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LGBTQ group finds new meeting place

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

Gamma Alpha Upsilon, an unchartered LGBTQ organization, has a new meeting space.

Gamma announced the new venue, 301 Marrs McLean Science Building, in a post on its Instagram page Thursday afternoon. The announcement said Gamma "FINALLY got a real room on campus" after "years and years and years of meeting in public in the SUB."

A statement released to the Lariat by Gamma said the change of venue was done to benefit the group's members.

"Gamma does not have an official room from Baylor; we are simply moving to a more private space to ensure the safety of our members," the statement said. "We have been working closely in other ways to improve the university and the campus will hopefully see these matters in the near future."

In a Presidential Perspective email Thursday, Baylor president Dr. Linda Livingstone addressed the conversation surrounding LGBTQ representation at Baylor. Livingstone said the university "initiated focus group discussions" with student leaders and members of the faculty senate to "explore the best ways to support the educational experience of our LGBTQ students within the context of our Christian mission."

Baylor has focused on civil discourse throughout the semester, including an event

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Mireya Sol Ruiz | Multimedia Journalist

EYE-CATCHING Riverside, Calif, freshman Katie Miller observes the It's On Us display on Traditions Plaza. The display exhibits Christmas trees and a sign that displayed the text "What's more out of place than Christmas in October? Violence in a healthy relationship."

'Christmas in October' strikes awareness into domestic violence

EMILY LOHEC
Staff Writer

Baylor's chapter of It's On Us, a domestic violence awareness organization, is displaying "Christmas in October" to commemorate National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and teach students the signs of unhealthy relationships.

The exhibit features Christmas trees and a banner reading, "What's more out of place than Christmas in October? Violence in a healthy relationship." There are handmade ornaments as well, each showing one of the 10 signs of unhealthy relationships and resources available at Baylor and in the Waco community. "Christmas in October" is located at the Vara Martin Daniel Plaza, and has been on display since Wednesday.

Hoffman Estates, Ill., Sophomore Zachary Tufenkjian, president of It's On Us BU, said he sees this organization as a way to promote awareness for abusive relationships, which can be more prevalent than people realize.

"The reality is that most college students do not know the signs of an unhealthy relationship and fail to recognize interpersonal violence," Tufenkjian said.

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ZACHARY TUFENKJIAN | IT'S ON US BU PRESIDENT

On Us BU, he has learned more about sexual and domestic violence and how to initiate change for those in harmful relationships.

"I have become more informed of the different factors and processes at play when dealing with the issue of sexual violence at Baylor and in the United States as a whole, and the prevalence of sexual and domestic violence on college campuses and the importance of providing a voice to survivors," Tufenkjian said.

Kemah senior Sidney McGinty said she has felt love and support from her involvement with It's On Us BU.

"Feeling powerless against my own experiences with sexual assault first attracted me to It's On Us events," McGinty said. "They knew how to comfort me and understood how best to communicate about sexual assault."

McGinty is not only a member of the organization, but also works to put on events, displays and activities. McGinty said that the design element of the exhibit has provided an outlet for awareness towards domestic violence and sexual assault in a creative and memorable way.

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Photo Illustration by Mireya Sol Ruiz | Multimedia Journalist

AW CHUTE! An issue for local apartment complexes is that they only have one trash chute. Residents can't drop recycling down this chute, as it will end up grouped with regular trash.

Students implement recycling programs at local apartments

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

Two Baylor students are partnering with local apartment complexes to bring recycling services to student housing.

Danville, Calif., Senior Madi Jeha and Houston senior Catherine Suzhay helped the Ursa apartment complex implement a recycling program as part of an environmental

science research project, and are in talks with other complexes near Baylor to do the same.

Jeha conceived the program last semester after observing the lack of recycling at Waco apartments, and said the research component was an extra benefit.

"I came up with the idea for [environmental science professor] Dr. [Melinda] Coogan, and

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Flu season – how to avoid the health misconceptions

TYLER BUI
Staff Writer

Flu season is rapidly approaching, and medical professionals across the Baylor campus have been encouraging students to get their flu shot and avoid myths about the shot.

Some students are apprehensive to receive the flu shot because of the misconception that getting the shot will lead to the flu or a common cold. However, Dr. Sharon Stern, medical director at Baylor University Health Services, said there is no possible way that can happen.

"There are several misconceptions about the flu vaccine; the most important one that we hear the most is that you can catch the flu from the flu vaccine," Stern said. "That is not true. The proteins that are in the vaccine are killed viruses, so they cannot infect you at all."

Stern said that one of the reasons why many people think the flu vaccine can cause the flu is the location and timing of a flu shot.

"I think there is a reason people have a correlation [with the flu and the flu shot] because they typically go to get the flu vaccine in a doctor's office during flu season, where they may come in contact with other people who may have the flu," Stern said. "They then might catch [the flu] from that exposure. There is no live virus in the flu vaccine. It's because they went to a place where there were lots of people with colds."

Stern said that the flu shot also does not cause a common cold or weaken the immune system, although there can be mild side effects that can be triggered by any type of vaccine.

"The most common side effect is soreness in your arm. The flu shot does not weaken your immune system," Stern said. "The vaccine triggers your immune system to work so that you build up antibodies against these strains of the flu, and that is improving your immune system, not making it worse. Any vaccine can cause in some people things like headaches and stomachaches. It's not uncommon to have those types of side effects."

Stern said there are other misconceptions about the flu vaccine that deter people from getting the flu shot.

"One is that if you've already had the flu in the past, you don't need the vaccine," Stern said.



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EDITORIAL

Newsmakers: hold opinions, not agendas

With rampant claims of “fake news” or biased journalism, the editors of the Baylor Lariat hope we can remain credible in the eyes of our readers. We restrict our expression to the designated opinion section, which is the only place in the paper where we allow our personal perspectives to seep through.

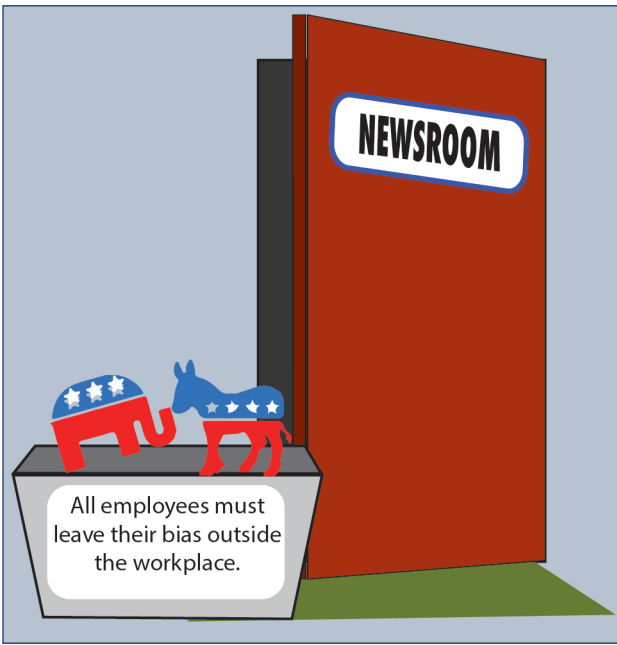
Whistleblower Cary Poarch, working with Project Veritas, recently published undercover recordings taken at CNN which imply a newsroom culture oriented against President Donald Trump and the broader Republican party. The recordings revealed the CNN president’s insistence on regular coverage of the impeachment, even before the official court order was released, in efforts to initiate anti-Trump public discourse.

Journalism has the power of agenda setting, the process through which news organizations influence what people think and worry about.

The existence of editorials, collaborative opinion pieces written from the joined sentiment of seven Lariat editors, could seem to imply bias within our journalistic work. After all, we choose the four topics a week we want to make a stance on.

However, the stances we take as an editorial board are meant to help form common ground within the Baylor community, not encourage political homogeneity within our staff.

Every year, as we are forming our editorial board, we seek members from diverse ethnicities, religious beliefs, political leanings and even



Hannah Holliday | Cartoonist

extracurricular involvement. If we are discussing a topic someone has either personal bias toward or is covering for news, they must abstain from the discussion.

Our editorial board meetings start with everyone sharing their own pitches for editorial topics. Each topic is researched and discussed. Based on the arguments made or evidence found, our opinions are often changed throughout the course of the meeting.

This thoughtful, democratic discourse in our weekly meetings brings deeper understanding of topics for ourselves, and it is our joy to share our insights with the Baylor community through our published editorials.

Some college newspapers rarely publish editorials or have ceased writing them altogether. For instance, Angelo State University’s The Ram Page most recently

published an editorial in October 2016. This date suggests the possibility that no one currently on staff at The Ram Page has ever contributed to an editorial. Others, such as Southern Methodist University’s The Daily Campus, University of Texas’ The Daily Texan, Rice University’s The Rice Thresher post editorials periodically.

For us, as the Baylor Lariat, editorials mark a unique opportunity to break character as objective news reporters and express ourselves as passionate human beings hoping to connect with our audience. The opinion section, which clearly indicates itself as separate from every other section, is the one and only place in this newspaper we will not practice impartiality, and we hope that’s OK.

COLUMN

CNN’s anti-Trump bias threatens news integrity

GABY SALAZAR
Copy Editor

CNN has officially lost all credibility earlier this week when a whistleblower inside CNN came out with secret camera footage,



proving the media conglomerate’s blatant bias against President Trump and Republicans. This story is easily one of the biggest of the year, but you’ll hardly see it in mainstream media. The hashtag #ExposeCNN has essentially been buried deep in the trending list, even when it’s been tweeted over 100,000 times. The biggest question remaining is how long can CNN remain silent about this.

On Monday, Project Veritas, a conservative activist group, worked with whistleblower Cary Poarch to release these shocking videos, with new ones still being posted on YouTube and Twitter. James O’Keefe, founder of Project Veritas describes himself as a “guerilla journalist” and is also the man behind the story of Google’s whistleblower.

In the footage, CNN employee Nick Neville reveals that Jeff Zucker, the president of CNN, is known to have a “personal vendetta” against the president. Everybody knows that CNN leans left, but this time we have billionaire media executives on tape talking about how to further their agenda and promulgate more Trump-rage. It’s plain to see that Zucker has his hands in every department of CNN, puppeteering his employees to stick to one narrative.

“I believe the American people deserve to know the true agenda of President Jeff Zucker so they understand what’s really going on behind the scenes at CNN and can make informed choices as consumers of media,” said Poarcher, now unemployed, on his GoFundMe page.

In part one of the series of shocking videos, Christian Sierra, a media coordinator at CNN said, “There’s nothing we can do if Zucker wants impeachment every single day to be the top story.” In Zucker’s defense, impeachment is a big story, but since the day Trump got into office, CNN has been hyper-focused on his impeachment and they’ve been relentless

about it ever since. We can clearly see from the videos that Zucker’s own employees are sick of covering the same story over and over again.

Poarcher had only worked at the network for two years, but it didn’t take long for him to realize that there was a serious anti-Trump crusade that everybody was aboard on.

In Poarcher’s interview with O’Keefe, he recalls a chilling moment at CNN noting, “There was a strong groupthink that permeated through the halls.”

The most telling part of Zucker’s ignorance is his claim that his hands are clean of corruption.

“I think what’s going on in America now is really fundamentally the result of years of fake news, conspiracy nonsense from Fox News,” Zucker said in a recorded phone call with CNN executives.

It’s ironic how Zucker is quick to blame Fox News for the deep division in this country when CNN is just as responsible, maybe even more so than Fox News.

Poarcher agrees when he says to O’Keefe, “He (Zucker) was calling Fox News fake news and a propaganda machine when with what I saw, that’s pretty much what CNN was.”

As the biggest media company in the world, it’s CNN’s ethical duty to report the news fairly. Instead, we are seeing CNN not just being biased in their news reporting, but corrupt and dishonest about it.

It’s no secret that the media is deceitful and it’s time it stops going unchecked. Real, objective journalism matters now more than ever before and if we fail to realize this, we risk mass manipulation. A fact we all must realize is that everybody has their own biases, even journalists, but the problem is that they don’t admit to them up front. Instead, they masquerade as being objective when that’s simply untrue. The problem is that most people can’t tell the difference between an opinion piece and a news article and that’s a huge problem.

I refuse to lose hope in this fight against big media corporations. As time passes, more whistleblowers will come out and if we can all expose CNN and other big tech companies for what they’re really doing to the American people, we know they can’t be silent forever. As democratic citizens of this country, it is imperative that we be accurately informed, not influenced.

Gaby is a senior communications major from Dallas.

COLUMN

Christian values align with the other party

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Matthew 22:36-40 says two commandments stand above the rest. The first, love God as best you can. The second, “love your neighbor as you love yourself.” That second point is why more Christians should be voting for the Democratic party.

According to Pew Research exit poll numbers from 2016, 58% of Protestants and 81% of evangelical Christians voted for Donald Trump in the last presidential election. How does a man who represents very little of the doctrine receive so much support from followers of Jesus?

The president is a man who preaches nationalism and close-mindedness, which in a way, relates to his working-class, white base. According to a Washington Post article written in July, Trump’s base has responded well to his attacks on the Democrat group known as The Squad. Bryan Lanza, an advisor to the president’s 2016 campaign, said that normally Republicans back off when accused of racism, but Trump doesn’t fit that mold, and he thinks “that’s what the Republican voters like about him.”

When it comes to seeking division, the Republican party since the ‘60s has done as

well as anyone, starting with the isolation of the welfare queen. The first welfare queen was a machination of Ronald Reagan, Republican idol. He alleged that people everywhere were abusing government programs — they were buying steaks with food stamps, building mansions in place of housing projects — but evidence for defrauding government programs has been slim.

Donald Trump has only grown the disconnect between white Christians and the rest of the country. His tweets on July 14 attacking The Squad, four representatives who happen to be women of color, arguing they should “go back” to the “totally broken and crime infested places from which they came,” saw some Republicans, not stagger at their president’s ghastly suggestion, but rather cheer alongside him.

The Gospel says Christians should not behave in that judging manner. Matthew 7:1-2 says “Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.”

The gist of the section is speaking of hypocrisy. Everyone sins. That is a fact of Christianity. But we are forgiven by the acts of Jesus and God’s grace. Therefore, it is not on us to judge each other, but on God when we stand before Him.

On earth, Christians shouldn’t judge others

for the choices they make. If a person is gay, preach and pray, but don’t attack or criticize them for it. The same goes for lying. And jealousy. And any other sin for that matter.

Somewhere along the way, many Christians in America lost that part of the gospel. Conservative Christians argue against the welfare system. In a 2012 study by Baylor sociology professor Paul Froese, 70% of people surveyed agreed that welfare shouldn’t go to people who can work. Christians ask why they should give their hard-earned money to people who aren’t working themselves. But often, the people on safety net programs are.

In a study by ThoughtCo., 77% of households with a member receiving aid had someone in the house working. Not a single state, even the most blue of them, gives aid to more non-worker households than their working counterparts. Safety net programs have also been covering progressively less Americans since many were instituted in the ‘90s.

The Republican Party has been an agent of division in this country for as long as I’ve been alive. After 9/11, President George W. Bush said “you are either with us or against us” in response to the terrorist threat facing the nation. Trump has compounded on that, yelling about caravans coming to invade the border, espoused that the majority of migrants locked in cages are gang members and rapists (11,000 of them are children) and tweeted that the media has been

spouting lies about him and his administration.

His most used, and most successful, political tactic is driving a wedge between working-class white Americans and the immigrants and non-Christians coming to take their jobs, but this country was founded on immigrants and has usually welcomed immigrants as helpful members to society.

The most significant of these historic endorsements is the Statue of Liberty, on which is written “Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming jobs. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me. I lift my lamp beside the golden door!”

The New Colossus, written by Emma Lazarus in 1883, reflected the views of Americans when it was added to the landmark in 1903. It also reflects the views of Jesus. In Matthew 11:28, Jesus says “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

America has long been a safeguard for people to flee to when they are in need, and I would argue that comes from the values instilled through Christianity. Loving thy neighbor and lending a helping hand to those who desperately need it seems to come more naturally to those who vote from the left than their red-faced counterparts.

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BU School of Education stands out with early-on student field experience

SOPHIE ACEBO
Reporter

Baylor’s School of Education has spent a century preparing future educators of different levels to lead in the classroom.

Dr. Sandra Talbert, clinical assistant professor and assistant chair for the School of Education, said the program’s unofficial goal is “to provide the highest-quality educators in each of our fields that we can.”

The department offers concentrations in three different levels of education—elementary education, middle education and secondary education. Talbert said that the most unique aspect about the curriculum compared to other schools is getting Baylor students in a classroom setting as early as their freshman year.

“One of the unique things about our School of Education here is that we get the students out onto campuses in the city earlier than most,” Talbert said. “Starting their freshman year, they spend time working individually with students in area schools.”

Throughout their undergraduate years, students in the program work their way up from engaging with one individual child to working with a small group, and finally, working with an entire classroom. During their senior year, all of the time is spent completing a year-long internship in the classroom where they are in charge of classes while working alongside a mentor.

“Comparatively, they spend much more time in the field than other schools of education,” Talbert said.

Talbert said that the level of support for these students in the classroom is another aspect of the School of Education that sets them apart. One of the levels they establish to ensure success is professional development schools (PDS), which the School of Education has partnerships with.

“At University High, there is someone who is hired half by Waco ISD and half by Baylor and are the ‘site coordinators,’” Talbert said. “They are there on the campus, so when our students go out there, there is always somebody there to support them.”

There are also university liaisons hired by Baylor who watch the Baylor students teach in order to provide feedback and constructive criticism on ways they can improve, learn and grow. Content Specialists are also available for anyone in the secondary education concentration to observe students teaching specific subjects and provide feedback. Even the teachers that students work under are there to provide support to ensure success.

“If we have a student who struggles, there are just so many ways that we can assist them,” Talbert said. “We have answers.”

Dallas senior Katy Stockton is an elementary education major and is currently completing her year-long internship at Robinson Primary School. Alongside her mentor, she helps teach a first-grade class.

“I usually get up at 6:30 a.m. to get to school by 7:30 a.m. depending on the day,” Stockton said. “I’m always teaching at least one subject every day, but some days I might be teaching everything.”

Stockton spends mornings setting up the classroom, getting the children together to head to class and beginning the lessons that have been planned.

They complete a multitude of activities that help the class learn to read, write and conceptualize stories, complete math problems and much more.

While the students are with other teachers doing recreational activities, like art or physical education, Stockton spends free time with her other mentors planning for the weeks to come.



Mireya Sol Ruiz | Multimedia Journalist

CREATING BRIGHT MINDS THROUGH EDUCATION Baylor’s education students are exposed to real classroom experience as early as freshman year. Bethany Dawson, a graduate of Baylor’s School of Education, is currently a full-time teacher at Lorena Primary School.

“One day a week, I meet with my mentors and the other math, science and social studies teachers, and we plan for the next week or the week after,” Stockton said.

Even apart from this meeting, Stockton spends her free time planning ahead.

“I work on lesson plans, other homework assignments that I have, and we grade papers, clean up the room, get their folders ready for them to take home, pass out papers ... that kind of thing,” Stockton said.

Dismissal ends at around 3:40 p.m., and even after dismissal, Stockton sticks around a while longer to finish working on tasks.

“I usually do some more work and leave by 4:00 p.m., sometimes later than that,” Stockton said.

Stockton said she recognizes that it can be easy for someone to think that being an education major is easier than other majors, but that classes taught are not re-learning concepts. She said they are helping the students learn how to apply concepts in a multitude of ways to best teach them.

“I think the misconception of, ‘Oh, I’m just re-learning things I’ve already learned’ is just not true at

all,” Stockton said. “They expect us to know these things already, of course. You’re not learning the content; you’re learning how to teach it. I think it’s hard for people who haven’t been in it to understand what it actually is.”

Stockton said she did not anticipate how difficult it would be to try and help a diverse group of students learn the same concept.

“I didn’t realize how difficult it can be when you have 20 kids who are all so different and unique and come from different backgrounds,” Stockton said. “There are subjects that they get and subjects that they don’t get, and you have to teach all of them in 30 minutes.”

Stockton said that being an education major and completing her internship, on top of outside organizations and activities, is no easy task.

“You’re in your school from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. which is most of your day, and if you’re in a sorority or fraternity or have a job or are in any sort of club or organization. You’re gonna have days that are taken away from you,” Stockton said.

Despite the trials of navigating time-management through such a

busy schedule, Stockton said she is extremely grateful for the knowledge and support the School of Education has given her.

“In the end, I look back, and I’m really happy that I stuck through it, even when it got hard,” Stockton said. “I’ve learned a lot, and I’ve gained experience that is super valuable.”

Bethany Dawson graduated from the School of Education in May of 2019 and is now a full-time kindergarten teacher at Lorena Primary School. She said that she owes her success to the department.

“It just hasn’t seemed as tough as I would expect because of all of the background and experience I’ve had,” Dawson said.

Dawson said that Baylor was able to help connect her to job opportunities through a job fair where a diverse group of Texas school districts visit to potentially recruit students.

“My current principal...I actually met at the job fair,” Dawson said. “I introduced myself to her and set up an interview and now here we are.”

Visit Baylor’s website for more information on the School of Education.

DAILY CRIME LOG		Oct. 14-16
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Charge: CRIMINAL TRESPASS OF PROPERTY
Arrest Date: 10/16/2019
Name: Hackett, Glynn Andrew
Disposition: Released to Jail
Stat Code: Booked



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then we ended up making it part of my research that I needed for my major,” Jeha said. “It didn’t start out as a class; it just started out as something I wanted to do for the community.”

Szuhay teamed up with Jeha later into the project. For her last semester at Baylor, Suzhay said she wanted to create a “last-ditch impact” before graduating. Suzhay said the recycling project is about affecting change now and setting an example for others.

“I’ve always been really passionate about sustainability and environmental consciousness. I think it’s really important to implement these types of traditions now so that they can be passed on to the future generations,” Suzhay said. “We only have one planet, and I think that we need to remember that.”



The pair’s research data is gathered through surveys, one before and one after implementation of the recycling program. The follow-up survey of Ursa residents showed that over 70% of respondents reported using the new recycling service. With more than 700 residents living at Ursa, this indicates a significant reduction in waste, and Jeha said that estimates show a large portion of everyday waste can be reduced this way.

“The average American creates [about] four pounds of waste per day,” Jeha said. “I think about two to three pounds of that can be recycled.”

Jeha and Suzhay are working to bring recycling to other complexes, pursuing agreements with The Grove, The Domain and The Outpost. Complexes with outdoor waste collection are the priority, as Jeha said some apartments are not well-suited to adapt to a recycling program.

“As many apartment complexes as we can get on-board, the better,” Jeha said. “Our only issue that we run into is if you look at Park Place, or The View or U Pointe, they’re all indoor facilities so they only have one trash chute... the issue is that people can’t put their recycling down the trash chute because it won’t go into a

recycling bin. Right now, we are focusing on outdoor ones.”

While a priority for the project is still collecting data, Jeha and Suzhay have focused more on getting apartment complexes to adopt recycling programs. Suzhay said Jeha helped one apartment complex set up a recycling service despite not participating in the study.

“[Jeha] helped Oso Verde get their recycling, but unfortunately we weren’t able to collect data,” Suzhay said.

Jeha said complexes are generally willing to participate in the surveys and reap the benefits that come with it.

“It looks really good on them, especially if we end up getting published for this too. Their names get to be in the publications,” Jeha said. “They enjoy being on the forefront; they get to tell people they were some of the first people who got to recycle.”

Implementing the recycling program at Ursa involved inspections, certifying research, ordering materials and lots of time. Both students are seniors, and Suzhay said they are keen to future-proof the project.

“We’re looking for students to potentially take on what we’re doing now after we graduate,” Suzhay said.

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“That is not true because there are lots and lots of different strains of the flu.”

The flu vaccine is created after extensive research to find the most prevalent strains of the flu for the given year.

“There’s a lot of science that goes into the flu vaccine—the one that we have now has four different strains, so it covers for several different strains of A and B,” Stern said. “We follow the flu from the southern hemisphere up to the north and that’s how we predict which [strain] will be the most common.”

Stern said that the vaccine can be anywhere from 40% to 80% effective, given the year and how accurate scientists are when identifying the strains that will be included in the vaccine. She also said that many strains are similar, so even if the strain isn’t included in the vaccine, the vaccine can still help prevent the flu.

“There’s constant mutations that are new every year,” Stern said. “They’re just slightly different, so there is benefits to getting a flu vaccine every year. If the strains are close enough to the same, your immune system might be strong enough to fight it off, so you don’t get [the flu.]”

Stern said that the flu shot is not only beneficial to students, but also the individuals who are unable to get vaccinated themselves.

“I would say that it really is beneficial to you as students. If we immunize young people, it [also] helps to protect our elderly and our immunocompromised people from getting the



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FLU PREVENTION Students can receive flue shots from the Health Center. The vaccine is developed to combat the mutations in the flu, which can change yearly.

flu because of herd immunity,” Stern said. “If you have enough people immunized, then the people who either can’t take the vaccine or the vaccine may not be as effective in them...they are protected when young people get the vaccine.”

Overland Park, Kan., Senior Jessie Jilovec said herd immunization is one of the main reasons why she gets the flu shot every year.

“It provides immunity to people who can’t get the flu shot if they’re allergic to eggs or are on immuno-suppressant drugs,” Jilovec said. “Everybody should get the flu shot to help those people who are unable to.”

Stern said everyone should receive a flu vaccine, especially college students who live in close proximity with each other.

“The flu vaccine is not 100%, no vaccine is, but living the way college students live in close contact with each other, you’re going to catch a lot of the same viruses from each other,” Stern said. “It’s important to get the flu shot; it’s really a good thing to do for your health, even if you have a little arm soreness or achiness...it’s worth it to not get the flu and not be contagious to others.”

Students can receive a flu shot on campus at the Baylor University Health Center by appointment or walk-in, as well as flu shot clinics that will be held on Oct. 22 in the Baylor Law School or Oct. 29 at the Paul L. Foster Campus for Business and Innovation. Flu shots are \$25 at the clinic locations.

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hosted by the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work which featured Justin Lee, an LGBTQ activist, devout Christian and author.

Baylor’s official statement on human sexuality says it is “expected that Baylor students will not participate in advocacy groups which promote understandings of sexuality that are contrary to biblical teaching.” Thus far official

university policy remains unchanged.

Established in 2011 and formerly known as Sexual Identify Forum (SIF), Gamma supports LGBTQ students at Baylor. The group gained attention for its requests to become an official chartered organization at Baylor, none of which have been approved.

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Mireya Sol Ruiz | Multimedia Journalist

ATTENTION GRABBER It’s On Us’ sign was intentionally designed to catch the eyes of those passing by the exhibit. Students are encouraged to stop and engage with the exhibit.

“Our [design] meetings are designed so that every voice is heard,” McGinty said. “We end up working together to mold them all into a cohesive plan aimed at educating Baylor’s campus about sexual assault.”

McGinty said that “Christmas in October” is meant to grasp the attention of students, faculty and staff by decorating for a holiday months in advance.

“The Christmas trees are meant to be eye-catching because they are out of place by being set up in October as a comparison to violence being any part of a healthy relationship,” McGinty said.

McGinty said she has seen appreciation expressed for opportunities like this to support those who have experienced unhealthy relationships.

“Hands on activities such as writing notes of encouragement is always popular with students,” McGinty said. “I believe that explaining what sexual assault is while providing a space where survivors can experience support has the power to radically transform Baylor University.”

Both Tufenkijan and McGinty said they value the knowledge and resources students

can gain while observing the on-campus exhibit.


“We believe that providing a visual representation of domestic violence’s oddity and lack of place at Baylor will better help Baylor students understand why it is such a huge issue,” Tufenkijan said.

Students are encouraged to walk by the display and to stop and engage in conversation with those around to learn more about domestic violence.

“[Today] we will be doing a special event in partnership with Bumble where students can actually sign ornaments and put them up on a yellow tree,” Tufenkijan said. “Bumble will be donating \$1 for every ornament signed for our philanthropy.”


McGinty said that It’s On Us BU is determined to spread awareness and offer a safe place for those who have experienced domestic violence or sexual assault.

“My hope is that It’s On Us will be a catalyst for campus safety and community,” McGinty said. “My greatest desire for this organization is that we would consistently love people in the ways that they want and need to be loved, not in the ways that are easy or convenient.”



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CAUGHT OFF GUARD President Livingstone and the First Gentleman went through Fiji’s Fright Night Haunted House for the first time Thursday at Fountain Mall.

Fiji, AXO to host on-campus events Friday

CARSON LEWIS
Page One Editor

Thursday evening kicked off a weekend full of laughter, scares and community when Baylor president Dr. Linda Livingstone and first gentleman Brad Livingstone escaped Phi Gamma Delta’s Fright Night haunted house.

Fiji’s event will continue throughout the weekend until Saturday evening, and tonight, the haunted house will not be the only event on Fountain Mall.

Alpha Chi Omega will also be hosting AXO’s Block Party on Friday, which is set to last from 6 to 8 p.m., and will be followed by Fiji’s Fright Night haunted house from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.

AXO’s Block Party will feature free dessert food trucks and a concert by alt-pop artist Christian French. The sorority sold shirts throughout the week to raise awareness for the event and their philanthropy, benefiting National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the

Waco Family Abuse Center. Shorty’s Pizza will also be sold at the event, with the proceeds supporting the philanthropy.

After Block Party ends, attendees will be directed toward Fiji’s Fright Night, which will be occurring further down Fountain Mall closer to Moody Memorial Library. Fright Night is a three-night event, which began on Thursday night and will continue until Saturday night.

Fright Night is Fiji’s annual haunted house experience, and will feature tents divided into different rooms, filled with members intending to give visitors a good scare. Also featured are food trucks, a live movie and a photo booth. Churros’ Time will have a food truck all three nights, but Nightlight Donuts will only feature their food truck on Saturday night, which Fiji members say is usually when the event gets the most traffic.

“[Saturday] is usually our biggest night. Let’s hope the weather is all good. It looks great right now. . . Last year we had to cancel a day because of weather,” Aurora, Colo., junior Drew

McDougal, a Fright Night organizer, said.

Heavy rain has made Fright Night construction difficult in past years with tents being flooded in places, but members of Fiji said that they’re ready to adapt to make sure the event is a success.

“Weather always seems to be a problem, but that’s out of our control. We found a way to work through it,” Dekalb, Ill., junior Wesley Isunz, a Fright Night organizer, said.

Both events have been held in the past, but this year members of both Greek life organizations cooperated in promoting the events.

“We’re working together [a little bit], mostly to promote the event. . . We’re going to shut people out after the concert is over, so that people will go to [Fright Night],” Denver junior Ella Schroeder, a Block Party organizer, said. “We’re both sharing Fountain Mall.”

Another difference for Fright Night this year was the attendance of Linda and Brad Livingstone.

“[Fright Night] did not work with

our schedule the last couple of years, so we’re kind of excited about it . . . kind of,” Linda Livingstone said. “Brad is a haunted house person; I am not.”

In previous years, AXO held their Block Party on Burleson Quadrangle, but shifted to Fountain Mall this year to hopefully increase attendance for the event.

“We decided to move it to Fountain Mall this year to hopefully attract more people and have a larger space,” Schroeder said. “We think that we’re attracting more people this year, and Burleson Quadrangle is just not big enough.”

Linda Livingstone said that as more groups of students work together, they will create different types of experiences and attract new people to the community.

“We love the way our students come together and create these kinds of experiences, not just for our students but for the community, and along the way they’re raising money for great causes,” Linda Livingstone said.

Although Linda Livingstone said that she was calm and confident while

she was in the haunted house at first, one of the students managed to jump out and scare her.

“It’s a lot of fun. It’s a great time community-building and then it’s a great way to raise some money for a good cause,” Linda Livingstone said.

Members of Fiji and AXO said that lots of work has been put into both events, with planning taking place for months prior.

“Me and Wes, because we’re roommates, we started talking about it in November of last year, and we started actually deciding on events [in] February of this year. We’re already talking about next year,” McDougal said.

Schroeder said that Block Party has taken since March to plan.

“There was a lot that had to go into the event, especially with myself being the only executive position that had to plan this whole event. There’s a ton of small details and having to be a very good communicator,” Schroeder said. “We wanted to try to attract as many people as we can, and that can be difficult as Baylor is so diverse.”

Pianist performs alongside Waco Symphony Orchestra

KJ BURKLEY
Reporter

American pianist Drew Petersen performed with the Waco Symphony Orchestra on Thursday night in Waco Hall, marking the first time that Peterson has performed at Baylor.

The pieces performed were Hungarian composer Franz Liszt’s “Piano Concerto No.1,” S. 124 in E flat, with the orchestra concluding the concert with German composer Richard Strauss’ “Ein Heldenleben,” or “A Hero’s Life.”

Petersen has traveled the world performing with a variety of prestigious orchestras, musicians and institutions in North America, Asia and Europe. However, he said that his musical journey developed at an early age from a deep curiosity about the wonders that music and the piano held in store.

“I grew up in a home with non-musicians, but my mom did inherit a piano from her youth,” Petersen said. “It was this old, rinky-dink upright thing that just barely played and barely held tune, but it was enough for curious Drew to want to discover what this thing was about.”

Throughout his career, Petersen has been awarded numerous national and international awards, including the 2017 American Pianists Awards, the Christel DeHaan Fellowship of the American Pianists Association and the 2018 Avery Fisher Career Grant. He was also

named Artist-in-Residence for two years at the University of Indianapolis.

The world of piano grows endlessly for Petersen, and that same curiosity he had as a five-year-old playing a worn-out piano sold him on devoting his life to learning, teaching and performing as much music his piano has to offer.

“I’m so lucky to be a pianist because there is so much repertoire,” Petersen said. “There’s of course solo repertoire, but then when you count all the music we can play with other instruments—chamber music,

“The orchestra is a collaboration, even though each person has their moment to shine.”

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accompaniment... it’s just endless. People ask me often if I want to play another instrument, and I say no because there is so much to play.”



Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor

KEY PLAYER Drew Petersen performs Piano Concerto No. 1, S. 124 in E flat major by Franz Liszt, with the Waco Symphony Orchestra Thursday in Waco Hall.

Curiosity has led Petersen to excel academically as well. Petersen holds a master’s degree from the Juilliard School and an undergraduate degree from Harvard University with a concentration in social studies, which led him to explore more knowledge inside and outside of music.

Crediting the environment he grew in and the teaching he received, Petersen said that his love for music goes beyond reading and playing music on the piano. It extends to the expression of the composer, other instruments and the performers themselves.

Leander senior Joey Tkach, who is in his second year as an assistant trumpeter for the orchestra, said that everyone’s dedication to move on one accord in the orchestra was an incredible experience to behold.

“The orchestra is a collaboration, even

though each person has their moment to shine,” Tkach said. “What is so beautiful about playing in a large ensemble is that we all come together to produce this result that is homogenous and just so full of life because it is— it’s full of people.”

Tickets were on sale at a discounted rate for students that presented their Baylor ID at the door. Petersen hopes the music resonated with the audience and musicians, even if it meant not having control over every aspect of performing.

“It’s very easy to get bogged down in the execution of everything,” Petersen said. “But that’s not the point; the point is to communicate something. At the end of the day, the cards fall their own way. You can control some things, but I think the most important things in performance and life [are things] we really can’t control, and maybe it’s best to leave them that way.”

WHAT TO DO IN WACO

FRIDAY

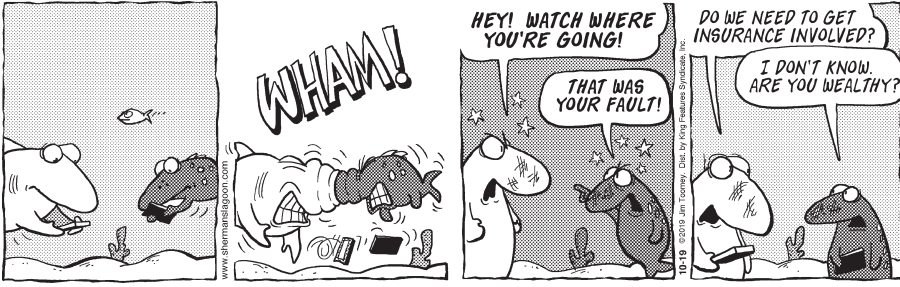
- Silobration 2019** | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. | Magnolia Market, 601 Webster Ave. | Includes a Midway, Ferris wheel, 40+ artisans and shop vendors, food trucks
- Climate Change Art Exhibit** | 2 p.m. | Waco Winery Tasting Room & Rooftop Patio, 708 Austin Ave. | through Nov. 2 | Sponsored by the Waco Friends of Peace/Climate, professional and amateur artists of all ages are invited to enter
- FIJI Fright Night** | 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. | Fountain Mall | till Saturday | Haunted house with food trucks, lawn games, Halloween movies and a photo booth
- AXO Block Party** | Fountain Mall | 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. | Christian French concert for AXO's philanthropy — food trucks, activities, information about the philanthropy and Domestic Violence Awareness
- Guerrilla Troupe Improv-o-ween** | 10:30 p.m. | Jones Theater in Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center | \$3 at the door, cash preferred but venmo accepted — Come in costume for a chance to win a prize!

SATURDAY

- Waco Downtown Farmers Market** | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | 510 Washington Avenue, across the street from the McLennan County Courthouse
- Fall Fossil Festival** | 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Waco Mammoth National Monument, 6220 Steinbeck Bend | Paint a free pumpkin, pet a camel, dig in our mock dig pit, and more! For \$5 talk to rangers and see the world-famous in-situ fossil bed (in an air-conditioned building!)
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- Guerrilla Troupe Improv-o-ween** | 8 & 10 p.m. (Two shows!) | Jones Theater in Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center | \$3 at the door, cash preferred but venmo accepted; say "trick or treat" when you pay for some candy | Come in costume for a chance to win a prize!
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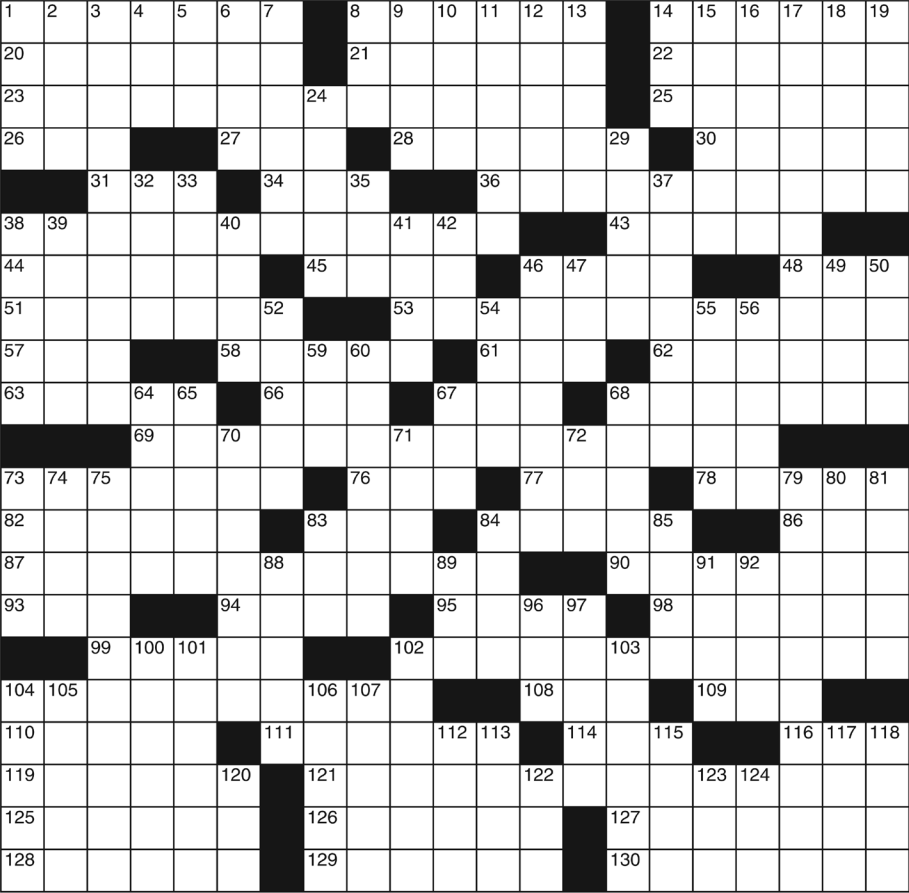


Comics & Crosswords



PREMIER CROSSWORD/ By Frank A. Longo

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- 1 Abu Dhabi, for one
8 Old name for a hippo
14 Top banana
20 Like many rec room walls
21 Democratic diplomat Harriman
22 Take off of a spool
23 Cat's-eye, steelie and aggie
25 Skimpy
26 Moral wrong
27 "High School High" actress Carrere
28 Wife of TV's Frasier
30 "Take — out of crime!"
31 Nine-digit ID, for short
34 Big Apple inits.
36 Tsunamis are big ones
38 They make pins fall
43 Fashion figure Oscar de la —
44 Colored ring of the iris
45 Falco who portrayed a Soprano
46 Alan who portrayed Hawkeye
48 Mai — (cocktail)
51 Has in one's sights
53 They list a film's cast
57 Diamond great Mel
58 Midwest air hub
61 CPR specialist
62 Conductor André
63 Corp.
64 Film — shake-up
66 Gold, to Jorge
67 Zip
68 1995-2016 NBAer Kevin
69 Radials, e.g.
73 Zoo
76 Chi-Town team
77 "— Na Na" (TV oldie)
78 French painter Edgar
82 Concert extra
83 And so on: Abbr.
84 For — (really cheaply)
86 Avail
87 Resounding storm noises
90 Harmful ant
93 Good cholesterol, for short
94 "If only — known!"
95 Suffix with kitchen
98 More in order
99 Maine university town
102 Diner and sleeper
104 Casino cubes
108 — laude
109 'Neath's opposite
110 Deer family member
111 State of societal breakdown
114 Amigo
116 Orlando-to-Miami dir.
119 More highfalutin
121 What eight answers in this puzzle are
125 2017 biopic about skater Harding
126 Attacked energetically
127 Acid neutralizers
128 Big pizzas, say
129 Like some post-meal bad breath
130 Principe's partner island
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3 As a response for
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8 Facial offerer
9 British noble
10 Both: Prefix
11 Violins' kin
12 — acid (fat compound)
13 Squander
14 Tour vehicle
15 Hocked
16 Reach for rudely
17 Using other sources
18 Opposite of east, in Mexico
19 Choral clubs
24 Possibly
29 Sound in "cant" but not "cent"
32 Walk heavily
33 River close to the Sphinx
35 Loutish guy
37 Close to its face value, as a bond
38 Ulan —, Mongolia
39 Elocute
40 Defense gp.
41 Sour fruit
42 MGM lion
46 Without purpose
47 Allow to
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50 "Who —?"
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54 Disguise
55 Muffed up
56 Thick
59 Elbow locale
60 Sat on a perch
64 Hit with the knuckles
65 Close watch
67 Vote down
68 Immense
70 Trapping in branches
71 — Raton
72 E'en if
73 One of the "Little Women"
74 With a sharp image, for short
75 Like nerves acting on eye muscles
79 Part of many a heavy-metal track
80 Fall bloom
81 Soothsayers
83 Ecol. monitor
84 Fizzy wine, for short
85 Rowlands of "Gloria"
88 1970s spinoff sitcom
89 Grassland
91 Make over
92 Eggnog spice
96 Dr. Mom's attention
97 Spew forth
100 Skyrocketing
101 Odd feature of a cyclops
102 Actress Leah
103 Nebraska natives
104 AOL rival
105 Vital conduit
106 Halved
107 Actor Sacha Baron —
112 Liking a lot
113 Novelist Jennifer
115 Follower of "ooh" or "tra"
117 Thin
118 "Who —?"
120 Dorm heads, for short
122 Pig's home
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Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Journalist

HIGH POWER Freshman middle blocker Kara McGhee makes a hit against Texas State in Baylor’s sweep of the Bobcats on Sept. 24 at the Ferrell Center. McGhee was named Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week after her performance against TCU in the Bears’ sweep of the Horned Frogs. McGhee had eight blocks on Saturday, 11 on the week as Baylor also swept Iowa State.

No. 1 Bears take a breath before Tech

MATTHEW SODERBERG
Sports Writer

After the midweek bye, No. 1 Baylor volleyball gets back into action Saturday against the rival Red Raiders.

Prior to the bye, Baylor had four matches that tested their competence. The team was able to get out of each of those matches, not only with wins, but with sweeps. Head volleyball coach Ryan McGuyre said his team was able to use the time off to get back on track.

“It’s been great to have this week,” McGuyre said. “We used it to just work on some things that were just not as sharp as they have been and get back to some fundamentals, and

it also let us work on some things we know we need to keep adding and improve upon for conference and most certainly for postseason.”

After having a break for the first time since before conference play, senior libero Tara Wulf said the team is ready to go for the next week.

“It’s always nice to have a break because you get to train. Our best training does come in the games, but this whole week of long, good training practices is good for our next two matches,” Wulf said.

The Bears host Texas Tech Saturday and will then travel to Austin for a matchup with No. 4 Texas Wednesday. According to the RPI rankings, this might be the hardest two match stretch for Baylor since early September.

The Red Raiders come to town on a 10-2 run, their only losses coming in a sweep to then-No. 6 Texas and a five-setter to TCU at the beginning of the month. Their featured player is senior outside hitter Emily Hill, who is averaging 4.37 kills per set this season.

Kara McGee received her third weekly conference honor Monday after being named Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week. The freshman middle blocker posted 11 blocks last week to lead the Big 12 in the category. She also set a career-high with eight blocks against the Horned Frogs Saturday. McGuyre said he was proud of McGhee, who joined the team last spring as the highest recruited player in school history.

“She can jump up. You know, she’s

a strong, tall athlete. [She’s] already a great blocker that we’re trying to even sharpen more,” McGuyre said. “[She] hits hard, contacts high; but Kara, like a lot of the rest of our athletes, just is really attracted to the values and principles we have here at Baylor.”

McGee was the No. 6 ranked player coming out of high school in San Antonio, but McGuyre stressed that the ranking isn’t what’s important. It’s the character of the team that drives their success.

“I don’t lose any sleep over recruit rankings and where people are ranked. We’ve got a lot of girls who weren’t in the Top 100 on our roster,” McGuyre said. “The goal is to build a team, not just build an all-star roster of hyped up players; and I don’t think we have the divas or prima donnas

on this team. We’ve just got a lot of girls who want to work hard, and have good engines and motors, and that’s what’s important.”

Wulf, another player who has earned Defensive Player of the Week honors this year, said she has been impressed with the quick transition Kara made to start the year.

“She knows her identity. She knows how good she can be with the same humble spirit that she has and just constantly wanting to grow and learn and trust. She’s just an amazing human and volleyball player,” Wulf said.

Baylor plays Texas Tech at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center. The game will also be broadcast on ESPN+.



Kristen DeHaven | Multimedia Journalist

GOING DOWN Senior linebacker Clay Johnston tackles Texas Tech Jett Duffey during Baylor’s 33-30 double overtime homecoming win on Saturday at McLane Stadium. Johnston, who led the Bears’ defense, suffered a season ending knee injury as he completed an interception play against the Red Raiders on Saturday.

No. 18 BU football hunts for win against Cowboys

JESSIKA HARKAY
Sports Writer

The last time No. 18 Baylor football traveled to Stillwater, Okla. two years ago, the Bears suffered their sixth straight loss, falling to the Cowboys 59-16. This time around, Baylor travels to Boone Pickens Stadium with an undefeated (6-0) record with each athlete mentally locked in and ready for the next opportunity.

The Bears come off a 33-30 double overtime homecoming brawl against Texas Tech Saturday. The fight wasn’t easy as the team lost their leading tackler, senior linebacker Clay Johnston, who suffered a season-ending knee injury as he intercepted a pass in the fourth quarter.

Although losing Johnston was a

huge hit to the defensive core, head coach Matt Rhule isn’t worried.

“We’ve got some special young guys that are just kind of waiting their turn,” Rhule said. “I think we have enough guys to get it done. I think the biggest thing is just, you know, everybody when your opportunity comes, be ready for it and when we need your best, produce your best.”

The Bears’ defense will need to be all-hands-on-deck as the Cowboys offense is nothing short of hot. Led by redshirt freshman quarterback Spencer Sanders, OSU averages just shy of 40 points per game and 249 yards in the air.

That isn’t the biggest threat though. The Cowboys’ ground game is led by sophomore running back Chuba Hubbard, who leads the FBS

in total rushing yards, rushing yards per game and yards after contact. The sophomore ranks second nationally with 12 rushing touchdowns and reached the 1,000 yard mark for the season in only his sixth game.

But, this is the same Baylor defense that ranks third in the Big 12 with defensive yards allowed per carry (3.18) and that has held its first six opponents to 107 total points, outscoring them 227-107.

Rhule said the defense just needs to “win the physical battle.”

“The biggest thing with Hubbard is trying to make sure we don’t give up the home run ball to him. He’s made a lot of explosive plays,” Rhule said. “He can do it both between the tackles and off tackle. So, when we have a chance to tackle him, we have to tackle him.

We have to fight for every yard.”

Baylor’s defense has been able to make teams fight for every yard though. The unit has forced their opponents to punt after their first possession in all six games, totaled 11 sacks over the last two games and has dominated the turnover battle with five fumble recoveries and five interceptions this season.

It’s all about learning, adapting, and “eliminating all distractions,” said junior linebacker and safety Henry Black.

“We definitely learned from that game (in 2017),” the veteran said. “If you do your job, everything will be fine. Everybody has to step up.”

That includes the offense. Baylor’s offensive group struggled last weekend as junior quarterback

Charlie Brewer threw his first three interceptions of the season.

Unable to establish a run game until the second half against Tech, sophomore wide receiver Tyquan Thornton said everyone is more locked in this week, working on the “little details” and “knowing everything” about this week’s opponents.

Baylor has won five of its last seven meetings against OSU, including a 35-31 homecoming win last year with seven seconds remaining. The last time Baylor has pulled off a win in Stillwater was in 2015. Before that, the Bears had lost 11 straight matchups in the Cowboys’ home stadium.

The Bears kick off the matchup at 3 p.m. Saturday at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater, Okla.



Nathan de la Cerdá | Multimedia Journalist

READY, SET, RUN The women's cross country team lines up at the take off at the Bear Twilight Invitational on Aug. 30 in which the Bears placed second behind Texas. Baylor will compete in the Arturo Barrios Invitational in College Station before hosting the Big 12 Championship at Cottonwood Creek Golf Course Nov. 2. The Bears placed third the last time they ran in College Station on Oct. 19.

Cross country runs back to College Station again

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Editor

In preparation for the 2019 Big 12 Championship, Baylor cross country heads back down Highway 6 to College Station for the Arturo Barrios Invitational at Texas A&M's Dale Watts Cross Country Course.

There will be 18 men's teams and 17 women's teams running in the race Saturday morning for a total of 35 ranked squads. Baylor associate head coach Jon Capron said he is excited to see his team compete in a bigger race against some new faces, as well as against teams they have faced all through the fall.

"I think it's going to be a really good kind of regional competition with some other schools interspersed. I mean you got Pittsburg coming down, Cal Baptist, some pretty good other schools from other regions that are going to kind of float in there, Capron said. "So, there will be a good number of teams that we kind of know really well, that we've raced a bunch and some that we haven't seen that will kind of fill in

some of those holes in the race."

Baylor returns from the Chile Pepper Festival in Fayetteville, Ark., where the women finished 10th and the men placed 13th.

The 6th-ranked women were led by Waco sophomore Celia Holmes who recorded a personal best in the 5,000-meter race with a time of 17:32.5, shaving a minute from her previous record (18:29.1). Seniors Haley Everroad and Hana Marsheck, and freshman Chloe Gangnath, also recorded personal records in Arkansas.

Holmes said she's looking forward to build off the team's strong performance going into the next meet.

"It felt really good just to see the training finally coming into a culmination of a great PR and it makes me excited for the team just that we can all progress together. Definitely encouraging to see the training work out so well," Holmes said. "We play to our strengths during races, which is always really helpful so I feel like this year we're working on our unity. It's obviously paid off in big races."

Senior Lindsay Walton will return from

illness on Saturday and junior Sarah Antrich is set to make her Fall debut during the meet. The biggest challenge for the women this weekend, according to Holmes, might be the extra 1,000 meters they have on the slate as the race is set for a distance of 6,000 meters rather than the usual 5K the Bears have run in previous meets.

On the men's side, 11th-ranked Baylor will also be running a longer 8,000-meter race. The men finished 13th at Chile Pepper, led by junior TJ Sugg and sophomore Ryan Hodge.

Senior Matt Henderson, who was the Bears' fourth scoring runner the last time Baylor raced in College Station, had to miss the last meet in Arkansas but will be back in the pack on Saturday. The senior placed 29th overall in his last race and was followed by freshman Cal Johnston who crossed the line at 32nd for Baylor's final point.

Henderson said that for Baylor to improve upon their last two runs, it will be crucial for the men to tighten up the gap between the fourth and fifth spot this weekend, especially against a stacked field.

"We had a pretty big gap between our fourth runner and fifth runner and as you may know, the top five runners out of how ever many run score," Henderson said. "So, it's really important for us to get that fifth spot, whoever it is, at a faster pace than it has been. And usually that comes down to either Cal Johnston or I. So, really individually I'm trying to push Cal and he'll tug me along too."

The Bears will host the championship meet at Cottonwood Creek Golf Course on Nov. 2 which will give Baylor fans the opportunity to support the team in a home competition, as the Bears don't get the chance to race at home very often.

"We'd love to have a good home crowd. It's kind of one of your only chances to see us run unless you're willing to get out of town. It'll be a good field, the full conference, a lot of them will be here," Capron said.

Baylor will race at the Arturo Barrios Invitational Saturday in College Station.



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PAT ON THE BACK The Bears celebrate one of Elizabeth Kooiman's goals against West Virginia on Oct. 3 at Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field. Kooiman scored three goals in Baylor's 4-2 win.

Soccer hosts Longhorns, celebrates '18 Big 12 title

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Baylor soccer comes home to Betty Lou Mays Field on Friday to take on the Texas Longhorns as the Bears celebrate their 2018 Big 12 regular season championship.

Baylor comes off a 2-1 loss to Oklahoma on Sunday and is ranked fifth in the conference behind Kansas.

Head coach Paul Jobson said his team played well against the Sooners but was unable to complete their opportunities.

"Going to OU, I felt like we had a lot of momentum from the TCU first half that we got to play," Jobson said. "I thought we played really well. I just think we needed to be able to finish a little bit better and defend a little bit better on the other end. All in all, I thought it was a good match."

Baylor's last victory against the Longhorns came on Oct. 19, 2012 in a 2-1 overtime victory. Since 2007 all matches between the two squads have been decided by one goal or less.

With Texas giving Baylor their only conference loss a season ago, the Bears will look to brush that off their shoulders and play a new game. Freshman forward Elizabeth Kooiman may not have faced the Longhorns last fall, but said she is still aware of what this match means to her team.

"Definitely heard a lot of how important this game is and how we definitely want to win,"

Kooiman said. "I've heard about last year how they lost in overtime but how we need to come back and beat them this year. So, it is pretty exciting."

The Bears will go into the weekend looking to bounce back after their loss to Oklahoma but will also have to travel to Fort Worth once again after having to reschedule last week's match due to inclement weather. According to Jobson, since the match did not reach 70 minutes, it will have to be restarted per conference rules.

"We were really frustrated not to be able to finish the game at TCU. We felt like we had a great first half and had a lot of momentum going into the second half but obviously it wasn't meant to be," Jobson said. "So, unfortunately, the way our rules are we have to start all the way over on Sunday. But we'll be ready for that."

Kooiman had a particularly difficult time after the lightning delay but said Baylor will have the chance to play with more fire this weekend.

"It was pretty frustrating having the TCU game stopped halfway through, especially after I scored. Then going to Oklahoma and losing, was definitely a hard loss. Hard to swallow. But we definitely can come back this weekend strong," Kooiman said.

The Bears will host the Longhorns at 7 p.m. Friday at Betty Lou Mays Field. The first 500 fans in attendance will receive championship banners in celebration of last season's championship. Baylor will then restart the match against the Horned Frogs at 7 p.m. Sunday in Fort Worth.

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