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Texas abortion law shuts down 2 clinics

By CHRIS TOMLINSON
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AUSTIN — The last abortion clinic in the vast, impoverished Rio Grande Valley closed Thursday, along with the sole remaining clinic in the 100-mile stretch between Houston and the Louisiana border, posing a tall obstacle to women seeking to end pregnancies across a wide swath of the nation's second-largest state.

The closures in McAllen and Beaumont bring to 19 the number of clinics that have shut down since Texas lawmakers adopted tough new abortion restrictions last summer. Twenty-four clinics remain to serve a population of 26 million people, and more closures could happen after additional restrictions take effect later this year.

Lawmakers required all abortion doctors to have admitting privileges at a hospital within 30 miles, all abortions to take place in a surgical facility and all women seeking abortion-inducing medications to make four clinical visits.

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BearWeb to get login renovation

By NICO ZULLI
REPORTER

The BearWeb login portal will receive a makeover Saturday, as a team of students and staff from Baylor ITS, ITS advisory, registrar and student services work to make BearWeb easier to navigate.

Margaret Lemon, director of student systems, said this weekend, BearWeb's login portal page will undergo two significant changes. One will be a clarification to the label on the credential field 'User ID' and the other will change the way in which students arrive at the login page.

"Users will be taken directly to the login page and not have an additional page to go through to get there," she said.

Johnathan Helm, Baylor registrar, said the adjustment to the login page will be similar to the menu structure changes that have been implemented so far.

Lemon said these changes only affect the appearance of the menu on BearWeb, which is now broken down into multiple tabs.

Many of the changes being made to BearWeb were confirmed by both Lemon and Helm to be changes that are primarily aimed at assisting new students to more easily navigate BearWeb.

"These changes are all in an effort to try to make things more intuitive," Helm said.

BearWeb's menu structure also got

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TRAVIS TAYLOR | PHOTO EDITOR

Heart and soul

Baylor alumna Amara Oji of Waco plays the guitar and sings at *Flawless*, an African Tribute to Women's History, on Thursday in Waco Hall. The event was hosted by Baylor African Student Association and featured a fashion show, a variety of singers and a poetry slam.

Alum's novel gives face to poverty crisis

By RAE JEFFERSON
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Shanty houses. Dusty roads. Toddlers with swollen bellies. Many Americans often associate these images with poverty, and they are not always incorrect in doing so. But Victor Boutros, a '94 Baylor alumnus and federal prosecutor, thinks they are missing a huge piece of what the impoverished world faces on a daily basis — systemized violence.

Boutros co-wrote "The Locust Effect" with Gary Haugen, founder and director of the human rights organization International Justice Mission. "The Locust Effect" looks at the correlation between poverty and violence, as well as a hopeful future for the issue.

"We traditionally think of poverty as sickness, hunger or homelessness," he said. "We tend not to think of violence because it's hidden from our view by the perpetrators."

According to the organization's website, International Justice Mission is a human rights organization that works through the legal systems of countries around the world to rescue "victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of violent oppression."

Atlanta senior Sarah Mathis, vice

president of the Baylor chapter of International Justice Mission, said violence and poverty often go hand-in-hand.

"The poor are either overlooked or exploited because they don't have the means to stand up for themselves or don't have a supportive government," she said.

Identifying violence against the poor is often difficult because of the hidden nature of the crimes, Boutros said. Crimes like rape often leave victims with a negative social stigma and a lack of protection from police forces leaves them without justice.

"The victims, out of shame often try to hide it," he said. "The human agents who commit the crime try to hide it. The shanty house doesn't try to hide itself, hunger doesn't try to hide itself — but it's a lot harder to see the violence."

"The Locust Effect" analyzes offenses such as rape, slavery, trafficking and land grabbing, or the large-scale acquisition of land by companies or governments, often without proper monetary compensation to the landowners for the transaction.

"It contrasts with the cataclysmic violence we see in the newspaper," he said. "It's not genocide or mass

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New club reaping local involvement

By JORDAN CORONA
STAFF WRITER

The Heart of Texas Urban Gardening Coalition and the Baylor Community Garden will host its first Junior Master Gardener Club meeting the week after spring break.

The children's gardening club is a six-week program and is open to school-aged children, K-fifth grades, and costs \$50 per child.

The club has separate meetings, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, distinguished by participant's grade groups. Campus Kitchen will help with snack time.

The Baylor Community Garden, which is at the corner of Ninth and James streets, will be open to all children in the community.

"It's geared for kids so it concentrates on ideas like ecology, environmental science, plant life and even social action," said Elizabeth Ross, club instructor and Urban Gardening Coalition event coordinator.

Junior Master Gardener Clubs across the state function in association with a national network of gardeners who participate with the Master Gardeners Program curricula.

"The children's program is based on the Master Gardener curricula but it's patterned after the Boy Scouts — emphasizing ideas like leadership and community service," said Karin Wallace, administrative assistant at the national program

based out of Bryan-College Station.

Together with the World Hunger Relief Farm, the gardening coalition supports after-school gardening programs at seven schools in and around Waco.

This club is open to everyone, particularly for those students who are interested but don't attend schools with an after school program.

"We want to make garden education available to all kids regardless of where they go to school," Ross said.

Lucas and Sarah Land homeschool their children in Waco. Occasionally, that means spending time with other homeschoolers in the community to share learning together.

"My kids are still picky eaters," Mr. Land said. "But I've seen them eat things out of the garden they would never touch on a plate."

The Lands are planning to enroll their oldest son, Asher, in the Junior Master Gardener's Club this spring.

"I believe very strongly that part of the reason we're in the mess we are, ecologically speaking, is that we think we're somehow separate from nature," Mr. Land said. "I want my kids to notice the eggs we are having for breakfast come from the chicken we have in our backyard."

Throughout the six-weeks course curriculum, children will learn to seed, transplant and care for plants. Ross said she wants to make sure children in the club have a more full understanding of gardening.



TRAVIS TAYLOR | PHOTO EDITOR

Houston senior Jimmy Britven works in the Baylor Community Garden on Ninth Street and James Avenue. The site now offers a gardening club for kids.

"If we study photosynthesis, we'll look at leaves, and then have a salad for snack made with lettuce from the garden," she said. "That way the kids will see just as the sun provides for the plants, the plants provide for us."

Douglas Nesmith, coordinator of environmental science laboratory, began advising student groups on the campus community garden when the first beds were plotted three years ago.

"Very few people understand what goes into producing their food," he said. "Most kids don't realize the potential of community gardens, home gardens or what can produced locally."

For now, Ross said she is looking forward to the club meetings.

"For kids, the world is very big and full of wonder," Ross said. "It's so much fun to see their faces when you pull a carrot out of the ground."

WEB

ZZZ threw a twist in a Baylor tradition with its first Zing performance. Check online for video.



A&E

John Travolta's Oscar mishap becomes topic of conversation in this week's podcast online.



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Baylor baseball prepares to take on Cal State Fullerton in this weekend's series.



Sober drivers should not 'fail' DWI tests

Editorial

Most of us have heard the campaigns to prevent drunken driving. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has pushed the slogan "Drive sober or get pulled over," and the state of Texas has released "Drink. Drive. Go to jail."

But there is a reason that nobody has heard the slogan "Drive sober and still go to jail," even though that line of reasoning seems to be fair game in Travis County.

On Jan. 13, 2013, Larry Davis was driving his Buick in Austin when he was pulled over. When officers began speaking to Davis, they believed he had been driving while intoxicated, so they asked him to step out of his vehicle and perform sobriety tests. Even though he passed, he was still arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Davis' case was dropped in early February of this year, but he still has to fight to get his arrest record

corrected. Davis complied with the officers' request to be given a Breathalyzer test.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a .02 blood alcohol concentration results in a decline in ability to perform two tasks at the same time and a decline in visual functions. At .04, people have reduced coordination, reduced abilities to track moving objects, difficulty steering and reduced response to emergency driving situations.

In Texas, the blood alcohol concentration legal limit is .08. When Davis took the Breathalyzer test, it revealed his blood alcohol concentration to be 0.00.

Officers also performed field sobriety tests and their dash cam was able to capture the tests.

These tests are subjective, but in the footage, Davis doesn't appear to struggle with the tests, especially considering it is 40 degrees and windy. At one point, officers ask Davis to stand on one leg and move his foot, which he is able to do for about 16 seconds before losing his balance.

"I told them I would take a blood sample as well, just to prove

that I didn't have anything in my system," Davis said to the Austin-American Statesman.

Davis did take that blood test, and it revealed the same results as the Breathalyzer — Davis did not have any alcohol in his system.

However, officers contend it is possible that Davis was under the influence of marijuana or another drug that would not have shown up on the blood test, but their actions don't follow that line of reasoning. If Davis' car smelled like marijuana, then why administer the Breathalyzer test that doesn't pick up marijuana? Also, why was no blood test administered for marijuana?

According to the Austin-American Statesman, Travis County dismisses a high percentage of drunken driving cases compared to other major Texas counties.

The fact that so many cases are dismissed suggests that officers are a bit too eager to put suspected drunken drivers in handcuffs.

Officers of the peace have very difficult jobs, and the brave men and women that go into that field are doing the community a great service.



ASHER FREEMAN

It is important to get impaired drivers off the road to protect the community, but if the standard that officers go by allows Davis to be arrested on DWI suspicion, then there is a flaw in the process.

Sober people shouldn't fall victim to the system.

Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs is a horrible crime and offenders deserve the punishments they get, but people

that are able to pass sobriety tests and scientifically prove their innocence don't deserve the kind of treatment Travis County officers gave Davis.

Obama makes right call with minimum wage hike

Imagine you are a single mother or father working a minimum wage job to care for you and your three children.

You make \$7.25 each hour, maxed out at 40 hours a week, as a part-time employee. Before taxes, that brings you to \$290 in earnings in one week, or about \$1,160 in one month (approximately four weeks).

On top of that, you take an extra job that pays minimum wage on the weekends or at night.

If you work an additional 20 hours a week, that brings the total weekly earnings to \$435 before taxes. That monthly pay is about \$1,740.

Without sick days, that is a yearly income of about \$20,880. At 60 hours a week, you and your three children are still living in what is classified as poverty, according to the 2014 Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines.

The data may seem shocking. It seems hardly fair that a person working 60 hours a week, leaving little room for quality time or rest, can still barely be getting by paycheck to paycheck, but it's a reality many people in America struggle with every day.

President Barack Obama's executive order to raise minimum wage for federal contract workers is a step in the right direction to help hard-working Americans make ends meet.

Under his executive order, set to start in January 2015, the federal contract minimum wage will be raised from \$7.25 an hour to \$10.10 an hour, giving an hourly wage earner an extra \$2.85 an hour.

In the coming weeks, Obama will begin pushing for an overall hike in minimum wage for all hourly workers as he begins touring in the northeastern states.



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In the same 40-hour work week mentioned above, the minimum wage increase would give the single parent an extra \$114 a week and approximately \$450 a month to put toward necessities. That yearly income, at just 40 hours a week instead of 60, is \$21,008, still under the poverty line but closer than before and with less hour-intensive labor.

I've heard several arguments against raising minimum wage. The Congressional Budget Office estimated Obama's plan could mean 500,000 fewer jobs, putting many people ill at ease about the economy.

Others have made the argument that minimum wage earners, such as a high school kid taking on a part time job for extra cash or a worker flipping burgers at Mc-

Donald's, doesn't deserve to make that much money.

People are even going so far as to say they will stop tipping their waiter or waitress in a restaurant if the federal minimum wage rises.

As far as a loss of jobs, it will be up to the individual employers to adjust.

With C-suite executives of major companies making thousands and oftentimes millions more dollars a year than the majority of company employees, I think these companies could manage to pay employees more and keep all of their positions filled.

Also, more money in the hands of the working class means more people buying goods and services, potentially increasing the need for workers.

The problem with the arguments related to a worker's monetary worth is they don't take into account real people who actually need money.

These arguments determine the worth of another person and their work through a narrow lens, not taking into account their needs. For many people, it's not a matter of whether or not they want to have a minimum wage job, it's a matter of needing a job to pay for food, rent and transportation.

It's important to remember that minimum wage workers are people too. They want free time to spend with their families.

They want to be able to afford to live and enjoy living. They want a little more money. It's not that much to ask.

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Big 12 deserves title of best basketball conference

It's about that time in the college basketball season when every game counts more and teams are closely examined to determine who will make the final 68 and advance into the NCAA Tournament.

When teams are selected, there are multiple factors taken into account to determine who makes the cut and who doesn't.

Strength of schedule, regular season record and conference record are all important aspects to consider during this process.

Sometimes record alone can make it difficult to determine how good a team is. When a team's schedule leaves it playing tougher teams than others on the bubble who may have better records.

While most conferences have a couple of really good teams, there are usually a few bottom dwellers that everybody else can use to pad their records. That's not the case in conferences like the Big 12 or Big Ten, which have grueling schedules, so even good teams are piling up losses.

This begs the question, who has the best men's basketball conference in America? As the saying goes, numbers never lie. Putting all biases aside, the stats show that the Big 12 is on top.

Ratings percentage index is one of the most important things to look at when seeing how good conferences are compared to others. RPI basically measures where a conference is ranked based on the strength of schedule or how good the teams are that the conference is playing throughout the year.

The Big 12 is No. 1 in that category and the Big Ten is No. 2. Although it might not seem like much of a difference, when broken down to the records against teams outside the conference ranked in the top 50, the Big 12 still wins.

The Big Ten is 10-18 (35.7 win percentage) compared to the Big 12 who is 13-16 (44.8 win percentage). The Big Ten does have the head-to-head advantage, 3-4, but that is too close and small of a sample size to tell us much of anything.

According to cbssports.com, the Big 12 is projected to have seven NCAA tournament bids

compared to six for the Big Ten. While this may not seem like a big difference, it is important to remember that, confusingly, the Big 12 has 10 teams while the Big Ten has 12 teams meaning 70 percent of Big 12 teams are projected to get in compared to only 50 percent of Big Ten teams.

Supporters of the Big Ten might say that their conference teams consistently make it farther in the NCAA tournament with teams such as Michigan St. and Ohio St. who are seemingly in the Final Four every year.

While this argument does hold some truth, this is not a good indicator of the strength of the conference as a whole.

Individual teams that make it far in the NCAA tournament don't hold much bearing on the entire conference performance. The NCAA tournament is more about individual teams making runs and only represents a very small portion of the conference. It simply doesn't embody how well the entire conference did.

It can be argued which conference has the best individual teams, but when determining how good a conference is outright, that argument doesn't really hold much weight.

Making that argument is like saying the Eastern Conference is the best in the NBA because the Miami Heat have won the last two NBA championships.

It's pretty easy to counter that argument when there are three teams in the East who have losing records and still hold a playoff spot. While in the West, the No. 9 team has a better record than the No. 3 team in the East.

While it is true that the Big Ten is an incredible basketball conference, it just doesn't hold up against the best basketball conference in America: the Big 12, which has not only the RPI to back that up but also the highest number of projected bids for the NCAA Tournament.

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Chamber aims to provide development projects in minority communities

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Local businesses have the chance through the Cen-Tex African American Chamber of Commerce to be counseled and network with other businesses.

Located on the sixth floor of the Baylor University Tower on Washington Avenue, the chamber's headquarters hosts the offices of its leaders, as well as the Center of Business Excellence, which provides multiple resources available to everyone in the community to use.

"The chamber was formed because of the need in the community," said Laveda Brown, president and CEO of the chamber. "One of the things you'll notice is that our community is very diverse, and the needs of our community are very diverse. There is no 'one size fits all' for economic development, and there are issues that are unique to many minority populations in the community. We are here to address the uniqueness of the community but also to address our specific approach to business and economic development."

The chamber meets once a month. Every weekday, however, its office provides a free public library of business and finance literature. Here people can also access free office supplies and printing, scanning and Internet services, and a computer lab. A vacant executive office, as well as conference room, are available for anyone to rent.

Local Baylor-supported radio station KWBU, along with many local businesses and large companies such as Coca Cola, is a mem-

ber of the chamber. KWBU is also a member of the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce, Hewitt Chamber of Commerce and the Cen-Tex Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

"It's important to us to be connected with all of these communities through the chambers of commerce," said Joe Riley, president

"There is no 'one size fits all' for economic development, and there are issues that are unique to many minority populations."

Laveda Brown | President and CEO of the Cen-Tex African American Chamber of Commerce

of KWBU.

Riley said KWBU wants to be part of a healthy business climate in the community, and the Cen-Tex African American Chamber of Commerce helps them do that.

"Being a member means we are supporting the work that the chamber does," Riley said. "For us it's an opportunity to meet the business leaders in the area and be in conversation with them. Not to say that we couldn't be in conversation with businesses without the chamber, but it offers the venue and offers the way of knowing what these needs are and seeing what opportunities out there. We can know who's doing what in the business community."

The chamber hosts one of the newest chapters in the nation of

SCORE, a nonprofit that assists, educates and counsels small business owners and those wishing to start a business.

"We're very proud to host that," Brown said. "We have eight SCORE counselors from all diverse backgrounds; ethnic backgrounds, business backgrounds, etc."

Brown said chamber membership is not exclusive to African Americans.

"We're open to the community at large," Brown said. "We understand that there are issues specific to our minority community, but we also know that there are people who champion our cause, and we do not exclude anyone from our membership. Our membership is very diverse."

The chamber also puts on a television talk show on a Waco public channel, WCCC. The show is called CommunityWise and is intended to let the community know about resources available to them. Brown said. The chamber has also hosted women's conferences and celebrations for Juneteenth, a national holiday that celebrates the abolition of slavery.

The chamber is preparing to host a professional development series from the Center of Business Excellence. They will teach people about professional dress, telephone techniques, workforce and business ethics, diversity awareness and how to double productivity, Brown said.

"We want to train individuals to be successful in the workplace, knowing that it benefits the businesses as well," Brown said.



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Celebrating cultural diversity in Singapore

A light installation titled "Digital Wattle" which is an adaptation from Australia's floral emblem is illuminated with Singapore's financial skyline silhouetted in the background on Thursday. "Digital Wattle" is a device exploring the interplay between individual ethnic groups co-existing in one city. When the flowers sway in the wind, they will slowly change from pure white to different colors to represent the new mix of cultures residing in the city. The iLight Marina Bay exhibition features innovative and environmentally sustainable light art installations from around the world, displayed along the Singapore river.

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Lady Gaga arrives at the 2013 American Music Awards on Nov. 24. She will perform at South by Southwest for the first time on March 13.

Lady Gaga to perform at SXSW for first time

By RYAN FAUGHNDER
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For the full list of performers and activities, visit sxsw.com.

South by Southwest is going Gaga.

Pop music provocateur Lady Gaga will headline snack brand Doritos' lineup at the music conference and festival in Austin.

Her concert at the restaurant and music venue Stubb's Bar-B-Q on March 13 will mark the "ART-POP" singer's first performance at the annual event.

After Gaga's performance at Stubb's, the brand will host the next two nights of music at its 52-foot-tall, 500-person venue made to resemble a giant vending machine. The city of Austin denied a permit for Gaga to play the vending machine stage, citing safety concerns.

Those who want to attend won't need to buy tickets. Instead, Doritos, a brand of PepsiCo's Frito-Lay, is inviting consumers to compete in challenges to win admission.

Entrance to the 2,000-capacity show will require an act of Gaga-esque unconventional behavior on social media in the days leading up to the concert.

With the tasks, which the company is calling "bold missions," Doritos is once again turning to the public to assist in its marketing efforts.

For the first challenge, the company is calling on Gaga fans to upload photos and videos of themselves expressing their individuality through a "bold action."

"I believe being an individual and speaking your mind is one of the boldest things you can do," Gaga said in a video announcing the contest.

Doritos has a history of using advertisements made by fans and has invited people to submit their own Super Bowl commercials for the last eight years.

The most recent "Crash the Super Bowl" contest drew about 5,400 submissions.

This is the third year Doritos has hosted a stage for musical performances at SXSW, and Gaga is the company's biggest headliner yet, said Ram Krishnan, vice president of marketing at Frito-Lay.

"We've never done anything with this scale," Krishnan said.

A portion of the money paid to Gaga for the SXSW performance will go to her non-profit organization, the Born This Way Foundation, which aims to combat bullying and promote acceptance of differences. The company's past lineups have included artists such as LL Cool J and Ice Cube.

E! picks up first scripted series

By YVONNE VILLARREAL
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LOS ANGELES _ E! has green-lighted its first original scripted series, the network announced Thursday.

The series, "The Royals," is an hourlong drama from "One Tree Hill" creator Mark Schwahn that is set in the present day and centers on a fictional British royal family.

It will be headlined by model-actress Elizabeth Hurley as Queen Helena.

The intersection of public perception and reality seems to be what will stir the drama _ with the aid of parties and political summits and many secrets.

"We are excited that E!'s first original scripted series will transport viewers into a world that they

are already intensely interested in, but reality cameras would never give them access to," Jeff Olde, E! executive vice president for original programming and development, said in a statement.

"The Royals will offer a fictional look behind the very public gilded facade of the palace gates to imagine the private, lush, fun, sexy world of the most-watched celebrity family on the planet. It's a perfect series to introduce E! viewers to scripted pop culture programming on the network," he said.

"The Royals" came out of its development slate from last April. It marks Schwahn's first project since "One Tree Hill" ended its nine-season run in 2012. He will serve as executive producer, writer and director.

Shot in Britain, the series is slated for a 2015 premiere.

Toddlers tinker away in family music class

By IAN CURRIE
REPORTER

The Baylor School of Music creates a unique garden once a week where the youngest in the community can grow. It is a garden of music.

The Musikgarten Family Music for Toddlers, a music class for young children and their parents, helps children grow musically and intellectually starting at a young age.

Director of piano pedagogy Lesley McAllister teaches the classes and uses the program to help build musicality in children between the ages of 15 months and 3 years.

The class is held at 10 a.m. every Friday in Waco Hall.

"The earlier a child is exposed to music, especially by a caregiver, the better their musicality develops," McAllister said.

Toddlers cannot play complicated instruments, but they are not too young to begin developing musically. Therefore the program focuses on singing and moving, as well as playing simpler percussion instruments.

"Parents help build their babies' rhythmic foundation through song and movement," McAllister said. "Research shows that it assists language development and develops the bond between parent and child."

The class is also an opportunity for parents to spend time with their children in a different setting than the home.

Heather Miller, whose child has been in the program for eight months, said it is good to get time outside the house with her child.

"It is nice to have someone else structuring activities for my child," Miller said.



Heather Miller and her daughter Zoe play on resonator bars, a percussive instrument. These families participate in the Musikgarten Family Music for Toddlers, a program created through the School of Music for children ages 15 months to 3 years old.

Miller said she takes personal enjoyment in the classes.

"The social aspect is positive — it is fun to be with other parents," Miller said.

McAllister said she believes the lessons of the classroom extend into the children's daily lives.

"It is a lot of fun for the parents too, and they build on the knowledge they acquire outside of class," McAllister said.

The class attempts to provide a musical experience based on the folk music of our time, such as "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star," "Mary Had a Little Lamb" and "Ring Around the Rosy."

She said the class is relaxed and fun and is not as strenuous as private music lessons.

McAllister said toddlers are not ready to study music on their own, but that their age is the perfect time to begin developing their

musicality.

"My child benefits immensely in areas of musicality, social skills, communication and coordination," Miller said.

McAllister's son took part in the classes. She said she could see the benefits of the class in developing his musical potential.

McAllister said she hopes to involve graduate students in the running of the program as it continues into future semesters. Currently, she is the only one instructing the classes.

She said early musical development in children is a popular trend at the moment, and that this program could provide the perfect situation for students to learn how to teach in that unique environment.

For more information on enrolling in the program, visit www.baylor.edu/music/community.

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Could Disney's 'Frozen' play bigger role in theme parks?

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ORLANDO, Fla. — “Frozen” is such a hot commodity that parents already wait in line at Epcot for hours so their kids can meet the film’s two princesses, and Disneyphiles speculate that the movie could eventually play a major role at the theme parks.

The Disney animated film, set in the fictional, icy land of Arendelle, has made almost \$1 billion at the box office worldwide since its November release. It won two Oscars — best animated feature and best original song for a motion picture— this past Sunday night.

One day last week, Russell Powell and his 5-year-old daughter, Raeghan, arrived at 9 a.m. at the park’s Norway pavilion, where the “Frozen” encounters with princesses Anna and Elsa are staged. Although they were told their wait would be 150 minutes, princess time was their No. 1 priority, Powell said.

“Our plan for Epcot is to spend the morning waiting in line for two to three hours to meet Anna and Elsa,” said Powell, who lives in Benton, Ark. “From there we have everything else we want to do on FastPass.”

By 10 a.m., the line snaked over to the margarita stand at the adjacent Mexico pavilion. Guests there

were told the wait would top five hours. Many joined the line anyway.

The characters’ popularity has spurred speculation that “Frozen” might find a permanent home at the parks, perhaps in Epcot’s Norway section, which shares a Scandinavian setting with the movie.

Disney would not say whether it had any plans.

“We are always looking at ways to enhance the Epcot guest experience,” said Disney World spokeswoman Kathleen Prihoda. “That said, we have nothing to share at this time.”

“I’m sure they’re already having planning meetings about, ‘How do we evolve this over the next five years?’”

Dennis Speigel |
International Theme Park
Services president

But guest demand in the parks and the potential for interactivity could eventually lead Disney to build a “Frozen” attraction, said Dennis Speigel, president of the International Theme Park Services

trade group.

“I’m sure they’re already having planning meetings about, ‘How do we evolve this over the next five years?’” he said. “How do we tie them into our Fantasyland? What do we do to make this really in the guests’ faces?”

Lou Mongello, host of an unofficial Disney World podcast on WDRadio.com, said it’s natural that when a Disney movie becomes a hit, “everyone starts talking grand plan: ‘Oh, they’re taking out Maelstrom and they’re putting in the ‘Frozen’ ride.’”

But Mongello noted that creating an attraction takes years, and he’s not sure about the plausibility of revamping Maelstrom, a dark boat ride that tours Norwegian seas.

“World Showcase is a world’s fair,” Mongello pointed out. “It’s meant to showcase the culture of... these countries. If all of a sudden it becomes a ‘Frozen’ ride, it’s something very different.”

“Frozen” follows the ups and downs of the two sisters through romances and an incident that leaves one of them with a frozen heart that can be thawed only through the power of love. For laughs, there’s a comic snowman named Olaf.

The film is already within a few million dollars of overtaking 1994’s “The Lion King” as Disney’s top-earning animated film.



Disney’s animated “Frozen,” winner of two Academy Awards, has become a popular attraction at Epcot, causing talks about whether or not the Disney animated movie will become a permanent theme park attraction.

In addition to their appearances at Epcot, “Frozen” characters have been incorporated into the Magic Kingdom’s nightly “Celebrate the Magic” show, which is projected onto Cinderella Castle. Anna and Elsa also will appear in that park’s Festival of Fantasy parade, which debuts Sunday.

That follows the pattern of other new Disney princesses in recent years. They’ve had presences in the parks, primarily in parades and photo opportunities, but not in more permanent productions.

Merida, the heroine of 2012’s “Brave,” and Rapunzel, the long-haired lead of 2010’s “Tangled,” have had shifts in an upgraded meet-and-greet area in the shad-

ow of Cinderella Castle. Tiana, of 2009’s “The Princess and the Frog,” had a short-lived riverboat show at Magic Kingdom.

But when Disney expanded that park’s Fantasyland, it leaned on Disney royals with longer track records: Ariel of 1989’s “The Little Mermaid” and Belle from 1991’s “Beauty and the Beast.” A roller coaster called Seven Dwarfs Mine Train, featuring characters from 1937’s “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs,” is scheduled to debut this spring.

For now, Epcot will be the spot for “Frozen” fans. Sarah Coty of Louisville, Ky., and her daughters Abigail, 4, and Alexandra, 2, visited a character breakfast there last

week. They took stock of the “Frozen” line.

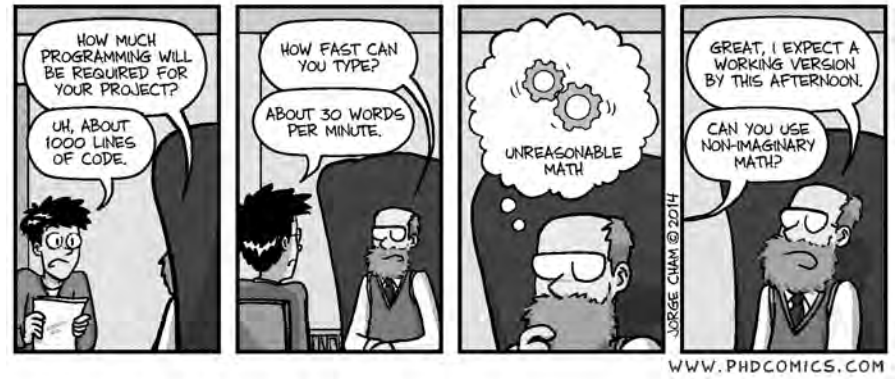
“It was going to be a four-hour wait, but we were like, no,” Coty said. “I wanted to for them, but that was way too long.”

Disney staff suggested returning the next day just as the park opened. Her husband, Patrick, dashed to Norway to get a spot in the “Frozen” queue.

“It was pretty much a sprint from the front gate to here,” he said. Their wait ended up being about an hour. Sarah Coty said it was worth it.

“Frozen” has been integrated into the family’s daily lives, she said. “He listens to the soundtrack with them every morning.”

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No. 12 softball crushes Louisiana Tech 10-1



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Sophomore right-handed pitcher Liz Paul goes through her windup in Baylor's 10-1 win over Louisiana Tech on Thursday at Getterman Stadium.

By SHEHAN JEYARAJAH
SPORTS WRITER

No. 12 Baylor softball jumped on Louisiana Tech early and often in a five-inning 10-1 trouncing of the Lady Techsters at Getterman Stadium on Thursday night.

Senior pitcher Canion threw four innings of shutout ball and sophomore designated player Lindsey Hays added a grand slam and a career-high five RBIs to push the Bears to an easy win in their first non-tournament home game of the season.

"Definitely feeling the effects of being in a charter bus for 10 hours," senior first baseman Holly Holl said. "It's definitely nice to be playing on our home field in front of a home crowd. We were just very relaxed."

Senior pitcher Whitney Canion struck-out three straight Lady Techsters to open the game. Junior right fielder Kaitlyn Thumann hit a lead-off double and advanced to third after a groundout from freshman infielder Ari Hawkins. She scored on a single from sophomore designated player Linsey Hays. Junior third baseman Sarah Smith

drove in Hays on an RBI double to make it 2-0 after one.

"You do that in the first inning and the other team's going to be on their heels," Canion said. "You kind of saw them make a few plays where they freaked out; from the first inning, we had them on their heels."

Canion walked one Louisiana Tech batter, but struck out another to blank the Lady Techsters to start the second.

Freshman center field Lindsey Cargill doubled in the bottom of the second and Thumann singled to advance her to third.

After Thumann stole second, freshman second baseman Ari Hawkins reached on a fielder's choice to load the bases. That set up Hays's bases-loaded blast to put Baylor up 6-0.

"It was actually outside, a little bit high," Hays said. "Perfect pitch for me to drive it and hit it out over left field. Those are those sweet pitches you like to see as a hitter."

After Canion held the Lady Techsters again, senior first baseman Holly Holl homered in the first pitch of the bottom of the third.

"It's been a rough year for me

personally to start, but I've just got to take a deep breath," Holl said. "I know how to hit, and I can hit the ball, I just had to put a swing on a good pitch. It takes a big hit like that to remind yourself that you can do this; that you're here for a reason."

"It's definitely nice to be playing on our home field in front of a home crowd. We were just very relaxed."

Holly Holl | senior 1B

Freshman center fielder Lindsey Cargill walked in the next at-bat, and junior right fielder Kaitlyn Thumann made it to second to put runners on second and third.

Freshman second baseman Ari Hawkins reached on a fielder's choice and Cargill scored.

After a muffed throw, Thumann scored and Hawkins advanced to third. Senior catcher Clare Hosack hit a sacrifice fly to drive in Hawkins and put Baylor up 10-0 after three.

Louisiana Tech right fielder Janine Godwin hit a lead-off home run in the fifth inning to cut the lead to 10-1, but Baylor held on to win by run-rule after five.

Hays led the way with two hits, two runs and five RBIs in three at-bats for the Bears. Holl added a home run in two at-bats.

Thumann's Big 12-leading batting average moved to .485 after three hits in three at-bats. Thumann is hitting .630 over the last eight games.

Canion moved to 9-3 after allowing two hits and striking out eight in four shutout innings.

Louisiana Tech pitcher Anna Cross allowing six runs for the loss.

"It was good to be home, but I guess we don't really want to play here, because this one was over in a hurry!" Baylor coach Glenn Moore said. "Really impressed with the way we set the tone early. The first inning, probably the best start we've had to a game this season. Whitney's going out and putting up zeros."

The Lady Bears will return to action from March 14-16 as they take part in the USF Spring Break Invitational in Clearwater, Fla.

Baseball hosts Cal State Fullerton for weekend series

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL
STAFF WRITER

Baylor baseball beat Lamar University Wednesday night 3-2, but hits and runs were not easy to come by for the Bears. In Baylor's upcoming weekend series against the No. 4 Cal-State Fullerton Titans (7-3), the lack of offense of late may be a problem against Fullerton's elite pitching staff.

"It's going to be really important for us to grind out every single at-bat and not take any pitch off," sophomore first baseman Mitch Price said. "In a game like this against Fullerton, we know that all the smallest things that can happen are going to be most important because everything is magnified on big scale when you play a good team like them."

Fullerton is known across the nation for its pitching depth. The

series against a top five team will be a good test for the Bears (6-6) ahead of Big 12 play.

"I love playing against all these really good teams right now," Price said. "It shows us where we are, and it prepares us for conference play. We'll be battle tested whenever we get there."

Against Lamar, the Bears posted three errors. Some were a result of the wet and chilly conditions at Baylor Ballpark on Wednesday. Regardless of what this weekend's forecast shows, Price said the Bears' infield defense will be a major point of focus against Fullerton.

"We need to make sure we're cleaning the field, and playing a good game of catch out there this weekend," Price said.

The Bears are undefeated at home this season with a 5-0 record. Baylor Ballpark is considered one of the top-tier Big 12 baseball

stadiums, and Saturday's game will mark 500 games played.

"It's a nice place to play," senior pitcher Brad Kuntz said. "I think a lot of the teams that have come here get caught up in the atmosphere and we take advantage of that. We're comfortable here."

"I think we will get better. There's some trial and error going on with us as coaches to get the right pieces in the right places."

Steve Smith | head coach

Kuntz (1-0) will start for the Bears for his second time this season. He dominated in his first start

this season against Austin Peay in a 15-1 rout. Today, Kuntz will be facing the Titans, who are on a five-game winning streak. The Bears had a rough weekend in San Diego, going winless against three teams, but Smith said the best is yet to come from his team. Notably with the team's offense, Smith said the team is better than recent results may have shown.

"I think we will get better," Smith said. "There's some trial and error going on with us as coaches to get the right pieces in the right places. You're going to see some things happen, and some games at the end of the year where you'll look back and see that they were a little out of character. We either want to be winners or learners."

The series will be on Fox Sports Southwest at 6:35 p.m. today, 3:05 p.m. Saturday and 1:05 p.m. Sunday.



KEVIN FREEMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Freshman left-handed pitcher Daniel Castano fires a pitch in Baylor's 5-2 win over UT-Arlington on Feb. 18.

Cowboys, DeMarcus Ware at odds over contract

By TOM ORSBORN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — DeMarcus Ware and the Dallas Cowboys could be headed for a split after the club informed him Tuesday it "definitely" wants to keep him but not at his burdensome current salary and cumbersome cap number.

Citing a league source, NFL.com reported the Cowboys told the defensive end in so many words that his base salary of \$12.25 million and his cap figure of \$16 million are unacceptable given his reduced production and inability to shake nagging injuries.

Ware is the franchise's career leader in sacks, but he recorded a career-low six last season while battling injuries that forced him

to miss the first three games of his career. Ware will be 32 next season, and some in the organization reportedly believe he's no longer capable of producing the dominant play that made him one of the NFL's premier pass rushers from 2006-12. During that stretch, Ware averaged 15 sacks per season while earning seven Pro Bowl trips. Ware made it clear after the season he had no interest in taking a pay cut, but owner Jerry Jones suggested last month maintaining such a hard-line stance could lead to a divorce.

"You have a defensive player that's your highest-paid defensive player, and he hasn't been on the field much the last two years, that has to be considered," Jones said at the NFL Scouting Combine.

The twist in the Ware saga came on the day the Cowboys announced they restructured the contracts of quarterback Tony Romo, linebacker Sean Lee and cornerback Orlando Scandrick to clear cap space. Utilizing a restructure clause in the six-year, \$108 million contract extension Romo signed in March 2013, the Cowboys created \$10 million in salary cap space.

According to the team's website, Romo's scheduled \$21.773 million salary-cap figure has been reduced to \$11.773 million after the club turned \$12.5 million of his \$13.5 million base salary into a signing bonus. That move, along with others, placed the club within roughly \$1 million of the 2014 NFL salary cap.

At a Glance

A quick overview of Baylor spring sports:

Men's Basketball:
12:30 p.m. Saturday at Kansas State

Women's Basketball:
1:30 p.m. Saturday vs. today's winner of Kansas vs. Kansas State in Oklahoma City

Baseball:
6:35 p.m. today, 3:05 p.m. Saturday, 1:05 p.m. Sunday vs. Cal State Fullerton

Men's Tennis:
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Bears on road for season finale versus Kansas State

By SHEHAN JEYARAJAH
SPORTS WRITER

After a senior night upset of No. 16 Iowa State, Baylor basketball will look to close its season strong on the road against a Kansas State team that has dominated opponents at home at Fred Bramlage Coliseum in Manhattan, Kan.

After starting conference play 2-8, the Bears have won six of seven to move to 8-9 in conference play and notch a 20-win season.

"We've been through a lot of ups and downs," junior point guard Kenny Chery said. "Everybody got down on us when we were losing five straight but we kept our head up, stayed as a team."

Senior power forward Cory Jefferson has stepped up for the Bears, averaging 13.3 points per game and 8.3 rebounds per game on the season.

Senior guard Brady Heslip has added 11.6 points per game on 46.8 percent from three.

Since coming back from injury against Kansas State, Chery is averaging 15.8 points and six assists per game, including a 27-point explosion in Baylor's last road game against Texas.

In Baylor's 74-61 win over No.

16 Iowa State on senior night in Waco, Jefferson and Heslip combined for 39 points. Chery added 16 points and six assists.

After losing their second game of the season at home to Northern Colorado, the Wildcats have won 14 straight home games, including all nine Big 12 Conference home games.

"I know this is a team that can make noise in the postseason. We've just got to make it, and we'll take it from there"

Cory Jefferson | senior forward

Kansas State also has earned wins over four straight ranked Big 12 teams.

Freshman guard Marcus Foster leads a surprising Wildcat squad with 15.8 points per game and 3.1 assists per game in conference play.

Junior forward Thomas Gipson adds 11.7 points and 6.9 rebounds per game in conference

while shooting 53.5 percent from the field.

Kansas State has been outrebounded in conference, but have held opponents to 40.7 percent from the field over the same span.

The Wildcats also turn the ball over more than their opponents.

"Boy, I was worn out watching our last game with them on film," head coach Scott Drew said. "Their physicality stands out. Each possession, they fight you for every position, make things difficult. I know they play with great energy and feed off of their crowd. They shoot it better at home like most teams do."

Kansas State was thrashed 77-61 at the hands of a resurgent Oklahoma State team in Stillwater.

The Wildcats have been a much better home team this season compared to their road record. Foster finished with nine points on 16 shots in the loss.

Baylor won a double-overtime thriller 87-73 in the last matchup of these two teams on Feb. 15 at the Ferrell Center.

Jefferson led the way with 21 points and 11 rebounds in the win.

Chery put up the first triple-double by a Baylor player in Big 12 play with 20 points, 10 rebounds

and 12 assists. Heslip hit a three at time expired to send the game to overtime.

Kansas State junior forward Nino Williams posted a season high 20 points in the loss.

Foster struggled to 18 points on 6-for-18 shooting, but contributed with 10 assists.

Drew has repeatedly said that his team belongs in the NCAA Tournament, and he believes that Baylor will earn its place with a selection to the tournament.

"We're enjoying a couple victories and we're still going," Chery said. "We've got a lot more to go. Our goal is to make March Madness."

Over the past four postseasons, Baylor has reached two Elite Eights, made two National Invitational Tournaments and won an NIT championship. The Bears have the nation's best postseason winning percentage over that stretch.

"I know this is a team that can make noise in the postseason," Jefferson said. "We've just got to make it, and we'll take it from there."

Baylor will play the Wildcats at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Fred Bramlage Coliseum in Manhattan, Kan. The game will be televised on the Big 12 Network.



Senior forward Cory Jefferson throws down a dunk against Texas on Jan. 25 at the Ferrell Center in Waco.

No. 1 Lady Bears are favorites to win Big 12 tournament



Carlye Thornton | Lariat Photographer

Sophomore forward Chardonae Fuqua shoots on Jan. 29 against Texas Tech at the Ferrell Center.

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL
SPORTS WRITER

It has been a week of ups and downs for the Lady Bears—from a devastating home loss to West Virginia on Sunday to winning the Big 12 title on Tuesday against Iowa State. On top of that, multiple Lady Bears won conference awards. The active week continues for the Lady Bears as they head out to Oklahoma City for the Big 12 Tournament today.

Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey said their performance in Oklahoma City may not necessarily affect their seeding for the NCAA Tournament, but she has every intention of winning out this weekend.

"We're going to have an attitude of 'we want to win it,'" Mulkey said. "We like rings around Baylor. We're going up there to win. Tie those shoes. Let's go."

For lower seeded teams, the tournament starts today. Baylor will watch the Kansas State Wildcats (11-18, 5-13) take on the Kan-

sas Jayhawks (12-18, 5-13) game at 6:30 p.m. The winner of that game will play the Lady Bears on Saturday.

The convenience of knowing who the opponent will be well in advance of the game, like in the regular season, is not an option for the Lady Bears this weekend. Mulkey and her staff must prepare the Lady Bears for both the Kansas State Wildcats and the Kansas Jayhawks.

The Lady Bears beat both possible opponents comfortably at home in the regular season. The Jayhawks upset the visiting Lady Bears in Lawrence, Kan., dealing Baylor its first conference loss of the season. Junior post Sune Agbuke fouled out early in the second half and Sims struggled. The Wildcats lost to Baylor in both meetings this season, 92-53 in Manhattan and 71-48 in Waco.

After meeting every conference team twice in the regular season, Mulkey said there will not be anything unknown or something the

Lady Bears have not season already this season. The Lady Bears understand each of the teams and matchups in the Big 12.

"How many other big-time conferences play each other twice? That's 18 grueling basketball games and we know each other very well," Mulkey said.

Co-Big 12 conference champion West Virginia awaits the winner between TCU and Texas Tech.

Aside from an uncharacteristic performance against the Jayhawks and a loss against West Virginia on Sunday, the Lady Bears know what the Big 12 is all about and got the job done at home and on the road this season.

Whichever team Baylor ends up facing, Mulkey and her Lady Bears will be the favored team and will be ready to execute for the win. The Lady Bears were showered with regular season awards from the Big 12 on Wednesday.

Senior guard Odyssey Sims won defensive player of the year and overall player of the year in

the Big 12 Conference. Sims admits she was not surprised by the news. She gave credit to her team above all else when asked about the awards.

"I feel very accomplished," Sims said. "I did as best as I could to lead [the team] in the Big 12 play, and they helped me get to where I am right now."

Sims was a unanimous vote to the all-Big 12 first team. It was her fourth consecutive time being named to the Big 12 first team.

Freshman forward Nina Davis hit the ground running in her first season. Davis was named the Big 12's newcomer of the year on Wednesday. Davis not only dominated in the freshman class category, but was also named to the all-Big 12 first team after an exceptional season.

"Just to win the award is an honor," Davis said. "I'm blessed and glad I was chosen."

All the games from the tournament this weekend will be on the Fox Sports family of networks.

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atrocity — which is super important and destructive, but this everyday violence ravages the poor like a plague of locusts.”

The book's title originated from an episode in American history when 19th century Midwest farmers were inundated by hordes of locusts, which destroyed most of the crops they relied on for livelihood.

“The farmers would scratch together the little they had to buy some land, and then try to make enough to cover their costs,” he said. “Then the largest plague of locusts in human history descended like a black cloud and just razed away, in hours, everything that they had spent years to develop. Nothing would stop the locusts.”

Boutros said this same picture can be used to represent violence and humanitarian efforts in developing countries. Years of “smart development efforts” to fight poverty are being destroyed by everyday violence, he said.

“Many of these developments — population alleviation, public health efforts, human rights efforts — not only are they eviscerated by criminal violence, they also don't do anything to stop the violence,” he said.

Mathis agreed that violence hinders the progress of developing countries.

“When there is violence, it hinders the development that could happen among the poor, especially in education, health care and things like that,” she said.

Boutros has handled many trafficking cases, in addition to police misconduct and hate crime cases, for the past seven years as a prosecutor with the Justice Department's Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit.

Poor families often see trafficking as their only option because they can't make money to support themselves any other way, Mathis said.

Mathis said the sharp division between the wealthy and poor in African countries increases this feeling of hopelessness for families living in poverty.

“It's easy for the richest people, who are often in leadership, to run things because they aren't necessarily using their wealth for the benefit of the poor,” she said.

Boutros said his motivation to write the book came from a deep-rooted desire to see broken judicial systems fixed. A report released by the U.N. said at least 4 billion people in the world live outside the protection of laws, he said.

“We're in this phase where the problem

is no longer that the poor don't have laws protecting them, but what they don't get is law enforcement,” he said. “The criminal justice system is utterly broken.”

Mathis said the police forces in developing countries are not always a source of safety for citizens, especially those in poorer areas.

“There's corruption in every agency, but a lot of times there's just so much corruption and violence that the people who are supposed to make them feel safe are no longer the people who actually make them feel safe,” she said.

Boutros said these broken systems perpetuate the violence seen in impoverished communities. The lack of protection from law enforcement and the judicial system allows violence to fester, he said.

For example, sending the world's most skilled doctors to India is useless if the girl who really needs their care is locked away in a brothel, Boutros said.

“It creates a bottleneck that chokes out the efficacy of all these great humanitarian efforts,” Boutros said, referring to the effects of violence on poor communities. “Our hope is to pry open that bottleneck so that all these resources can pour in to the beneficiaries.”

Boutros said the situation is not hopeless. Historically, the judicial systems of countries like the U.S. and the U.K. looked very similar 150 years ago to some of the worst systems seen today.

“Working systems don't just fall down from heaven,” he said. “We have to fight for the criminal justice system to work to protect the common citizen.”

Boutros said he hopes readers will take away a new perspective of poverty after reading the book.

“A lot of Baylor students have a growing interest in the world,” he said. “So to begin to understand their world and enter their story is the beginning of making our presence in their lives all we hope it can be.”

Mathis said students can make an impact on poverty and violence through Baylor's International Justice Mission student organization, as well as local outreaches like reading programs in Waco schools or mentoring programs through the university.

“As college students, we can't be present fighting or preventing poverty, but we can be advocates and be educated about these issues,” she said.

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Those rules made it impossible for the clinics in Beaumont and McAllen to stay open, said Amy Hagstrom Miller, CEO of Whole Woman's Health.

Anti-abortion lawmakers said the regulations are necessary to protect women's health, but abortion-rights groups have sued the state claiming the restrictions are medically unnecessary and intended to shut down all Texas clinics that offer abortion services.

“Closing our clinics hurts us. But more importantly, it hurts the communities we have served,” Miller said Thursday at a news conference. “We have done everything possible to keep our clinics open, but we are simply unable to survive.”

The Whole Woman's Health clinics in Beaumont and McAllen had been open since 1973, when abortion was made legal by the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision.

Joe Pojman, executive director of Texas Alliance for Life, welcomed the clinic closures because, he said, those facilities did not adequately protect patients.

“Requiring a doctor at an abortion

facility to have admitting privileges at a local hospital is common sense,” he said. “In the event of a serious complication from an abortion, the physician should be able to follow the patient to the emergency room to continue caring for his or her patient.”

The closest abortion clinic to Beaumont is in Houston. And for women in the Rio Grande Valley, the nearest clinics will be in Corpus Christi and San Antonio, a journey that means passing through immigration checkpoints that require U.S. identification or visas.

Paula Saldana, a women's health care educator in McAllen who volunteers for the National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health, said poor women in the valley relied on the clinic.

“When women come up to me and they are in desperate circumstances and they ask where they can go, I will not have a place to send them,” she said.

Although groups are raising money to help pay travel costs for women who need abortions, it is still difficult for them to take time away from family and work, Saldana added.

The admitting privilege require-

ment has become a favored tool for anti-abortion lawmakers across the country to close clinics. In Mississippi, a federal judge has blocked enforcement of a similar requirement because it would shut down the state's last clinic. Alabama passed such a requirement last year, and Oklahoma lawmakers are considering a similar measure.

Most doctors do not have or need admitting privileges, and hospitals usually only grant them to doctors who routinely have patients in need of hospital care. The Texas Hospital Association opposed the requirement, saying admitting privileges were not necessary to provide women emergency care from abortion complications.

The law, which also bans abortions after 20 weeks, was the subject of the largest protests in a generation last summer at the state Capitol.

State Sen. Wendy Davis, a Fort Worth Democrat, gained national attention for a 13-hour filibuster that temporarily stopped the law. Gov. Rick Perry immediately called the Legislature back into special session, and Republican lawmakers easily passed it.

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pampered with an update to its format this past weekend.

“It turned out to be simple things that caused people questions,” Helm said. “The login itself asks for a user identification number that new users often times don't realize means your Baylor identification number.”

In fall 2013, ITS, the Office of the Registrar, Student Success Services and Student Financial Services began talking about making aesthetic adjustments to BearWeb as a result of their findings during a review of the BearWeb system. During the review of BearWeb, Helm said the team of staff realized there were opportunities for improvement that might serve students better than infor-

mational videos or instructions on how to navigate current BearWeb interface.

In spring 2013, the staff in these offices met with the student IT Advisory Group, which Helm said pushed staff to think about making BearWeb more intuitive.

“This started out a number of months ago when we were trying to establish effective advisement for students on how to use BearWeb with demonstrations and help documents,” Helm said. “As we got into that we realized a couple of things could actually be streamlined to make BearWeb a more user-friendly experience.”

Helm said the areas the team planned to streamline included the

BearWeb menu structure and some of the labels within this structure on the BearWeb portal.

“We saw that some of the menu items could be more descriptive themselves,” Lemon said. “This could eliminate some of the unnecessary descriptions of certain menu items, making things more logical and improving navigation.”

Lemon said there are no functionality changes at this point.

“We probably will follow-up down the road with another aesthetic change with a newer look for BearWeb, but for now this was a good starting point,” she said.

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