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# The Art of Science Students look through microscopes to find inspiration

#### By Amanda Granato Guest Contributor

For the last decade, the architecture of the Baylor Sciences Building has housed 508,000 square feet of bare, beige walls. However, a small committee has largescale plans for the bland walls, and they have taken their first steps with the installation of six pieces of student art in the building.

This past fall, students from the Advanced Drawing class, taught by Julia Hitchcock, associate professor of art, spent six hours in Dr. Dan Sample's histology lab observing tissue slides and creating their initial sketches for the pieces. The drawings are abstracted works made with graphite and alcohol inspired by various tissue samples such as heart muscle, ovarian tissue and nerve.

"I wanted the students to realize that there's a difference between what we see here and what we see below the surface," Hitchcock said. "The microscopic imagery was a vehicle to explore something different."

Put up through the efforts of the recently formed Committee for Art in the Baylor Sciences Building, the pieces are displayed on the second floor landing at the entrance to the A hall. Yukon, Okla., senior Carolina Low said she enjoys knowing her artwork is the first to hang in the building.

"It's neat to bridge the gap between sciences and humanities and arts," Low said. "I think anyone can benefit from seeing something interesting, especially when it relates to them. To see scientific artwork in the science building is special."

Known for incorporating artwork and paintings into his lecture slides, Samples, a temporary full-time lecturer, said he believes firmly in celebrating the similarities between scientists and artists, noting that centuries ago scientists like Leonardo da Vinci were artists as well.

"If you think about it, scientists generally are curious and creative and they're observant," Samples said. "They record what they see, their observations. Artists are curious about what's around them, they have really strong powers of observation, and they record what they see or their



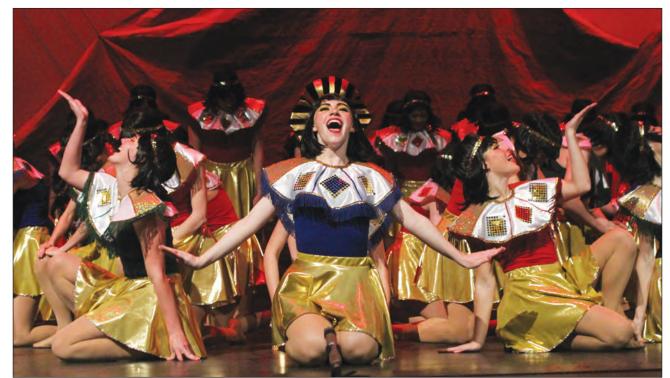
TRAVIS TAYLOR | PHOTO EDITOR Art student viewed magnified slides of tissue to find inspiration. Artwork from this project hangs in the hallways of the Baylor Sciences Building.

interpretation of what they see in what we call art."

When Samples brought the art students into his lab, he found the students could pick out irregular pathologies in the tissue samples faster than many of his histology students did. Not surprised by this, Mark Anderson, chair of the art department, said art students spend hundreds of hours learning how to see things, as opposed to simply looking at them.

"There are several kinds of learning," A n -

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### Tri Delts take the stage

Delta Delta Delta performs its act "Take Me to the Pyramids." During the performance the group sang Run the World by Beyonce. The act received five stars from the Lariat Sing reviews. Read reviews for other Sing acts on B1.

# Hankamer to add online MBA program

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Paula Ann Solis Staff Writer

Baylor's Hankamer School of Business is moving forward in the digital age with the launch of a fully online master of business administration degree program that begins in May 2014.

The online MBA degree, which is now accepting applications through the business school's website, is a 12-month program that will be offered for \$50,000, which is a \$40,000 savings from the traditional program.

The savings, along with the broadening of students served by Baylor outside of the Waco area, are

two reasons Dr. Gary Carini, associate dean of graduate programs for the business school, said he is excited for the program's launch.

"We've been planning this for about 18 months," Carini said. "This is not just a business school project. This is a joint project with financial aid, the cashier's office, the registrar's office and the Graduate School. It took an entire team to take us from initial planning to where we are now."

Baylor's online MBA program is unlike others offered around the nation because there has not been one that distinctly works to maintain a

# Baylor professor finds joy through adopting child

By Nico Zulli Reporter

All of the toddlers in the room ran around by themselves, ditching their parents to go play and wander around. But not David.

During the Chinese New Year celebration at Baylor on Feb. 6, the 2 1/2-year-old boy never left the side of his immediate family, including his dad, Steven Cates, a senior lecturer in the mathematics department.

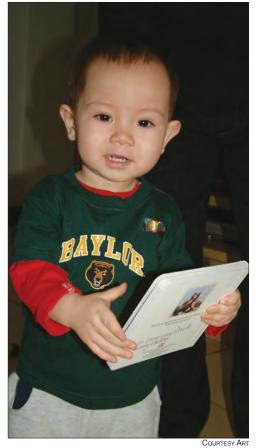
David yelled and beamed as he clapped his little hands together in excitement at an elaborate Chinese dragon costume.

Then he hoisted himself onto the makeshift stage set up for the program's performers and began to dance. Cates and his wife, Cindy Cates, danced with him.

"We are excited to introduce David to his Chinese heritage," Mrs. Cates wrote in a blog post on Feb. 4 titled 'Journey: Chinese New Year~Year of the Horse.' "China has such a rich culture and Chinese New Year is the most significant holiday."

The Cates family welcomed David from China a year ago.

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David wears his Baylor shirt while awaiting the Cates' arrival to China. The Cates sent multiple gifts to David before meeting him.

## Networking provides small help in job hunt

#### By Josh Gill Reporter

College students looking to create job opportunities for themselves sometimes turn to Greek Life as a source of networking during and after college.

While membership in a Greek organization, or any student organization, will not hurt students' chances of being hired, business professors say more than just membership is needed to make students stand out to employers.

Dr. James Henderson, academic director of the MBA Healthcare Program and The Ben H. Williams Professorship in Economics, was the faculty adviser to the Texas Theta chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon from 2000 to 2010. Greek membership does help students with professional networking but much of membership's effect on the job hunt is left up to the student, he said.

"Ultimately, it's not the network that gets you the job, it's your ability to sell yourself," Henderson said. "Often times getting your foot in the door is the biggest hurdle. Fraternity brothers aren't going to give you a job if they don't think you can make money for them."

Henderson said the networking benefits of Greek life are valuable and a key aspect of membership, but it is limited by geography even in regard to national organizations.

"I think it's the opportunity of creating networks that's most important when you're a member of an organization," Henderson said. "The benefit of a national organization is that you have similar groups all over the country, although the further you get away from your local group the less you are going to be successful."

Katherine Evans, assistant director of professional development, said Greek life is one of many sources of networking for students.

"You can network with friends and

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EA cheats system, isn't gamer friendly

### Editorial

Electronic Arts used to be on top of the video game world. Carrying titles such as "Madden", "The Sims", various Star Wars games and "FIFA", EA was once a well-respected video game developer.

Oh, how the mighty have fallen. EA has come under fire recently for controversy surrounding the game "Dungeon Keeper Mobile." The game was originally poorly perceived because it pales in comparison to its original. Bullfrog Productions and EA originally released "Dungeon Keeper," a realtime strategy game for the PC, in July of 1997. The game was very well received at the time.

On Oct. 10, 2013, EA released "Dungeon Keeper Mobile" for the App Store and the Google Play Store. The problem was that this new version is riddled with messages offering players a chance to purchase something that will speed the game up. EA slowed down the mechanics of the game and grinded it to a halt. Some areas of the dungeon even take a full 24 hours to unlock. In other words, EA intentionally released a worse version of "Dungeon Keeper," and the only way to actually get a fun experience out of the game is to pay up.

This normally wouldn't be a problem. After all, the rules of economics should take over and EA should pay the price of selling a bad product. The problem is that EA is manipulating the system by constructing a dishonest rating system and buying up its competitors.



On the Android version of the game, a message pops up every once in a while (in between the messages asking you to pour your money into the game) and asks you to rate the game. This shouldn't be a problem. After all, most apps nowadays ask users to rate the app. That's how potential buyers and downloaders know that other peo-

ple have liked the product.

Two options pop up on the rating screen. One says, "Rate 5 stars," and the other says, "Rate 1-4 stars." As you would expect, rating the game 5 stars does just that. If you want to rate the game 1-4 stars, you are redirected to a page that gives you the opportunity to send feedback to EA. Unfortunately, your imperfect rating never gets applied. The only way to give the game a real rating, unless you want to give the game 5 stars for some reason, is to rate the game 5 stars

and then change your rating in the Play Store. But when players see a screen asking them for feedback instead of giving them the option to rate

the game, they rarely care enough to jump through all of the hoops to give the game a fair review. This artificially inflates the game's rating and cheats the system.

In a fair world, consumers would just turn to other companies. EA isn't playing fair here either. In the last five years, EA has purchased ESN, PopCap Games, Firemint, Mobile Post Production, Chillingo, Playfish and others. EA has been criticized for buying up smaller companies to either squash competition or cash in on successful franchises produced by smaller developers.

EA has also gotten lazy with its developments because it doesn't feel like it has to break new ground to turn a profit. Now that Madden doesn't have competition in the NFL video game market, they can release what is pretty much the same game year after year with updated rosters. The Madden franchise used to have to compete with "NFL Fever" and games took strides in the right direction, but when was the last time a "Madden" game was released that was a significant improvement over the previous year's game? The "Truck Stick" was introduced in "Madden NFL 06," but since then, only minor tweaks like lead blocker controls and different game modes have been implemented.

In this era of gaming, ads and micro-transactions are sadly accepted as part of the trade. Thankfully, developers have not gone this route with PC and console games, but EA is doing its best to nickel and dime even us regardless of current trends.

Nowadays, developers release downloadable content (DLC) after

a game has been on the shelves for some time. DLC allows players to add to their game by giving them new areas to explore or adding new items to a game. DLC can be free, but sometimes consumers are willing to pay a small price if they thoroughly enjoyed the game. EA has released what is sometimes called day-one DLC or same-day DLC. This is extra content that is released very soon after the game is available to the public. This means that EA could have just put the added content into the game, but instead wanted consumers to pay even more for content, which isn't what DLC is supposed to be.

For the last two years, The Consumerist released survey results that labeled EA the "Worst Company in America," the only company to win this title in backto-back years. Those that took part in the survey cited EA's insistence on micro-transactions, poorly handled DLC, and unreasonable piracy prevention techniques built into their games. The Consumerist summed up the people's sentiments when it said, "When we live in an era marked by massive oil spills, faulty foreclosures by bad banks, and rampant consolidation in the airline and telecom industry, what does it say about EA's business practices that so many people have — for the second year in a row - come out to hand it the title of Worst Company in America?"

Games should be fun, and EA has a habit of ruining the fun of video games. As consumers, it is our responsibility to refuse to accept this kind of business practice. It has gotten to the point where EA isn't producing games. It's producing money-grabbing gimmicks.

# Abbott best for Texas

While sitting down with Greg Abbott at Vitek's, surrounded by Texas memorabilia, I can easily see why he is well on the way to be the next governor of Texas.



ing Battleground Texas movement. With a growing Hispanic population, the Democrats, led by Wendy Davis, believe they can "turn Texas blue" within two decades.

But Abbott, rightfully, isn't worried. The fundamental principle of the Battleground Texas movement

ample. It is Abbott who has taken the leading role as attorney general of Texas. The Supreme Court has already ruled that voter-ID laws are "perfectly constitutional," says Abbott. He has prosecuted many cases of votes cast by dead people or foreign nationals.

### - Lariat Letters



Two months ago, in an opinion published in USA Today, the president of Baylor University said that: "there is no tolerance without Christianity."

To suggest that Christianity alone is responsible for world peace would be to put faith over reason.

Taking a whirling tour through history, Christi-

gions that promote tolerance.

Starr suggested that the Department of State "should mount an aggressive diplomatic initiative to convince Middle Eastern societies that they must protect their Christian communities," effectively making the DoS a Christian missionary.

Danny Huizinga | Guest Columnist

Abbott understands the legitimate need of the party to become a "big tent" and appeal to other groups.

"I bring a complete different style and perception that will connect differently with the changing Texas that we live in," Abbott said.

His wife, Cecilia, would be the first Latina first lady of the state of Texas, and Abbott is uniquely qualified to understand the "genuine connection between the Hispanic community and the conservative philosophy."

That would be a huge asset to the Republican Party of Texas. Facing semi-strong opposition for the first time in recent history, the party is trying to fight the growmisses the mark. He correctly understands that the problem is not with conservative ideas - it's the messaging.

"All we need to do is do a better job of communicating that the Republican Party stands for conservative values that are really embraced by an overwhelming majority of the Hispanic community," Abbott said.

He cites an example from the last state Republican Party convention, when the "hardcore of the hardcore of the Republican Party" voted over two-thirds for "the most progressive guest-worker provision of any state." If Republicans could only frame their message better, he argues, they'll be better prepared to appeal to the Hispanic community.

When Abbott believes in something, he doesn't let anything get in his way.

He was tragically paralyzed by a falling tree in 1984, but he doesn't let his wheelchair hinder his dedication.

In fact, he argues that it provides him with a unique opportunity to understand the concerns of those with disabilities. It is this perseverance that defines his approach to controversial political issues.

Take voter-ID laws, for ex-

Abbott's legal experience uniquely qualifies him to deal with these issues. After short periods in private practice, as a state trial judge, and serving on the Texas Supreme Court, he is currently the longest-serving attorney general in Texas history.

But he doesn't come off as a hardline conservative. When Abbott speaks to you, you feel as if he isn't fishing for talking points or strategizing about his next line. He has an uncanny ability to sincerely connect with voters while maintaining the strong conservative principles he advocates.

Wendy Davis, on the other hand, is "on the extreme wing, contrary to the mainstream Texans," Abbott said.

He's right. Her filibuster of the state's new abortion law identifies her with a position shared by a minority of Texas voters.

Abbott should not have trouble winning the election. Texas should look forward to an inspirational governor that will bring the state to greater heights while understanding the importance of each and every viewpoint.

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anity has been quite intolerant, compared to other world religions.

To mention a few events, we have the Crusades, the Inquisitions, the forced conversions of Native Americans, the Ku Kux Klan and more recently in history, some Nazis who massacred hundreds of thousands of Jews doing the "work of the Lord."

Tolerance arises not because of religion, but rather genetics. More commonly studied in the form of altruism, tolerance is seen in humans and many animal species.

Quite frankly, I find it hard to believe that my cat, who is very tolerant of our hyperactive family dog, did so because it spent time looking at crucifixes and wanted to become more like Jesus.

Other religions teach tolerance, too. Islam says, "You shall have your religion and I shall have my religion" (Qur'an 109:6). The Dalai Lama believes that people should retain their religions, instead of changing them. The supreme book on Sikhism religion, the Guru Granth Sahib, says not to call other holy books such as the Vedas (an ancient Hindu scripture) false.

These are just three out of countless world reli-



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As a former solicitor general, he should know that this suggestion does not only breaches treaties, it fails the lemon test by not being secular.

As written in Matthews 7:12: "Do to others what you want them to do to you." I invite President and Chancellor Ken Starr to demonstrate true Christianity and promote religious tolerance at our university.

Currently, Baylor maintains its tradition of being xenophobic. Prospective faculty must disclose their religious affiliation, have "an active Christian faith" and submit a statement on their standing with the church. If they pass the test, they will face another challenge: everybody is Christian, except for two Jewish professors. Furthermore, students cannot form religious organizations that are not Christian.

As Starr well noted, "other minorities also are subject to religious persecution around the world, including Muslims, Jews, Hindus and Buddhists." Let this be a time to reflect and accept the mandate Jesus gave us all: to "love thy neighbor."

Rafael Deliz-Aguirre Arecibo, Puerto Rico, senior

#### Correction

In the Jan 22 story "Sophomores welcome needed retreat" The Lariat reported that retreat coordinator Ray Small said that most Christians don't know that business can be a sin.

This was a typographic error. He actually said that busyness can be a sin.

The Lariat regrets the error.

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# Students sacrifice spring vacation to serve

By Madison Adams Reporter

For many students, spring break is a nine-day break from the chaos of midterms and a chance to let off some steam after those long All-University Sing rehearsals have finally ended.

Many Baylor students have had their condos booked and bikinis packed since January for their shot at the perfect college spring break at destinations such as South Padre or Destin, Fla.

It might come as a surprise, however, to know there will be other groups of Baylor students spending their days of freedom serving people through Baylor Missions.

Holly Widick, Baylor's coordinator for global missions, said these short spring break trips are gaining momentum.

"This is the third year that we have really promoted spring break missions," Widick said. "This year we have 26 teams, most of which occur during the May mini-mester. But during spring break, we have six different teams."

Six teams may seem like a small number but logistically spring break missions are difficult to plan.

"Imagine trying to get spring break flights to anywhere in the world. It makes it really difficult to make the trips cost effective and to where the students do not spend half of their trip on a plane," Widick said.

This year Baylor Missions is going to South America visiting the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala and two teams serving in Belize.

There will also be one team staying in Texas and serving in the city of Eagle Pass.

Attendance at Baylor over the years for spring break mission trips continues to increase, and Widick said this is partly due to the programs providing specific activities that students can engage with and leave feeling that they have had an impact on the community that goes beyond just construction work or leading a local vacation bible school.

Converse junior Christy Hinz said, "I decided to join the Guatemala trip specifically, because it is a medical mission trip. Being pre-med, I love being able to put my faith, education and passion all into practice, as well as see what life as a missions doctor really looks like."

In fact, most of the trips are discipline specific and lead by faculty in the student's specific area of study.

The Belize trip is focused on childhood development so most of the team is composed of family and consumer science or early childhood education majors.

"We are trying to find ways that you can take what you are learning in the class-

room and apply it to an international or domestic service context," Widick said.

The Men's leadership program is new team that will be sent to the Dominican Republic and will be allowed opportunities to teach the skills and methods they have learned in their Baylor Business classes to the people of the Dominican Republic.

<sup>6</sup>A lot of the guys are friends and in the same fraternity, so once we realized everyone was business majors we talked with our partners and they found opportunities for the guys to be involved in entrepreneurship lessons, as well as teaching about accounting and finance," Widick said.

During her time working at Baylor, Widick has found that the toughest part about spring break missions is the small window of time.

"Spring break missions are hard. There is only so much you can do but at the same time being involved for just a short time changes you... It puts you outside of your comfort zone and allows you to see where you can impact you community back home and get involved," Widick said.

There are multiple ways that a student can spend their spring break, from laying on the beach in Florida to hitting the slopes in Colorado.

For Hinz, however, she could not imagine a better spring break.

"Honestly, I couldn't see a better time spending my week than being abroad, with my friends, experiencing a new culture, spreading the love of the Lord, and helping those around us learn more about how to stay healthy," Hinz said.

Spring break mission trips are not for everyone but when thinking about how to spend your vacation, think about dedicating a few days or hours to get what Widick describes as a "quick taste of what it is like to serve."

# Steppin' Out focuses on Texas waterway initiative



TRAVIS TAYLOR | PHOTO EDITOR

#### Ben March, the Keep Texas Waterways Clean initiative's local coordinator, said the Steppin' Out project will help clear trash on a stretch from the Baylor Marina to Cameron Park.

#### By Rae Jefferson Staff Writer

A statewide environmental initiative focused on cleaning up Texas waterways will soon make its way onto Baylor campus.

This semester, some Steppin' Out participants will have the opportunity to participate in a litter cleanup effort called Keep Texas Waterways Clean initiative, which is sponsored by the organization Keep Waco Beautiful.

Ben March, the initiative's local coordinator and Keep Waco Beautiful board member, said the project will allow students to help clear trash on a stretch of the Brazos River from roughly the Baylor Marina to Cameron Park.

"We've partnered for several years with Baylor during Steppin' Out," he said. "Our major emphasis from now on will be the Brazos Corridor cleaning."

Erin Payseur, the Steppin' Out adviser, said arranging projects with Keep Waco Beautiful has been beneficial for students, and is a passion of first lady Alice Starrs, who is a board member of Keep Waco Beautiful.

"It's been great to see Mrs. Starr share her passion for it and why it's so important for Waco," Payseur said.

March said he did not yet know what Baylor group would be assigned to work with Keep Waco Beautiful for Steppin' Out. Groups are usually assigned to volunteer sites by the Steppin' Out coordinating committee.

Payseur said she appreciates the work Keep Waco Beautiful does with Steppin' Out because of the perspective it provides for students.

"Sometimes students don't think that picking up trash is glamorous or an important service, but it's so necessary to the beauty of the city," she said. "When each of us does our part, we take pride in our community."

Keep Texas Waterways Clean is sponsored by Keep Texas Beautiful, a state organization with the mission to "educate" and "engage" Texans about caring for their local environments, according to the Keep Texas Beautiful website.

Companies and organizations around the state register to sponsor the waterways initiative, which began Nov. 1 and will continue until Oct. 31.

Keep Waco Beautiful, a local environmental organization and affiliate of Keep Texas Beautiful, is a Waco sponsor for Keep Texas Waterways Clean events.

According to its website, Keep Waco Beautiful uses cleanup and beautification programs to instill community pride in Wacoans.

March said the organization focuses on a stretch of the Brazos from the Baylor Marina to the intersection of the Bosque and Brazos rivers near the Lake Waco Dam.

March said this special attention to the river is rooted in a concern for preserving a token of life in Waco.

"It's one of the biggest assets the city has — this wonderful waterway," March said. "With the new stadium we're going to have more guests, so we want to make sure one of our biggest attractions is always clean."

March said Keep Waco Beautiful has plans to launch an amphibious assault

during cleanup projects this year. During this process, volunteers will be divided into shoreline cleanup teams and kayak cleanup teams, which will remove out-ofreach trash floating in the river and stuck in water reeds.

Steppin' Out may include these amphibious tactics if Keep Waco Beautiful is able to secure kayaks in time, March said.

Keep Waco Beautiful is using the waterways initiative as a springboard for expanding its efforts in river cleanups, March said. The organization plans to end the year having completed four major anti-litter projects — one held earlier this month on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a spring and fall Steppin' Out event and a summer event.

"This is kind of a new project for us," March said. "We're going to be doing cleanups more often and utilizing clubs and organizations from Baylor.

We'll also use organizations and groups in the city of Waco, to get them involved as well."

March said Keep Waco Beautiful's intentions are to simply complement the work city officials put in to maintaining the river.

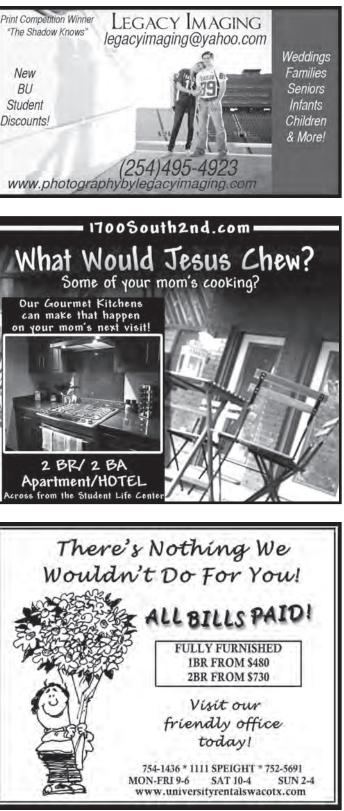
"The city of Waco does an excellent job of keeping the river clean — we're just supplementing that," he said.

"We just want to help keep Waco clean and beautiful."

Payseur said she hopes students leave the event with a renewed sense of duty to the community.

"I hope they see that it has an impact on the city and is more than just a few hours or a day of picking up trash," she said.







# Wigging out

### Passion for healthy living, sports come together in spirited SLC athletic director

By Anja Rosales Reporter

In an office located on the third floor of the McLane Student Life Center sits Van Davis, the assistant director of the McLane Student Life Center.

She doesn't do much sitting these days, however, as she is involved in a number of activities ranging from training top-notch athletes to selling Girl Scout cookies with her niece.

The amount of activities and teams Davis coaches also serve as a place for interviews, life talks and a behind the scenes business for some of her classes and clinics.

Clint Patterson, who works with Davis as the coordinator for fitness at the SLC, said he enjoys working with Davis.

"I absolutely love working with Van," Patterson said. "She is a great boss who is very committed." He said Davis is passionate, determined and memorable. He said Davis was the crazy lady with the wigs, as he described her school spirit at Baylor sporting events.

Bianca Davis, Davis' daughter, said her mom is an inspirational person who has taught her a lot about life.

"My mom works a lot and is always giving it all for the people she encounters," Davis' daughter, Bianca, said.

Bianca, who is now 22 years old, was the impetus to one of Davis' several jobs.

"When Bianca turned 10, there wasn't a good volleyball program for kids her age to start playing competitively," Davis said. "So I started one of my own and founded the Waco Juniors Volleyball Club."

This inspired Davis to start the Waco Juniors Volleyball Club. The club started off with two teams and

grew to over a dozen teams for all age groups.

Davis said she was the first freshman at Tombstone High School, in Tombstone, N.M. to make the varsity team in the sports of both basketball and volleyball. After graduation, Davis decided to attend Eastern Arizona

College so she could play both volleyball and basketball, but after two years of

playing there, she transferred to Western New Mexico University to concentrate on volleyball. After playing two years

at Western New Mexico, Davis became an assistant coach for her former team immediately after graduating. Two years after being an assistant coach, Davis took the position as head coach for her former team.

When Davis moved to Waco after her husband and high-school sweetheart, Raymond Davis, took a coaching job, she continued working in the fitness world although she no longer coached volleyball. Davis started her own fitness company, Fitness by Van, Co., in 1997 and then became the assistant director of campus recreations in fitness at Baylor in 1999.

Davis said however, that her love for volleyball was too strong to abandon the sport altogether.

"I still wanted a connection with volleyball although I wasn't coaching anymore, so I became the official score keeper for the Baylor Women's Volleyball team," Davis said. "I remember when I started bringing Bianca to the games when she was 3 years old. She would lay on my lap and nap while I kept score, it was so cute." Davis has been the official score keeper for the Baylor Volleyball games for 20 years now.

Davis said perhaps the most significant event in her life was training and coaching a young volleyball player by the name of Molly Martinson.

"When Bianca graduated, I stepped away from coaching for the Waco Juniors Volleyball club, but God had a different plan for me," Davis said.

Martinson's mom asked Davis to coach for her, so Davis made an under 12 team for Waco Juniors Club for Martinson and Davis' niece.

"I had the best time coaching my under-12 team," Davis said, adding that Martinson was the best player she has ever coached.

During Davis' time coaching her under 12 team, she experienced losing, and it wasn't necessarily on the volleyball court.

One day, Davis received a call from Martinson's mom saying that Molly had to stop playing and start chemotherapy for brain cancer. A year later in May 2012,

Van Davis shows her Baylor school spirit with a green pompom styled wig while attending a basketball game (above) and her bright pink wig (left). Davis is known for the many colorful wigs she can be seen sporting around campus and at Baylor sporting events.

died from the terminal disease.

Davis said she thought she was going to be done with coaching after coaching her under 12 team, but Molly changed her mind.

"I remember talking to Molly about two weeks before she passed and she asked me if I was going to continue coaching," Davis said. "I'm honoring Molly by coaching. Her impact is tremendous. Volleyball was always part of my life but it has much more meaning because of Molly."

Another loss Davis suffered was when she lost her sister, who was the mother of the niece whom she now has custody of.

"It will be two years ago this month that my sister passed away," Davis said. "When my sister passed, I became the legal guardian of my niece, Kaitlyn, who I coached on my under-12 team with Molly," Davis said. "I sell Girl Scout cookies because Kaitlyn and her mother loved selling Girl Scout cookies together," Davis said. "I wanted her to keep the tradition going and help Kaitlyn with it as much as I can."

Bianca, Davis' daughter explained how supportive her mother is.

"She's a really good supporter in whatever it is you are doing and she treats everyone like family," Bianca said. "She wants to take care of you and make sure you are happy and have everything you need," Bianca said.

Davis has had a total of 11 knee surgeries, one of which resulted in a torn ACL after competing for the American Gladiator. "My mom is so determined to do whatever it is her mind is set on," Bianca said.

"My quest now is to be the first bionic woman to compete with my husband on the Amazing Race as the first bionic woman with titanium knees," Davis said as she laughed.

Then she came back to a more passionate tone and said, "People cannot use their physical inability as an excuse to not take part in physical activity. I believe you must be physically active to truly live a happy and healthy life."

Christian and ethical component, Carini said.

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Pattie Orr, vice president for information technology and dean of university libraries, said this effort by Baylor to open up to the online learning community is charged in large part by the teaching, learning & technology committee which reports to the Office of the Provost. The committee considers technological advancements in education.

ate and professional degrees.

"Lots of research, talking and student feedback went into this," Orr said. "If we were going to complete this we wanted the same rigor and quality we have on campus."

Baylor has an online doctorate program used within the School of Social Work and, at the beginning of this spring semester, launched gree," Orr said. "I think this MBA program, even though it's online, will be distinctly Baylor and very successful."

To help Baylor recruit students and covert the degree program to an online application, the university has hired Academic Partnerships, a company that specializes in helping institutions benefit from technology, according to the company's website.



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This past year, Dr. Elizabeth Davis, executive vice president and provost, charged the committee with exploring online courses and how best they could be incorporated at Baylor.

"We must keep our eyes on the horizon to anticipate genuine challenges-and changes," Davis said in her opening letter of the teaching, learning & technology committee's June 2013 report "Engaging the Future of Higher Education."

The committee, which is made up of faculty from each school within Baylor and several graduate students, heard from several speakers and considered data that suggested the next move for online learning should target post-gradu-

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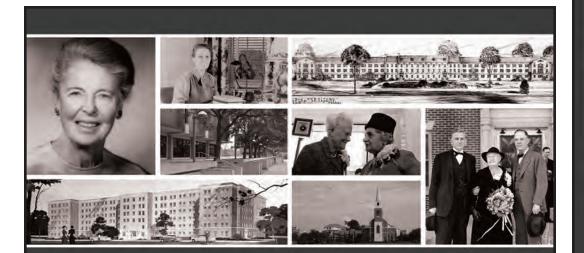
the Semester Online program that offers virtual courses from colleges around the nation.

Orr said the feedback from students on having online options has been positive. "I myself, as a professional, think this is really significant for people who work and who really want a Baylor de-

Carini said, although it is an online program, it is charged by Baylor professors who will work closely with students just as they do in the classroom. In fact, Carini said he is excited to see which online tools prove to be helpful and later incorporated in on-campus classes.

One aspect he said is particularly excited about is the ability to interact with students that, in the past, might have chosen a school other than Baylor because of distance issues. Carini said undergraduates at admissions fairs would often inquire if Hankamer School of Business had an online option for graduate students.

"We can finally answer 'yes," he said.



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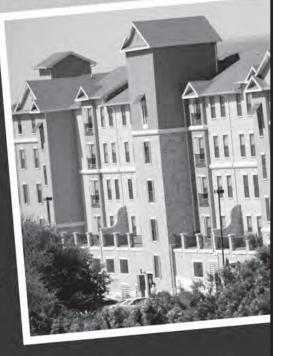
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# Celebrating the beauty of knowledge, diversity

### Legacy of Baylor's first black prof remembered by colleagues, friends

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#### By Rebecca Fiedler STAFF WRITER

Historical civil rights figure Dr. Vivienne Malone-Mayes is still on the minds of professors this Black History Month, as she was an inspiration to many and the first African-American professor hired at Baylor.

Mayes was born in Waco in 1932 and grew up in Waco. She graduated high school at age 16 and went on to get her bachelor's and master's degrees at Fisk University in Nashville, according to files from the Texas Collection.

Mayes attempted to earn her doctoral degree at Baylor but was denied acceptance to the school because of her race. She went on to study at the University of Texas, where she became the fifth African- American woman in the U.S. to obtain a doctorate in mathematics. Mayes was then

hired at Baylor in 1966 as a full-time mathematics professor until her retirement in 1994. Mayes would have been 82 this past week. She passed away in 1995.

Dr. Ray Perryman, a president and CEO of the Perryman Group in Waco, and was one of Mayes' mathematics students at Baylor

"Vivienne was a huge inspiration in my life," Perryman wrote in an email to the Lariat. "She was a civil rights advocate and leader and very different from anyone I had encountered before."

Perryman said he and Mayes became close friends.

"She taught me that mathematics could be a thing of beauty — as much artistic as technical," Perryman wrote. "She emphasized that any solution that was not ultimately simple and elegant was probably wrong.

"She also taught me the value of going back to the foundations of what I was working on rather than merely seeking to add on to the work of others. Those lessons have served me well throughout my career; her voice is in my head haunting me whenever I am working on any issues of substance or complexity."

Robert Darden, associate professor in the journalism, public relations and new media department and founder of the Black Gospel Music Restoration Project,

said Mayes was written about in African American and white newspapers alike as a hero of the integration movement of the 1960s.

"She was, at a very early age, a math prodigy," Darden said. "She wasn't even necessarily interested in being something like Dr. Ray Perryman | CEO of the Perryman a martyr. She was just compelled to follow where her gift was

taking her."

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dale, a Waco resident, knew Mayes since the two were in kindergarten together in Waco and grew up with her to go on to Fisk University together and become Delta Sigma Theta sisters. Barksdale said Mayes was always goal-oriented, even as a child.

"Vivienne was always starting new things, like an investment club, library clubs and such," Barksdale said. "She just always had things in mind."

Barksdale said Mayes did face some discrimination through her education because of her race.

"Her determination was even greater at



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Hired in 1966, Dr. Vivienne Malone-Mayes was the first African-American professor to teach at Baylor. She was a full-time mathematics professor until her retirement in 1984. Mayes passed away in 1995 and would have been 82 this past week.

the University of Texas because they were not nice to her there," Barksdale said. "She struggled with the professors. They could hardly believe she knew the things she knew, but she did know it."

Perryman said Mayes didn't let her students get off easily.

"If you had the soul of a mathematician, you would find her amazing," he wrote in the email. "If you didn't, I suspect that life was not so pleasant. We had an exceptional group of math students when I was at Baylor, many of whom have gone on to be highly successful. All of us took multiple classes from her and hung on every word. To the student who was merely checking a box on a degree plan, however, she was probably avoided like the plague."

Dr. Baxter Johns, a professor in the mathematics department, began teaching at Baylor in 1971 and worked with Mayes. Johns said Mayes received a large grant for an experiment she spearheaded in math education.

"She was really interested in finding the best ways to teach students," he said.

Dr. Ray Cannon, a former professor of mathematics, came to Baylor in the 1980s and said he knew Mayes as well. Cannon said Mayes was very ambitious in her work, especially in context of the time period with racial discrimination.

"As a black woman, she had to be driven," he said.

Johns and Cannon said they agree that Mayes was admired by her colleagues at

#### Baylor.

Perryman said he would like to see a memorial erected in honor of Mayes.

"She was passionate about civil rights and brought out the very best in the better students that she encountered," Perryman wrote. "I have been blessed with many honors and accolades in my career, but none that I cherish more than being asked to deliver a eulogy for her at her request.

"She was a remarkable woman who had a profound influence on many of Baylor's best and brightest. I think that embracing and celebrating the sheer beauty of knowledge is one of the best things that any university can do, and Vivienne was the very embodiment of that spirit. That, to me, is her greatest legacy to Baylor."

# Changing seasons can change moods

By Lauren Tidmore Reporter

cian, then they're going to look at the past two years of your life. You have to have had two major depressive episodes that occurred during short-day length period

Winter inevitably brings with it the possibility of physical dangers because of weather, such as those related to perilous roads and bridges as seen around the nation within the past months, especially on the East coast. However, the mental dangers prevalent in the winter months should not be taken lightly.

Psychological changes that occur within the winter

months might still be affecting students, despite the weather's recent lean towards spring. With the pressures of school, work and other commitments, students are at times forced to sacrifice their health. physically and mentally, to meet the grade.

Dr. Renee Michalski, senior lecturer in the psychology and neuroscience department, received her Ph.D. in neuroscience from Baylor in 2006 and has researched self-administered assessment instruments for post-traumatic stress disorders. Michalski teaches entry-level psychology classes as well as upper level courses, such

as Abnormal Psychology, Lifespan Human Development and Forensic Psychology. She explains the psychological process of stress disorders that could occur to students during winter months.

Q: As a professor, do you find that students lose momentum near the end of the spring semester, midway or near the beginning?

A: What I notice, from my perspective as a professor, is that in general students' momentum at the beginning of the semester is low — of any semester. Then it picks up towards the end because that's when you're getting close to the final result for the semester - their grade. I notice that as a generality.

Q: With the influx of winter weather within the past months nationwide, what are the mental effects of this on students? Is Season Affective Disorder, the depression associated with late autumn and winter, at play?

A: It could be because Seasonal Affective Disorder is tied to day length. So you not only see it when in the winter and days are shorter, but you might also see it if you change latitude and go someplace where the days are shorter, where there's not as much sunlight in a day. It's because some of the production of the neurotransmitter, serotonin, is tied to daylight hours. Serotonin drops when the number of daylight hours drops. Serotonin is your "feel OK" chemical. When you don't have it, you either get anxious or you get depressed.

Age is also a strong predictor of seasonality, with younger persons at higher risk for winter-depressive episodes. That would put students in that at-risk category.

In order to diagnose it, if you go to go to a clini-

of time and not at other times.

#### Q: What qualifies a major depressive episode?

A: A major depressive order means that you feel sad or you're not doing anything, plus you have some of these other things - change in eating, change in sleep, change in activity, you feel tired, problems with thinking, problems with studying, prob-

lems with making decisions.

That's the hard part about depression is that, when students get depressed, then not only are they not doing well in their classes, but if they are really having a major depressive episode, they have trouble making the decision about what to do. Should I go see the professor and try harder, even though I don't feel like it? Should I go to a therapist? Should I change my major? Should I drop the class? You know, they have trouble getting themselves out of the hole.

#### Q: What is some advice you would give to students facing this issue?

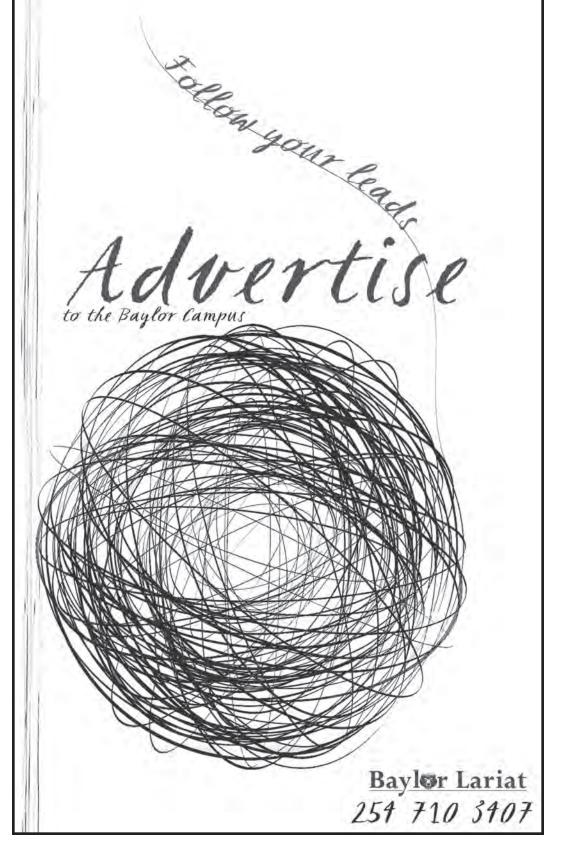
A: Just some general things we know help depression is exercise. We've got the SLC, if it's too bad to go outside, which offers you a lot of different things. Have a good support group. Talk to your friends. Get enough sleep when you get really tired. Memories are consolidated during dream periods. For somebody that knows that they have it, one non-medicine treatment is a light box. You buy lights that put out a specific wavelength, and you sit in front of them for a prescribed number of hours a day - a couple hours a day. That increases your serotonin production.

Our counseling center has a really good deal. If they went out in the community for initial assessment, that office visit might cost \$125 to \$175. But they can go over here. It's very inexpensive. They're entitled to a certain number of sessions - maybe seven or eight sessions. So, you could get started there.

Use your professors as resources. If you're not doing well in a class, then go in and talk to them. I think there's so much pressure put on students to make good grades.

Students sitting in the class, when they start in on a class, they start out with the hope and the expectation that they're going to make an A, but not making an A is not the end of the world. People start college and declare a certain major, and it's not the end of the world to change your major.

Know that if you do have Seasonal Affective Disorder or if you do have a major depressive disorder, that's a disorder and it's an imbalance of brain chemicals. You need to do something. You need to get some help.





Michalski

# Pencils help African children sharpen school skills

#### By PAULA ANN SOLIS Staff Writer

Putting pencils in the hands of underprivileged children around the world, giving them the chance to write their way to a better future - that's the motivation behind one student organization in Waco, Upward Bound.

Upward Bound is a federally funded collegiate preparatory program for low-income high school students. Members interact with college students at McLennan Community College, where the program is based, and at Baylor to get a feel for college life. The group has chosen The Pencil Project as one of its many volunteer projects this year. Upward Bound's counseling specialist, Ameenah Snow, introduced students to this international mission she learned about online.

"I was looking for something the students could do that wouldn't take a lot of their time because they do have their high school classes and they come here on Wednesday evenings and one Saturday a month," Snow said. "This was something they could do that would make free or reduced lunch. The students in Swazia big impact to other students like them. It was the perfect project."

The Pencil Project was born from an experience one woman had while in Africa. The woman saw a child grasping a broken and chiseleddown pencil he would not let go of because it was his most prized possession. That woman's daughter, Maria Vick, started the organization to correct this problem, according to organization's website, thepencilproject.com.

Service groups around the world interested in helping with The Pencil Project can contact Vick through the website, at which point she puts service groups in touch with underprivileged schools in Africa and, in some instances, the United States.

The 70 Upward Bound students in Waco are collecting unsharpened, new pencils they will send to two schools, an elementary school in Alabama and a kindergarten to primary level school in Swaziland, Africa. Snow said 94 percent of the students at the school in Alabama fall within the federal income guidelines to receive land are mostly orphans living with AIDS. According to UNAIDS.org, 22,000 children under the age of 14 were living with AIDS in 2012.

"There is just such a simplicity to it," Snow said. " If you don't have writing utensils, you can't do your math, you can't address an envelope and you can't do a lot of different things that we just take it for granted. We think pencils are available to everybody, but they're not."

Snow said students were excited to hear about the new project and they are already planning to repeat it next year. Currently, the students have collected more than 700 pencils. The goal is to give two pencils to each student at the schools they are partnering with, which means the students at Upward Bound are aiming to collect 2,704 pencils by March 31.

Patsy Jones, the project director for Upward Bound, said this project is a learning opportunity for the students as well.

This lets our students know how fortunate they are to have these simple things," Jones said. "We want the students to have a sense of citizenship and of giving back. You're not only serving the community when you do this, you're really serving yourself because you're looking beyond yourself and asking 'How can I help? How can I be of service to someone else?"

Jones said this service project also serves the greater mission of Upward Bound, which is to prepare students for college. Service projects like The Pencil Project help set students apart when they apply for scholarships and admission to universities, Jones said.

As of now, students are asking classmates, church members and other local business owners to help them reach their pencil collection goals, Snow said. The Upward Bound leaders also have plans to included erasers and sharpeners, if they can reach their pencil goal.

"This gives the students a feeling of accomplishment," Jones said. "They feel like, 'We've worked for this. This is an achievement. This is a goal I set and I reached it. I reached my goal."

To learn more about Upward Bound's partnership with The Pencil Project, contact Snow at 254-495-4877.



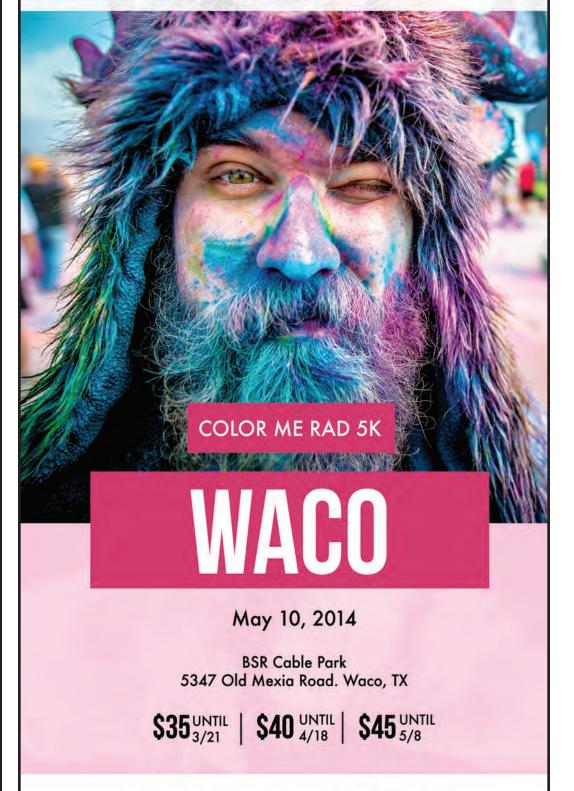
Children in Malawi, Africa, receive their pencils during school one day. Upward Bound is collecting pencils to send to a school in Swaziland, Africa, and an elementary school in Alabama



Upward Bound chose The Pencil Project as a volunteer project for the year. It helps put pencils in the hands of students around Africa and in the United States.

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Johns said she was adopted

from an orphanage in Ma'anshan,

Eastern China when she was

seven-months-old, but first heard

about New Day through Dr. Chris

Kearney, associate professor of

biology, and his wife Virginia Ke-

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and-a-half, the Cates hope to return

to China as volunteers with David

to do the same - to give back.

And while David is only two-

But, for now, they simply enjoy

"I think I am going to start him

watching their adopted son grow,

in gymnastics," Cindy said. "I

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The international adoption process began on Jan. 9, 2008.

The Cates' waited in line for a little girl for four to five years, but in the summer of 2012, they heard about a waiting list for children with special needs.

"If you adopt from that list, it's sometimes quicker, and they ask you what kind of special needs you are capable of handling," Cates said. "We said we would be able to handle a child with a heart condition because my nephew on my wife's side was born with a heart condition. So we kind of dealt with that before and felt comfortable with that situation."

On Oct. 3, 2012, the Cates finalized their paperwork for the Waiting Child List and were called back the same day with a match.

"They told us it was a little boy with a hole in his heart," Cates said. "We were told it was really small and that it might close up on its own. But, if not, he might need an operation."

New Day Foster Home staff sent the family a picture of David, who was known to his New Day Foster Home family as Calvin. The Cates had chosen the name David for a son before they even married.

'There's just something about it when you finally see him," Cates said.

Soon after, they discovered that the New Day Foster home was a Christian foster home run by Americans in China. According

to its official website, New Day's core mission is to provide life-saying surgeries and a loving home for orphans with special needs from around China.

'We were excited to know that David had been able to experience all of the Christian traditions and holidays, like Christmas and Thanksgiving," Cates said.

The Cates were unable to physically visit David due to Chinese government regulations, but this did not stop them from sending packages to him and learning everything about him possible through their adoption agency.

"We found out that he was born on our anniversary, Aug. 2, 2011," Cates said. "We also sent him a package with a teddy bear and a child-sized Baylor Bears t-shirt."

Finally, the time came for the Cates to receive their son, on what many adoptive parents consider 'Gotcha Day.' This is the day of celebration in which adoptive children are placed into the care of their adoptive parents.

Although David had initially been in foster care in Urumqi and then transferred to New Day Foster Home in Beijing, Cates said it is protocol for the adoptive child to be sent back to its city of birth to be received by his or her adoptive parents.

David was transferred back to Urumqi, and the Cates prepared for their flight back to the city of David's birth.

"It was very hard all this time to only be able to interact with him indirectly," Cates said. "And New Day was very up front with us and said 'you cannot see him until the day he is officially given to you'."

But, as the Cates boarded their plane in Beijing on April 21, 2013, something unexpected happened.

"We board the plane, me going on first with Steve and then my parents following," Mrs. Cates wrote in a blog post on Sunday, April 21, 2013 titled 'Journey: to Urumqi (Day 4).' "As I entered the economy cabin, who do I see? David! Yes, David was on our flight from Beijing.'

Mrs. Cates said it was the hardest thing not to grab him and hold him tight as she watched him wave at her wearing the little jacket she had sent him back in December.

As they rode the elevator to the fourth floor of an office building the next day to receive David, Mrs. Cates said they were not sure who would bring him or what to fully expect.

"I had his backpack full of snacks and some toys including bubbles, which seem to be a big hit for most adoptive families," Mrs. Cates wrote in a blog post on Monday, April 22, 2013 titled 'Journey: Gotcha Day Part 1.' "We got to the floor, they took us into an office and handed David to us just like that, and he was ours!"

When the Cates did finally receive David on April 22, 2013, they considered it the completion of their journey and the beginning of a new one with their son.

"We kind of wanted him to cry, because it would be therapeutic for him," Cates said. "We wanted him to miss New Day. And the first day we got him, he was upset and cried for hours."

Cates said he and his wife were glad David was able to process through the difficulty of what mimicked another abandonment situation for him as he had to leave his New Day family behind.

David did stop crying at one point, but when he was shown the teddy bear that had sent to him at New Day, he began crying again.

"I attended an adoptive parents seminar before we received David, and I will never forget something the program director said during that seminar," Mrs. Cates said. "And it was, 'I want you to remember that your best day, when you meet your adoptive child for the first time and receive them, is going to be their worst day ever."

David did eventually stop crying and smiled.

"And he hasn't stopped smiling since," Cates said.

Cates said if God had answered his prayer to allow an adoption to happen quickly for him and his wife, they might not have ended up with David as their son.

"The fact that He knew we were supposed to wait," he said. "Thank God for unanswered

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prayers, but really he did answer my prayers, and now I have a healthy little boy."As members of the First Baptist Woodway community, the Cates family said they are heavily involved in fellowship and that they intend to return to Beijing for a new purpose.

"We are planning on going back to New Day when David is a teenager to volunteer," Mrs. Cates said. "A lot of people from Baylor do it as well."

Today, Mrs. Cates maintains connection with a few different adoptive parent groups, mostly via Facebook and other online forums. which serve as a helpful community resource.

Cates said there are many community members at First Baptist Woodway, Baylor students, adults and families alike, already involved with New Day Foster Home. One of these members is Hewitt freshman Hannah Johnsthe adopted Chinese daughter of First Baptist Woodway youth director.

"I'm actually interning with New Day this summer," Johns said. "I will be leaving as soon as school lets out in May and will be there through July."

Johns said she would be completing a photography internship, where she will take photos of the children at New Day and serve as an extra set of helping hands.

"I do definitely feel a connection to other kids in the similar sit-

said she is extremely passionate about incorporating more art into the science building because she said she believes enriching the visual environment is important

'Scientists need to be able to see things from different perspectives," Barron said. "They need to be able to shift paradigms, they need to be able to step out of their own habits of mind and be able to approach problems from a different angle. Science is very creative. There is a tremendous amount of creativity and artistry that goes into good science."

The committee for art in the Baylor Sciences Building has only met a handful of times. The committee consists of Samples; Hitchcock; Barron; Anderson; Dr. Robyn Driskell, divisional dean for humanities & social sciences; and Dr. Kenneth Wilkins, divisional dean for sciences. Anderson, the committee chair, said there are many challenges involved in bringing art into the science building, not least of which being the size of the building and the lack of pre-developed spaces to display pieces safely. However, he said he feels that art is important to a building. "In my experience, and I've been teaching 38 years, any time you put art up in a hallway or in someone's office they will never

be comfortable with bare walls ever again," Anderson said.

With the large size of the science building and the difficulties involved in finding resources for a project of this scale, bringing art to BSB walls is expected to take several years.

"It's not something you want to rush into," Samples said. "We're not trying to decorate the building, we're trying to bring art into the Baylor Sciences Building, and in my opinion there is a big difference."

In addition to searching for scientifically inspired art from outside sources, the committee wants to work on making more collaborations between the art and science departments possible and potentially making some of the equipment and instrumentation at the BSB more available to the art department.

"Science is here to serve humanity; art is here to serve humanity," Hitchcock said. "At the end of the day, the scientists go home and they have to navigate the same world the artists have to navigate when they go home. If we can each enhance the quality of life through our different disciplines then we are doing our jobs."

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family and alumni," Evans said. "Greek organizations are just one more outlet of networking."

As for how Baylor students can network best, Evans said students should make connections through any national organizations in which students are involved as well as create a profile on the professional networking website LinkedIn.

"You want your connections to connect you to other people," Evans said. "Connecting to other people through your connections will hopefully lead to a job or good information. That's kind of what LinkedIn is doing. It's connecting you to other people."

While membership in Greek and other student organizations can be beneficial in terms of networking, Dr. Henderson said its effect on students' future employment depends on how students present their experience in their organization.

Networking is only part of the process of being marketable to employers, as students also need to demonstrate that they have had valuable experiences and possess skills applicable to their desired job. Employers are looking for students with well-rounded skill sets, so students with varied experiences in their college career can

appear more hirable to potential employers.

"From our interactions with employers, what we know they want to see is a holistic experience on campus," Evans said. "If a student has been extremely involved in their organization, well then that's another experience they've had in their Baylor experience."

Leadership roles within Greek and other student organizations are experiences of particular interest to employers.

"I would say that we encourage any student involved in an organization to hold a leadership position just to highlight that they had the initiative to take a leadership position," Evans said.

While good academic performance is a factor in getting a job after college, Heather Wheeler, assistant director of internships in The Office of Career and Professional Development, said the varied college experience that students can achieve through membership in Greek and other student organizations shows employers that those students can handle the nuances of the workplace.

of work, so you need to find another way, not just good grades, or else you need to find a way to explain that on a resume."

Students can market their experience in Greek and other student organizations on a resume by highlighting leadership experiences, Wheeler said.

"It's all about how you present it on a resume," Wheeler said. "Are you presenting the fraternal 'We're having a lot of fun' side, or are you presenting the leadership and service side? Resumes are more professional so you want to focus more on the professional side of things."

While networking websites like LinkedIn can be used in tandem with membership in student organizations to connect with alumni in the professional world, less professional use of social media can hurt students' image.

"The biggest thing is that you have to be wise in how you go about advertising what you do. Henderson said. "I happen to know that employers will go online to find out more about you. So, what you do in college can come back to haunt you, but you don't have to be a member of a fraternity for that to happen. Be careful about not only what you post but what others post about you."

said. "The university talks about critical thinking as a goal for students, as it should, and visual awareness is an important part of critical thinking.'

Leander senior Kendal Kulley said she felt the experience expanded her idea of the resources science can provide for art.

"We went into the lab and I was just blown away by how much I had access to that I didn't realize," Kulley said. "Getting to know more of the science department was actually really helpful because I got a lot of pictures."

Motivated by the project to take up a deeper interest in science, alumna Sarah Groman spent extra time looking at slides with Samples and began taking introductory courses in science after graduation. "I think that art is a science

and that science is an art," Gro-

man said. "Both are an attempt to

discover a truth and both offer a

lot of possibilities as far as learn-

for students.

"You still need to find an outlet other than good grades," Wheeler said. "Employers want to see that the person has an outlet or will have fun. They need to see that you can handle the social settings

ing and discovery goes. When you put the two together those possibilities are just exponentially increased.'

Dr. Lauren Barron, medical humanities associate director, said the idea of introducing artwork into the building came from 2012 Cherry Award winner and organic chemist Dr. Brian Coppola, an art enthusiast. Barron



