubs of the MLS. Sporting KC won the MLS Cup in 2000. Sporting Park in Kansas City is one of the gems of MLS stadiums. An intimate soccer-specific building with loyal fans creates an immediate aura around the pitch.

With the Houston Dynamo and Sporting KC serving as two franchises with championship pedigrees, the Eastern Conference Finals will be entertaining as the first leg featured a 0-0 draw between the two teams so all is even for the final winner-take-all aggregate match in Kansas City.

Out west, the upstart Portland Timbers were pummeled 4-2 by Real Salt Lake in the first leg of the Western Conference Finals. Real Salt Lake has a winning tradition and last won the MLS Cup in 2009.

The Portland Timbers joined the MLS in 2011 and quickly developed arguably the league's nastiest rivalry with Seattle Sounders FC.

The Timbers have one of the most feared fan bases in the MLS, and those fans will have to help the Timbers overcome a 4-2 deficit to Real Salt Lake when the two clubs meet on Nov. 24 in Portland.

The MLS deserves more attention, but the MLS also must re-evaluate its bizarre



scheduling practices to help itself in the eyes of the public.

For example, the first knockout round of the MLS playoffs was on Oct. 30 and the MLS Cup will not be played until Dec. 7. This means in the span of roughly six weeks, the MLS is holding a playoff that features a maximum number of six matches possible for a single team.

It should not take six weeks for a club to play a maximum number of six matches.

Part of this dilemma is the MLS' concerted effort to avoid scheduling matches during other notable sporting events. For example at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday Nov. 7, when Baylor hosted Oklahoma and Oregon faced Stanford at 8 p.m., the Seattle Sounders faced the Portland Timbers at 10 p.m. in an effort to pull in a larger audience. This makes perfect sense in this given

scenario, but it causes roadblocks in other areas of the playoffs.

The first leg of the two conference championships started on Saturday. Unfortunately, there is a two-week gap between the first leg and the second leg because the second leg does not take place until Nov. 23 and 24.

This gap in matches allows the anticipation to die down and it causes even the most ardent MLS fans to forget that the playoffs are happening.

The MLS needs to schedule its playoffs in a more timely manner to direct soccer fans to its product. The MLS Playoffs deliver an entertaining product; sadly, too few people witness these captivating matches.

Sports fans should give the MLS Playoffs a shot and tune in for a new, thrilling experience.

Lariat Letters

Conservative stance on death penalty acceptable

In response to Danny Huizinga's Nov. 12 column titled "Some conservatives amiss on death penalty," Conservatives Concerned About The Death Penalty is just a regular anti-death penalty group calling itself conservative.

It uses the same deceptions as all of the regular anti-death penalty groups because they are one.

Death penalty support is at 86 percent, its highest point ever according to Pro Death Penalty Inc.

There are no 130 wrongly convicted released from death row, as Huizinga claims.

There have been 25 to 40 actual innocents identified and released from death rows in the U.S. since 1976, according to ProDPInc.

The proof of actual innocents executed in the U.S. does not exist in the modern era.

Huizinga cites "A study of prosecution costs in Maryland [that] revealed that the average case in which the death penalty was pursued cost \$1.9 million more than a case without the death penalty."

In Maryland, cost review is horrendous, and the study does not find what the article claims it finds.

It appears that at least three states have death penalty protocols that are less expensive than a life without parole sentence.

Responsible, conservative protocols would have every state with less expensive death penalty protocols.

Virginia, which has executed 110 of its murderers since 1976, or 70 percent of those so sentenced, has done so within 7.1 years on average.

Conservatives Concerned About The Death Penalty is just a typical liberal anti-death penalty group calling itself conservative.

Dudley Sharp
Pro-death penalty activist

Science and journalism should bridge gap

Science and the media don't always see eye to eye.

I'm lucky enough to understand both sides of the whole media versus research battle. Scientists don't always like journalists because they assert that journalists never get it right. Journalists are frustrated with scientists because they can't seem to explain their research in an understandable way half the time, and the other half of the time, the scientists won't talk to journalists. Maybe this is just a student journalist problem.

Regardless, I think both sides should exert a little more effort to understand the other side.

Student journalists are students. Sometimes we feel like our workload is kind of ridiculous and we're expected to be as good as professional journalists, but we're students. We try really hard to write and report to the best of our ability.

Our editors, who are also students, try to ensure that the writing is understandable and accurately represents what is being said. And this is across the board, not just when it comes to research.

Research is harder. It's hard to write a news article about scientific research when you don't have the background to understand genet-



Linda Nguyen | Copy Desk Chief

ics and neuroscience with a bunch of other technical jargon.

This doesn't mean students are free from the responsibility to try to understand it. At their very core, journalists are supposed to be accurate. We are taught that accuracy is important. But sometimes student journalists' understanding of the research project isn't completely correct.

It also doesn't excuse the journalist from doing his or her research. We, as journalists, have a duty to do our due diligence and check to ensure that the research we are writing about is in a journal that has been peer-reviewed.

We also have a duty to try to read and understand the research article.

I understand this can be hard for journalists. It can even be hard for students who have taken several classes in the subject, but isn't the purpose of journalism to explain things in a way that is accessible to everyone?

Again, journalists have to do their research, so they can go in prepared to ask questions about what they don't understand, and so they can accurately report the research to their audience. Easier said than done, no doubt. But it's the job of a journalist. We have a responsibility to accurately report and write.

That's a large expectation on students. But I think some responsibility lies with the scientists as well, especially when talking to student journalists. They can't expect the student to follow along whatever they are talking about if they use jargon to explain the study to the students.

A good rule of thumb for researchers, not just professors but graduate and undergraduate researchers, is to explain the subject in the exact way it is to be written.

A little secret about news articles is that journalists use direct

quotes, which is exactly what is said in the interview. It's part of how we are taught to write.

While researchers are typically not allowed to pre-read journalists' stories, it is not beyond the scope of their power as an interviewee to ask the reporter to explain to them their understanding of the research project in order to ensure that if anything is paraphrased or written out of a direct quote, it is still true to the research project.

In fact, it's encouraged for a source to ask the journalist to read back quotes for verification or even to ensure they understand the material.

And it is really nice when a researcher takes the time to ensure that the reporter is interpreting the material correctly.

I know this is a tall order on both the part of journalists and researchers, but in the end, both sides can gain from this symbiotic relationship.

Researchers can disseminate their research to the popular culture and journalists can write their story and report on what's happening.

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AFROTC transforms with new commander

By REBECCA FIEDLER
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This semester Col. Jim Parsons has taken the reins of the Baylor Air Force ROTC, applying over 30 years of military experience to lead the cadets in a new direction.

Every two years Baylor Air Force ROTC hires a new commander, and Parsons began his work this semester. Parsons said his job is not only to command, but also to prepare students.

"My sole purpose here besides commanding is to make sure the seniors who are getting ready to commission and go on active duty are ready to go on active duty," he said.

Parsons said he won't commission Air Force ROTC cadets until they are ready, and academics are important. If a cadet can't graduate from Baylor, they can't be commissioned by the Air Force ROTC. Parsons said the ROTC will thus allow cadets to miss ROTC events if there is a school-related conflict.

Parson focuses on training senior cadets to be leaders, though not all will make the cut, he said

"If they do everything right but they're just not made for it, I won't commission them," Parsons said. "Even though they've done everything right, I just can't do it."

Parsons said he can tell by his interactions with cadets whether they are ready to be commissioned to the Air Force.

"It's just not the best fit for everybody," he said. "You could have the grades, you could have been in the program, scholarship or not - it doesn't matter when it comes to that final cut that I make."

"This is my freshman semester and I do things differently than the previous staff did."

Jim Parsons | Baylor Air Force ROTC commander

Parsons said he governs differently than the previous commander of Baylor's Air Force ROTC has.

"This is my freshman semester and I do things differently than the previous staff did," he said. "So it was a little bit of turmoil and change for the cadets this semester, because I was new and I've been in [the military] a long time and I think I know how things should be done."

Physical training is different this year, Parsons said. There is a minimum set of requirements in the Air Force for ROTC physical training. When Parsons saw that Baylor's average physical training scores had been falling over the years, he wanted to change that. Parsons said he is focusing on having his cadets return to the basics of physical training like push-ups and running, as opposed to doing activities like playing ultimate Frisbee, as they have been accustomed.

"Our physical training score average for cadets was an 89," he said. "Which, for cadets, that's a pretty good number. However, that ranked 135th out of 145 schools. So, not so good."

Parsons said he also demoted senior cadets in positions of leadership this semester. Two cadets had come to his office and were slouching and didn't have military bearing, and another cadet in uniform approached him without salute and proper military address, Parsons said. There were too many occurrences like this for Parsons' liking, he said, and he decided the senior cadets weren't where they needed to be as a group. Parsons said he punished many for the actions of the few, but saw it as a systemic problem.

"When I came in and I was teaching the seniors, they weren't as far along as I thought they would be; as ready for the military," Parsons said. "So I had to reel them back in on some things and get back to basics a little bit."

Arlington sophomore and third class Air Force



COURTESY ART

Col. Jim Parsons joins the Baylor community as the new commander for Baylor Air Force ROTC.

ROTC cadet Austin Hyde said he doesn't know why Parsons demoted the seniors, but that he believes it is with good reason.

"He said they were not as prepared as he expected them to be," Hyde said. "I think Colonel Parsons is really trying to do as much for them as possible. The thing with ROTC is, you're not in the Air Force. You're in an organization that mimics the Air Force, even if you contract. One of my favorite things that Parsons has done is he's bridging the gap between this organization, which is not an Air Force organization technically, and Air Force preparedness - for the actual day-to-day 12 hour shift."

Parsons said he has had complaints about things like physical training from cadets, but said this is what he believes has to be done, and that he can't make everyone happy. Parsons said he is trying to accommodate the studying needs of cadets by adding afternoon sessions of physical training so that they don't have to attend every morning session of physical training.

Parsons joined the military straight out of high school, serving as a weather forecaster and observer for the Air Force, and over the years moved up in rank with the Air Force weather support. Parsons served overseas in Operation Desert Shield and in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan. In Afghanistan Parsons was in charge of US/NATO weather support.

After returning from Afghanistan in 2010, Parsons worked for the Pentagon's weather staff for one year. He was then made an executive officer for a general at the Pentagon for two more years until he came to Baylor this semester to serve as a detachment commander under the rank of colonel.

"I'm happy to be where I'm at," Parsons said. "I really am."

Parsons said his work in the weather field made his focus narrow, but that his time with the Pentagon broadened his military experience, and that it was the perfect segway for him to come and lead at Baylor.

"I got exposed to some really neat stuff, so when coming down here to teach the college kids, the cadets, I really have the big picture that I can tell them about, whereas a weather officer wouldn't have that big picture," he said.

The Air Force selects individuals to assign to one of 145 ROTC units across the nation for the rotation of the two-year detachment commander position. Each individual is to select five schools of their choice, and then is assigned to one of these five. Baylor was No. 2 on Parsons' list of preferences when he was up for placement, because he liked Baylor's location. His parents live in Dallas and he's never before been stationed in Texas in all 32 years of service with the Air Force, Parsons said.

"I like Waco. I love doing this kind of job," Parsons said. "I love leading and commanding. This has nothing to do with weather, which I've been trained to do, and which they sent me back to get a masters degree in to do. But I think being up at the Pentagon was the perfect lead-in for being here, and my previous experience and deployments."

Hyde said he likes Parsons.

"He is very kind," Hyde said. "He has this really warm nature about him when you walk up to him. He looks you in the eye and smiles. He is also able to 'turn it on' - not in a harsh, cold way, but he goes from kindness to being firm and demoting the seniors because he knows they need that sort of discipline and that sort of drive against demotion to make them more prepared."

Organization cradles those experiencing loss

By REBECCA JUNG
REPORTER

A 12 year old girl once found her 6 month old baby sister Hannah dead in her crib. The girl was Rachel Craig, an alumna from 2001.

The loss of her sister, along with other losses of infants Craig had heard about from friends planted a seed for a ministry in Craig's heart.

In 2011, this seed grew to fruition in the form of Cradled.

"I had a dream there was this house," she said. "A Cradled home that offers support for these families. A safe place for them."

Cradled is a nonprofit organization that serves women who have experienced loss by miscarriage, infertility or still birth.

The organization is run by four women: Craig, Dr. Joyce Nuner, Rachelle Huitink and Amber Burns.

The organization offers support groups, education, singing a blessing for the baby and family, swaddling the baby at home or in the hospital, footprints and handprints of the baby, professional photography of the baby, support at the hospital, local funeral services, resources and infertility support. All services are complimentary.

"People don't have anything but the items left," Craig said. These items include pictures, footprints, handprints and other memorable things.

This is why Cradled chose these specific services.

Women who attend the support groups also get to select a cap and blanket to take home with them. These caps and blankets are knit by a group of women in Indiana.

Craig said she, along with Regina Easily-Young, led the first support group.

Nuner, a professor in the family and consumer sciences department, is one of the four women who run Cradled.

Nuner experienced a personal loss, which is how she originally connected with the organization.

"We are a nonprofit," Nuner said. "We are in the final stages of applying for 501(c)(3) status."

A 501(c)(3) is a designation non-profit organizations get from the state government that provides them with a certain tax status and benefits.

According to the Texas Secretary of State's website, a 'nonprofit corporation' is a corporation in which no part of the income of which is distributable to members, directors, or officers.

"It's neat. Cradled has met the needs of families served and they turn around and give back."

Dr. Joyce Nuner | Professor in Family and consumer sciences department

This means that they rely on donations for everything that they do and also rely on the support of volunteers.

Because Cradled is a nonprofit it operates under a board, of which Craig is the president, Nuner said.

Other board members include some former members of the Cradled support groups.

"We have an attorney who came through the group and now works with us," Nuner said. "It's neat. Cradled has met the needs of families served and they turn around and give back."

Nuner said the topic of miscar-

riage and infant loss often makes people very uncomfortable.

"If grief is not addressed, they will find other ways to fill that void the baby left and sometimes it isn't with healthy things," Nuner said.

Craig said the support groups are six weeks long, and generally meet on Wednesday nights. They have at least one session in the spring and in the fall.

Craig said the support group is open to fathers too.

"Every session we have has had at least one dad, if not more," Nuner said.

The idea behind the support groups is to provide a listening ear, a safe place and a community of support for women and families dealing with the loss of a baby, not to provide counseling services.

"It is not therapy, but it is therapeutic," Nuner said.

The sessions typically have a different topic and activity each week, and in the first night, they all share their stories.

Cradled also offers opportunities for families in the style of community events.

"We offer a memorial service in December," Nuner said.

They also offer an event annually on Oct. 15, which is National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

This event is held at Painting with a Twist.

"It's not a sad day," Nuner said. "It's a family time. Couples come, some bring older children. We smile, we laugh, we have cookies."

Nuner brings her oldest daughter and they paint a picture for their loss.

Those interested in volunteering with Cradled or learning more about the organization should visit Cradled's Facebook page or website: www.cradled.org

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JFK's final day depicted in Baylor grad's documentary

By HENRY ECKELS
REPORTER

An award winning filmmaker is coming to Baylor to clear up the mystery surrounding President John F. Kennedy's assassination and his killer's subsequent capture once and for all.

Charles Poe, a Baylor alumnus who serves as the vice president of production for the Smithsonian Networks, will be at Baylor today to present his film, "The Day Kennedy Died."

The film will be shown at 3:30 p.m. in Kayser Auditorium in the Hankamer School of Business.

The film's presentation is a free event sponsored by Baylor's journalism, public relations and new media department, and is open to the public.

Margaret Kramer, office manager of the department, said Baylor was fortunate to be able to have Poe present the film on campus.

"Charles Poe is showing the film in Dallas on Wednesday, but because he is a Baylor alum, he actually offered to present it here the very next day," Kramer said. "It is a high-budget, well-made documentary, and I encourage students to go see it."

"The Day Kennedy Died" was made in remembrance of the 50th anniversary of Kennedy's assassination, which is on Nov. 22. The documentary will not air on television until 8 p.m. Nov. 17.

"The Day Kennedy Died" is a 92-minute documentary detailing the events that unfolded leading up to Kennedy's assassination on Nov. 22, 1963, and the investigation that followed.

The film, which is narrated by Oscar-winning actor Kevin Spacey, features interviews with firsthand witnesses of Kennedy's assassination or those who were involved in the circumstances surrounding the shooting.

Poe graduated from Baylor in 1989 and was the editor of The Baylor Lariat during his time as a student. He won a George Foster Peabody Award for another of his films titled "MLK: The Assassination Tapes."

Kramer said Poe's question-and-answer session following the presentation of "The Day Kennedy Died" should include information regarding the inner workings of the film.

"The Q&A session will include any information Poe wants to give about creating the documentary," Kramer said.

Frisco sophomore Cramer Brooks said he has been hearing about the film's coming for a while now and that it has been gathering a lot of hype from his peers.

"The fact that it gets to air to us Baylor students on campus before the rest of the nation gets to see it is pretty awesome," Brooks said.

Brooks also said he was curious about how the Secret Service conducted its investigation in searching for Kennedy's killer.

"I've always been skeptical about conspiracy theories regarding JFK's assassination," Brooks said. "I can't wait to see how the documentary proves the killer's identity to the public once and for all."

Buda junior Marcus Lakos said he hopes the film will remind people about the legacy of Kennedy's life and the tragedy of his death.

"While it's cool that this is airing on Baylor's campus before nearly anywhere else, I hope people don't just go to see the film for that reason," Lakos said. "I hope people will be more excited to hear about how JFK's death changed the nation."



TOM DILLARD | DALLAS MORNING NEWS VIA McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Texas Gov. John Connally waves as the Connallys and Kennedys set off on what would be the president's final ride on Nov. 22, 1963. Baylor grad Charles Poe's documentary "The Day Kennedy Died" depicts this day of infamy.



antique junkie's
delight

Roadshow stops in Waco, channels Pinterest

By HALEY DAVIS
REPORTER

An eclectic vintage shopping experience. This is the slogan for the Junk Hippy Roadshow that has been traveling all over Texas and Oklahoma since March 2012.

This unique show that has visited the Dallas/Fort Worth area, Amarillo and Houston is making a stop in Waco.

"We thought Waco was the perfect place to bring Junk Hippy to the heart of Texas," owner Kristen Grandi said.

Grandi started the roadshow after years of planning, and it was originally based out of Oklahoma City. The show will be from 9 a.m.

till 6 p.m. Saturday in the Chisholm Hall at the Waco Convention Center. Admission is \$5 at the door, and children under 13 years old are free.

At the show, consumers can find a mix of local and traveling vendors, featuring 100 booths of artists and crafters. Several local Waco vendors include Junk Exchange, Paper & Lace, ABC Antiques, LaSalle Shops and Texas Trash & Treasures.

Texas antique store Queen Bees broke the Junk Hippy record for biggest vendor space rented for the Waco show.

The roadshow focuses on the vintage handmade creations each vendor has

to offer. All items for sale at the roadshow are unique pieces that can't be found at any other store, Grandi said. The show has been compared to Pinterest all in one building. An Oklahoma City reporter called the roadshow "Pinterest Live." People can find things from rusty vintage goods to French country décor and home items, handmade jewelry, clothing, antiques and much more.

"It's time for Christmas shopping, so it's the perfect place to find fun and special gifts," Grandi said.

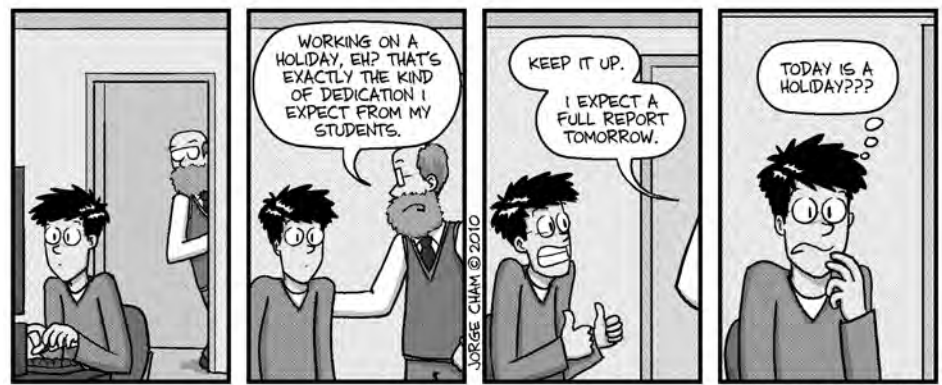
The event will also include live music from Lauren Lee and Liberty Road, a family band with an acoustic/folk sound.

The roadshow likes to support local businesses and a green lifestyle by repurposing and hand making items including soaps and bath goods. Junk Hippy donates a free booth at all their shows to firsttime vendors who hope to start a business.

"My favorite part is tight-knit junk family," Grandi said. "They are all very supportive of each other and so much fun to be around. We love to see the family expand with each stop the show makes."

Visit www.junkhippy.com for more information and their Pinterest board for inspiration at pinterest.com/junkhippy.

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- Golf great Ballesteros
- Crumbly Italian cheese
- Lao Tzu's "path"
- Slangy prefix meaning "ultra"
- Computer storage medium
- When repeated, island near Tahiti
- Male sibs
- Kadett automaker
- Apple music players
- Vintner's prefix
- Quick-on-the-uptake type, in slang
- Athenian walkway
- Otherwise
- Persian rulers
- Irene of "Fame"
- Used-up pencils
- Carton-cushioning unit
- Latin being
- Latin love word
- Muslim pilgrim's destination
- Tombstone lawman Wyatt
- Mischievous trick
- Showy authority figure
- Facebook notes, briefly
- Put back to zero
- Orator's place
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- "Falstaff" was his last opera
- Wipe clean
- Tax pro: Abbr.
- Cyclades island
- Nothing to write home about
- Applaud
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- Opposite of NNW
- 6'3", 5'4", etc.: Abbr.
- Close associates
- Roadside assistance org.
- Preparing to use, as a hose
- Tampa Bay NFLer
- RR stop
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- Arabian leader
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- Underlying reason
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- Mrs. Eisenhower
- Snide smile
- Sicilian volcano
- French vineyard
- Earth chopper

Eddie Lackey delivers defensive intensity



TRAVIS TAYLOR | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Senior linebacker Eddie Lackey sacks Iowa State sophomore quarterback Sam Richardson on Oct. 19 at Floyd Casey Stadium. Lackey is the leader of the defense and has been the spark plug behind Baylor's rise as the No. 7 scoring defense in the FBS.

By PARMIDA SCHAHHOSSEINI
SPORTS WRITER

There's only a minute left in the half as Floyd Casey's sea of black roars waiting for Oklahoma to snap the ball. Seconds later, the ball is in senior linebacker Eddie Lackey's hands as he comes away with the interception sending the crowd into a frenzy. Forty-seven seconds later, the Baylor offense makes the Sooners pay.

Baylor's defense has forced 60 turnovers in the last 25 games. Statistics don't always tell the whole story, and while Lackey's stats speak volumes, it's the intangibles that make the difference. Lackey's leadership has been on display this season as his intensity has fueled the defense to play to its highest potential.

"He brings a lot of intensity," senior nickel back Sam Holl said. "He's one of those guys when you get out there, you feed off his energy. He's a fast guy, really physical and we try to keep up with his pace when we play with him."

As the first Bear to win Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week, players are beginning to take notice. Lackey is a versatile player, allowing him to make an impact in every defensive category. This season, Lackey has 60 tackles, 8.5 of which went for a 31-yard loss. In addition, he has three sacks to his credit. With his dominant play, even offensive players can't help but take notice.

"Eddie is a fun player to watch and he's very instinctive," junior quarterback Bryce Petty said. "Eddie Lackey brings a lot of passion, a lot of athleticism to that position. He brings a lot of leadership and works every day. He's a stud."

Lackey's journey to Baylor consisted of hard work and dedication, which has translated into his game. Prior his career at Baylor, Lackey started played at a Division II school, Northwood University, in which he recorded 56 tackles and even returned kicks averaging 26.1. While Lackey was grateful for the opportunity, he wanted something greater. He transferred to Riverside Community College and continued to dominate the line. Lackey recording 54 tackles to help lead his team to an 11-0 record. During this time, he began to

put on healthy weight and increase his speed leading to become the player he is today.

A year later, Lackey found Baylor. After the campus visit, Baylor felt right as he met with the coaches and learned more about Baylor. Lackey wanted to take advantage of the opportunities Baylor had to offer and committed on the spot.

Lackey's versatility has been an integral part of the team. His quickness allows him to drop back in coverage. The leadership and passion he brings to the field makes a significant difference with the defensive unit.

"He can cover, he can blitz, he can tackle, he's got speed, he's got lateral movement and he's got intelligence," Baylor head coach Art Briles said. "He's got an inspiring factor to him from the standpoint that he always plays with a lot of passion and energy. It means something to him. He cares about the people in this football team."

Lackey's goal is to continue learning and growing into the defense. Lackey has already forced two turnovers this season: one interception and a forced fumble. In his first game against Texas Tech on Nov. 24, 2012, Lackey had a career-best two interceptions, a performance many Baylor fans want to see again. While his big play ability is what people notice, his pride comes from improving his game and making sure the fundamentals are second nature.

"Every game I'm learning and writing stuff down," Lackey said. "Whatever I do wrong, I want to fix that the next week."

As intense and focused Lackey is on the field, he's a different person on the field. While's not complacent, he is laid back, taking everything in stride. Lackey's dedication and passion has fueled a fire inside of him. Since the first day Lackey came to Baylor, the coaches tested him to see what he could do. Despite being a key starter, his story is still being written as he continues to work hard and learn.

"It really was a growing process," Lackey said. "I was thrown into the wolves. They wanted to see what I could do, so they just threw me in there for me to react to what was going on and then coach me up. The learning still hasn't stopped."

Volleyball sweeps Texas Tech

By SHEHAN JEYARAJAH
SPORTS WRITER

Coming off of a three-match losing streak, Baylor turned things around in a home tilt versus Texas Tech. The Bears (12-16, 4-8) defeated Texas Tech (9-19, 2-10) in straight sets on Wednesday in Waco. The Bears won sets 25-21, 25-19, 25-22.

Baylor trailed 7-10 in the first set but came back to tie the set at 12-12 behind an ace from freshman outside hitter Sam Hill and two kills from senior middle hitter Adrien Richburg. The Bears took a four-point lead but struggled to put the Red Raiders away. Tech cut the lead to 20-19, but Baylor managed to win the set 25-21. The Bears hit .414 in the set while holding Tech to .038.

"We wanted to stay on top of things today," senior outside hitter Zoe Adom said. "We wanted to make sure we didn't let them back into this game like we did against TCU."

After Tech scored the first two points of the second set, Baylor took control 6-5. The Bears built their lead to a seemingly insurmountable 22-12 lead. The Bears would then go on to give up a 7-2 run to Tech. The Red Raiders

cut the lead to 24-19 during the stretch. A service error by Tech junior outside hitter Breeann David finally ended Tech's run, and the Bears won the set 25-19. Baylor hit .306 in the set and held Tech to .111 hitting percentage.

Texas Tech took a 3-2 lead to open the third set, but Baylor came out with a huge run again. The Bears scored five straight points to take a 7-3 lead over the Red Raiders. Tech would go on a run to take a 10-12 lead. Tech would maintain their advantage up until 17-21 until Baylor went on a massive 8-1 run to take the set and the match 25-22. The Bears hit .273 in the final set and held Tech to .159.

Sophomore middle hitter Adrien Richburg led Baylor with 11 kills and eight blocks on a .500 hitting percentage. She also added two digs in the Baylor win. Adom contributed with 11 kills and only two errors on a .375 hitting percentage.

"We really knew what they were going to do from studying tape this week," Richburg said. "Our defense did a good job of getting balls up. Even if we didn't get a block, we got a lot of touches."

Sophomore outside hitter Laura Jones added nine kills, 12 digs and four blocks for Baylor. Senior

libero Kayci Evans added a match-high 13 digs for Baylor.

Sophomore outside hitter Meghan Stacy and senior middle blocker Aubree Piper each had six kills for Texas Tech. Sophomore defensive specialist Emily Wright added 13 digs and junior libero Rachel Brummitt added 12 digs.

Baylor hit .321 for the match and held Tech to only a .113 hitting percentage. This was the first match since Sept. 13 against Appalachian State that Baylor has hit over .300 in a match.

"Tonight, offensively, we did a good job getting a lot of hitters involved," head volleyball coach Jim Barnes said. "Morgan did a great job distributing the ball. It was nice to see our numbers offensively."

The Bears finished with 10.0 blocks in the match. Five different players recorded two or more blocks for Baylor in this game.

Baylor will look to continue their success in a rematch at 7 p.m. Saturday against Oklahoma in Norman, Okla. The Bears will then play Kansas State on the road next Wednesday before playing their home finale against West Virginia on Nov. 23 against West Virginia. The Bears will end their season on the road against No. 1 Texas on Nov. 30.




TRAVIS TAYLOR | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Junior middle hitter Nicole Bardaji prepares to receive the volleyball as junior defensive specialist Hope Ogden and sophomore middle hitter Adrien Richburg anticipate the play in Baylor's sweep over Texas Tech on Wednesday.

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Students celebrate fundraiser success with Big Event

By RAE JEFFERSON
REPORTER

A cancer-fighting student organization is taking some time to celebrate a semester's worth of crusading against the disease.

The Baylor chapter of Up 'Til Dawn, which arranges on-campus fundraisers for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and promotes awareness of pediatric cancer, is playing host to The Big Event 6 p.m. Friday on Fountain Mall.

The event will be held in celebration of the end of a fundraising campaign, in which participants, in groups of six, were given one

month to raise as much money as possible for St. Jude pediatric cancer research. Alexandria, La., sophomore Tori Hinton, the organization's Education Mission Chair, said the event will feature four main activities for attendees: dodge ball, capture the flag, Zumba and a painting station.

"It'll just be a fun night where they can eat food, win prizes, have a little bit of competition, and celebrate all the hard work they've done," Hinton said.

Although the event will be held in honor of fundraiser participants, anyone is welcome to participate in the event's activities until its con-

clusion at midnight.

Woodlands junior Kiresha Johnson, Up 'Til Dawn's Publicity Chair, said she hopes attendees will become more aware of the need for pediatric cancer research funding.

"Hopefully they'll be able to see the importance of it and grow passionate about," she said. "The more people you have that are passionate about it, the better fundraising will be."

Hinton said she wants the event to attract potential members.

"I really want for them to see how much fun our organization is," she said. "Hopefully we can make it grow in the next few years. I hope

that people learn about our organization through it."

St. Jude is a hospital that produces useful research and is well worth the time and effort put into fundraising, Hinton said.

"I just think that the hospital is a great cause," she said. "It's a great thing to put your money into. I do it for the kids."

Hinton said she decided to join the organization because of firsthand experience with leukemia.

"I'm a former cancer survivor, so it's my own motivation to do it," she said.

Johnson said her work with the organization is motivated by

how much families facing pediatric cancer benefit from the funds raised by Up 'Til Dawn chapters on college campuses across the country.

"These families are sort of dependent upon us to raise money for them," she said. "In my heart, I feel like it's a responsibility – a duty to do this for them. The things we do are so moving and so important."

Johnson said Up 'Til Dawn is a great organization for students interested in medical studies involving children.

"I want to do something with pediatrics – maybe a pediatric

surgeon or something, so this has really sparked my interest and passion," she said.

Johnson said the student organization has made appearances in chapel and sold baked goods in past semesters to raise awareness and funds for pediatric cancer research, but this is the first year they are hosting The Big Event.

"It's been done in the past, but it done by a completely different organization," she said.

Students interested in learning more about the organization can attend The Big Event or visit the Up 'Til Dawn – Baylor University Facebook page.



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Governor Neil Abercrombie, left, and former senator Avery Chumley hold up a copy of the Star Advertiser after Abercrombie signed the bill legalizing gay marriage in Hawaii on Wednesday in Honolulu.

violated by not letting them marry.

Abercrombie said he planned to give the pen he used to sign the bill to Steve Levinson, the Hawaii Supreme Court justice who wrote the 1993 opinion.

Evan Wolfson, an attorney on the Hawaii case for the three same-sex couples involved, said Wednesday he was overjoyed by the signing.

"I'm so happy that the state where it all started can now join in the celebration and help add to the momentum that's going to bring the freedom to marry to the entire country," said Wolfson, who is now the founder and president of Freedom to Marry, a group that pushes for state gay marriage laws nationwide.

The Hawaii ruling helped lead Congress to pass the federal Defense of Marriage Act in 1996, part of which was struck down earlier this year by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The decision led Abercrombie to call the special session that produced Hawaii's gay marriage law.

The bill passed with heavy support in both the state Senate and

House, though its journey came with significant public resistance from people opposed to both gay marriage and the process itself.

People criticize the timing, but it is never the wrong time to do the right thing," said state Rep. Chris Lee, a Kailua Democrat who pushed the bill in the House.

The law allows gay couples living in Hawaii and tourists to marry in the state starting Dec. 2. Another 14 states and the District of Columbia already allow same-sex marriage.

A bill is awaiting the governor's signature in Illinois.

President Barack Obama praised passage of the Hawaii bill, saying the affirmation of freedom and equality makes the country stronger.

Rep. Bob McDermott, a House lawmaker who filed a lawsuit to derail the special session, promised a new challenge after Abercrombie signed the bill. A judge has said he will take up the case.

An estimate from a University of Hawaii researcher says gay marriage will boost tourism by \$217 million

over the next three years, as Hawaii becomes a destination for couples in other states, boosting ceremonies, receptions and honeymoons in the islands.

The bump is expected to level out as early trips decrease and possibly more states legalize gay marriage.

"We do know from lots of other states, if they don't live in a state with marriage equality, they will travel," said Lee Badgett, an economics professor at University of Massachusetts-Amherst and senior scholar at UCLA's Williams Institute, a think-tank that conducts law and public policy research on sexual orientation and gender identity issues. "It's a reasonable expectation people will want to go to Hawaii. It's a big wedding destination spot."

But Badgett said Hawaii has competition from other states where gays can marry: "Some of them are making a play for same-sex couples very deliberately. ... That's totally new spending, and that's great for the economy."

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dergraduate student can register online to attend the conference for a \$30 fee, it will primarily be for those students interested in chemistry and biochemistry.

"This is a really exciting opportunity for Baylor students interested in chemistry and biochemistry to really explore the depth and interest of this field of study," Kane said.

However, there are a couple of events at the meeting that are free of charge for Baylor students.

The Gooch-Stephens Lectures and Reception, the graduate school fair and the W. Dial Black Family Lecture are a few of the free events Baylor students can attend this weekend.

Kane said hundreds of chemists, professors, students and graduate students have registered for the conference.

"There are over 800 people coming to the ACS meeting this weekend," Kane said. "About one-third of those consist of faculty, another one-third consist of

graduate students and the rest are a mixture of undergrads, chemists and other researchers."

Rauls said the meeting is not just for people with a college education.

"There will be a program for high school students on Saturday as well, for those students interested in majoring in chemistry when they go to college," Rauls said. "Along with the food from the receptions, it could be an event for all ages."

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those individuals who, today, are left with no healthcare options.

"The bill was intended to create an opportunity to give actual insurance policies to childless adults that were below the federal poverty level, under 138 percent," Zerwas said.

The representative authored a compromise over the Medicaid expansion vote.

House Bill 3791 would have had the governor sign a waiver in Washington to procure expansion funds for the solution.

The compromise was not received well at the conservative-controlled legislature, and, in the end, never left committee.

Now, many Texans are in a precarious position.

"To qualify for Medicaid in Texas, someone needs to be elderly, or have minor children living in the home and meet the income requirements for receiving Medicaid," said Linda Gockel, spokesperson for the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

Those income requirements are determined in relation to what the federal government recognizes as a poverty level.

By establishing an income-based definition of poverty, individuals and households can be classified by their standing before or behind the federal poverty level.

The Census Bureau updates the federal poverty level annually. It is an income assessment of U.S. citizens who are poor.

This year, for example, the Census Bureau states that a family of four earning \$23,550 per year meets 100 percent of federal poverty level.

Income eligibility for Medicaid and CHIP varies by case and determines who qualifies in relation to the poverty level.

For example, where a pregnant woman can be under nearly twice the poverty level and receive federal assistance, most non-disabled adults are out of the running at 0 percent of the poverty level.

To qualify for help purchasing a health insurance plan via the Health Insurance Marketplace, a person must earn at least 100 percent of the federal poverty level, \$11,490 per year.

Ineligibility for marketplace assistance resumes at four times the poverty level.

In Texas, it is possible to earn too much for government health-care coverage and too little to qualify for help buying it privately. There is a gap.

Dr. Roland Goertz is the CEO of the Family Health Center in Waco, a non-profit clinic system that serves the area's uninsured population.

"Our best estimates say there's

46,000 uninsured in McLennan County," Goertz said. "Of those, we believe 10,000-12,000 are probably eligible for the marketplace."

That leaves about 34,000 people who will potentially be left out in the cold."

Statewide, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission believes over 1 million citizens fall in the gap.

Individuals who have no healthcare options because of the state deciding not to expand Medicaid will not face the penalty for being without insurance after March 31.

On this date, citizens not covered by federal assistance or a health insurance plan will face a penalty through the Affordable Care Act.

Since state leaders opted not to expand Medicaid, many childless adults, jobless and working parents who live on means under the poverty level have no help affording health insurance, Goertz said.

Texas is only one of 25 states that also decided against expanding their Medicaid programs.

According to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, of all the people who fall in the gap nationwide, a fifth of them are in Texas.

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