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New beginnings

Waco city manager to retire; deputy city manager steps up

By Rebecca Fiedler

Larry Groth’s last day as Waco city manager will be Saturday, as he is retiring after 10 years of service in the position. His seat will go to Dale Fisseler, the deputy city manager.

Citizens of Waco gathered Wednesday in the Waco Convention Center for a reception to drink and celebrate memories of Groth’s time working with the city.

Waco creates and continues love through a council-manager form of government, in which a city council is elected by citizens, and the mayor and city manager are appointed by this council.

The job of the city manager is to oversee the city council’s budget and enforce the departments of finance and municipal information, budget/administrative audit and general administration.

Groth said he chose to retire because he wants to spend more time with his children and grandchildren.

“I wanted to leave when the city was in absolutely good shape,” Groth said. “We’ve got a wonderful leadership on the council level, and with the mayor and staff. The city is in great financial shape. Wonderful things are happening, and it is a good time. But the primary thing is the family that I have.”

Groth expressed what he wants to see from Waco in the future.

“We need to try and make sure to give everybody in our community who is either underemployed or unemployed an opportunity to do better,” he said. “We need to hit the education effort as much as we can. We’ve got to make sure people are healthy, and then we need to create jobs.”

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Former Waco mayor Michael Morrison read aloud excerpts from letters directed to Groth from the community. Morrison said he will always feel that he could count on Larry as a resource.

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Trannie Stevens hits high notes as ‘lifeguard diva’

By Kay Worrall

McGyver junior Trannie Stevens, a McGregor junior and folk singer-songwriter, belts it out for a packed All-University Sing audience on Thursday. This is Stevens’ first time performing at Sing.

“Her creative vision is her second best quality,” said Sigma Alpha Epsilon vice president and head choreographer during this year’s All-University Sing, one of Sigma Alpha Epsilon’s main events.

Trannie Stevens has spent hours perfecting the group and joked that “maybe she’s a bit of both.”

She is excited to have Stevens’ talent for music on campus, but it has been really fun and worth it to be in SAE, “she said. “The groups and the act every year. ”

Sigma Alpha Epsilon’s act “Lifeguard is about lifelong trust and control the ‘pool rats, ’ Stevens said. “I’m a lifeguard diva in a bloom. ”

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Stevens said. “It’s just a fun.”

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Baylor junior guard Kenny Chery drives to the hoop in Baylor’s 74-69 loss to No. 24 Texas at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin, Texas on Thursday, February 27, 2014.

Baylor’s athleticism at NFL Combine

For a half, it looked as though the Bearcat could’ve been in trouble. Baylor finally woke up in the second half, but couldn’t overcome a 27-point deficit the first half to fall to No. 24 Texas in Austin, 74-69.

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The transfer from Oregon had expectations set high but fell for Seastrunk did the best he could for himself. Seastrunk dashed in at 4.33. Chopin and Obiesike both ran in the 4.97 seconds.

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Russia war games over Ukraine protests prompt US warning

By Gary点燃 and USA TODAY staff

KIEV, Ukraine — Russia ordered 150,000 troops to its combat-ready status Wednesday in a show of force that formalizes its military buildup around the strategic region of Crimea, which Moscow annexed from Ukraine in March.

The move prompted a sharp rebuke from U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, who said in remarks carried by Russian news agencies, "It is apartments. We view it as an expression of their desire to choose their own path, and a way of life that is very important to them." Russia denied the military maneuvers "are not related to the situation in Ukraine," but the moves of force have angered officials who talked with both the new Ukrainian authorities and the West that Russia's actions raise real concerns about its intent to protect its interests.

When Russia had pledged to withdraw in March from Ukraine's domestic affairs, it has said it only became part of Ukraine in 1954 after the 1991 Soviet collapse meant Crimea landed in Ukraine. It is not only deeply divided politically but also culturally: Tatars, a Muslim ethnic group who have lived in Crimea for centuries, were transferred jurisdiction from Russia — a move that was a mere formality until the 1991 Soviet collapse meant Crimea located in an independent Ukraine. Igor Kondrashov, a former colonel of the Russian military's General Staff, wrote in a commentary in a Russian online newspaper, "Dear, saying "If illegal alcohol from foreign countries is overlooked, it will lead to significant damage of Russian crime economy."

Still, while the measures include most of the military units in western Russia and part of Siberia, it does not involve troops on the Black Sea Fleet and areas in southern Ukraine, including in the Crimea.

Across Ukraine, the divided allegiances between Russia and the West were on full display as fistfights broke out between pro- and anti-Russian protestors in the strategic Crimean peninsula.

Amid the tensions, Putin put the military maneuvers as a way to "seriously consider" an alternative defense system for the Western U.S. and NATO countries, 500 miles away, and to be "strong defensive systems" that China is not only deeply divided politically but also culturally: Tatars, a Muslim ethnic group who have lived in Crimea for centuries, were transferred jurisdiction from Russia — a move that was a mere formality until the 1991 Soviet collapse meant Crimea landed in Ukraine. It is not only deeply divided politically but also culturally: Tatars, a Muslim ethnic group who have lived in Crimea for centuries, were transferred jurisdiction from Russia — a move that was a mere formality until the 1991 Soviet collapse meant Crimea landed in Ukraine.

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