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Lab abuzz

BU scientists aim to make vaccine for mosquito-transmitted diseases

By VIOLA ZHOU
REPORTER

Dr. Cheolho Sim, assistant professor of biology, has a laboratory that is as dark, hot and humid as a rainforest. He keeps various species of mosquitoes there and works on ways to prevent them from spreading tropical diseases.

He is one of several Baylor scientists in the battle to eliminate mosquito-transmitted diseases, which in developing countries claim millions of lives every year.



Sim

“Billions of people living in the developing countries live on less than \$1 per day,” Sim said. “They live in homes without any windows. Mosquitoes can go in and out.”

Sim said he is developing a transmission-blocking vaccine for lymphatic filariasis, a disease transmitted by mos-

quitoes common in Africa and Southeast Asia. It is commonly known as elephantiasis, because people who are infected develop swelling legs and arms.

Sim said the vaccine will be used for both healthy and infected people. When mosquitoes bite them, a certain protein in the blood will enter their bodies and induce a process to kill the parasites.

He said the vaccine cannot cure the patients, but it can stop the parasites from reaching the next person. He is also studying how to suppress mosquito populations in the field.

Dr. Chris Kearney, associate professor of biology, is looking to plants to stop mosquitoes from carrying parasites around.

“Male mosquitoes use solely nectar for their nutrition,” he said. “If we can have a protein toxic to mosquitoes that could be expressed to nectar, that would be a way of killing male mosquitoes.”

Kearney said after screening many candidate plants, he found impatiens the best vehicle for the toxic proteins. They have high amounts of nectar and protein. They are also easy to grow and can be ge-

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SKYE DUNCAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Spinning

Roswell, N.M., senior Christopher Blewett and Pasadena sophomore Paola Garza, members of the Latin Dancing Society, perform Tuesday at the Hispanic Heritage Month Banquet on the fifth floor of Cashion Academic Center. See story, page 3.

Professor links representation to wealth, lobbying

By ABIGAIL LOOP
STAFF WRITER

One Baylor professor examined political inequality in the contiguous states of America and has offered a possible solution to achieving equal representation for all.

Dr. Patrick Flavin, assistant professor of political science, conducted a study where he gathered data on the U.S. and ranked them from having the best to worst equality in political representation.

He measured equality in states through a number of factors, including data from public opinion surveys and federal data, such as the amounts of welfare benefits and tax rates. After combining the data he received, Flavin concluded the stricter the lobbying regulation, a more equal representation was evident in states.

“I’m interested in how people’s opinions are represented,” Flavin said. “If the goal was to make everyone’s opinions equal then I think having stricter lobbying

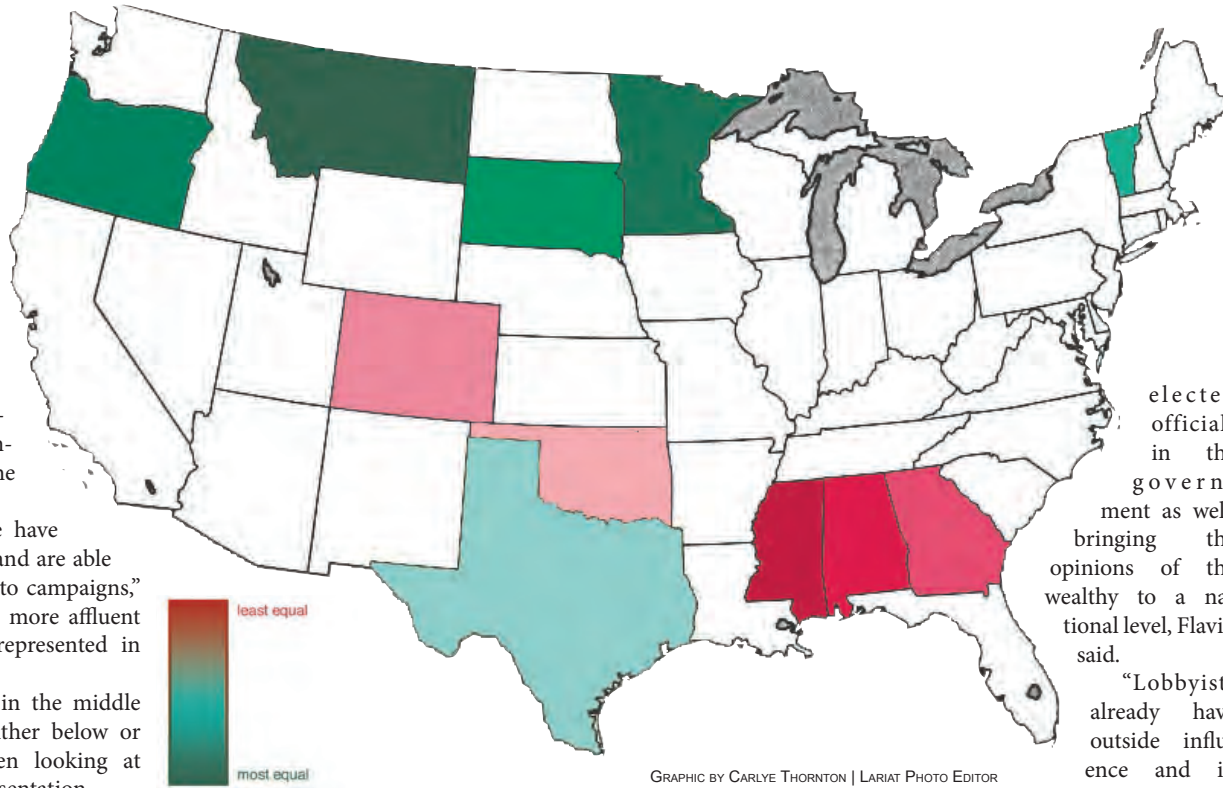
regulation rules is a solution to unequal representation.”

Flavin said while conducting his study, he noticed the states that already had strict regulations had higher equality than the states with loose regulations where it seemed the priorities of wealthy constituents were at the forefront.

“Wealthy people have better connections and are able to contribute more to campaigns,” he said. “Therefore, more affluent people are better represented in politics.”

Texas fell right in the middle of the ranking, neither below or above average when looking at equal political representation.

With wealthy citizens affecting lobbyists, these lobbyists can affect



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Green states represent the most equal representation among different economic classes and red states show represent the least equal representation.

he said. “We need to increase the equality of who gets listened to, regardless of political parties.”

Dr. David Bridge, assistant professor of political science, said Flavin’s research adds insight into democracy regarding representation.

“Representation is difficult to observe, to see who is and who isn’t represented,” Bridge said. “The ultimate currency in an election is votes, no matter how poor or wealthy you are.”

Bridge said that in American politics, money matters and it can be difficult to balance speech, especially during election season.

According to Flavin’s study, harmony between citizen’s opinions and public policy output is the “bottom line” for American democracy and there is a considerable variation in the equality of political representation across the states.

Flavin said with his findings and data he’s collected from his research, he’s hoping it will make a difference.

lected officials in the government as well, bringing the opinions of the wealthy to a national level, Flavin said. “Lobbyists already have outside influence and in elections they can influence the policies of the elected officials,”

Gathering to honor black sacred music

By JON PLATT
REPORTER

Scholars and musicians from across the nation are gathering today to begin a weekend-long conference over music, faith and history at the 2014 Pruitt Symposium.

The gathering, “Marching to Zion: Celebrating and Preserving Black Sacred Music,” stems from work by Robert Darden, associate professor of journalism, public relations and new media, and his Black Gospel Music Restoration Project.

At the conference, Darden will release his new book “Nothing But Love in God’s Water: Black Sacred Gos-

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Jeffrey Fowle is greeted by his son and other family members upon his arrival Wednesday at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Detainee returns from North Korea, surprises family

ANDREW WELSH-HUGGINS AND LARA JAKES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEST CARROLLTON, Ohio — An American arrested and held for nearly six months in North Korea for leaving a Bible at a nightclub returned home to Ohio on Wednesday to tears of joy and hugs from his wife and surprised children.

A plane carrying Jeffrey Fowle, who was released with help from a retired diplomat and former Ohio congressman, landed Wednesday morning at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, near Dayton, where he was reunited with his family.

Moments after Fowle stepped off the plane, his three children and wife ran from a nearby airplane hangar and shared

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'Breaking Bad' toys aren't for kids

Editorial

Earlier this week, Susan Schrijver of Fort Myers, Fla., filed a petition on change.org, a website that hosts a variety of petitions on a large array of topics. The short but blunt petition, which reached 9,299 signatures yesterday, called for the removal of what Schrijver called "inappropriate" action figures based on the AMC television series "Breaking Bad."

The petition was created after Schrijver, a mother herself, found the dolls in the aisles of this store. As a result, Toys R Us removed the action figures from its shelves. However, it was irresponsible for the store to sell the dolls in the first place.

Toys R Us responded by removing the action figures from all of its stores. Though the petition had few signatures compared to many of the other petitions on the website, Toys R Us was swift to take action and show commitment to its customer base.

The action figures feature characters Walter White and Jesse Pinkman, along with a variety of accessories, including gas masks, a bag of money and even a bag of blue methamphetamine, and should not have been on the store's shelves in the first place.

Drugs are not items that parents want their children exposed to. Explaining to a child why they won't buy the action figures does not seem like a difficult conversation for parents to have. However, standing in an aisle of a toy store is not the ideal place for parents to have a conversation about drugs with a child.

The action figures were originally only in one section of the store, which was targeted toward an older audience. Some could argue that these action figures were clearly not for children.

In a store with the slogan "where a kid can be a kid," the fact it was on a different aisle does not matter.

This logic may be acceptable for certain types of items, such as action figures from PG-13 movies such as "The Avengers" that have a wide audience base, as the characters in the movie are also featured in other cartoons on children's networks like Disney XD.

Even so, Daniel Pickett from Manhattan Beach started a petition asking Toys R Us not to remove the action figures from its shelves. He claimed Toys R Us is for kids of all ages.

Regardless of Pickett's inner kid, he should understand that certain topics are not for children. It is not Toys R Us' job to introduce

children to drugs. Even though the action figures had a 15-years-and-up label, any child can still see the figurine.

For a show such as "Breaking Bad," however, which boasts a variety of mature content including intense violence and the extensive use of dangerous and illegal drugs, such an action figure appeals only to an older audience base.

In that same vein, there are still other inappropriate action figures on Toys R Us shelves. Figures from AMC's "The Walking Dead" are still being sold. This show features blood, gore and a lot of violence, which is not unlike "Breaking Bad." Perhaps Toys R Us should evaluate the other action figures it sells in order to maintain a consistent stance on what is and is not appropriate for children.

Ultimately, it should not be up to a petition to make this kind of change in the store; Toys R Us executives must make these decisions before the figures hit shelves.

As a private corporation, Toys R Us has the right to sell whatever it wants in its stores. However, as a company that sells products and toys specifically marketed toward children, the company has a special responsibility to keep their customers in mind when selling these action figures and other similar toys.



ASHER FREEMAN

Military strength grows in military kids

Growing up as an Army brat, I didn't have a normal childhood. Our family tables were often missing one person, moving was a constant hassle, and most importantly, schools and friendships were a come-and-go situation. This is the case for many children of a military parent or parents. Never feeling settled in one spot can overshadow what could be a great story for the entire family.

However, it could also change military brats and mold them into more powerful and stronger people than anyone could imagine. With the experiences that I've had, I believe that military children are among the strongest people in America, both mentally and spiritually.

Military brats are receptive to whatever life throws at them. Oftentimes, a parent in the military could be gone for six to eight months at a time, and that's especially difficult for younger children. Growing up without one or even both parents is difficult for children because they are not able to develop that parental relationship compared to a "normal" family. They learn to appreciate family values and rely on their siblings and other family members to care for and

watch after them. My father was deployed to South Korea when I was 3 months old, and my mom took care of me pretty much on her own. It's hard to see all the video tapes that my mom sent my dad when he was stationed overseas. Those video-tapes serve as a reminder of the sacrifices she made when she was the only one here for me.

I learned to look up to my dad for his service, and he provided me with a lot of the values that I have today. He always told me that we may not always want to do something, but if it's for the benefit of yourself and your country, then it's worth it. Seeing him give up his life, not only for my family, but also for our country was inspiring.

Military brats are also so used to moving around that switching schools and making new friends becomes some sort of hobby. I went to six different schools before college, and I made many new friends at every school. I still speak with some of them today.

Military brats are stationed on a military base with other military families in the same boat as they are, so they tend to relate. It's very rare to find



someone who understands what I've gone through, but when it does happen, it makes me feel like I'm not the only one who had an irregular childhood.

Coming to a big university from a small town school was not a huge change for me compared to my other classmates. Thanks to being an Army brat, I was able to adapt quickly and find my niche in a school I barely knew. Not many people can do this, but my outgoing personality is a result of being a military brat.

Some military brats become spiritually sound over the years. Praying to God every night for your mom or dad to be safe and come home alive hits home. Relying on God's protection is a great comfort when families are sepa-

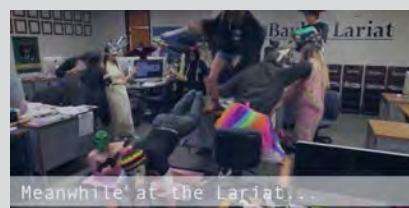
rated by hundreds of thousands of miles and oceans apart. Seeing the family member come home safely is the greatest blessing any child can ask for, and my dad came home safe every time he was overseas. Faith kept my family strong during those rough times.

Military brats often have incredible stories to tell of where they've lived and sometimes where they were born. Not all people travel across the country and live in several states, and that's why having a military family member is so special.

I am thankful for the 21 years that my dad served in the U.S. Army and grateful for every single man and woman in a uniform protecting our country. I have extreme respect for all military children because it's not an easy road. However, we come out of it stronger than ever before. It's an experience no one else can replicate.

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From the Lariat blog



"But aside from that, my familiarity with the races, origins and languages outside my home was something I didn't possess. Though Texas is arguably five states in one, we don't see a drastic difference in ethnicities and creeds springing from each of these parts."

- Tyler senior Taylor Griffin
Lariat blogger

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—The Religious Freedom Discussion—

I'm a Jew. I'm a Christian. Between them, I find harmony.

My name is Micah Furlong, and I'm a Jewish Christian.

... And that's usually where the confusion begins.

To be fair, I'm a pretty unusual case. In our Western minds, we often imagine that someone can have only one categorization in matters of faith; you can either be a Baptist or a Catholic, but you can't mix the two. But faith is an issue much more complicated than that. Few seem to believe it when someone brings up the fact that Judaism had little to no demonology before it encountered Zoroastrianism, which had plenty of it. This means that Jews were influenced by other faiths in their own tradition. Likewise, Christianity had a very underdeveloped concept of the soul until it met up with Greek philosophy. The revealed truths of different faiths often come under one heading, forgetting their original distinctiveness.

And that's what I'm doing: practicing the religions of Judaism and Christianity separately, and in them, finding harmony.

When I say that I'm Jewish, I'm referring to much more than my ancestry; I practice the traditions that have evolved and been passed down to me for millennia. But, likewise, I engage in the

Christian traditions and beliefs as well. I believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and that He died so that I may live. But my understanding of this idea is augmented by the fact that I have immersed myself into Jewish ceremonies that come together to point to a God of love.

One of the most beautiful moments of my spiritual life was soon after I rejoined my ancestors in the synagogue. I was challenged by a friend to visit a mosque and, to be honest, I was terrified. But when I entered the doors, I was greeted by the acting imam (who doubled as a carpet-cleaner),



Micah Furlong | Sophomore

and brought into their community. He taught me how to ritually cleanse myself of my impurities in their small bathroom, and showed me how to pray in their tradition. And when the hour came to pray, he bowed and whispered in Arabic a prayer of love for the same God that I am pursuing.

The best proof in my own life of God's grace has been the fact that He answers and lets me know that He listens to my prayers. Too often, those in the community in which I grew up dismissed these other prayers due to a "lack of sincerity" or "ulterior motive." But when I watched that little old man bow before his Creator, I knew that he spoke with the God of Abraham. Just like Christians who dismiss the Westboro Baptist Church, and just like Jews who condemn the war with Palestine, Muslims are another people of faith who are desperately trying to love God.

And what more can we ask?

Sincerely,
Your Brother
As a Child of God

- Phoenix, Ore., sophomore Micah Furlong
University Scholar

To be a part of the Religious Freedom Discussion, send a letter to the editor by emailing lariat_letters@baylor.edu. Letters can discuss various topics such as stereotypes in religion, your experiences in your own faith, common misconceptions, etc. It's up to you to join the conversation. Letters should be 300-400 words.

Quiñones speaks on Hispanic adversity

By SERGIO LEGORRETA
REPORTER

Baylor students gathered Wednesday evening to celebrate Hispanic culture at the 27th annual Hispanic Heritage Month Banquet. The banquet featured Emmy Award-winning ABC News co-anchor John Quiñones as the keynote speaker.

Waco senior Steven Rodriguez, vice president of the Hispanic Student Association, said it is important to get rid of the prejudice Hispanics face and recognize the accomplishments of Hispanic leaders.

One such leader, Cesar Chavez, was posthumously presented with the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his work in improving migrant farmers' working conditions.

Quiñones recalled his struggle

to become a journalist, having grown up in a poor family that became migrant farm workers after his father was laid off from his job as a janitor. Quiñones and his family rode 1,600 miles in the back of a truck to reach Michigan and started working the fields. His family picked tomatoes for 35 cents a bushel.

"I remember being on my knees on the cold, hard ground," Quiñones said. "My father said, 'Juanito, do you want to do this for the rest of your life, or do you want to get a college education?'"

After deciding to pursue an education, Quiñones asked his school counselors about going to college, but they discouraged him.

"They said, 'We think you ought to try woodshop,'" Quiñones said. "They judged me by the color of my skin and the accent in

my voice."

Despite the opposition he faced, Quiñones was set on obtaining an education and becoming a journalist. He became the first person in his family to get a college degree, which he said was largely possible because of the government program Upward Bound, which helps prepare high school students from low-income families for higher education.

Since becoming a journalist, Quiñones said he has tried to follow the advice of one of his former bosses, Peter Jennings, by giving a voice not to "the movers and the shakers, but the moved and the shaken."

Early in his career, Quiñones went undercover to see what conditions faced those illegally entering the United States from Mexico. He went across the Rio Grande



SKYE DUNCAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

John Quiñones speaks Tuesday night at the Hispanic Heritage Month Banquet Tuesday night on the fifth floor of Cashion Academic Center. Quiñones is the host of "Primetime: What Would You Do?"

and was hired at a Greek restaurant that employed workers without documentation.

The owner had not paid the workers in 14 weeks and only allowed them to eat and sleep in the basement, among the restaurant supplies.

Quiñones confronted the owner after interviewing the workers, and the story led to the U.S. gov-

ernment shutting down the restaurant, compensating the workers and granting them temporary visas.

The banquet also included a performance from the Latin Dance Society, featuring Waco senior Christopher Blewett and Pasadena sophomore Paola Garza.

Waco senior Bryan Tehrani, president of the Hispanic Student

Association, said that the goal of the banquet was to celebrate and teach others about Hispanic culture, which can be challenging because Hispanics are a minority at Baylor.

"Learning is not a one-sided thing," Tehrani said. "Once we know part of somebody, it's easier to get to know them and create friendships."

Pre-law fair allows students to look into law schools

By REBECCA FLANNERY
STAFF WRITER

Over 100 law schools will be in attendance today for Baylor's first appearance in the Southwest Association of PreLaw Advisors caravan. The fair will offer opportunities for students to meet with advisers and ask questions about admittance and law programs at accredited schools from around the nation.

Law schools from New York to California will be on campus from 4 to 6 p.m. on the fifth floor of Cashion Academic Center.

Elizabeth Cano, coordinator of Baylor's pre-law program, said the

fair will give all students a chance to get a closer look at what law school has to offer.

"It's a way for law schools all over the country to convene under one roof," Cano said. "Students are able to make connections and it's a way for students to get face time with those making admissions decisions at these schools."

The caravan travels all over Texas, stopping at bigger universities such as the University of Texas and Texas A&M.

This year, the caravan has added a few new stops to the trip, including Baylor and Texas State University.

"Specifically, Baylor Pre-Law endeavors to encourage informed decision-making about law school by providing information and resources that enable students to develop a realistic understanding of the legal profession," according to Baylor's pre-law website.

Anna Dutia, associate director of pre-law at the University of Texas in Dallas and secretary for the Southwest Association of PreLaw Advisors, said adding the stops allows the law schools to meet a fresh set of motivated students.

"We're really excited to have Baylor and Texas State added this year," Dutia said. "These fairs help

students clarify their interests, whether it's in law or not. We typically have quite a lot of different majors attend."

Dutia said sometimes law schools in attendance will offer fee waivers for the application process.

Jenny Branson, associate director of admissions for Baylor School of Law, travels around the country on behalf of Baylor to fairs like the one on campus today. She said some of the qualities she looks for in students are a good work ethic and leadership skills.

The caravan, which has been in operation for over 14 years, has never come to Baylor before. Cano

said in the past year, Baylor has made a new commitment to building a pre-law program, when before there wasn't an office devoted specifically to the program.

"We hope students take advantage of the opportunity to begin exploring law school options," Cano said. "There are lots of different qualities between law schools to consider."

Boerne junior Alex Oestreich said he plans on attending the fair to speak with several different schools he's interested in attending.

"I'm very excited about Vanderbilt and University of Texas' law school," Oestreich said. "It's really

going to give everyone the opportunities to get a look at the application and admissions process for law schools."

Other schools attending the fair range from Charleston School of Law, New York Law School, Notre Dame Law School and Pepperdine University School of Law, among 100 others.

Cano said to keep in mind these interactions with schools are not supposed to be formal interviews, but the schools are here to get to know candidates.

"It won't look like an interview but law schools will be keeping first impressions in mind," Cano said.

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pel Music From the Civil War to the Civil Rights Movement, Volume 1." The book will highlight many of the songs his Black Gospel Music Restoration Project digitized.

Many of the weekend's events are free and open to the public. These events include a choral led gospel celebration by Dr. James Abbingtion at 7 p.m. today in Roxy Grove Hall. The public is invited to a free keynote address by civil rights leader Dr. Bernice Johnson at 7 p.m. Friday at Seventh and James Baptist Church.

After Reagon's formative work in the 60s, she went on to work with the Smithsonian Institute and record the history of African-Americans. Darden said he is highly looking forward to her perspective on such a critical time in American history.

"For me, it's a once in a lifetime experience, to hear Dr. Bernice Johnson Reagon," Darden said. "She's a towering figure in civil rights. She was there when it started. She was imprisoned and threatened and beaten and marched. She's a seminal figure."

Darden said because of her historical work and musical influence Reagon is referenced throughout "Nothing But Love in God's Water." He also said was excited the Jones

Family Singers, a famous African-American sacred gospel singing group, are returning to the symposium this year. The group will perform on Saturday morning at a Gospel Brunch.

Kathy Hillman, director of Baptist collections and library advancement, said she was looking forward to the speakers and gospel singing group coming to Waco.

"They're lively, fun and encourage a lot of audience participation," Hillman said. "They are a lot of fun, but their music can be exciting and then suddenly serious, in my experience."

Also speaking at the conference is Dr. Dwaldalyn Reece, curator of music and performing arts at the Smithsonian's National Museum of African-American History and Culture; Dr. Emmett Price, director of the James Abbingtion Church Music Academy; Dr. Bergitta Johnson, assistant professor of ethnomusicology at the University of South Carolina; and Dr. James Abbingtion, associate professor of church music and worship at Emory University.

Further information on the symposium can be found at www.baylor.edu/pruit.

Nothing but Love in God's Water

Black Sacred Music from the Civil War to the Civil Rights Movement



ROBERT DARDEN

COURTESY ART

The 2014 Pruitt Symposium will feature a variety of gospel music and the release of Robert Darden's book "Nothing but Love in God's Water."

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netically modified.

"Now we have the plant that the mosquitoes are very happy with," he said. "Now we can work on the machinery of putting that toxin gene in and get it expressed."

Kearney said his team has isolated the protein produced in the nectar and worked out its gene sequence. He will try to replace the protein gene with a toxic gene and put it back into the plant.

Kearney said toxic bite nets and indoor sprays have been successful in lowering mosquito population in many areas, but mosquitoes adapt to these methods by moving outdoors. New ways of controlling them are needed.

Sim said the biology department is developing a new tropical diseases track for undergraduates in collaboration with the Baylor College of Medicine. It will prepare students to work on research and health care related to these diseases.

Although the tropical diseases have a significant impact in the Third World, Sim said their research is not getting

enough funding in the United States because the problem seems far away.

"I think we only worry about ourselves for the most part," Kearney said. "Very few people in America know what dengue is. It is the worst mosquito-borne disease in the Americas. We don't even know about it. But when it moves northward, we will."

Kearney said the threats are getting closer.

"With global warming, southern parts of United States are tropical now," he said. "South Florida and South Texas are the next places where you can have diseases move in."

Sim said the spread of Ebola reminds people that problems in the developing countries can become their own.

"Ebola is one of the tropical diseases, and was not familiar with people in the United States," Sim said. "But it's not their issue. It affects the entire globe. That brings us some new signals. If we cannot help them, it can be our issue anytime."

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hugs.

Base Col. John Devillier said Fowle had a tearful reunion, and that Fowle seemed thrilled.

"We had a great reunion for an American citizen coming home," he said.

Devillier said Fowle's family hadn't told the children why they were being brought to the base.

"The reaction from his children was priceless," Devillier said.

The surprise was the work of Fowle's wife, Tatyana, who only told the children they weren't going to school Wednesday.

"Jeff likes surprises," Tatyana Fowle said Wednesday afternoon at a news conference in Moraine. Jeffrey Fowle stood beside her and smiled at times, but he did not make any statements or answer questions.

Tony Hall, a retired diplomat and former Ohio congressman who used his connections with North Korean officials to discuss Fowle's case, said he was excited about Fowle's release.

A lot of people were involved, he said, but he declined to name any of the officials in Pyongyang to whom he reached out. He said he was never asked by either the U.S. or North Korea to go to Pyongyang on Fowle's behalf.

The Swedish Embassy in Pyongyang, along with China and Japan and envoys from Mongolia, were also involved, Hall said.

Hall said he got involved at the request of Fowle's family and attorney, as well as the State De-

partment, which led the push for Fowle's release.

"So I spent a lot of time communicating and trying to use some of the relations I'd built up over the years," Hall told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Outside the family's home in rural southwest Ohio, family attorney Timothy Tepe said Fowle had been treated well by the North Korean government and needed time to adjust to life at home.

"The past 24 hours have been a whirlwind for Jeff and his family," Tepe said.

Fowle arrived in North Korea on April 29 and was arrested in May for leaving a Bible at the nightclub, something Fowle acknowledged in interviews with the AP. Christian evangelism is considered a crime in North Korea.

He had been awaiting trial — the only one of three Americans held by Pyongyang who had not been convicted of charges.

The two others were each sentenced to years in North Korean prisons after court trials that lasted no more than 90 minutes. The three Americans entered North Korea separately.

The Fowle family, despite their joy, is mindful that two other Americans continue are detained by North Korea and they understand the disappointment their families are experiencing, Tepe said.

The city of Moraine terminated Fowle last month, but his job with the street department is available



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Fowle was detained for nearly half a year in North Korea after leaving a Bible at a nightclub. Christian evangelism is considered a crime in North Korea.

for him, Mayor Elaine Allison said Wednesday. Fowle will likely go back to work, Tepe said.

There was no immediate explanation for the release of Fowle, who was whisked to the U.S. territory of Guam, where doctors declared him in good health, before heading back to Ohio.

A Korean Central News Agency report said Kim Jong Un, the leader of North Korea, took "a special

measure" by releasing Fowle, who was referred to as a "U.S. criminal." The report said Kim took "into consideration the repeated requests of U.S. President Barack Obama."

Relations between Washington and Pyongyang, never warm, are at a particularly low point, and the U.S. has sought unsuccessfully for months to send a high-level representative to North Korea to negoti-

ate acquittals for all three men.

In Berlin, Secretary of State John Kerry said "there was no quid pro quo" for the release of Fowle.

In Washington, State Department deputy spokeswoman Marie Harf downplayed suggestions that Fowle's release could be a step toward a diplomatic thawing between North Korea and the U.S. She said the Obama administration remains keenly focused on

whether North Korea will engage in negotiations to end its nuclear weapons program.

"The ball is in their court in terms of that," Harf said of Pyongyang. She said Fowle's release "is a positive development on one case. But we need to see positive developments on the other cases. We need to see any steps towards denuclearization, which we haven't seen."

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Twisty lives up to name in 'Horror Story'

By GINA MCINTYRE
LOS ANGELES TIMES (TNS)

When "American Horror Story" creator Ryan Murphy first contacted actor John Carroll Lynch about a possible role on the fourth season of his gleefully deranged hit, he was upfront about his aims for a new character, a silent, grinning killer straight out of a child's nightmare.

"He described it in a way that I understood it to be somebody calling me up and going, 'We'd like you to play my version of the Phantom of the Opera,'" Lynch recalled recently. "He said he wanted to create the most terrifying clown in the history of television."

By all accounts, he succeeded. Lynch's Twisty the Clown has become the chief talking point of "American Horror Story: Freak Show," quite an achievement considering Murphy stocked the latest season of his Emmy-winning anthology series with conjoined twins, a bearded Kathy Bates and a three-breasted hermaphrodite played by Angela Bassett.

The artistic grandchild of Tod Browning's "Freaks" and Kather-

ine Dunn's cult novel "Geek Love," "Freak Show" centers on stardom-obsessed Marlene Dietrich wannabe Elsa Mars (Jessica Lange), who brings her carnival to Jupiter, Fla., in 1952 and soon recruits conjoined sisters Dot and Bette Tattler (Sarah Paulson) into her revue, certain that they'll revive flagging interest in the show.

But the locals greet the performers with hostility and suspicion, which only intensifies after a series of inexplicable murders and abductions shocks the sleepy Southern town.

Unlike Elsa's circus, "Freak Show" had no trouble attracting viewers when it debuted earlier this month. A total of 10 million people watched the season premiere, making it the most watched program in the history of FX.

Not surprisingly, the show already has been renewed for a fifth season, and Murphy is also creating a companion series, "American Crime Story," for the cable channel.

Not everyone was pleased with what they saw, however — some children's entertainers complained that Twisty was likely to exacerbate coulrophobia, the fear of clowns.



The new season of "American Horror Story" features a fan favorite, serial killer clown named Twisty. The character is played by John Carroll Lynch.

And they might have a point.

In his first moments on screen, Twisty, wearing stained satin ruffles and a mask of giant teeth, interrupts a lovers' lakeside picnic, presenting a young woman with plastic flowers before stabbing her boyfriend to death on their red, checkered blanket.

He imprisons his living victims in an abandoned school bus hidden in a remote locale.

Lynch insists, though, that while Twisty is a terrifying villain, he's more than just a mute slasher, and upcoming installments of the show, including a two-part Halloween episode, will reveal telling

details about his personal story.

"It's great to play a character that is so starkly drawn, and it's really fun to be a bad guy," Lynch said. "In this case I really like that Ryan and the writers have provided not only a really terrific, scary character, but also they provided a lot of humanity that you'll learn about as the season progresses."

"I think a lesser actor would have thought of it as a ghoul or something two-dimensional and just walked around and wore the makeup and would have done nothing else," said Finn Wittrock, who plays Twisty's "acolyte" Dandy Mott on the series.

"John, even when he's just walking around, he's really doing the work of an actor and finding some emotional depth. As the episodes go on, you learn a lot more about Twisty's humanity, so he gets to show his chops a little bit more."

When weighing whether to play Twisty, Lynch said he found himself intrigued by the hurdles he'd need to leap for the role.

"I knew that the character was going to be primarily silent and that was a challenge," he said. "I knew the character, most of his

face was going to be covered and that was a challenge. It's like if you were boxing and somebody said, 'We'd like you to fight that guy, but we'd like you to fight that guy just with your feet and we'll tie your hands behind your back.' I would say no to that challenge, but I said yes to this one."

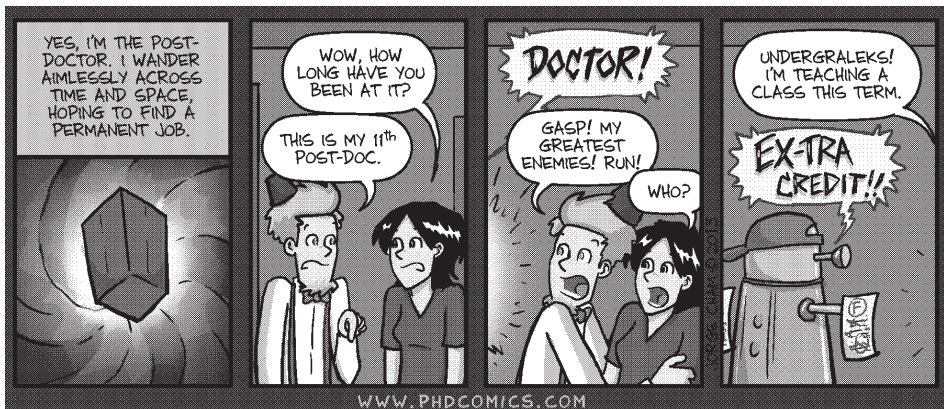
For the record, Lynch said he's not frightened of clowns.

"I don't have any issues with clowns — I feel like I owe them an apology, in some ways," he said. "My crazy fear is I'm always afraid my keys are going to fall down a subway grate when I walk over it. I'm afraid they're going to jump out of my pocket and fall down. Isn't that stupid?"

The actor described the experience of seeing himself for the first time in full costume as "macabre, to say the least." He made balloon animals during the roughly 90 minutes it took for makeup artists to apply the character's skullcap and sadistic smile, a prosthetic appliance that covers the bottom portion of Lynch's face.

"When I'm running, it cuts off my air supply pretty well, so that can be uncomfortable," Lynch said.

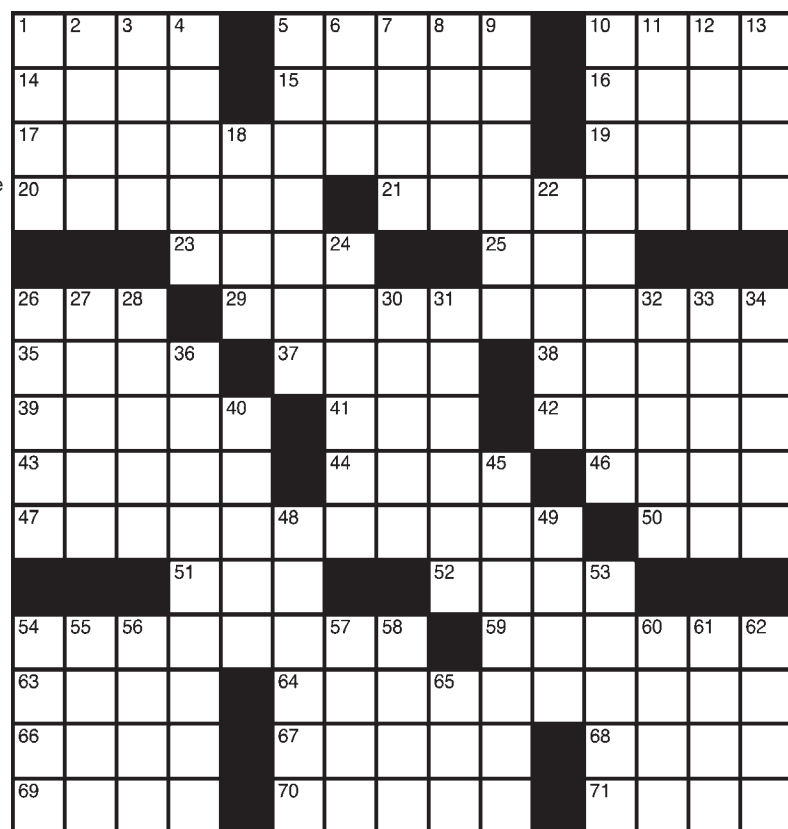
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 - In dreamland
 - Smashes to smithereens
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 - Univ. aides
 - Jamaican music
 - Species of falcon also called an American kestrel
 - Boot parts
 - ___-Ball: arcade game
 - "I'm not kidding!"
 - Dreads sporter
 - What's always in poetry?
 - "___ So Vain": Carly Simon hit
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 - Optic layer
 - Feds under Ness
 - Epic novel symbolized by the ends of 17- and 29-Across
 - Future 32-Down: Abbr.
 - "Go for the Goal" author Hamm
 - Sales rep's tool
 - Gym gear
 - Musical ineptitude
 - 1998 Sarah McLachlan hit
 - Author of 47-Across
 - Witty remark
 - Pasty
 - Italian volcano
 - Egyptian symbol of life
 - Garden path piece
 - After-school mall frequenter



- Down**
- Crunched stuff
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 - Lass
 - "Pirates of Silicon Valley" figure
 - Knight crew?
 - Bit of fishing tackle
 - Give ___ to: okay
 - Relocate
 - Magic word
 - Miss, as an intended target
 - Roughly 2.2 pounds, briefly
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 - Votes for
 - Eye-piece piece
 - Lion-colored
 - Start, as a new hobby
 - Camel's undoing
 - Tree-dwelling marsupial
 - Pantheon led by Odin
 - Superman player
 - Enjoy again, as a cherished book
 - Ones who no longer have class?
 - Cable installer, at times
 - Wails
 - Post-workout relaxation spot
 - Musical set in an orphanage
 - Salon solvent
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 - Oscar winner Jannings
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BU falls to West Virginia 3-1

By **CODY SOTO**
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor volleyball dropped a disappointing 3-1 loss to West Virginia Wednesday night inside the Ferrell Center 20-25, 21-25, 25-22, 19-25 to extend its six-game winless streak in conference play.

"We're able to play well at times and be ahead of teams, but we don't play consistently enough to finish teams off," head coach Jim Barnes said. "Tonight, we didn't serve very well, so they were able to run their offense how they wanted."

The Bears (11-11, 1-6 Big 12) have now started Big 12 play with the worst record since 2005, Barnes's second year at Baylor.

Baylor posted a .233 hitting effort but were unable to take down the Mountaineers (13-8, 3-4 Big

12) who brought the Big 12 kill leader to Waco: sophomore outside hitter Jordan Anderson. Anderson posted 19 kills to win the match.

Junior outside hitter Andie Malloy lead all hitters with 20 kills and added 11 digs for her 13th double-double of the season. Freshman outside hitter Katie Staiger followed behind her with 15 kills.

"Blocking in the first couple of sets wasn't solid, myself included," sophomore middle hitter Tola Itiola said. "We weren't getting good touches on the block."

Junior setter Amy Rosenbaum led all players with 51 assists in the loss. Sophomore middle hitter Sam Hill posted four blocks at the net, but the Mountaineers posted 11 blocks over the Bears' seven to lead at the net.

Serving crippled Baylor in the match. The team tallied for seven reception errors and five service errors. West Virginia did not give up one serve to leave Baylor with no service aces in the game.

"We need to be a lot more consistent and have everyone on the same page at all times," Staiger said. "We should have been able to get around their blocks."

The Bears started out neck-and-neck with the Mountaineers for the first 10 points but soon trailed the rest of the set. The Bears soared back into the match and forced a WVU timeout at 20-20. Five errors by the Bears gave the Mountaineers the opening set 25-20.

Disaster hit Baylor in the opening of the second set. The Mountaineers led 7-1 and maintained a comfortable lead through the set.

However, the Bears fought back and tightened the lead, but Baylor could not gain enough momentum to force extra points and dropped the second set 25-21 and headed into the locker room down 2-0.

It seemed as if another Baylor team emerged from the locker room to play the third set. The Bears played nice, clean and good volleyball to take a 17-10 lead before West Virginia was forced to call a timeout. The Bears were held to two set points but were able to take the third set 25-22 behind a kill by Malloy.

"We changed our blocking up in the third set and were able to slow them down at the net. In the rest of the sets, we couldn't maintain that," Barnes said.

Set four looked hopeful for the Bears early on as they kept up



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Freshman libero Jana Brusek gets low to return a volley from West Virginia on Wednesday. The Bears lost to the Mountaineers 3-1.

with West Virginia to tie 6-6. The Mountaineers surged on a 4-0 run to force a Baylor timeout, and the Bears could not put the pieces together to get back in the set. Baylor headed back on the court down 22-19 and gave up three straight

points for West Virginia to win the set 25-19 and the match in four sets.

Baylor stays at home to host Iowa State on Saturday night in the Ferrell Center. Game time is set for 7 p.m.

Big 12 soccer: West Virginia alone on top, Baylor not out yet

By **JEFFREY SWINDOLL**
SPORTS WRITER

West Virginia (11-2-2, 4-0-1)

After blanking the No. 9 Kansas Jayhawks 2-0 on Sunday, the Mountaineers are without a doubt the top team in the conference. Against conference opponents, West Virginia netted 11 goals and conceded only twice – a league-best in both categories. The Mountaineers also took the Big 12's Offensive Player of the Week and Defensive Player of the Week honors after an impressive weekend against Kansas and Iowa State.

Kansas (14-3-0, 4-2-0)

The Jayhawks were flying high with a perfect 4-0-0 record in the first half of Big 12 play, but hit some turbulence this weekend against Texas Tech and West Virginia. For the first time this season, Kansas failed

to score a single goal over a two-match span, losing 1-0 against Texas Tech and 2-0 against West Virginia. The Jayhawks are still one of the league's best teams, as the two teams projected to finish at No. 1 and 2 in the Big 12 dealt their only two conference losses.

Oklahoma State (9-7-1, 4-1-1)

The Cowgirls have won three matches in a row and subtly climbed the standings to be tied with West Virginia for first place in the Big 12. Though they have shot up the standing a bit under the radar, the Cowgirls have been anything but lacking in firepower. OSU scored eight goals in six conference matches, and only conceded four goals against Big 12 teams.

Baylor (8-5-2, 2-2-1)

Last weekend the Bears recorded an impressive 2-1 win against OU in Norman, Okla., revitalizing their Big 12 campaign.

Baylor's season has been like a rollercoaster ride, with highs like beating BYU in Utah and lows like their first home loss of the season in their Big 12 opener against Kansas. After winning their first conference road game of the in Norman, the Bears look to finish out the season strong when they face two of the best teams in the conference (Texas Tech and West Virginia) away from home.

Texas Tech (12-3-1, 2-3-1)

At this point, shots and offensive creativity is a guarantee for the Red Raiders. Texas Tech totaled a league-high 101 shots and 26 corner kicks in their last 6 matches. In contrast, the Red Raiders average 0.83 goals per game while conceding 1.17 goals per game against conference opponents. Texas Tech is tied with Baylor in the conference standings (7 points) and have a chance of redeeming their slow start to

conference play by pulling ahead of the Bears this Friday.

Oklahoma (8-6-2, 2-3-0)

The Sooners gave up their first loss to the Bears in over a decade last weekend, and are now in a three-way tie with Baylor and Texas Tech with 7 points (fourth place) in the conference standings. Getting upset from BU and sucker punched 2-1 by Oklahoma State set the Sooners back in the standings. The remaining schedule will be tough for all conference, but it will be especially challenging for the Sooners.

TCU (8-6-3, 1-3-3)

Picking up their first win in conference play this season, the Horned Frogs are tied with the Longhorns for second-last in the league (6 points). After tying against the league-leading West Virginia, many anticipated a better season thus far from the Horned Frogs. TCU has just one game re-

maining in the Big 12 against the league-worst Iowa State Cyclones.

Texas (8-6-2, 2-3-0)

Inconsistency has plagued the Longhorns in Big 12 this season. Currently on a two-game losing stream and three challenging matches remaining against Baylor, OU and OSU, the Longhorns have a big task ahead of them to break out of their tie with TCU in the conference standings.

Iowa State (6-9-9, 0-5-0)

The record speaks for itself. The Cyclones have gone from bad to worse this season. Iowa State has yet to score a goal in five Big 12 matches. The Cyclones are the only team in the conference that has not posted a shutout in Big 12 play. To make matters worse, the Cyclones play two of the best teams in the conference on the road next weekend (Kansas and Texas Tech).

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