Downtown art alludes to pigskin fever

By Rebecca Fialkow

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Let Baylor Nation support its team

By Ashley Rojas

Hey, Baylor Nation, let all the Alamo City with green and gold

Oh, wait. We have class.

Baylor’s NCAA Basketball game against No. 11 Nebraska was set for 11:40 a.m. on Friday, March 21. The game was scheduled for 8 p.m., which was a little late to start a basketball game for some of these ticket holders. We all saw how that ended.

However, once the Bears started turning their season around, the attendance has faced a lull of some unfortunate losses. The reason this was brought to my attention was because an announcement was made in the arena. Ferrell Center officials permitted students to sit in the empty courtside seats up above the court so the students could do a better job of bringing energy to the team and the game.

In the Ferrell Center, student seating is in sections 114-119. These sections are located in the corner of the court high up in the arena where the fans have a good view. There are two small sections behind each basket, but with the hand taking one-half of these sections, it is not enough space to seat the number of students who wish to see the courtside games.

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**Thursday, March 27:**
*Bennett Auditorium*
Valzhyna Mort Poetry Reading
3:30 PM
Christian Wiman Poetry Reading
6:30 PM

**Friday, March 28:**
*Carroll Science 101*
Panel Discussion: Schuchard, Mort, Wiman, and Hudgins
*Bennett Auditorium*
3:30 PM

Andrew Hudgins Poetry Reading:
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Ministry serves women within sex industries

BY REBECCA FLORENCIA

Good Friday will mark the 11th year Emily Mills has been ministering to women within the sex industries. She figured out early on she wasn’t just for getting the love of Jesus to sex workers. So she got involved with Waco’s big shops. The ministry expanded to the commercial sex culture in city clubs doing 5,000 sales a week. With teams in four Texas cities, the organization serves upwards of 100 women per month. The city’s history is being launched this year after their selected kids signed up for training programs.

“We have Waco, Bryan-College Station, Dallas, Austin, and then the women are launching the Kilimanjaro and Temple,” Mills said. “For the kids, we’re really needing community partnerships and developments to get it going.”

The organization has started a transitional housing program in Waco for women they minister to. The goal is to have the women serve by making gift baskets while working with the ministry to save up enough money in a year to place a deposit on next residences. “It’s very much an empowering program. People sometimes in Waco donate an apartment to our ministries and then that’s where they get to go through that program, then the mercy they’ve provided with a home to be affordable rent. They meet with the case worker, they learn about volunteering, they have our bag assemblies and end up helping other people,” Mills said.

Dr. Gaynor Yancey, professor in the College of Social Work, said community integration is a big part of how the organization helps the women. “It’s the result of the women they’re working with,” Yancey said. “It’s as if they are the beneficiaries.”

The effect this ministry has on its beneficiaries is designed to be long lasting. “What I’ve observed from two of our interns working with Jesus Said Love is that it’s the ladies that are changed as a result of the women they’re working with,” Yancey said. “It’s as if they are the beneficiaries.”

“We really try to inspire hope,” Mills said. “But really, that’s just a small part. When we go to the clubs each month, the people realize that the hill we’ve been making is small.”

“They’re taking and hanging out at the bar like you would with your friends.”

Baylor students ranging from social work to business majors intern with the organization, carrying out duties such as marketing the organization’s merchandise and serving alongside the volunteers. “We give women our number and they call for help with financial assistance, employment opportunities along with opportunities such as cultural thought or addiction they want help for.”

Mills said 30 percent of their social work interns involved and they begin a process of case management into a transition program. “The transition program is geared to help women out of the crisis they are in and help them get back to a situational situation,” Mills said. “This program along with a retreat day has shown results in helping people want to explain our women and change and many people don’t understand, and that’s a result of the women they’re working with.”

“One of our goals is to awaken hope in women.”

Emily Mills, Co-founder of Jesus Said Love

New degree program focuses on global diseases, medicines

By Shannon Findley

Two billion people in the world have a tropical disease,” said Dr. Richard Sanker, director of the prehealth science studies office. “They can’t work or they can’t get out of poverty. If they’re not getting treatment they’re not going to get recovered.”

This program fulfills both Baylor’s collaborative and outreach goals.

The biology department will offer the new integrated bachelor of science and master’s of science program in collaboration with the Baylor College of Medicine’s National School of Tropical Medicine. Selected undergraduate students in the tropical disease biology program will be admitted directly to the program. The program will lead to a bachelor of science in biology and a master’s of science in tropical disease biology in five years. The bachelor of science degree will be awarded by Baylor. The exact structure of the joint master’s of science program is still being developed.

“It’s a very unique curriculum and a very unique program,” Sanker said. Though the curriculum for the program is still under development, the skills learned in this program will complement those professions and equip students to work in global health, they have completed their education.

There is no specific funding for the tropical medicine program at this time. The College of Arts and Science provided some funds last summer to help defray the cost of the Summer Institute for the prehealth science studies director of  the prehealth science studies office.

With regard to the future tropical medicine graduate program, the program is still in negotiation and development, so no funds have been allocated for it at this time, Sanker said.

Sim said the tropical disease biology program will likely have one or two additional courses required in biology since it is a more specific degree than the others.

Students with a degree in tropical disease biology will be very competitive when pursuing global health jobs. Some of the students of this class will go on to medical school and others will pursue a doctorate. Others may join national government organizations working directly with efforts to address some of the key tropical diseases.

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Sony unveils new PS4 virtual reality headset

By Derrik J. Lang

SAN FRANCISCO — Sony is getting into the virtual reality business.

The Japanese electronics and gaming giant unveiled a prototype virtual reality headset to be used in conjunction with its PlayStation 4 video game console during a Tuesday talk at the Game Developers Conference.

Shuhei Yoshida, president of Sony Computer Entertainment America, answers questions at the Game Developers Conference about the PlayStation 4 virtual reality headset Project Morpheus.

The adjustable doodad is code-named Project Morpheus and features a head-mounted display with 1080p resolution and a 90-degree field of view. Sensors built into the headset can track a wearer’s head movement in concert with a PS4 camera.

“This prototype is by no means final,” said Yoshida. “We will continue to work on this to improve it, but we believe it’s a good representation of how PlayStation will deliver VR.”

Anton Mikhailov, a senior software engineer working on Project Morpheus, said the consumer version of the technology must be attached to a PS4 console with a cord that’s about 15 feet long and more virtual perspectives can be simultaneously broadcast on a television screen.

“The experience can be shared, and that’s going to allow it to grow,” said Mikhailov. “I think that’s going to be the key. One person sees someone else interacting in VR; they’re going to want to put it on and try it themselves.”

Mikhailov said users will be able to interact with the virtual world displayed on the headset with gestures detecting PlayStation Move controller, as well as the standard DualShock 4.

He declined to specify when the headset would be released or how much it would cost.

Project Morpheus will be available for demonstration beginning Wednesday for conference attendees on the conference’s expo floor.


Both devices use head tracking to reduce nauseas when users are transported into a virtual reality landscape, and they look more like ski goggles than the bulky gaming helmets of the 1990s that usually left users with headaches.

For more information on this, please visit http://www.playstation.com/VR/Morpheus.

“The chemistry between Billy and Jodie Dallas in the role in a TV series since his performance as Jolene Dallas in the June 1994 film "The Cowboy Way," he noted. "I think that’s going to be the key. One person sees someone else interacting in VR; they’re going to want to put it on and try it themselves."
Women’s tennis falls to TAMU

By Devon Seawright

Sophomore Kiah Generette returns a shot in Baylor’s 4-1 match loss to the No. 7 Texas A&M Aggies on Wednesday at the Hurd Tennis Center.

“God has good plans for me, but at the same time we’re going to get a lot of season left,” Marchal said. Baylor ended up at 15-2 on the season.

“Baylor’s actually got a lot of options,” said Seawright. “They can compete with every other school, both on and off the court.”

“I wish today was a little different,” Seastrunk said. “Not a good day for the Aggies.”

Seawright added that it’s a good thing for them to go and see them try to improve to the next level. "It’s always exciting at Pro Day," head coach Art Briles said. "But it’s not that easy. You show them your best."
Student hit by car exiting bus near campus.

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A 21-year-old Baylor student sustained significant injuries Wednesday after being hit by a car driven by a 20-year-old student off Fourth Street and Daughtrey Avenue. Waco police Sgt. W. Patrick Leatham said the student stepped off the shuttle bus and ran around the back. Witnesses said the student ran into oncoming traffic and was then hit.

“The accident caused significant injuries, including a possible broken leg and other injuries,” Lt. William Swanton said. Swanton said the student was rushed to Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center and is expected to be OK.

According to an article published by the Waco Tribune, the officers are not planning on press charges on the driver, as they believe she did nothing wrong.

“By the time the accident occurred, the driver was at a stop sign, and the car was at a standstill,” Swanton said. “I think things are much more powerful this way.”

The accident occurred one day after the Senate rejected a bill that would have stripped military commanders of the authority to decide whether to prosecute serious crimes.

The legislation was sponsored by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., and chairwoman of the Senate Armed Services personnel sub-committee. In a Feb. 18 letter, she asked in Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel to turn over case information from four major U.S. bases, including Fort Hood.

The record would shed more light on how military command­ers make decisions about courts­ martial and punishments in sexual assault cases.

“The decision to prosecute is made by the prosecute­rous authority and is not up to a court,” Swanton said. “I think everybody’s always looking for fun and exciting things that they could add to the city.”

A Baylor alumna and city resident said the version of the design that actually went up on the wall was a backup secondary design.

“Scrabalc wrote in an email to the Lariat, “The original version was much more my ‘style’ but was essentially too complex to be painted as a mural. I, instead, went with a more traditional, decorative type face of my own design.”

Designers and Waco residents Mark Rockwell and Kyle Rogers were behind No. 7, and they collaborated on the look.

“We talked over different kinds of aesthetics we liked, and Kyle likes a lot of geometric­type things,” Rockwell said. “I like a lot more traditional, decorative type face of my own design.”

Trozzo is a Baylor alumnus and came up with idea of the Wacotown mural a few months after Robert Griffin III received the Heisman Trophy.

“Somebody said to use the term ‘Wacotown’ in their artwork, which he agreed to.

“I sort of liked the idea of other people carrying this torch because just me,” he said. “I think their ideas are much more powerful this way.”

Trents said a big goal of his is to connect Baylor and the city of Waco.

“I’ve always felt that both entities need each other,” he said. “And I think a lot of those bridges between them have formed again.”