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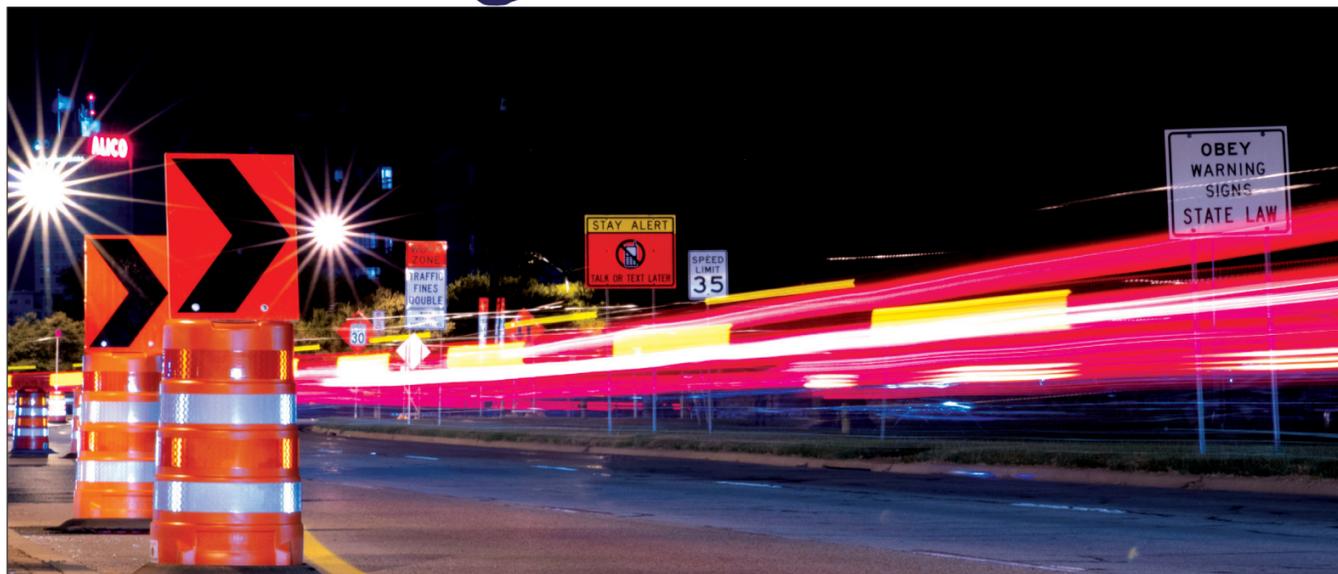
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Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor

New plans for Waco nightlife

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

Waco's entertainment scene is primed for expansion with numerous businesses confirmed or rumored to come to the city in the near future.

Two entertainment complexes are planned for the area near Central Texas Marketplace - a development between I-35 and New Road developed by NewQuest Properties and a site off of I-35 and Loop 340 developed by MKT Real

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I-35 construction shakes up campus traffic; completion expected in 2024

TYLER BUI
Staff Writer

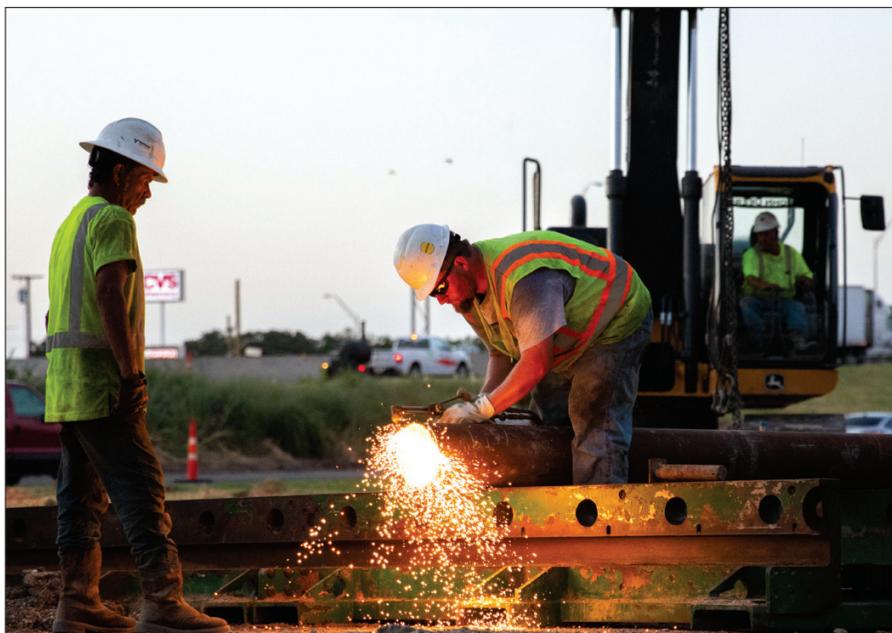
Reconstruction of Interstate 35 continues to make changes on and around the Baylor campus, with updates like lane closures and construction zones having the potential to affect members of the Baylor and Waco communities.

Lori Fogleman, assistant vice president of media and public relations for Baylor, and Kenneth Roberts, public information officer for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), will both play an important role in communicating the changes and traffic updates to the Baylor community.

According to Fogleman and Roberts, a few major changes have been accomplished thus far: the I-35 pedestrian bridge at Eighth Street has been removed, I-35 downtown Fourth and Fifth Street exit 335A has been removed, a portion of Dutton Avenue has been temporarily closed between Fifth Street and Eighth Street and the process of removing the 11th and 12th Street bridge has begun.

In a recent Aug. 13 BaylorNewsFlash, further updates were mentioned regarding lane closures and how they could affect traffic.

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Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor

ROAD WORK AHEAD Construction workers prep piping for installation in the expansion on I-35, a stretch of interstate considered to be 'Main Street Texas.'



Photo courtesy of TxDOT

LGBTQ group sets target on charter

CARSON LEWIS
Page One Editor

The group is composed of Baylor students, has a president and officer positions and meets weekly for group activities. It functions in the same way as many Baylor clubs with activities like discussions and bowling nights. But this group of students can't claim to have what other organizations have: an official charter from the university. That's what they want to change.

Gamma Alpha Upsilon (GAY), an unofficial LGBTQ group on campus, is looking to the new semester with hopes of becoming an official chartered organization. Formerly known as SIF

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Texas Legislature passes bills to combat college sexual assault

MEREDITH HOWARD
Staff Writer

Two Texas laws regarding sexual assault on college campuses will take effect in September — House Bill 1735 and Senate Bill 212.

House Bill 1735 requires a college to provide a policy to its student body and faculty about sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking and dating violence.

The policy must include definitions of prohibited behavior, sanctions for violations, protocol for reporting and an explanation of an alleged victim's rights, plus additional information outlined in the bill.

The law takes effect on Sept. 1 unless a vote passes that would speed up the integration process.

Laura Johnson, Baylor's Title IX coordinator, said in an email to the Lariat that Baylor's current policy "already meets many of the HB 1735 requirements and is consistent with existing federal policies that are very similar."

Hoffman Estates, Ill., sophomore Zachary Tufenkjian is the co-president of It's On Us BU, Baylor's branch of a national organization against sexual assault on college campuses. Tufenkjian agreed with Johnson's statement that Baylor's policy requirements were already similar to those included in the new bill.

"As far as changes at Baylor go, I don't think it would affect that much beyond reinforcing what we are already doing," Tufenkjian said.

In addition, Senate Bill 212 also passed this June, and it designates college employees (not including student employees) as mandated reporters of sexual misconduct.

This means that any Baylor employee, including a professor, who is not sanctioned as a confidential person must report any knowledge of possible sexual misconduct to the Title IX coordinator or deputy coordinator. Confidential people may still make reports that provide limited information about the alleged victim under specific circumstances.

Almost all faculty and staff members were already required by Baylor policy to file reports about alleged sexual misconduct, but Senate Bill 212 provides distinct requirements regarding who is a mandated or confidential reporter and what information reports must contain.

Tufenkjian said it is important for students to be informed on who is classified as a confidential reporter.

The only Confidential Resources on Baylor's campus are the counseling center, the health services center, the University Chaplain and the Employee Assistance Program.

Kerry Burkley, the children's program director at the Advocacy

Center for Crime Victims and Children in Waco and a part-time Baylor faculty member, had concerns about Senate Bill 212 requiring certain faculty members to file reports.

"I'd have to really step lightly on responding to whether or not the mandated component of the law is ideal for making sure that students who are victims of sexual assault have a space to at least tell people about it without having the fear that, 'If I tell you and I don't want it to be known, you're going to make this known,'" Burkley said.

For more information, both bills are available at capitol.texas.gov

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EDITORIAL

Stop the self-fulfilling prophecy

Entering new school year with pessimism limits full experiences

As a new school year begins, it's common to experience a variety of changes—teachers, classes, activities and possibly roommates or housing. For freshmen, almost everything will be an adjustment.

A new school year is a fresh start and leaves us each with an important choice to make—will we allow challenging new changes help us grow and learn, or will we decide something is bad before we give it a real chance?

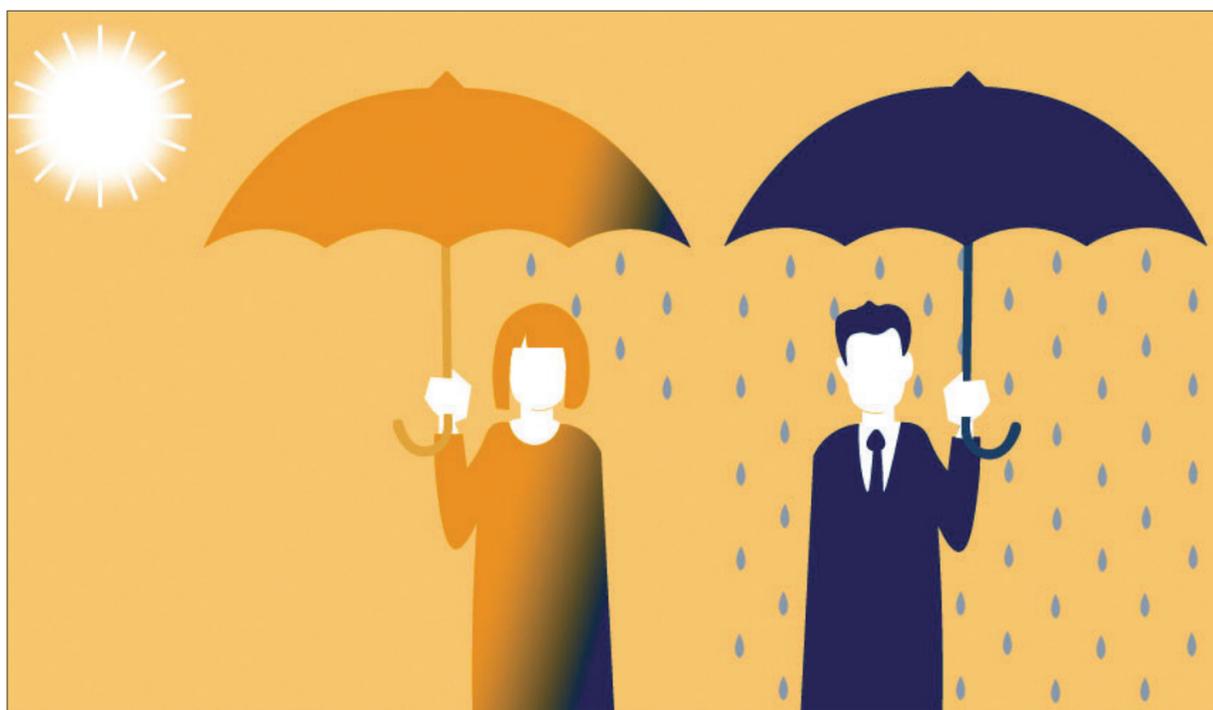
When we choose the latter, our situation can become a self-fulfilling prophecy. If you enter the school year with a mindset that Waco is boring, you will likely spend the entire semester not branching out or exploring the city during your free time. If you enter a class with a mindset that the teacher will be horrible, you will likely look for ways to complain to your friends or not make an effort to know the teacher personally.

When we mentally decide that something is bad before giving it a real shot, we almost search for things to go wrong in an effort to justify our original opinion. Having this attitude—no matter what the circumstance is—isn't healthy and commonly leads to a negative outcome.

To best avoid the trap of the self-fulfilling prophecy, ask yourself questions before changes occur or after they happen. Did I have a bias about this situation before I entered into it? Am I relying on the opinions of others instead of forming my own? Am I making an effort to learn more about a situation before I form a snap judgment?

Similarly, think about how the people you surround yourself with influences the way you feel about certain people or situations. Do you really hate that teacher, or are you swayed by the fact that your roommate last year constantly complained about them?

A negative self-fulfilling prophecy is common— if we haven't done it to ourselves, we've witnessed it happen for our family or friends. It typically plays out something like



Ashley Brooke Boyd | Cartoonist

this— a change happens in our lives that we didn't expect and we have difficulty processing it.

This change can be something we had a negative bias toward before it occurred, or something we expected to go perfectly for us before it didn't. When we assume change will result in instant success, it's easy to be let down and discouraged by things that don't go our way.

In either situation, we can have a tendency to search for things to go wrong or for negative examples in day-to-day life so that our opinions

can be validated. But at the end of the day, does this mindset really achieve anything?

It doesn't. Our experiences don't begin to improve until we choose to improve our attitudes. When we take the time to give something or someone a shot instead of immediately dismissing them, we may begin to appreciate and find value and meaning in places that we had originally chosen to dislike. There are obviously exceptions and every situation is different, but nine times out of 10, a shift in

mindset can result in a more fulfilling outcome.

As we begin this new school year, we have the option to make anything a negative self-fulfilling prophecy—a class, an event, a group or club, a person, or even a school or a city. We can also choose to give something a fair shot before we make a judgment and decide for ourselves what we believe.

The decision is ours, so let's choose to think carefully, positively and in a way that embraces change before dismissing it.

COLUMN

Debunking freshman myths

SHAE KOHARSKI
Social Media Editor

I'm going into my final year here at Baylor and I'm one of the students who doesn't want to leave. I was a transfer student coming from another college, so I had a little bit of college experience under my belt, but that didn't stop me from having those first-time jitters and assumptions – I felt like I was starting over again. Those expectations started to fly out the window on my 28-hour drive to campus. Baylor became my new home, and I hope the same for you.

You're a new student on campus. First of all, welcome to Baylor – we are so excited to have you be a Bear! It's a new world filled with experiences just waiting for you. But this is all new to you and you may have some expectations. Here are some expectations versus realities about your first year at Baylor.

Expectation	Reality
I'm going to have a hard time getting involved.	I'm in so many clubs and orgs, I don't know what to do with myself!

It's a common question incoming students have: how do I get involved? Here on campus, we have over 300 clubs that are ready for students to join. Late Night, on Friday, is an event on campus that showcases all the clubs for new students to see and talk with some of the student leaders.

Expectation	Reality
It's going to be hard making friends.	My Instagram follower count keeps climbing!

New students are all in the same boat when they first come to college. They're excited, and maybe the nerves are running a little high, but realizing everyone is feeling the same way can help. Don't be afraid to say hi or smile on campus. I made friends with my roommates, in class, at work, at sporting games and in the library.

Expectation	Reality
I'm not going to be in Moody the first two weeks of classes.	I've already found my Moody spot on the fourth day of classes.

Classes are going to come fast and you don't want to get behind. Surprisingly, students are at Moody Memorial Library the first week of classes. It's important to get a head start and keep on top of your work. Make it a habit to get to Moody early to get a seat.

Expectation	Reality
I won't miss home at all!	Hey, mom! Just calling to let you know I just got an Iced Cowboy at Common Grounds. Call me back!

Some people get homesick and sometimes they don't. It's a natural feeling when you go away to school. It doesn't matter if they live 10 minutes down the street or several countries away, it happens. It doesn't diminish your college experience at all. We've all been there, crying in our dorms, wishing we could go home. Just know it passes. Surround yourself with your fellow Bears. Asking your parents to send photos of your dog always helps too.

Expectation	Reality
I'm going to dress nice for class.	Third day of class? I'll break out the oversized shirts now.

Everyone says they're going to dress nice the first few weeks of class. It's a new start, so why not dress the part? Well, once you step outside in the Texas heat in a cute dress you got from Forever 21 and walk down the stairs, you're probably already drenched and ready to change. Don't worry – we've all been there.

Incoming Bears, this is going to be a great journey for you. The Baylor Family is one like no other. Keep your mind open, get sleep, smile often and don't be afraid to explore.

Shae is a senior journalism new media major from Russell, Mass.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



TAYLOR WOLF
Editor-in-Chief

Dear Readers,
I'm so excited to welcome you back home! Thank you for tuning in to the Lariat.

Every single member of our team is passionate about this craft and works diligently – often more than we should – to ensure the Baylor and Waco community stays informed, engaged and aware.

Last year, Baylor Student Media won over 180 awards. While I couldn't be prouder and expect to see a continuation this quality in our work, I also want to focus on readership engagement this year. The staff wants to get to know you guys and improve upon sharing your voices and perspectives.

So, pick up the paper! Submit Lariat Letters! Watch LTVN! Engage with us through social media! Come join us on campus when we have events (that almost always have free stuff), and reach out to an editor if you've enjoyed their content. What do you want to see more of? Let us know what news is important to you.

Get to know us! We want to get to know you. Our job is to serve the community; and even as full-time students, we do our absolute best to do so, daily.

Best of luck with the semester, Bears!

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Bears go international



BEARS IN A CAVE Students go cave exploring in Madrid after a visit to El Palacio de Cristal (the Glass Palace).
Photo courtesy of Kacie Scharf



SIC'EM TO THE MOUNTAIN TOPS No Dracula here! Students throw up their best Sic'em while hiking in Transylvania.
Photo courtesy of Lizzie Darwin



GETTING CULTURED Students and faculty learned about the Nywaigi Aboriginal culture in Mungalla Station, Australia.
Photo courtesy of Josh Bell

Baylor multimedia students study in Budapest

TYLER BUI
Staff Writer

This summer, Baylor students had the opportunity to study abroad in 26 different countries and on six continents. While experiencing diverse cultures and environments around the world, students were simultaneously able to focus on their academics and major.

Baylor in Australia is a 24-day trip where students travel to 11 destinations. The program focuses on the environmental conservation and natural history of North Queensland, Australia.

Along with spending time inside a classroom, Baylor in Australia provides a more interactive curriculum where students can develop a better understanding of the environment by experiencing it firsthand.

Boerne junior Josh Bell, an environmental science major who partook in the program, said that its immersive nature helped him gain more knowledge about his field of study.

"We spent 75% of our time outside, so most of our trip was hands-on with a lot of visual experiences," Bell said. "Our lectures ranged from being on a boat to a classroom in the middle of the rainforest. It really just depended on finding a place where our professors could teach us."

During the program, a typical day for students involved both studying and experiencing Australian culture. The itinerary was filled with different experiences involving environmental science including snorkeling, hiking, wildlife viewing and camping.

"Usually, the first half of the day was spent listening to a lecture or doing school work, but the information was so interesting that it never felt like work," Bell said. "Afternoons were spent traveling around town and experiencing the local culture."

Bell said he had many favorite parts of the trip but the Great Barrier Reef stood out in particular.

"I'd say the winning moment was spending two days on the Great Barrier Reef," Bell said. "We visited six different sites and did studies on two of the sites. The diversity of the reef was similar to the stars—you can't even begin to count all the different types of fish and coral. It's pretty crazy."

Houston senior Lizzie Darwin, a journalism, public relations and new media major, studied abroad through Baylor in Budapest.

Students began their trip spending five days in Prague, Czech Republic before traveling to Budapest, their main destination. There, students spent their time studying, exploring and contributing to *The Bundle Magazine*, a student-run multimedia magazine backed by the Department of Journalism, Public Relations and New Media at Baylor.

During the students' time in Budapest, they worked on a special edition of *The Bundle* that documented their experiences while abroad.

"You really had to understand the culture to do your work," Darwin said. "What was so cool about working for *The Bundle* was that we were writing about how we experienced life in Budapest. We were able to document how we lived our lives to the fullest in those short five weeks."

In addition to working on *The Bundle*, students attended class Monday through Friday in the mornings and were given free time in the afternoons to explore the city and local attractions. After two weeks in Budapest, students traveled to Romania for three days where they stayed with host families.

"It was so cool to be in such a different environment—there was minimal electricity in Romania and it was really nice to get away from the big city and transition into the countryside," Darwin said.

The students returned to Budapest where they stayed for the remainder of their trip before traveling home. Reflecting on her trip, Darwin thought it was amazing how she was able to fully

immerse herself in European culture.

"Being able to go somewhere and really live in the reality of the culture, not just from a tourist perspective was amazing," Darwin said. "We got to experience what it's really like to live in Hungary."

Gretna, Neb., junior Kacie Scharf, an international business and finance major, studied abroad through Baylor in Denia.

The program is five weeks long and focuses on immersing students in the culture and language of Spain. Students were encouraged to take advantage of their environment and speak Spanish as often as possible.

"We spoke Spanish at all our mealtimes, which really helped me to improve my speaking abilities," Scharf said. "It was definitely a big change and I still have a lot to learn, but I think being surrounded by Spanish speakers has helped me improve a lot faster than I thought."

Scharf said one of her favorite aspects of studying abroad was the differences in culture that she noticed.

"One big difference between Spain and the United States is during lunchtime—in Spain, you take a siesta every day. You are expected to take a few hours and enjoy your meal. It's really different from the United States where you're rushed out as soon as possible. We were able to enjoy our meal and each other's company each day," Scharf said.

On a typical day, students finished class around 12:15 p.m. and had the afternoon to go into town and experience the culture in Denia.

"It was really amazing to be able to experience the culture in Spain because most of the cities are so much older than the United States," Scharf said. "The country has so much history to offer and I loved being able to see how it has changed over time."

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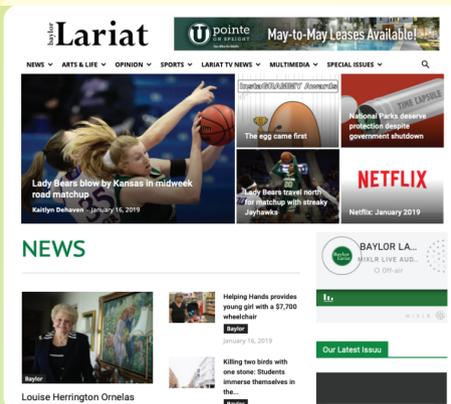
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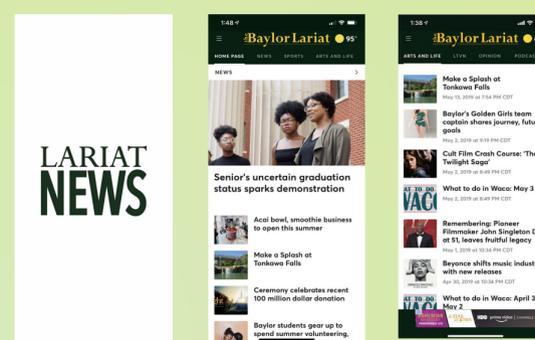
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Former faculty member alleges anti-male bias in new Title IX lawsuit

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

An unnamed former assistant professor of economics accused Baylor University of gender-based discrimination in a Title IX lawsuit filed Aug. 9. In the lawsuit, John Doe alleges Baylor found him guilty of sexual misconduct on the basis of his male gender.

The lawsuit claims Baylor compensated for recent sexual assault scandals by enacting a “university-wide culture of anti-male bias and intimidation inconsistent with its stated Christian principles.” Doe alleges he was terminated from his position as a result of this culture following accusations of sexual misconduct.

Four causes of action against Baylor are listed: violation of Title IX, violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, violation of Texas Labor Code and a breach of contract between the plaintiff and Baylor.

The lawsuit details a relationship between Doe and an unnamed female complainant that lasted from November 2017 until June 7, 2018. During this relationship, the lawsuit claims “all sexual interactions between Plaintiff and Complainant were consensual.”

The suit claims Baylor’s investigation into the Title IX complaint against Doe was allegedly flawed throughout. The complaint says Baylor determined that the “Plaintiff did not violate any personnel policies related to his relationship with Complainant.”

After the plaintiff ended the relationship, the lawsuit alleges his accuser “made false allegations



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about Plaintiff’s behavior to Baylor’s Title IX office,” and Baylor’s Title IX Coordinator, Laura Johnson, encouraged the woman to file the complaint. The lawsuit claims the complainant’s text messages to a friend describe Johnson told her “even if [Complainant] didn’t have good evidence [Baylor] wouldn’t be in the position to doubt [Complainant].”

Baylor released a statement saying it will “vigorously defend” itself against the claims made by Doe in the lawsuit. According to the statement, the Title IX office found Doe in violation of university policy prohibiting “non-consensual sexual contact with a student and romantic and/or sexual relationships between faculty members and undergraduate students.”

Baylor also clarified in the statement that Doe resigned from his position at the university prior to the completion of the Title IX investigation. The school went on to dispute the plaintiff’s claims of anti-male bias.

“Baylor is not aware of any evidence to substantiate the claims being made regarding anti-male bias at the University,” the statement read. “Baylor strives to provide impartial and fair process to all participants regardless of their sex.”

According to the lawsuit a faculty supervisor told the plaintiff “Title IX investigators were prone to conclude that a violation occurred as soon as an allegation was made,” and that he was unsure if she could handle the case in an unbiased manner.

The lawsuit also claims the faculty supervisor told the plaintiff that the Title IX investigator of the complaint “is not fair” and that he was unsure if she could handle the case in an unbiased manner.

The former assistant professor is asking for compensation for damages to his reputation, economic losses, attorney fees and expunging all records related to the disciplinary process Baylor conducted.



Nathan de la Cerda | Multimedia Journalist

BOOK IT Martin Museum of Art will have Cultural Event Experiences where students can earn class credit. Students can check out the current exhibition called “Masters from the Martin: Édouard Léon Cortès”.

Arts and Sciences students required to attend cultural events

MEREDITH HOWARD
Staff Writer

Students in the College of Arts and Sciences will now be required to attend 12 Cultural Event Experiences (CEEs) in categories like theater and art in order to graduate as part of a change in the core curriculum.

The goal of these events is to “expose students to a wide variety of fine arts and cultural events on the Baylor campus and with Baylor-sponsored programs,” according to Baylor’s 2019 Arts and Sciences core curriculum.

This initiative is part of an entirely restructured core for Arts and Sciences students. They are still required to take at least one fine arts course, but the core load is meant to be lighter. The new curriculum will be applied to freshmen and transfer students entering Baylor in the fall of 2019 and later.

According to Carrolle Kamperman, associate dean

for undergraduate studies, students can receive credit for four events per year. Kamperman said transfer students with 30 credits will have to attend 10 events and students with 60 hours will attend six events.

Students must go to two events in the areas of art, music, theater, film and literature/world cultures. The remaining two events can be in any category.

Kamperman said that this requirement will be valuable for the personal development of Arts and Sciences students.

“Artistic expression in any form communicates something about the human experience—when we experience art, we make a connection with other humans based on this shared experience. It is through this kind of emotional connection that we learn empathy for others,” Kamperman said.

Steven Pounders, a chair for the committee that is implementing the CEE program, said that through

the requirement, “students will encounter a wide variety of fine arts events sponsored by Baylor, grow and mature in the reception, interpretation and appreciation of the arts throughout multiple semesters at Baylor and develop cultural literacy, critical thinking, social skills, human empathy and patronage of the arts.”

The first Cultural Event Experience is an instrumental concert that will include viola, percussion and piano. This event will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10 at Jones Concert Hall.

Other upcoming credited events include art displays at Martin Museum of Art and various showings of the musical “Matilda” at Jones Theatre.

Some events have a limited number of spots available for students, and some theatrical performances require students to purchase tickets in advance.

A full schedule of events can be found on the Baylor website.

DA not giving up after Ukwuachu’s rape conviction is overturned

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

An appeals court recently overturned a former Baylor football player’s sexual assault conviction, but his case is far from settled.

Sam Ukwuachu was convicted in 2015 following the alleged 2013 rape of a Baylor freshman athlete. On July 10, the 10th Court of Appeals ruled that Ukwuachu’s due process rights were violated and overturned his conviction while calling for a new trial.

July’s reversal is the third in Ukwuachu’s case. The 10th Court of Appeals first reversed the conviction in 2017 before the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals reinstated it the next year.

Tom Needham, McLennan County’s executive assistant district attorney, said the state is still moving to appeal the decision.

“[We either] already have filed or soon will file the petition with the Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin asking them to reverse the 10th court,” Needham said. “[There are] a number of reasons we disagree and are confident the Court of Criminal Appeals will reverse the 10th Court’s ruling a second time.”

Needham added that the

appeals process is likely to take six months or more.

Colorado-based attorney John Clune represents the alleged victim. Clune said his client and her family hope to see Ukwuachu’s conviction reinstated again.

“Nobody wants to go

not respond by the time of publication.

Ukwuachu’s appeal claimed the use of his roommate’s phone records constituted false testimony. The records were not admitted as evidence, but the prosecution was allowed to ask questions about them

the records were not properly converted to local time and that determining a precise location from them was unlikely.

In its ruling, the 10th Court of Appeals said the state “created a false impression with the jury” by repeatedly referring to cell phone records that were not admitted as evidence. According to the ruling, the state went to “great lengths” to use these records to discredit key witness testimonies. The court ruled this as a violation of Ukwuachu’s due process rights and called for a new trial.

“The [10th Court of Appeals], in my opinion, either intentionally or unintentionally misstated the facts concerning the phone records,” Needham said. “The [10th Court of Appeals] are not technical experts on phone records; they can’t come to their own opinions as opposed to looking at the evidence. They simply have no basis to conclude that there was a false impression given to the jury.”

Ukwuachu transferred to Baylor in 2013 after being dismissed from Boise State. His 2015 sentence included six months in jail and 10 years of probation.



Photo courtesy of Jerry Larson and the Associated Press
BACK TO THE STAND Sam Ukwuachu is back on trial over a rape conviction filed back in 2013.

through a trial twice if you’re a victim of anything,” Clune said. “They’re certainly hopeful that the prosecutor’s office is able to be successful in the Criminal Court of Appeals.”

William Bratton of Dallas represents Ukwuachu. Bratton’s office was contacted for comment, but Bratton did

during Ukwuachu’s trial. Ukwuachu’s roommate previously testified he was in their apartment at the time of the alleged assault but the time and location of calls made by the roommate showed he was not at the apartment. Ukwuachu’s defense stated

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GAMMA from Page 1

(Sexual Identity Forum), Gamma has functioned on campus since 2011 as an independent group with the purpose of giving a home to LGBTQ Baylor students and allies.

Members in the group expressed their appreciation and surprise last year from the support given to a letter sent by three Baylor alumni to administration



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NEW IMAGE Gamma Alpha Upsilon, formerly known as Sexual Identity Forum, rebranded last year with new logos across its social media platforms.

which proposed acceptance for LGBTQ groups on campus.

“We ask that the university reconsider its exclusion of student organizations that are designed to provide a community for individuals in the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning (“LGBTQ”) and allied community,” part of the letter read. The letter accumulated over 3,200 signatures from Baylor students, faculty, alumni and supporters who agreed with the message.

Plano senior Elizabeth Benton, president of Gamma, described the group’s positive reaction to the news last semester.

“It’s nice to know that even people outside of Baylor support us... I honestly didn’t think anybody would care about this, really, besides LGBT people,” Benton said. “It’s so gratifying to hear people talk about that and to meet alumni that were LGBT at Baylor and want to help out. It’s absolutely amazing.”

The group used to meet weekly at 8 p.m. Thursdays at Bill Daniel Student Union Building but will meet away from their usual spot

this semester, choosing instead Seventh and James Baptist Church.

Despite having a functional home for the group in the SUB next to Common Grounds, several members of Gamma said they’ve found reasons to move their meetings off campus while the group is unchartered.

Searcy, Ark., grad student Hayden Evans, Gamma’s treasurer, described some of the problems that the group had with the location.

“It’s very, very loud. They typically play music, and of course there’s tons of students all around talking and going about their day. It’s very distracting for us the whole meeting, especially when we invite people from outside the university to speak,” Evans said. “Also, people are uncertain about how they will be perceived... some people don’t come because they are afraid of the repercussions of them being seen there. We’re trying to move to a more private area.”

Benton echoed the statement made by Evans, saying that some prospective members of Gamma felt that the location wasn’t as private as they would have liked.

“I’ve talked to some people who have been threatened if they go to Gamma meetings,” Benton said. “There are people I know, people I talked to, who would come to our meetings and they just stopped coming. I asked, ‘Why don’t you come anymore?’ [They] would be threatened. They seemed scared. This happens a lot actually.”

As an official chartered organization at Baylor, Gamma would be able to rent rooms from the SUB for their meetings and events and advertise on campus to prospective members during events like fall semester’s Late Night.

Houston senior Anna Conner, vice president of Gamma, and other group members insist that being official would greatly help them in their mission to provide a safe space for members of the LGBTQ community on Baylor’s campus.

“People have a perception of what we’re trying to do. They think that we’re trying to go in and rip up this tradition that Baylor has and say, ‘No, we’re no longer a Christian university, you have to accept us because it’s

2019 and everyone needs to change,” Conner said. “What we’re trying to do is create a space where people can have a conversation, maybe learn a few things and meet new people that have different viewpoints. The biggest challenge [this year] will be to get people to understand that.”

In a July 24 Office of the President email, Jerry K. Clements, chair of the Board of Regents, and president Dr. Linda Livingstone expressed that the board seeks to continue discussion about how to best include and provide support for LGBTQ students.

“The Board continued discussions that began at last summer’s retreat about providing a loving and caring community for all students, including those who identify as LGBTQ,” the email read. “This is an issue with which many faith-based colleges and universities – and our churches – struggle. We believe that Baylor is in a unique position to meet the needs of our LGBTQ students because of our Christian mission and the significant campus-wide support we already provide all students.”

TRAFFIC from Page 1

“Eastbound traffic on University Parks drive has shifted to a single lane on the westbound side of the road from Robinson Tower to Dutton Ave., where it then shifts back to the regular eastbound lanes of University Parks drive,” the alert read. “Westbound traffic on University Parks Drive has been reduced to two lanes from Dutton Avenue to Robinson Tower to accommodate the eastbound single lane.”

The purpose of the Waco 4B North Project is to accomplish four main points: improve safety and mobility, add capacity, incorporate technology and enhance aesthetics on the six mile stretch of I-35 from North 340 Loop to 12th St., according to my35.org.

Roberts said this project was necessary given the continuous population increase in Texas.

“The TxDOT’s No. 1 priority is safety,” Roberts said. “What we’ve looked at is the need to increase capacity in response to the growth of Texas along the I-35 corridor. The added capacity to I-35 will increase efficiency and safety as I-35 is considered to be ‘Main Street Texas.’ When we consider the growth of Texas, it translates to a tremendous number of vehicles and the potential for significant congestion if our

roadways are not built to accommodate that.”

Given the proximity of the project to the Baylor campus, Baylor has created a campus wide subcommittee in order to keep the community informed and aware of the changes being made near campus.

This subcommittee has created a tool for students, faculty, staff and visitors to use that will assist in the safe navigation of construction and road closures on and around campus—Waco4Bmap.org.

Fogleman said this tool will help to plan and safely navigate around construction zones.

“Be patient, alert, resilient and know before you go,” Fogleman said. “Waco4Bmap.org is an excellent tool that provides real-time traffic information, as well as information on planned closures. It also provides alerts and live camera feeds up and down I-35 for pedestrians, drivers and bicyclists.”

Construction crews officially broke ground on April 29 and have worked continuously since the start date.

“The primary impact is the widening of the roadways from six to eight lanes,” Roberts said. “We will remove bridges and overpasses within

the six-mile stretch, frontage roads will be rebuilt and entrance and exit ramps will be upgraded.”

Roberts stressed the importance of safety during this project given the hazards that are present in construction zones.

“You cannot cross the main lanes of the interstate anywhere,” Roberts said. “You can only cross at authorized and safe locations such as Fourth and Fifth St. and University Parks. It is extremely important that students are aware of the hazards of crossing the interstate through our work zones.”

Fogleman noted that the improvements will increase the number of safety measures, especially for pedestrians and bicyclists.

“If we look at the university specifically, one of the most important aspects of the project for Baylor will be the much-improved pedestrian and bicycle access under the overpasses at University Parks drive, Fourth and Fifth Street and a new overpass that will be built at 11th and 12th Street,” Fogleman said. “At these intersections, there will be better lighting, better traffic and pedestrian signals, and all of that will provide safer mobility between campus and the downtown Waco area for our

students, faculty, staff, visitors and alumni.”

TxDOT is working with the Baylor subcommittee and the Baylor Department of Public Safety to best accommodate the changing traffic patterns and updates on and around campus. Regarding high-traffic events involving both the Baylor and Waco communities, measures will be in place to accommodate the increased capacity.

“The subcommittee has provided TxDOT with projected major event dates over the next four years, including football games, commencement, premiere events for prospective students, move-in days and the first day of classes,” Baylor News Online reported in regards to the measures.

With all the updates being made to I-35, Fogleman said the Baylor community must be prepared for change.

“We all have to come into the fall semester with a completely different mindset,” Fogleman said. “The entire project will disrupt normal routines, so we all have to get used to a new normal. We encourage students, faculty and staff to use alternate routes, and it’s a good time to learn those.”

ENTERTAIN from Page 1



Photo Courtesy of Schulman’s Movie Bowl Grille

THE BIGGEST IN ALL THE LAND Schulman’s Movie Bowl Grille claims that its new building will be “the largest multilevel family entertainment center in the state.”

Estate Holdings, LLC and 58 Aggie Development, LLC.

Plans for the New Road complex include restaurants and retail establishments, as well as larger entertainment venues. Thus far only a Cinemark movie theater is confirmed, but other properties such as Topgolf and a Main Event or Dave & Buster’s-style establishment are a possibility.

Melett Harrison, executive director of economic development for the City of Waco, said that while the developers are pursuing contracts with these businesses, their presence in Waco is not a guarantee.

“I know they are pursuing a relationship with Topgolf and having another tenant,” Harrison said. “Until they’re signed as tenants, and quite frankly until they’re built, we never know exactly what’s going to end up landing there.”

Across I-35 near South Loop 340, the 90,000 square-foot Schulman’s Movie Bowl Grille will anchor a development slated to high-end retail, restaurants and a hotel and conference center. Schulman’s

Movie Bowl Grille bills the upcoming Waco location as “the largest multilevel family entertainment center in the state” with a myriad of amenities such as dine-in movie theaters, 30 lanes of bowling, and amusements such as virtual reality and arcade games, ping pong, pool tables and axe throwing. According to the Movie Bowl Grille website, construction of the development is scheduled to begin in August.

According to Harrison, attracting new businesses is an indicator of Waco’s growth. Harrison attributed some of Waco’s newfound appeal to passing a “population threshold” that indicates the city is a potentially viable market.

“Usually there’s a point in time with retail or commercial [businesses], especially chains, that when you hit a certain threshold of population... they automatically start looking at your market,” Harrison said. “They have parameters and metrics that are set out for knowing what size market they need to be in

to make their projects work.”

Additionally, Harrison points to Waco’s local attractions and strong tourism economy as another reason Waco is in a position to attract these entertainment venues.

“I just think that Waco is getting on the map of folks who haven’t necessarily looked before,” Harrison said. “Some of that can be [credited] to Baylor and its presence in the Big 12, some of that can be credit to Magnolia and the ‘Fixer Upper effect’ of being popular on TV, some of that can be credited to BSR Cable Park.”

Waco native and Texas Tech student Bobby Barnard described Magnolia as the “fuel for the fire” when talking about Waco’s expansion and hopes Waco’s recent growth will attract even more new businesses to the area. “[Attracting these new businesses] just makes Waco grow even more,” Barnard said. “I think the Main Event place would be fun...like that whole idea of being able to hang in a place and goof around. [Waco is] pretty good prime real estate.”



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PRESTON GOSSETT
Arts & Life Editor

coming to Waco

some of Baylor's most talented will come our way on audition day. Texas itself is home to our very first American Idol, Kelly Clarkson, and we're hoping Waco and Texas can deliver once again.

time we get to meet the hopefuls and hear not only their voices, but their amazing personal stories that they graciously let us tell as the season unfolds. It's really something special.

Is there anything new or exciting for American Idol?

This season on Idol you can expect the same incredible raw talent, heartfelt emotional stories of real people with a dream, and the journey we go on with them as they chase those dreams. The past two seasons the Disney/ABC footprint has brought some new and fun elements to the show and we're looking forward to seeing what magic is in store for this season.

What is your advice to hopefuls and contestants auditioning?

Number one — be yourself. We want to see everyone's true artistry shine through and the only way that will happen is if you stay true to who you are as an artist. Also, for this initial audition it's best to prepare songs that are dynamic and that showcase your voice the best. Lastly — have fun!

What are you looking forward to? Has anything shocked you yet?

The auditions are just underway, so I'm sure we're in for a few surprises. Given the various ways to audition via the bus tour, open calls, online and on social media with #TheNextIdol, I've been really impressed at the talent and dedication we've seen so far. This part of the season is always great because this is the first

How big of a turnout are you expecting?

Waco is our only stop in Texas this year, so we're hoping the old adage, "everything's bigger in Texas" rings true!



Ashley Brooke Boyd | Cartoonist

New eatery revives East Waco community

MADALYN WATSON
Print Managing Editor

Revival Eastside Eatery was transformed into a restaurant from the walls of an old church in East Waco after being empty for years.

The owner, manager and chef of Revival Eastside Eatery, Danielle Young, said Waco is currently in a period of revitalization and rebirth and hopes she can use the business to give back to the individuals in her community as well as to breathe new life and hope into East Waco.

"We see this as an extension of our home and just bringing people in, getting to meet new people and having a place for people to gather," Young said.

Young was inspired to open her restaurant about two years ago as she and her husband drove around Waco looking for local and healthy dinner options.

"When we moved here, there wasn't much of a food culture [in Waco] and now that is changing and we're so excited," Young said. "There are so many cool things coming to Waco that will offer Baylor students, local Wacoans and tourists different options than we've had before."

Revival is a revitalized building created from the foundations of the former Waco Community Baptist Church.

"When we bought this building it had been vacant for at least seven years, so we wanted to pay tribute to the fact that it was a church and it was a pretty well-known church in East Waco," Young said.

Broken Arrow, Okla., junior Jada Holliday heard about Revival Eastside Eatery through her



Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Journalist

SHELL OF AN OLD CHURCH Revival Eastside Eatery was built using the remains of a former church in East Waco. The owner, Danielle Young, saw this as an opportunity to build upon the idea of community centered on core-Christian values.

connections in her church and her community before she tried their lunch with a couple of friends.

"When you walk into that restaurant you're

getting the community that it's centered around and how they want to share that with each person that comes into their restaurant," Holliday said.

Young and her husband have a background in Young Life, so even before opening the restaurant, they were constantly hosting people from the community for meals in their own home.

"I think local businesses in small and large towns are the hidden gems of what makes the community so special," Holliday said.

Revival has become a hot spot for families gathering after church events and different groups of people coming together and forming a community.

"[I] hope that this can eventually be a training program for at-risk youths to have their first job and to work their way up if they want to," Young said.

Café Momentum, a restaurant in Dallas, provides a similar experience for young men and women coming out of juvenile facilities, and Young referenced it as a source of her inspiration.

"We already have nonprofits in Waco that do that for teenagers, so what we want to do is — we don't want to reinvent the wheel — we want to partner with organizations like The Cove and Mission Waco to be able to offer jobs, to offer life skills and to give people a shot at their first job," Young said.

Café Momentum also aids their staff with life skills and education in addition to job opportunities.

"It's like a beautiful combination, so as the owner, I developed the recipes. You'll see me running food, filling up water and busing tables," Young said. "I do have staff, but I also need to hire more staff."



Photos by Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Journalist

WHAT TO DO IN WACO

PRESTON GOSSETT
Arts & Life Editor

Monday, August 26

Cake in the SUB | noon – 2 p.m. | SUB | FREE | Ring in the new year with some free sweet treats provided by Delta Sigma Theta.

Tuesday, August 27

Dr Pepper Hour | 3 – 4 p.m. | Bill Daniel Student Center | Partake in the long-standing tradition of socializing, Dr Pepper float in hand. American Idol Auditions | All Day | Waco Convention Center | Want to be the next American Idol? Join them for their open “Bus Tour” auditions!

Friday, August 30

Late Night | 8 – 11 p.m. | Moody Library, Bill Daniel Student Center, McLane Student Life Center, Bobo Spiritual Life Center, Russell Gymnasium | Over 225 student organizations open booths with free food, live music, games and other activities.

Saturday, August 31

Football: Baylor vs. Stephen F. Austin | 6 – 10 p.m. | McLane Stadium | Price Varies, Check Website | Support the Bears as they kick off the 2019 season vs. Stephen F. Austin!

Tough on Friday's | 8:30 – 11:00 p.m. | Nexus Esports | \$20 | The band will be rolling out their brand new originals as well as some old favs with Alex Owens opening. All tickets will include an autographed show poster from Tough On Fridays and a photo opportunity with the band!

Baylor Theatre gears up for new year

PRESTON GOSSETT
Arts & Life Editor

Baylor Theatre is preparing for some exciting new things.

The productions are now being designated as either Green or Gold Series.

“The gold series shows are going to be the ones that you’d expect from Baylor Theatre — the big budget productions with lots of resources,” Wood said. “Then we’re also going to do our green series shows, and those shows are similar to what we’d find out in the real world after college-- in terms of working with smaller theatres.”

Attendees or show-goers can look forward to seeing some classics being brought to the stage.

Jump-starting the 2019-2020 production calendar with tickets on sale Sept. 17, is “Matilda The Musical” (Gold). This Tony-winning masterpiece tells the story of an “extraordinary girl with a vivid imagination, who dares to take a stand and change her destiny” and is being held in Baylor’s Jones Theatre from Oct. 2 to 13.

“The rights just became available this past year, so it’s still new, and it’s so lively and full of energy,” said Lisa Denman, undergraduate program director and director of “Matilda the Musical.” “It feels like a really good fit for this year ... with the season we’re having, it just felt like a smart move.”

In this modern take on Sophocles’ epic tale, “Antigone” (Green) tells the tale of “one young woman [who] will defy an empire — whatever the cost.” The show will be held in the Mabee Theatre from Nov. 7 to 10 with tickets on sale beginning Oct. 22.

“Rhinoceros” (Green) is a “thought-provoking fable about herd mentality and being comfortable in your own skin,” with tickets on sale beginning Nov. 1. The show being held in Baylor’s Jones Theatre from Dec. 3 to 8. “As rhinoceroses race through town, the citizens have their friendships, loyalties, and identities tested.”

“Yerma” (Gold) is about a woman who’s “greatest desire is to conceive the child who visits her dreams, and after years of marriage, her increasing urgency to become pregnant drives her to pursue magic and holy intervention.” Performed in the Mabee Theatre from Feb. 18 to 23, make sure to buy your tickets starting Feb. 4.

“Enjoy,” (Green) a dark comedy about love, work, and adulthood, is presented as a part of Baylor’s “Spotlight Japan 2020.” The spotlight is a week centered on research and cultural

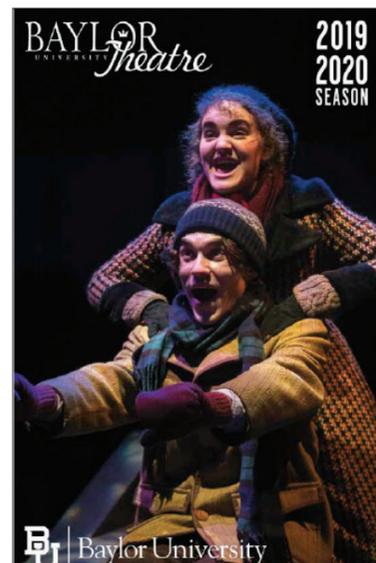


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2019-20 SEASON BROCHURE Baylor Theatre is looking forward to show what they’ve been working on this season.

growth in order to better understand the history of Tokyo. Tickets for this production go on sale March 16, and the show is being held in the Mabee Theatre from March 26 to 29.

As one of the two students selected for this dramaturgy research opportunity, Wood certainly learned a lot from her experiences.

“There were so many things that I saw that were amazing and are really going to help form the culture that we’re going to have to reproduce on stage,” Wood said. “It’s going to be very experimental with an abstract set design.”

What happens when “all four members of the eccentric Bliss family [separately invite] mismatched guests to their country house for the weekend — without telling each other or their hapless maid?” “Hay Fever” (Gold) tickets go on sale April 14, and the show is being held in Baylor’s Jones Theatre from April 28 to May 3.

Don’t forget to join Baylor Theatre for “caBEARet” at the end of each semester to hear musical performances from students in the Musical Theatre Workshop, Dec. 13 to 14 and May 8 to 9. This musical revue features the upperclassman singing and dancing to hit songs from a variety of Broadway shows, all based on a theme decided upon for the semester.

Free events for Baylor students

MORGAN HARLAN
Assistant News Editor

Kick start the semester with Late Night, After Dark and Movie Mondays.

Late Night

During the first week of classes, Baylor freshmen have many opportunities to meet fellow classmates and find activities to join. Late Night is an event hosted by Baylor that will be held 9:00 p.m. to midnight on Aug. 30 for students to browse different clubs and activities they can get involved with on campus.

The event will take place at the McLane Student Life Center, Russell Gymnasium, the Bobo Spiritual Life Center, Moody Library and the Bill Daniel Student Center.

“Late Night is one of the most anticipated programs of the fall semester,” according to Baylor’s website.

New students will have the opportunity to meet student leaders from over 225 student organizations and learn about the many opportunities for campus involvement. Additionally, students can explore activities throughout campus in five locations that will feature live music, games, exhibitions, free food, prizes and more.

After Dark Night

Incoming and returning students that are musically gifted or have a talent to share on stage, they have the chance to show it off at After Dark, a live variety show program that is held in Waco Hall on Sept. 13 and 14. After Dark is presented by student activities and hits the stage during Family Weekend.

According to Baylor’s website, After Dark always proves to be a showcase for Baylor’s creative students and features top student talent from outstanding solo performances, dance and stand-up comedy to musical theater.

The auditions for After Dark will be held on Sept. 3 and 4. Auditions sign ups are available on the Baylor Theatre Arts website.

Movie Mondays

On Monday nights, the Waco Hippodrome Theater in downtown Waco shows a free movie to Baylor students. According to the Movie Mondays website, “Baylor students and the Waco community are provided an opportunity to view documentary or independent films that address important topics and issues within our world.”

Established in 2015, Movie Mondays will faithfully continued into this fall semester. Admission is free, but tickets must be picked up at the Waco Hippodrome Box Office or Baylor Ticket Office.

Visit this baylor.edu/studentactivities for more information about Late Night, After Dark, Movie Mondays and other events on campus.



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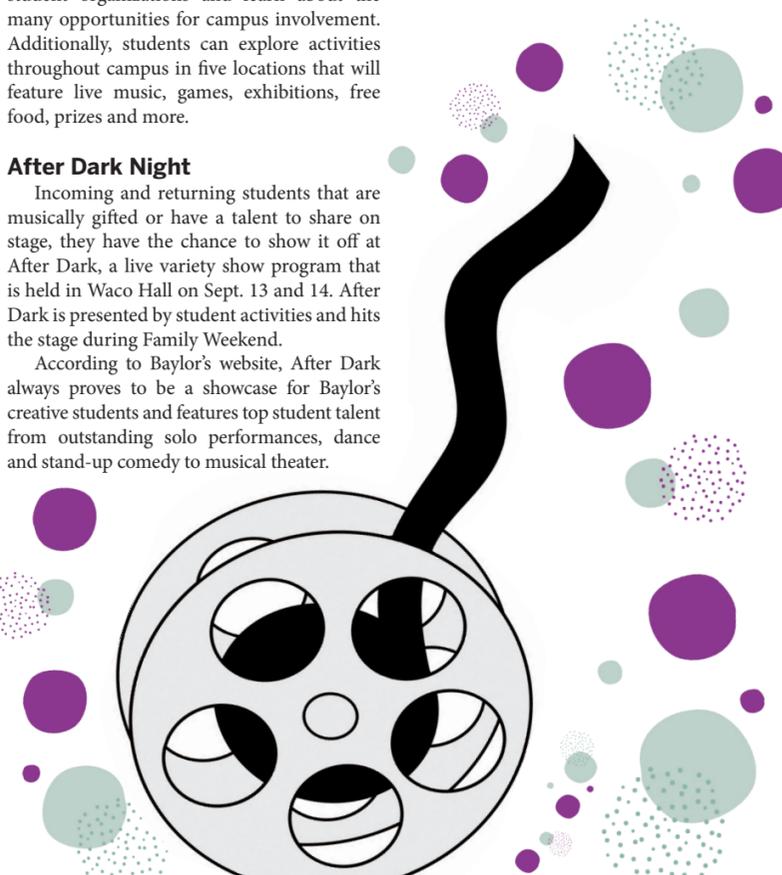
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Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Journalist

ARTISTIC ATMOSPHERE The art gallery, Cultivate 7Twelve, is conveniently located right next to the Waco Hippodrome Theater. The current exhibition features top-tier local art from one of Baylor University's lecturers, Greg Lewallen.

Dinner & a show?

Art gallery offers free arts experience

GABY SALAZAR
Copy Editor

Cultivate 7Twelve is giving students and Wacoans the opportunities to connect as a community with local bands and free snacks while appreciating top-tier local art.

Located on Austin Avenue, the art gallery first opened its doors back in December 2017 and has since become the home for various local artists and members of the community alike. Rebekah Hagman, the owner of Cultivate 7Twelve, said to expect powerful works of art coming soon.

Located on Austin Avenue, the art gallery is preparing for fundraising events, First Friday exhibitions, Restaurant Week, live music with food and a special exhibition featuring one of Baylor's art lecturers, Greg Lewallen.

"There will be jungle-juice inspired beverages and insect-inspired sweet treats," Hagman said.

The gallery showcases a different exhibition featuring a local artist every month. The newest exhibition by Lewallen is open to the public now until Sept. 5.

Lewallen has traveled all over South America, New Zealand, Peru and Africa collecting exotic beetles, moths, grasshoppers and butterflies.

"[He] finds inspiration in some of creation's smallest creatures, believing their diversity and intricate details display some of God's finest work," according to his webpage.

"Lewallen Legends: Tales from the Jungle and Beyond, The Adventures of an Artist Collecting Entomological Wonders," will be an open event from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Friday. Lewallen will speak about his adventures abroad, featuring a slideshow of pictures and videos from his travels.

"If we didn't have this show, our students could potentially go through their entire career here and never see anything that we do," Lewallen told the Lariat (2018).

The gallery will host its first Restaurant Week, where guests will have the opportunity to dine with the art at 7 p.m. Sept. 13. Restaurant Week is a citywide event that starts from Sept. 6 to 14. Local restaurants and food trucks donate 10% of their proceeds to Caritas, a nonprofit fighting to end hunger and poverty in the Waco community.

"This will be a great event for students to step off campus and come participate," Hagman said.

The art gallery will treat the community to its monthly Jazz Jam from 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Music will be performed by the Central Texas Jazz society, but guests are welcome to participate with the band. Musicians must bring their own instrument, but in addition to Jazz Jam being free and open to the public, guests are free to check out the gallery or just hang out and listen.

Hagman also lets people rent out the gallery for event space in either the spacious

upstairs studio, back patio or the main gallery room. Maria Duaine, a student at McLennan Community College and a self-proclaimed regular at Cultivate 7Twelve said the back patio is perfect for open mics, small concerts or even casual events.

"Cultivate is an amazing place where you can check out all the local art. I feel like the building is a great place to host special events or meetings," Duaine said.

The studio upstairs is where the artists-in-residence can create their art in rented out workspaces. Students can also earn scholarships and grants for residency in the studio with the help of Creative Waco. Its fund, Arts Match Program, provides grants to artists who want to help grow the community as a vibrant cultural hub.

Nonprofit arts organizations are encouraged to apply, and Creative Waco can help applicants find partnerships. There are anywhere from 8 to 12 artists in residence at a time.

"We also allow artists to rent studio space on



The residents are the cultural expression of the city.

REBEKAH HAGMAN |
CULTIVATE 7TWELVE
OWNER

a first-come, first-served basis for \$3 per square foot," Hagman said.

On Sept. 6, a First Friday exhibition called "Wild Fire: Women of Strength, A Celebration of the Female Form" will take place in the gallery. Hagman said the show will focus on the female face and form. This event is also open to free and open to the public.

Participating in these events is just one of the ways to support and ensure that Cultivate 7Twelve can continue to provide art and culture to the residents of Waco. For those who want to invest in the growth of the arts, the gallery offers memberships starting at \$7.12 a month. This includes discounts on prints and space when you rent.

"For the price of a cup of coffee and a muffin, they can ensure that Cultivate is around for a long time," Hagman said.

Cultivate 7Twelve relies on the community for support and their fundraising efforts are what keep most events free for everyone.

"The residents are the cultural expression of the city," Hagman said.



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EXOTIC INSECTS Now until Sept. 5, Greg Lewallen's exhibit, "Tales from the Jungle and Beyond" can be viewed by the public.

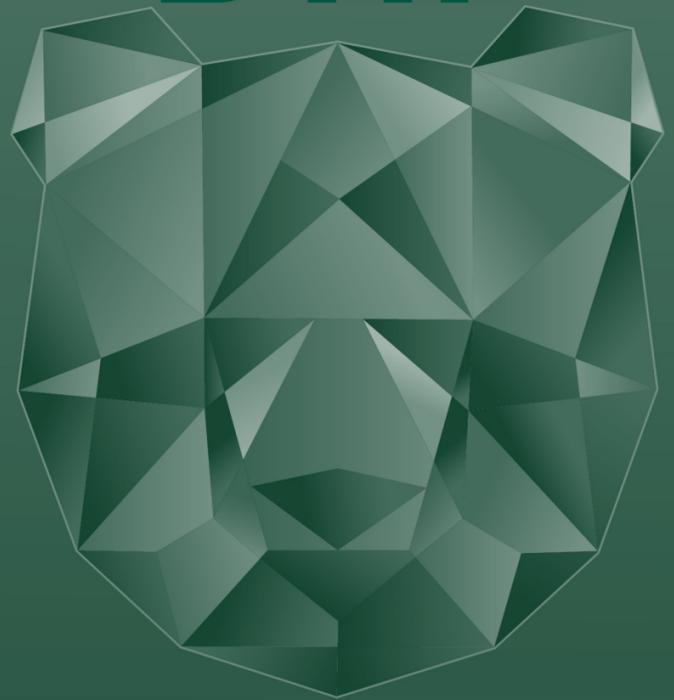


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MAKING #BU23 MOVES

MEREDITH HOWARD
Staff Writer

Every August, student and faculty volunteers at Baylor welcome over 3,000 freshmen by moving their belongings into their dorm rooms. This tradition, now known as Move 2 BU, has only officially existed since 2004.

Before Move 2 BU was an official event, students had help moving in but didn't have their cars unloaded for them like they currently do.

Kim Scott, interim associate vice president of student life, has been the move-in project coordinator for all 15 years that Baylor has held Move 2 BU. Scott attended Baylor in the 1980s and her move-in experience was relatively low-fuss.

"I pulled my car up right in front of Collins dorm, where you can't park anymore, and I hauled my couple of duffle bags up to my room," Scott said. "Everybody was friendly."

According to a document provided by Scott, the first orchestrated move-in had 175 staff members, including faculty and students. Since the first structured move-in, Move 2 BU has now been split over two days in four-hour shifts for freshmen and transfer students.

This year, students in Living and Learning Centers and residential colleges moved in on Aug. 21, and students in all-freshmen communities moved in the following day.

Move-in hang tags, which are available in students' housing portals, showed the detailed route each student should take to campus based off of their move-in schedule, traffic and construction.

As soon as students arrived at their dorms, volunteers swarmed their cars and unloaded everything into their rooms. By the time a student walks into their room, all of their boxes are there and all they have to do is unpack.

"The families don't have to stress about getting to the campus, to the right place, making 20 trips with all their stuff and kind of being separated, hot and stressed," Scott said. "All of that, we hope, is taken away so that you can focus on having a good time and a quality time as a family in a time that can be stressful because somebody's starting college."

Incoming classes at Baylor typically enroll over 3,300 first-time freshmen. Combined with all of each year's transfer students, Move 2 BU volunteers need to take on a large amount of work in order to unload all students' belongings in a timely manner.

Ryan Cohenour, associate director for housing administration, helps plan move-in logistics. One initiative that Cohenour has introduced to make volunteers' work load more reasonable is the time slot system.

This program assigns students a 15-minute span of time to arrive to campus, which helps prevent volunteers from being overwhelmed by too many students coming at once. This also helps the traffic flow outside of the dorms.

When asked why it's important to have a coordinated move-in effort where volunteers do the brunt of the work, Cohenour said, "That's kind of the Baylor way. It's paying it forward."

You can learn more about Move 2 BU on Baylor's website.



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RYAN COHENOUR |
Associate Director for
Housing Administration



BEAR HUG A father and son share an intimate moment during the family picnic Thursday.
Nathan De La Cerda | Multimedia Journalist



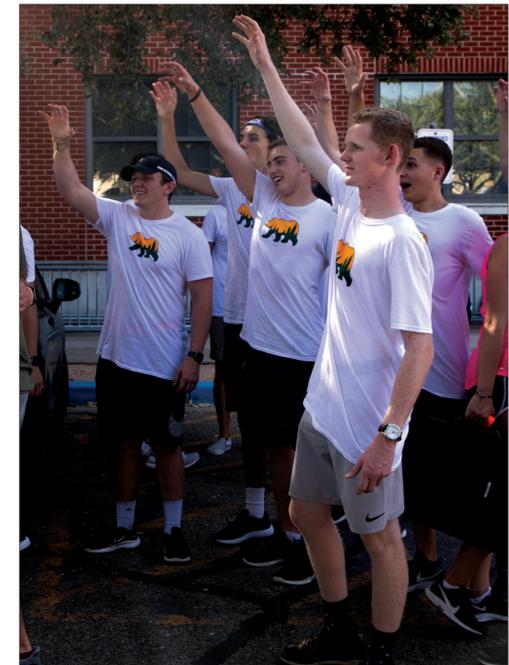
BE THE LIGHT, BEARS A student volunteer shows how to #BethelLight by helping with move-in at Kokernot Residence Hall.
Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor



STRONG BONDS Some freshmen packed on the heavy side for the upcoming semester but received help from new friends.
Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Editor



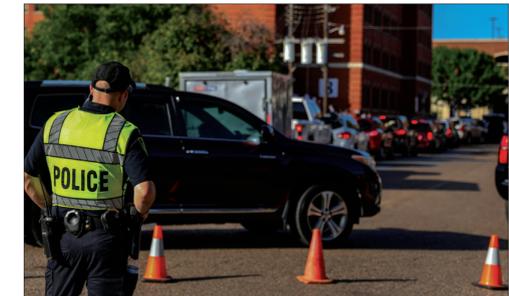
HYDRATE OR DIE-DRATE Volunteers take a break and rehydrate while waiting to help another freshman move in.
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OUTBREAK Volunteers greet a new family to move-in with an enthusiastic Sic'em!
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SUPERHEROES AND SNACKS Faculty members make sure student volunteers are well taken care of with the snack cart during move-in.
Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor



ORGANIZED CHAOS Baylor Police Department helps with heavy traffic from move-in.
Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor



WHAT A GENTLEMAN First Gent Brad Livingstone helps with move-in at Collins Residence Hall.
Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor



LEADING THE WAY President Linda Livingstone realizes she has to hike up to the fifth floor of Collins Residence Hall.
Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor



ALL SMILES The Medrano family gets in one last family picture before saying goodbye.
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Fighting freshman fats with fitness facts

Photo illustration by Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Journalist

PUSHING THE LIMITS Students utilize the free fitness area outside the Student Life Center. There are also indoor workout facilities, including cardio, machines and free weights.

PRESTON GOSSETT
Arts & Life Editor

With some helpful tips from Campus Recreation and Baylor nutritionists, the “Freshman 15” can be nothing more than high-school graduation click bait.

According to Van Smith-Davis, assistant director of the Department of Wellness, one of the common misconceptions about the “Freshman 15” is that there just is not time to exercise because of studying, schoolwork and more studying. Smith-Davis said studies there is a direct correlation between physical activity and academic success.

“I can almost guarantee that if you are active on a regular basis – you’re going to have higher academic success,” Smith-Davis said. “It’s research showing that this is what’s happening.”

Stan Wilfong, a senior lecturer in nutrition sciences, and other Baylor professors and specialists recommend at least seven hours of sleep a night, to avoid late-night snacking, and then skipping breakfast to sleep in. Wilfong said there is a direct correlation between skipping breakfast and having a higher body mass index.

“Eat regular meals, plan it out, know what you’re doing by getting educated on it,” Wilfong said. “We have peer nutrition educators from my department that are all undergraduates – that are available for three one-hour one-on-one sessions in nutrition.”

Baylor’s FitWell Program kicks off the school year with a free week of classes for freshmen and other students to try out. If they enjoy them, they can officially sign up after Labor Day.

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\$50 for the whole semester. More than just making it a simple one-time payment, but FitWell and Smith-Davis have tried to make it as hassle-free as possible. FitWell provides the staff, the classes and the music – all students have to do is show up.

“Someone can come in and do something different every day,” Smith-Davis said. “Somebody that likes more mind and body, they can do yoga and barre. Somebody who might like to dance, they could do zumba; and somebody who likes boxing programs can do MMA or taekwondo. For someone who likes CrossFit, F45 would definitely meet their needs.”

Another way to get active at Baylor, according to the director of Campus Recreation, Kim Scott, is to head to the Pullin Family Marina. Not only is paddling a kayak or canoe

a good arm workout, but once you get out on the river, you’re experiencing nature, which is calming in and of itself, Scott said.

Another thing that students could take advantage of is the 2.25-mile outdoor Bear Trail that winds around campus. Campus Recreation started working with the Bobo Spiritual Life Center this past year, and now on every Bear Trail sign at every quarter mile, there is a scripture or a breathing technique. The signs are meant to help free the minds of walkers and runners, Scott said.

“When you get your blood pumping by [exercising], it clears your mind so that you can actually absorb more information,” Scott said. “If you’ll work out and then go study, you’ll find you have the energy and the retention because your brain cells are fully oxygenated.”



Photo courtesy of Meredith Cagley

TEXCAVATION Houston junior Meredith Cagley escapes to Austin’s Zilker Park for a day trip.

Far Far A-Waco

Weekend fun, only a drive away

MADISON DAY
Digital Managing Editor

Being between three major cities in Texas by only about 90 miles each direction has its advantages for Baylor students.

Austin

Whether it’s heading down to Austin to rent a kayak on Lady Bird Lake or heading up to Fort Worth to catch a country concert at Billy Bob’s, the possibilities are endless.

Many students, including Houston junior Meredith Cagley, enjoy going to Austin for the weekend or even just a day trip.

“I typically like to go to Zilker Park or South Congress for the day and then go out for a nice dinner with my friends at night,” Cagley said.

Some of the “can’t-miss Austin attractions” include the Barton Creek Greenbelt, Zilker Park and the bats at the Congress Avenue Bridge, according to Timeout, a media outlet dedicated to covering city attractions and cities worldwide. If you start to get hungry, Timeout has you covered with a list of the “23 best restaurants,” including Emmer & Rye, Barley Swine and Uchi.

Murals also line the streets and alleys as perfect picture spots, so don’t forget to check out the iconic “I love you so much” wall and the “Greetings from Austin” postcard wall.

To make planning a trip even easier, Timeout has even released a 48-hour guide to Austin, perfect for Baylor students wanting to spend a weekend in the Live Music Capital of the World.

“Austin has a lot to offer that Waco doesn’t – so it’s nice to get away for a bit,” Cagley said.

Dallas

If you decide to head north for the weekend, there is no shortage of activities

in the Dallas/Fort-Worth area either. Los Angeles senior Tiffany Cochran often goes to Dallas just for her favorite grocery store, Trader Joe’s, and simply to explore all the city has to offer.

“If I want to get away from Waco for a little, I just make the drive up to Dallas,” Cochran said. “I usually just go for the day and Bird [scooter] around the city and explore. I also love to go to Blue Sushi because they have the best sushi specials during happy hour.”

The State Fair of Texas is coming up in September and is a great way to spend a fall day in Dallas. For baseball fans, take in a Rangers game at Global Life Park in Arlington. If you’re in need of retail therapy or a dress for semi-formal, plan to spend hours at NorthPark Center for some shopping.

College Station

Aside from the metropolitan cities of Dallas and Austin, some students, including Houston junior Kate Balleza, also like to head to College Station for the weekend to see friends and explore another college town. You can stop by the infamous Dixie Chicken for a burger and their “Tijuana fries.”

“A lot of times I’ll just go for a day or two,” Balleza said. “Even though it isn’t the most exciting city ever, it’s always good to catch up with my friends, and we make the most of it. If you know a few people who go to school [at A&M], it can be a lot of fun.”

A weekend getaway to any one of these cities is a good way to clear your head and take a break from the stress of college life, not to mention exploring a new city is exciting.

“Getting away to a big city is always fun and is a good change of pace, but it really only takes a few days away for me to miss the quaint charm of Waco,” Cagley said.

Editor's Choice

Lariat editors recommend their favorite Waco eateries

Baked Bliss Baking Company

\$\$\$ Gluten-Free Options



Being gluten-free, it's really hard to find tasty items that meet my dietary restrictions at an affordable price. Baked Bliss really popped off.

SHAE KOHARSKI
Social Media Editor

Mi Jalisco Grill #2

\$\$\$ Personable Staff



It has authentic Mexican food, and not enough students know about it! They know my name and order. They honestly feel like family.

KENNEDY DENDY
Executive Producer

George's in Hewitt

\$\$\$ Fun Ambience



They have a great atmosphere on gamedays, whether it's high school or the Cowboys game on Sunday.

COLE TOMPKINS
Multimedia Editor

Baris

\$\$\$ Affordable Italian



The pink sauce is amazing and the staff is super friendly. I think it's one of the things I missed most about Waco over the summer.

PRESTON GOSSETT
Arts & Life Editor

Taqueria Zacatecas

\$\$\$ Close Proximity



It's really hard to find good Tex-Mex considering that the Hispanic population of Waco is 25%. It's affordable and super close to where I live.

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Editor

Harvest on 25th

\$\$\$ Light Dessert Option



It's a really good healthy alternative, but it doesn't at all take away from how tasty it is. I've never ordered anything I didn't like.

BRIDGET SJOBERG
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CELEBRATING AMERICA'S GAME Inching toward the start of the 2019 football season, Baylor joins in the celebration of 150 years of college football.

College football to be celebrated with national year-long campaign

AHFAAZ MERCHANT
Sports Writer

The band is playing, fans are roaring and adrenaline is rushing through the veins of millions of people preparing to take part in an experience born a century and a half ago.

As we march closer to kickoff for the 2019 football season, there is much more to think about than the Heisman race or the road to the national championship. This year marks the 150th anniversary of college football. The celebration will pay homage to the game and the numerous opportunities it has given to various student-athletes around the country.

According to Kevin Weiberg, executive director of the CFB150 non-profit organization, the celebration will be a year-long effort with several other organizations taking part as well, including the NCAA and the National Football League.

"We're looking forward to advancing the mission that we were given around this, which is to make this a broad-based national celebration and to use this platform of the anniversary to remind people about the aspects of the game that have been so important across all these years," Weiberg said.

Among the initiatives taken by CFB150, the NFL will pay tribute to the sport during the Dallas Cowboys and New York Giants game on Nov. 4 in New York City. The organization has also sent helmet decals and uniform patches to universities and junior colleges around the nation.

The flame for the sport was ignited on Nov. 6, 1869, between Rutgers University and Princeton University. Considered to be the first American football game ever, it was played with very different rules than what we see today. This was just years after one of America's darkest times.

"Remarkable really if you think about the sport having its launching pad just a few years after the end of the

Civil War," Weiberg said. "This game has a strong tie to the college campus."

Teams were made up of 25 players and the objective of the game was to kick the ball into the opposing team's goal. The most significant difference was that carrying or throwing the ball was not allowed. It was played in New Brunswick, New Jersey, with an audience of only a 100 people, according to statistics from Rutgers University. The game ended with the score of 6-4.

The average attendance today, according to the NCAA, is 12,668 with a typical game featuring 30+ points per team per game. It wasn't until men like Walter Camp and John W. Heisman introduced the line of scrimmage and the forward pass did the dynamic of football begin to evolve.

The game has meant so much to many people across its history and in the eyes of Big 12 commissioner, Bob Bowlsby, it has become an "American phenomenon."

"As I said earlier, college football is a great thing," Bowlsby said in a press conference at Big 12 Media Days. "It's the best regular season in all of sports, especially if the month is October and November."

The impact that college football has had is perhaps best seen in the state of Texas, with the tradition beginning on Oct. 19, 1894. The Texas Longhorns defeated the Texas A&M Aggies 38-0 and sparked one of the longest-standing rivalries in the sport.

Baylor University has also made a significant impact on college football with its history dating back to 1898. There have been several rivalries and key moments engraved into its history. The biggest rivalry matchups for the Bears include the Texas Christian University Horned Frogs, which dates back to 1899, and the Texas A&M Aggies, which goes back to 1901.

The TCU vs. Baylor rivalry ranks 22nd among the longest-running rivalries in college football history. TCU,

historically known as AddRan Christian University, was once housed in Waco until they ultimately decided to move their campus to Fort Worth. The rivalry was rooted on the historic 1899 football game, where the two teams met for the first time and ultimately ended the game with a score of 0-0. This, however, was the beginning of what is now the second-longest rivalry in the state of Texas.

The Aggies vs. Bears rivalry, otherwise known as the Battle of the Brazos, began after the Aggies ruined the Bears' chance at a perfect season in their debut by giving the Bears their first loss 33-0, in 1899. The rivalry intensified in the 1926 season after a brawl broke out at Baylor's homecoming parade. The rivalry became dormant in 2012 when the Aggies decided to take their talents to the Southeastern Conference.

Baylor's 100+ years of football history includes both awards and tradition. Robert Griffin III earned the Bears' first Heisman Trophy in 2011 before being drafted by the Washington Redskins.

Freshmen play a big part in one of the most well-known pre-game rituals. The Baylor Line was founded in 1970 as a spirit organization for first-year male students and a Baylor Sideline was created a year later for the female students halfway through the 1990s the Line was reorganized into what we see today out on the field. The students wear special jerseys with their nicknames or last names printed on the back at all home games. They get to run across the field to form a human tunnel as the Baylor football team makes its entrance into McLane Stadium. The Baylor Line also has special seats in the stands directly behind the visitor bench.

The anniversary celebration began Saturday and continues with Baylor playing this weekend, opening its season against Stephen F. Austin University at 6:00 p.m. on Aug. 31 at McLane Stadium.

Bears Go Pro



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Soccer: Julie James Doyle to Sky Blue FC

The former Baylor midfielder became the first Bear to be drafted to the National Women's Soccer League. She was the 11th overall pick in the second round.



Photo courtesy of Baylor Athletics

Football: Jalen Hurd to the San Francisco 49ers

With the 67th overall pick in the 2019 NFL Draft, the Niners selected the former Bears wide receiver in the third round. Hurd made an impact in his debut with two TDs and three catches against the Dallas Cowboys on Aug. 10.



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Track: Wil London III in the Pan Am Games

The former Baylor sprinter anchored the United States in the 4x400-meter relay to take the silver in on August 10 in Lima, Peru.



Shae Koharski | Social Media Editor

Basketball: Kalani Brown to the Los Angeles Sparks

The No. 7 overall pick in the 2019 WNBA Draft.

Chloe Jackson to the Chicago Sky

The 15th overall pick in the 2019 WNBA Draft.

Makai Mason to ALBA Berlin

Two-year contract, the Basketball Bundesliga



DJ Ramirez | Sports Editor

Baseball:
Shea Langeliers to the Atlanta Braves
Davis Wendzel to the Texas Rangers
Cody Bradford to the Texas Rangers
Kyle Hill to the Seattle Mariners
Josh Bissonette to the Pittsburgh Pirates

Who's Got Beef? Top 5 college football rivalries:

5. NAVY vs ARMY: This rivalry needs no explanation. Navy leads the series 60-52-7, but Army is on a three game winning streak.

4. LAFAYETTE vs LEHIGH: These two teams have played each other more times than any other with 154 games since the first matchup in 1884. Lafayette leads 78-71-5.

3. OKLAHOMA vs TEXAS: Better known as "The Red River Rivalry", the Longhorns lead 59-42-5.

2. MICHIGAN vs OHIO STATE: This rivalry is about more than just football with the feud running deep in the history of both states. Michigan leads the series 58-50-6 but Ohio State is on a seven win tear.

1. TEXAS vs TEXAS A&M: Despite the rivalry's "end" with the Aggies move to the SEC, this 117-year-old feud lives on in the hearts of fans across the Lone Star State. Just go listen to their fight songs.



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BAYLOR Soccer opened the season against Northwestern State University at 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Baylor soccer to kick off the 2019-2020 season

JESSIKA HARKAY
Sports Writer

In preseason polls, Baylor soccer is ranked No. 14 nationally and program-high No. 2 in the Big 12 Conference going into the 2019 season. The rankings don't hold any weight to seventh-year head coach Paul Jobson, though.

"We don't put much into that, you know. It's people's opinions. It's not based on anything. People are looking at, 'OK, what did the teams do last year, what did they lose, what do they have,'" Jobson said. "We've appreciate that attention, we appreciate the confidence people have in us, but it really means absolutely nothing. We got to get on the field every day and every train session and take advantage of those opportunities."

The Bears come off their most successful year in program history, with a 20-6 record and the Big 12 regular season title.

Yet the team's mentality is centered on leaving last season in the past and working towards this year's development.

The program said goodbye to very few players in the offseason, with midfielder Julie James becoming the first Baylor soccer player to be drafted to the National Women's Soccer League. Although losing a big scoring threat, the Bears have 15 returners on their roster, eight of whom are starters. With an experienced team coming back, Jobson is watching the women come together to create their own success.

"I've been really impressed with our seniors this year, and the leadership they've taken on. You know, learning from previous years, what they like, what they don't like and making it their own," Jobson said. "Every team has to have their own personality, and I think we do a good job of allowing that for our teams to have that personality, you know. It's not my personality; it's theirs."

Of the team's veterans is senior forward Camryn Wendlandt who scored 10 goals last year and described her teammates as "confidently humble."

"I say that because we don't air out what we've done in the past years. We know this is a brand new team, a brand new start," Wendlandt said. "Like Paul said a couple of days ago, everyone in the nation is 0-0. We know that our experience in the past years doesn't give us an edge."

The soccer team opened the season with an exhibition on Aug. 11 against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, where the Bears fell to the Islanders 1-0.

The scrimmage came only two days after preseason practice began. Regardless, Jobson said he appreciated the timing and believes it gives younger players a chance to settle in.

"Sometimes you train for a week, you feel like you're at a certain place, you play a match and everything goes out the window and you kind of start over a little bit," Jobson said. "We'll be put to the test really early. We'll know where we are. Get our freshmen adjusted early as well. Then we can move into the second exhibition with some experience under our belts and make some adjustments so after that exhibition, we feel like we're hopefully firing on most of our cylinders."

The experience that came from the first scrimmage seemed to work. In their second exhibition, Baylor came up on top with a 2-1 victory against Texas State, outshooting the Bobcats 19-9. According to junior midfielder Ally Henderson, these first two exhibitions have allowed the team to shape its identity early.

"Hard work, mentality, selfless attitude, servant-minded, I think those few things kind of encapsulate what we want to do with this team this year," Henderson said. "I think they've really been harping on us to focus on those things because if we can get those done then the rest will fall in place."

The official soccer season kicked off at 4 p.m., Aug. 25 against Northwestern State at Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field.

Volleyball hits the court running

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Editor

Baylor volleyball is not taking the easy road into the fall.

The Bears will be heading north for back-to-back tournaments in Nebraska and Wisconsin from Friday to Sept. 6.

Coming off its highest finish in Big 12 play and third NCAA Tournament bid, Baylor is ranked No. 20 in the American Volleyball Coaches Association Poll and is picked to finish second in the Big 12 Preseason Coaches' Poll behind No. 4 Texas. This is the first time in school history that the volleyball program has received a preseason ranking in back-to-back years, with the Bears being tabbed No. 16 in 2018.

To head coach Ryan McGuyre, the rankings do not hold any weight in the race to be the last team standing in December.

"It's not where you start. It's where you finish," McGuyre said. "We're in a great conference and everybody is capable of beating us, so we'll train like we're in second, and hopefully, we'll play like we're in first throughout the season."

With two weeks of practice and a successful Green and Gold Scrimmage under their belts,

McGuyre said he is impressed with the work and energy the upperclassmen have brought to the team so far.

"[I'm] just so impressed with the maturity of this team — the leadership of this team top to bottom. Seniors have just done a great job really all being bought in," McGuyre said.

With 12 familiar names on the roster, including All-Americans junior outside hitter Yossiana Pressley and junior setter Hannah Lockin, Baylor will have an experienced lineup hitting the court.

The Bears are also welcoming six freshmen and two transfers this year. Junior setter Callie Williams, daughter of assistant coach Jason Williams, transferred from Tennessee. Sophomore outside hitter AJ Koele made the switch from Mississippi State, where she totaled 125 kills in 67 sets as a middle and had 13 blocks and 22 digs.

A newcomer that might spark some excitement this season is freshman middle blocker Kara McGhee, who was named an AVCA Under Armour First-Team All-American her senior year of high school.

Having enrolled in the spring, Koele and McGhee might have a slight advantage with extra practice, which will give the Bears a boost in the eyes of the fifth-year head coach.

"Honestly, I feel like they're ready to play college matches. The other freshmen are making us so much better in practice and are really learning quickly. I expect them to have a strong impact on us this season, but definitely in the future," McGuyre said.

Despite coming off of shoulder surgery and still recovering from a stress fracture in her foot, Stafford said she and McGhee will "bring the heat" in the middle and that there will be a lot of production from Pressley, Lockin and senior middle blocker Nicole Thomas.

"We have a lot of new threats, and it just is a different vibe than other seasons," Stafford said. "I honestly think that we've been winning every drill that we're doing in our gym and keeping really hard hits up. Just our defense is really awesome, and our hitters are really challenging our defenders, which I think is just making our whole gym atmosphere a lot more competitive."

Baylor volleyball will face the Aggies at 2 p.m. Saturday at Reed Arena in College Station and will officially begin the season against UCLA at the Husker Invitational on Friday in Lincoln, Neb.

“It’s not where you start. It’s where you finish.”

RYAN MCGUYRE | HEAD COACH

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ALL ON THE LINE Senior Sam Tecklenburg will center Baylor's offensive line, which coach Matt Rhule will focus on heading into the 2019 season through two crucial changes — depth and physical growth.

Consistency is key for BU football

JESSIKA HARKAY
Sports Writer

Head coach Matt Rhule is only the second coach at Baylor in the last 50 years to reach a bowl game after just two years on the job.

Over the course of three seasons at Temple from 2013 to 2015, Coach Rhule's team improved from a dismal 2-10 record to 10-4. Similarly, coming up on his third year of tenure with the Bears, the head coach has the chance to bring the program to its first 10-win season since 2015.

That's the head coach's expectation, too, although he admits it's easier said than done.

"I want to make another jump from last year. It's just a much harder jump," Rhule said. "It's much harder to go from good to great. That's because most of us are pretty happy being good. We spend a lot of time saying, 'Hey, at least we're not as bad as we once were.' It takes elite focus, and it takes elite accountability to become a great football team."

The first step to another winning season? According to Rhule, consistency.

From being blown out one week to securing a win the next, Rhule said his Baylor team has "never been in control of a game."

"We were reactionary, and great teams are consistent every single time, and great coaches talk about it. That's what's hard to do — is to get our guys consistent day-in and day-out, but I think they know that's where they have to get to," Rhule said. "Even last

year, the games that we won, it came down to the final minutes. We have to get a lead. We have to stop the run and make teams one-dimensional so we can turn it up. It's a function of all of that."

Limiting opponents' momentum includes making a stand on defense, especially preventing big plays.

For example, in the 66-33 loss against Oklahoma last year, the Sooners racked up more than 600 offensive yards, including scoring plays over 30, 50 and even 80 yards.

Creating a dominant defense begins with controlling the line of scrimmage. Associate head and defensive ends coach Joey McGuire is putting his focus on killing plays before they begin — with sacks.

"Anytime you can hit the quarterback, it's a good thing. We've got to create turnovers," McGuire said. "That's been a huge emphasis this year. One thing we're doing really well is intercepting the ball. We're causing a lot of fumbles right now, and that's one thing we've got to get better at."

Controlling the line of scrimmage goes both ways, as the Baylor offensive line has struggled and finished with allowing the most sacks in the Big 12 for two consecutive years.

Yet, there are two crucial changes in the offensive line this year: depth and physical growth.

Offensive line coach Shawn Bell emphasized the strategy behind finding the best five.

"As offensive linemen, we don't just teach this position; we teach a system. Once you understand the system, you can play any one of these positions," Bell said. "One thing with Coach Rhule is knowing your job. If you're at left tackle, you have to

know what the right guard does. If you're a center, you've got to know what the right tackle does."

Rhule believes an improved offensive line is the key to the team's 2019 success.

"When we got here, there were six offensive linemen on the roster, and we showed up. Two guys retired to get us down to four. We played a 279-pound freshman at tackle the last five games, but he is 300 [pounds] now," Rhule said. "For us to be a team that's in contention and relevant in November, we're going to have to play much better than we have on the offensive and defensive lines, and I think we're ready for that and our guys understand that's the next step."

The third-year coach realizes his team has to protect its top assets.

"We have a great quarterback," Rhule said. "He can't be running for his life all the time. We have to make sure he's comfortable if we want to play at a high level."

The last step to more Baylor football wins this season comes from believing in the vision to become better.

"I expect myself to do the job that I'm hired to do, and that's to get us to be a bowl team every year and have us be a team in November that's fighting to play in the championship game," Rhule said. "We weren't that last year, and that's the next step. A lot of things have to happen in order to make that happen, but we're going to fight like heck to make it happen."

Baylor's football season starts when the Bears host Stephen F. Austin at 6 p.m. on Saturday at McLane Stadium.



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BIG 12 SEASON RUNDOWN

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In the 2018-19 college football season, the Big 12 Conference produced 26 selected players in the NFL Draft, 11 of whom were chosen within the first three rounds, second-consecutive Heisman Trophy winners, and of 10 teams, only three (Kansas State, Texas Tech and Kansas) lost more games than they won.

Of the seven teams with winning records, all made bowl games and four came out with victories, including Baylor's 45-38 win in the Academy Sports + Outdoors Texas Bowl against Vanderbilt.

Big 12 Commissioner Bob Bowlsby clarified that 2018 wasn't the only year of post-season success, yet it was defining for the conference.

"We have been 13-8 over the last three seasons and have a winning record against every one of the autonomy conferences that we have played," Bowlsby said. "Last year of our seven bowl games, six of the seven opponents were held below their season averages offensively by Big 12 defenses."

Now heading into the 2019 season, according to 247 Sports and based on ESPN's Preseason Rankings, the Big 12 ranks third behind the SEC and Big Ten Conference.

With that said, as some teams try to rebuild, let's take a look at the conference.

Oklahoma: (12-2)

Last year marked OU's fourth straight Big 12 title, and despite losing their Heisman Trophy winning quarterback and four offensive linemen to the NFL, the Sooners are comfortable coming into a new season with transfer veteran quarterback Jalen Hurts.

The biggest difference, head coach Lincoln Riley explained, is the defense with new defensive coordinator Alex Grinch. In 2018, Oklahoma fell to last in the league in scoring defense.

"It's not like you're starting from scratch," Lincoln said. "We don't plan on the offense dipping. The second part of that, we definitely expect our defense to be better... That's why we have recruited as hard as we have. That's why we made the changes on the coaching staff that we've made."

Prior to his arrival to OU, Grinch spent three years (2014-17) at Washington State and in 2018 held a co-defensive coordinator position at Ohio State. At WSU, Grinch's defensive improved from averaging eight turnovers to 28 by his last season.

Additionally, of the 2019 signing class, nearly half of the 24 commits are defensive players, including ESPN 300's No. 5 recruit safety Jeremiah Criddle, and defensive end Marcus Stripling.

Combined, Stripling and Criddle totaled 63 tackles and four fumbles their senior year.

Texas (10-4)

Third year head coach Tom Herman leads the Longhorns into the fall coming off their first 10-win season since 2009 (13-1).

Aside from junior quarterback Sam Ehlinger who will try to improve on a 3,000 yard season, Herman noted some players to look out for, including senior offensive center Zach Shackelford, who he called "the quarterback of the offensive line and the glue that holds that group together," and junior tight end Cade Brewer, who will be replacing now, New England Patriots TE, Andrew Beck.

Herman also emphasized establishing a run game, and is especially excited about

tailbacks Keaontay Ingram and Jordan Whittington.

Notably, Ingram as a true freshman rushed over 700 yards, including a career-high 110 yards against Baylor. Herman also said that Whittington has been "remarkable," and never in his 22 years of coaching has he seen a player come take a position like "a fish to water."

Although confident with his offensive talent, Herman acknowledged that there's needed improvements on defense.

"We're going to be young. There's no secret to that," Herman said. "But young and talented is better than young and not talented."

Even with a young defense, the head coach is confident in Todd Orlando, who enters his third year at UT as the defensive coordinator and last year led the defense in allowing only 131.4 rushing yards per game.

West Virginia (8-4)

West Virginia is one of four teams in college football to face a schedule of 11 Power Five opponents this season. The attitude going into a tough season is a "one-game mindset," first-year head coach Neal Brown said.

According to Blue Gold News, the Mountaineers are losing at least four players, who enrolled in the NCAA Transfer Portal.

They include safety Kenny Robinson who averaged 14.5 tackles a game last season and senior wide receiver Marcus Simms who ranked in the top 20 in Big 12 receiving yards per game (63.5) and receptions per game (4.2).

With that said, West Virginia enters 2019 with some gaps in their roster. Brown explained the program will have to take a creative approach with a focus on rebuilding depth and experience.

"We're young, very inexperienced. What we're going to look like in the fall I'm not sure yet. I'm really not," Brown admitted. "We're going to be a group that really grows and improves as we go through our Big 12 Conference and what is a very challenging schedule, but I do like our guys."

Although a lot of uncertainty floods the roster, one thing WVU has to look forward to is graduate quarterback Austin Kendall who transferred from Oklahoma. Kendall was a backup for Baker Mayfield and Kyler Murray and during his tenure with the Sooners completed 72% of his passes (28-39) for three touchdowns and no interceptions.

Iowa State (8-5)

The Cyclones enter 2019 with a bulk

of experience, as their roster contains 21 seniors. Head Coach Matt Campbell pointed out their leaders, including offensive lineman Josh Knipf, who has been an anchor in rebuilding the line, and wide receiver Deshaunte Jones.

Jones comes into his senior year with

38 games and 26 starts under his belt. Last year, he ranked second on the team with 43 receptions and four touchdown catches and was described by Campbell as "a guy that's made a lot of plays in some critical moments."

On the defensive side of the ball, the head coach noted linebacker Marcel Spears and defensive end

JaQuan Bailey as two important players who have become "emotional leaders."

With a veteran team returning, one thing Iowa State is especially confident in is their defense and ability to build upon "a powerful and strong front seven," full of depth and "strength in the middle," Campbell detailed.

Although full of experience, a prominent point of concern lies in the run-game after running back David Montgomery got drafted to the Chicago Bears.

"Fortunately or unfortunately at times we had to play without David last year and I think the thing that was really good for us is it put some of these guys that are competing for that starting spot in position to have to step up and make critical plays," Campbell said.

With a mature and returning roster, Iowa State hopes to rebuild with running backs Kene Nwangwu, Johnnie Lang and Sheldon Croncy.

Baylor (7-6)

In 2018, the Bears mostly struggled on the defensive side of the ball, particularly in pass rush. The defense allowed 39 big plays that not only all led to touchdowns, but also totaled 38% of total yards given up.

Head coach Matt Rhule has made a point to place an emphasis on sacks, which begins with beefing up his players. For example, he says defensive tackles Rob Saulin and Chidi Ogbonnaya bulked up in the post-season close to the 300-pound range.

Veteran leaders to look out for include junior defensive tackle James Lynch, senior defensive tackle Bravion Roy and senior defensive end James Lockhart, who racked up a combined 85 tackles in the previous year.

A new and important face to see on the field is corner Kalon Barnes, who Rhule called "a special, special person" and a player who has "really developed where he has a chance to maybe become a big-time player."

Offensively, the Bears will be led by returning junior quarterback Charlie Brewer, who threw for over 3,000 yards last year, has started 16 of the last 17 games for Baylor and holds a .638 completion percentage, the second-best in Bears history behind Robert Griffin III (.671).

Rhule sees his quarterback settling into the position as the offensive has began to come together.

"I thought he was a really good quarterback, and at the end of the year when we were able to run the ball and protect him I thought he was an excellent quarterback," Rhule said. "What I'm excited about is his commitment to learning the game at a higher level, understanding the run checks, the pass checks, the protections, making himself a pro quarterback as a junior and I've seen great work from him and that to me tells me he's ready to go be a great player this year."

Texas Christian University (7-6)

The Horned Frogs finished 27th nationally in total defense last season. The first step for the team this year is to replace



two defensive ends who were drafted. With the help of South Carolina transfer Shameik Blackshear and redshirt freshman defensive end Ochaun Mathis, TCU is placing an emphasis on creating depth.

"So our biggest thing is out of 42 players we have 22 redshirt and freshmen that we have to grow up," head coach Gary Patterson said. "I think that will be the key for us. But anytime in this league if you can rush the passer without blitzing, and you can play you have guys that can run with everybody else, you've got a chance and I think we have the capabilities of doing that."

Rebuilding the offensive line is important too, as last year TCU lost four offensive linemen to injury or to the NFL. Yet, one position that isn't lacking depth is quarterback. With six potential QBs and a returning offense, the offensive side of the ball is an area of strength and creates a growth mentality, which is something Patterson emphasized.

"I always found when you have a high competition level as a general rule you end up with a better product," Patterson said. "They all want to be the guy and I don't think you want it any different than that. I like guys that have stories and all six guys have a story. When you have a story usually they have a little bit of a chip on their shoulder and really all of them have a chip on their shoulder."

Oklahoma State (7-6)

Oklahoma State is in a year of rebuilding with new coaching. To begin with, Sean Gleeson was hired early in the year as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

Gleeson comes off an undefeated 2018 season with Princeton where the Tigers ranked within the top ten nationally in total offense and scored 470 points on the season. Under Gleeson, Princeton's quarterback led the Ivy League by averaging over 300 yards of total offense per game.

Now coming onto OSU's coaching staff, the Cowboys have a unique quarterback situation filled with uncertainty between Spencer Sanders and Dru Brown. As a senior in high school, Sanders threw for nearly 4,000 yards and 54 touchdowns.

Yet, Brown comes in with previous collegiate experience as a red-shirted senior. In his 2017 season with Hawai'i, he averaged 232.1 yards per game with a completion percentage of 61.7.

Until further notice, the two are expected to split reps.

Charlie Dickey was named the new offensive line coach, and the Cowboys also look forward to further development on defense with second-year defensive coordinator Jim Knowles, who led the defense to finish 10th nationally in sacks, yet struggled with points allowed (32.5) per game.

Fans can expect "the system to stay the same," head coach Mike Gundy said.

"Hopefully we can play it better. We

need to be a more disciplined defensive football team...hopefully we will be better at executing those plays," Gundy explained.

Texas Tech (5-7)

Newly hired head coach Matt Wells has his eye on consistency as Tech had a losing season three of the last five years under Kliff Kingsbury.

Wells comes off six seasons at Utah State, where his team made four bowl appearances. His mission with Tech is to create a new program and foundation.

"The biggest key for us in year one is instilling our culture, building our foundation, and we always talk about it at Tech and at Lubbock, what we do and how we do it," Wells said. "What we do on offense, what we do on defense, our weight room, strength and conditioning with a major emphasis in nutrition, class, academics, all that stuff, but the key is to the "how" and that's the biggest thing for us in year one is establishing the "how" the physicalness, the toughness, the discipline, mental and physical."

Part of solidifying the Red Raiders has to do with taking in four graduate transfers — wide receiver RJ Turner, running back Armand Shyne, Penn State defensive back Zechariah McPhearson and linebacker Evan Rambo.

Tech plans to adjust to a "more run mentality," that will be a well-rounded threat offensively. Claiming to be an offensive guy, Wells is eager to put his new graduate students to immediate use and distributing new talent, beginning with a focus on tight ends junior Donta Thompson and sophomore Travis Koontz.

"I think of our guys as a hybrid," Wells said. "You're going to see our guys flex out, where it looks like a wide receiver and wide receiver formations, you're going to see him in line, in the backfield. They're multi-faceted guys, they've got to be extremely smart, be able to run, be graceful, catch balls, hopefully their speed mismatches for linebacker and size mismatches for safeties. That's what we want to get to."

Kansas State (5-7)

First-year head coach Chris Klieman has a challenge ahead of him as his K-State team is picked ninth in the conference in pre-season polls.

Klieman replaces Bill Synder who coached at KSU since 1988, and with a few returning offensive line men, the new head coach wants to change the offense to establish more of a ground game full of balance.

"Having tight ends and fullbacks, we have to continue to recruit the bigger bodies, the tight ends and full backs, because we want to

be able to line up in multiple sets," Klieman described. "You would say, I still want to have great balance. We need to be able to run the football as effectively as we throw it, but the most important thing we need to do is get the ball into the playmaker's hands and it starts for us with our quarterback."

Klieman previously coached at North Dakota State and guided his previous team to an undefeated 15-0 record last year. With that said he explained that developing a team is based on strength and creating a culture with every player exhibiting the "same character and competitive fire."

Controlling the line of scrimmage is also important to the Wildcats this year.

"I think if you're going to be successful, it's gotta start up front, whether that's the offensive line or defensive line it has to start up front so you have the opportunity not to get pushed off the football," Klieman expressed, making note of the defensive line being led by sophomore defensive end Wyatt Hubert and senior defensive tackle Trey Dishon.

Kansas (3-9)

The Jayhawks struggled on offense last year averaging 360.8 yards per game compared to 418.5 by opponents. Unsure of why offensive production lacked last year, head coach Les Miles says the key to the offense is talent and finding balance with junior Thomas MacVittie and senior Carter Stanley at quarterback.

At Mesa Community College, MacVittie played in six games and threw for a little over 1000 yards and 16 touchdowns, meanwhile Stanley has spent his collegiate career with KU, playing seven games last year the senior completed 34-47 passes for 304 yards and three touchdowns.

Another asset that will contribute offensively is utilizing running back Pooka Williams Jr. who averaged 102.3 yards per game. After struggling with domestic violence allegations, Williams is clear to play in the 2019 season.

Most notably, Miles illustrated the change on defense, shifting from a 4-3 to 3-4 and adjusting to faster play.

"On defense it's got great speed, [...] and it's going to be a fast-paced, in-your-face style," Miles illustrated. "We have a veteran secondary. We will put a very, very capable defense on the field."

Defensive veterans include senior safety Bryce Torneden and senior linebacker Denzel Feaster.

The Big 12 looks forward to another season of development and competition. The conference's first week of competition opens with OSU traveling to Oregon State on August 30, eight teams in play on the 31st, and closes with Oklahoma hosting Houston on September 1.



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THANKS FOR THE BOWL Baylor's 35-24 win over Texas Tech on Nov. 24, 2018 at AT&T Stadium in Arlington secured the Bears' a bowl bid to end the regular season. The Red Raiders will make a trip down to Waco for the first time since 2007 on Oct. 12.



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BREAKING THE STREAK The Bears will attempt to break a four game losing streak against Texas to close out the home schedule on Nov. 23. Baylor has not won a game against the Longhorns since 2014 and have not had a home win since 2013. Texas took a 23-17 victory in Austin on Oct. 13, 2018.

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Big 12 quarterbacks maintain their reputation

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Sports Writer

The Big 12 conference is known for producing elite quarterbacks such as Robert Griffin III, Patrick Mahomes and Vince Young. The QB battle between the conference has always been something to look forward to, but in recent years the Oklahoma Sooners, led by head coach Lincoln Riley, have been dominating the conference and proving their talent.

In the 2018 season, former Oklahoma quarterback Kyler Murray threw for just over 4,000 yards with 40 touchdowns, ultimately leading his Sooners to a 12-1 record and the Heisman trophy.

Murray was the latest in a list of big-name OU signal callers, immediately following Baker Mayfield, the quarterback who turned around the Cleveland Browns' streak of losses with a 7-8-1 overall season. Oklahoma is coming off back-to-back Heisman winners and No. 1 overall NFL draft picks, but this season they are not the only ones with the threatening quarterbacks.

Once again, the Big 12 is stacked with big names under center. But there are three who are making a name for themselves in the conference, according to 247sports. Baylor's Charlie Brewer, Texas' Sam Ehlinger and Oklahoma's Jalen Hurts, who recently transferred from the University of Alabama, are several of them mentioned.

The Baylor Bears have proved their place in the Big 12 behind the arm of Austin junior Charlie Brewer. Brewer led the Bears to a 7-6 record and a 45-38 victory against the Vanderbilt Commodores in the Academy Sports and Outdoors Texas Bowl. Brewer threw for 3,019 yards with 19 touchdowns in 2018.

The junior from Austin isn't only a force statistically; he is also a leader, according to head coach Matt Rhule.

"I think Charlie's an elite competitor. He's a winner. He's tough," Rhule said. "I think he's going to be one of the great players in the conference."

Just a little over 100 miles away from McLane Stadium is another player whose talent is not only taking the conference but the nation by storm. Junior Sam Ehlinger, the young talent out of Austin Westlake High School, is taking Texas football by the horns. The junior playing for Coach Tom Herman threw for 3,292 yards

with 25 touchdowns in the 2018 season. He also led the Longhorns to a huge 48-45 victory over the conference-leading Sooners in the final seconds of their 2018 rivalry game last October.

Despite all of his efforts to push Texas football to new heights, there are still doubts in some minds in light of comments made about his quarterback, according to Herman.

"Sam [Ehlinger] loves to play with a chip on his shoulder, and I'm sure he will use this to crank it up a notch. It is, again, it's pretty irrelevant in terms of how it affects our program. We're worried about our program," Herman said.

The biggest threat in the conference, though, comes from the Heisman producing workhorses, the Oklahoma Sooners and transfer Jalen Hurts. With Baker Mayfield and Kyler Murray's shoes to fill, the Sooners got good news this off season with the transfer announcement of Jalen Hurts. His arrival to Norman, Okla. adds a bit of spice to the Big 12, as the Sooners have been making an appearance in the college football playoffs for two consecutive seasons but keep coming up short of the National Championship.

The transfer quarterback lost his starting position to Alabama junior Tua Tagovailoa in the 2018 national championship game and sat out the following season. He put up a fight during his time as starter, though, with 5,626 throwing yards and 48 touchdowns. These numbers are much higher than that of the young quarterbacks at Baylor and Texas, since Hurts has a year of experience on the two of them.

Although the Big 12 is filled with quarterback talent, several teams are still trying to find a standout within their roster. In the case of West Virginia, Will Grier's departure into the NFL as the third-round draft pick to the Carolina Panthers will leave new head coach, Neal Brown, with the task of developing more depth in the quarterback position. In contrast, Texas Christian University is abundant with options to fill the quarterback position, but head coach Gary Patterson has one name in mind.

"Alex Delton: you've got a guy that was a team captain, handled himself well," Patterson said. "We didn't seek out Alex. He sought us out."

Big 12 football will be back in motion on Saturday, and conference play will begin Sept. 21.



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CHARLIE BREWER looks for an open man to get a first down for the Bears during the KSU game in October 2018. The Golden Wave Band watches in anticipation.



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How to survive the Baylor Line

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Gold jerseys with nicknames engulf your vision. Sweat from the people around you mixes with yours. The new hype video plays on the big screen to your right as the words “whoa oh oh oh” are chanted and your eyes lock onto the human-wall holding thousands of new freshman behind it. The words from an upperclassman you met the other day repeat in your head — “don’t trip.” In three...two...one...book it!

If this vaguely sounds familiar, you likely ran the Baylor Line before.

If you’re prepping for Saturday Aug. 31 and your first run, here’s some of the best advice from someone who’s avoided falling, dehydrating (for the most part) and survived one of the best traditions Baylor has to offer.

Don’t look back. Don’t stop. Run.

If there’s one thing you’ll get out of this article, just run. The only good that will come from looking back is a cool picture of your classmates screaming for a second, but most of the time this is how many students end up in the fetal position trying to protect themselves from being run over. If someone falls near you, keep going. Be careful of the people around you, but helping someone back up is hard when you’re trying to keep moving and prevent other people from tripping over you or pushing you down too. If you stay focused on your footing and getting to the end zone, you have absolutely no reason to worry.

Create a mental map.

Something that helped my roommate and me successfully stay together was creating a mental map and holding hands. If you decide to run with someone, make sure you have a similar



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RUN BABY RUN Since 1970, baby Baylor Bears have been trying their luck sprinting across the field to kick off home football games.

speed and game plan discussed before. The best thing you can do is have a plan of where you want to be at the end of the 100 yards. Stick to the edges if you can. It’ll help you avoid the inevitable hundreds of unfortunate kids who end up tripping or being accidentally pushed down. In all seriousness, have an idea of the direction you want to head in, who you want to follow and where you want to end up in the human tunnel and bleachers.

If you want to be in the front, get there an hour or two early. If you’re slower, opt for the back. Honestly, there’s nothing that will pique your adrenaline more than being in the front of the line and feeling as if you’re running for your life but that isn’t for everyone.

If you’re up for the challenge and enduring the heat for a bit longer, get there early. Bring a water bottle with you, a little phone fan if you can, and good company. Be prepared to feel a lot of squishing and pushing, but without a doubt, it’s worth it at the end of the night. The memories and stories are incredible to pass down. If you’re a little scared and know you weren’t blessed with

speed, aim for the middle or back. It’s just as fun without the intensity.

Dress appropriately.

I cannot stress this enough, especially to my girls. Yes, cowboy boots look cute and so do sandals. But wearing the wrong shoe attire is a guaranteed way to either find yourself on the ground or missing a shoe.

One of the most important things to understand is you’re running with hundreds of other freshmen, so just like if you were running from hundreds of real bears, prepare yourself. Pick comfortable shoes that you can tie up and feel comfortable standing the whole game in.

Wear thin clothing, and avoid thick shirts or multiple articles of clothing. You won’t need anything more than your phone, ID and water bottle.

Hydrate or Die-drate is a real thing. Bring water.

Our excitement often gets the best of us, and we forget to do little things like drinking

water. Drink a bunch before you get to McLane Stadium. Bring a water bottle or a little pouch to keep your levels up. When you’re surrounded by so many people, Texas heat and eagerness waiting to run, it feels like an endless sauna. Take care of your bodies. Drink, even if you aren’t thirsty. You’ll thank yourself later.

Prepare for the most amount of Sic ‘ems you’ll do all year.

The best part of the Baylor Line is the excitement that surrounds you. The amount of school spirit and energy is unmatched. Every few minutes, there’s a different chant or a new Sic ‘em being stirred up. Make friends with the people around you, and realize that this is genuinely your new family for the next few years. Engulf yourself in the moment.

Don’t stress or panic when you run the first time. The experience is mind-blowing. Nothing matches the first football game and being able to see the crowd cheering you on and welcoming you to Baylor Nation. Be safe and Sic ‘em!



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