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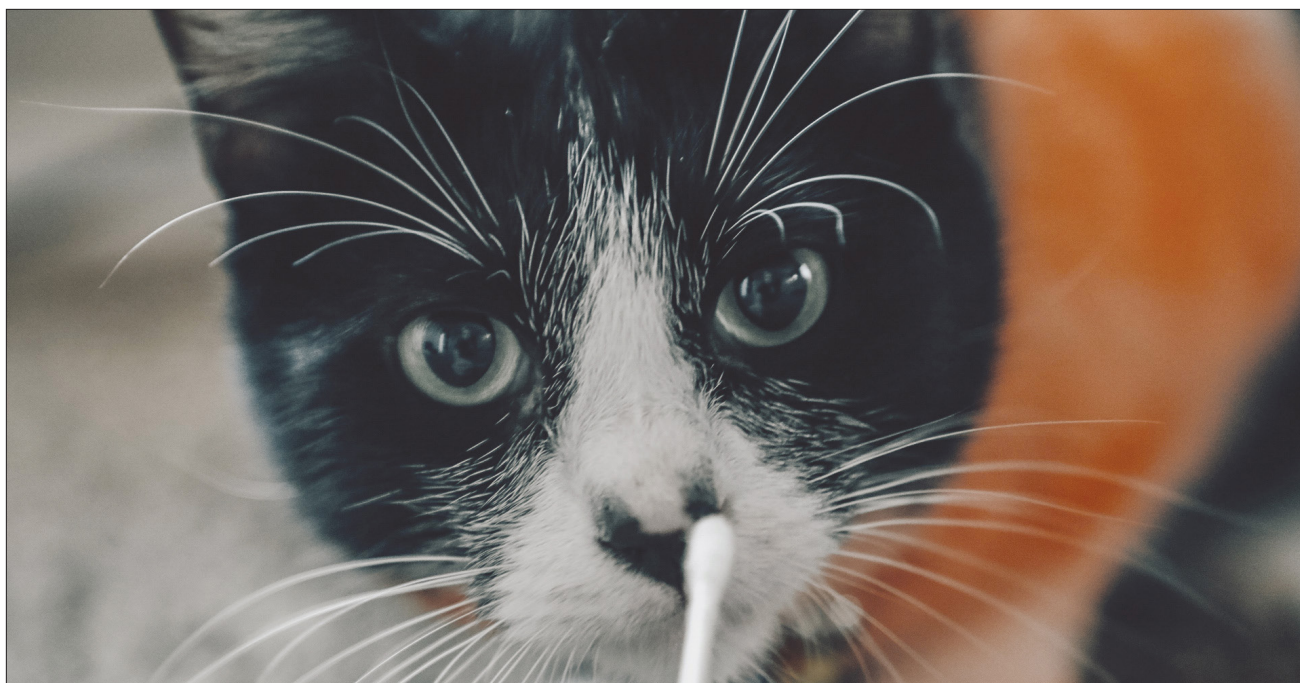


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**SICK SNUGGLES** Veterinarians have sampled pets and have determined that they can get infected with COVID-19.

## Coronavirus may also spread to animals, say veterinarians

**EMILY COUSINS**  
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COVID-19 can be spread from person to person, and it can also reach pets. The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect pets and give them symptoms similar to humans'.

Dr. Italo Zecca, postdoctoral research associate for the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University, said he is part of a team researching if common household pets can be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, SARS-CoV-2.

"We've sampled over 200 pets, mostly dogs and cats, some other small domestic animals as well," Zecca said. "So what we've learned so far is that animals can be exposed to the virus itself ... What that's telling us is that these animals can get infected, but they can also produce some sort of immune

response to the virus itself."

Zecca said that so far, none of the animals have died or had serious symptoms.

"Most of them have shown no symptoms whatsoever," Zecca said. "The few that have shown symptoms, they have been very mild symptoms that include sneezing, maybe a little bit of loss of appetite, a little tired, but from then, we followed up with those pets, and they have made a full recovery."

There's not enough evidence yet to prove that animals cause significant spread of the virus that causes COVID-19, but Zecca said being cautious with pets is key.

"I know that can be difficult because when you're sick, you just want to cuddle with your pet," Zecca said. "Just try to reduce it as much as possible. That way you reduce the chance of giving it to your pet, and also you reduce the chance of the unknown. We don't know if this pet is

going to potentially get infected and then give it to another human."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Organization for Animal Health recommends that humans with COVID-19 limit contact with all animals, Michael Muehlenbein, Professor and Chair of the Department of Anthropology said.

Muehlenbein said cats can transmit the virus to other cats, but dogs are not as susceptible. Companion animals have not been proven to play a large role in human transmission.

"Transmission from humans to cats and dogs is possible, and transmission from cats and dogs to humans is possible," Muehlenbein said. "If you have the virus and your pet becomes sick, call your veterinarian. Do not just bring the sick animal into the clinic."

## Need a Ride to Vote offers free shuttles to the polls

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Staff Writer

Free shuttles from Baylor's Need a Ride to Vote initiative have begun taking students from campus to the nearest McLennan County polling site and back. The shuttle service is offered on a sign-up basis three Tuesdays during the early voting period.

President Linda Livingstone signed on to the nonpartisan ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge, which commits universities to 100% voter turnout in registration and participation. Along with more than 160 other colleges, Baylor is taking active steps to encourage voter participation.

"We do a good job of registering students, but we don't always see that many students going to the polls," Dr. Mito Diaz-Espinoza, Baylor associate director for civic learning initiatives, said.

In the 2016 election, 81.1% of Baylor students were registered to vote, but only 41.1% actually voted, which is below the college campus average of 50.4%. Diaz-Espinoza said Tufts University's National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE) shares this information with Baylor each year.

Diaz-Espinoza said the problem is actually getting the students to vote, which might be because students wait too long to make a plan, don't register in time, get busy with school or don't have a car to drive there.

"There's no polling location on campus, so students have to go off campus to vote," Diaz-Espinoza said. "We wanted to create a program that would allow students to get from campus to the voting booth and back for free."

Especially for students like Plano freshman Noah Ayers, who is living in a dorm without a car on campus, having a free way to get to the polls is important.

"I don't have a car on campus," Ayers said. "[The shuttles are] a service I'd be interested in. I couldn't drive to the polls if I wanted to, so using the service

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## Third debate might be too late to change voters' opinions

**SARAH PINKERTON**  
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As of Thursday morning, over 1 million Texans have cast their votes for the 2020 Presidential election. After the cancellation of Thursday's debate between President Donald Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden, some fear that the last debate is too late in the cycle to impact voters.

The last debate is slated for the October 22.

Dr. Dwight Allman, associate professor of political science, said he believes a significant number of people will have already voted by the time this second debate comes around.

"We've got early voting going on all across the country and including here in Texas," Allman said. "We started voting earlier in Texas this year than per usual, because of the pandemic."

As Biden is currently leading in the polls, Allman said he doesn't believe this move to cancel the debate was an intentional political move by Trump.

"It's Trump's team, not Biden's team, who has more an

interest in the head-to-head contest and confrontation, in hopes of moving the needle, so to speak, in his favor," Allman said.

However, Dr. David Smith, senior lecturer in the history department, said that as the debate was scheduled to be a town hall style, its cancellation may benefit Trump.

"Trump supporters have a higher approval rating of Trump in non-town hall formats, and undecideds also typically think that Trump does better in a non-town hall format," Smith said. "And Biden tends to do well in those types of debates."

However, in place of a town hall debate together, both candidates decided to host separate town halls on Thursday evening.

Biden originally planned this event with ABC when news broke that the debate would be postponed. Trump followed shortly after, scheduling his town hall for the same day, at the same time, on NBC.

"It makes it necessary for voters to kind of choose," Allman



Associated Press

**IN THE MIDST** President Donald Trump looks on during a break in an NBC News Town Hall on Thursday at Perez Art Museum, Miami.

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**EDITORIAL**

# Going to bars isn't the smartest decision



AB Boyd | Cartoonist

Bars are open again. Please don't be stupid about it.

In McLennan County, 24% of positive tests have occurred in people ages 20-29. That's nine percentage points higher than any other age bracket. Adding one more potential super spreader for that demographic isn't such a good idea.

Even County Judge Scott Felton doesn't think it's a good idea to go, but he opened them so bar owners and employees could have a fighting chance to make ends meet.

Bars, right up there with sporting events, are some of the most dangerous places during a pandemic. People packed into an enclosed room, drinks passing around everywhere; it's a recipe for contraction.

The guidelines laid out in the reopen plan do aim to minimize that risk. Dance floors are supposed to be closed. Patrons should be seated in order to be served. The bar area isn't

supposed to be packed with people clambering for their drinks.

Will those rules be followed? It's hard to say, but if we revisit the issue with football games, it's not hard to see what the future holds.

The two weeks following the home matchup with Kansas were the worst two weeks in terms of positive tests in nearly a month. The student section partied it up as the Bears laid a beat down on the Jayhawks, and then students went home with a higher chance of contracting the virus than they had before attending. Baylor even announced it would be testing students that attended at a higher rate.

Is it a coincidence that Baylor announced a testing surge of 5,000 students over the next two weeks on the same day that Felton announced bar openings? It's possible, but that's incredible foresight on Baylor's part.

Off-campus students are far more likely to head out to bars on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights — nights when CLs are on high alert for suspicious activity. With no football game this weekend either, students will be looking for an outlet.

Felton said that if rising case numbers can be linked to bars, he'll have to "reconsider" his order. While that would hurt students in some capacity, that's far worse for owners and employees who count on revenue that's only available if doors are open.

So don't screw this up. People are counting on patrons to be responsible and make smart choices. The Waco economy is counting on young people to make the right decisions when it comes to virus responsibility.

If you're going to go, wear a mask. Stay away from other groups. If a bar isn't enforcing the rules, leave. Just don't be stupid.

**LARIAT LETTER**

# Black Lives Matter: A caution against reductive rhetoric in the Black community

Black Lives Matter to all members of the Black community. When members of the Black community say, "Black Lives Matter," we think of our fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters and countless other family members and friends. The Black Lives Matter movement extends beyond police brutality and racism. The movement ultimately seeks to address years of racial inequality that has persisted in the United States of America.

Differing opinions are both welcomed and accepted among members of the Black community and we do not encourage the censorship or silencing of any students on our campus. However, we want to bring attention to the impact of regurgitating such negative generalizations of the Black community. Differences in opinion within the Black community should be constructive, not divisive. Most importantly, these differences in opinion should not perpetuate harmful and false narratives. Black students on Baylor's campus are working relentlessly to bring a voice to the experience of being Black in America. This should not be undermined by someone who does not resonate with nor acknowledge the challenges of facing bias and prejudice in this country.

The fallacy of "Black on Black crime" acts as a diversion to the Black Lives Matter movement; it is both misleading and fundamentally flawed. A single statistic cannot encompass the complete scope of police brutality in America, nor should disparities in homicide rates be reduced to such a racialized and inflammatory phrase. Moreover, crime is based on proximity, opportunity and socioeconomic factors. The crime done within the Black community is a reflection of years of systemic oppression and inequality that has diminished opportunity, resources and community vitality. Those are the most prevalent threats facing Black Americans

*This letter was written in response to a previously published column. Scan the QR code to read.*



today. Lack of access to proper healthcare, sustenance and education continue to plague Black communities, and these are the issues that the Black Lives Matter movement and its supporters address.

Black Lives Matter works tirelessly with several well-known partners to address injustices that plague the Black community. The movement's partners, including but not limited to, the Black Alliance for Just Immigration, Color of Change, The Movement for Black Lives, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., each have platforms that deeply resonate with the lived experiences of countless individuals. People donate to help these organizations effectuate change. While police brutality brought Black Lives Matter to life, addressing that particular injustice is not the movement's only objective. Black Lives Matters is not a political movement; it's a human rights movement. Individuals are protesting for

systemic changes to be made. The movement unites Americans, not just Black Americans, who aim to bring awareness and accountability to those responsible for the murders of 30 unarmed, Black citizens.

Another point that deserves addressing is the idea that a handful of celebrities can be used as a benchmark for all Black people looking to shed the shackles of poverty. Poverty is not a personal choice but a reflection of society. Using members of this anomaly group negates the facts. A brief investigation of these facts reveals that White families hold 90% of national wealth, while Black families hold 2.6%. Black people are two times more likely to be unemployed than White people. Black homeownership is consistently lower than White homeownership, as Black homeownership is currently at a mere 44%. Unfortunately, "a mindset" is not the hindrance that plagues our communities. Rather, there are a multitude of systemic obstacles embedded within our country's practices, laws, and trainings that present seemingly unending challenges to the Black community.

Thinking an individual is not oppressed does not free that individual from the racial strongholds that have existed since our country's inception. No one is free from oppression simply because he or she refuses to believe that it does not pertain to nor affect him or her. A mindset that harbors that notion reflects one of the most insidious manifestations of white supremacy. The belief that one is free from the strongholds of systemic racism because they deny Black Lives Matters is both nonsensical and detrimental to the entire Black community.

Black people are experts of their own experiences. The concerns that we have, as Black students, stem from a harsh reality of racism and prejudice that cannot and will not be overlooked. Members of our community are tired, for it is taxing to see innocent Black men

and women brutalized without consequences. The Black community did not ask for these struggles and it is not feasible for us to set aside our trauma and "pull ourselves up by the bootstraps" in facing these systemic injustices alone. If it were not for movements like Black Lives Matter mobilizing masses of people to act against racial injustices, then we would be the victims of our own complacency.

We must all be aware that opinions can hurt people. Moreover, we must be mindful of how impactful they are. We do not expect Black people to be a monolith. It is essential, though, that we are empathetic to all of our community members' experiences and that we take a unified stance in refusing to perpetuate and share misleading narratives about the Black community that are rooted in racism.

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# Partisanship yields uncontested races

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Incumbent candidates and partisan gerrymandering lead to uncontested races in elections.

An uncontested race is when one party's candidate, often an incumbent or a district's popular party candidate, goes unopposed in a general election.

Dr. Rebecca Flavin, political science professor, said the most common factor for why this might occur at the local level is because the district is not competitive, meaning it weighs heavily to one side or the other, either naturally or by partisan gerrymandering.

"And so with partisan gerrymandering, when district lines are drawn, or it naturally occurs that there is a district that leans heavily toward one party or the other, the race is essentially decided at the primary level," Flavin said. "As a result, if you have a district that is say 75% Republican or 75% Democrat, that can sometimes explain why you don't get a competitor at all."

Gerrymandering comes into play each census year, which occurs every 10 years. After the population is counted, there is a reapportionment on the federal level of the 435 seats in the United States House of Representatives. A state will win or lose seats depending on if there was an increase or decrease in state population.

A population shift also leads to a reapportionment on the state level, redrawing district lines where there has been a shift, Flavin said. State and local governments then have to divide seats for their congressional representation and consider what this means for the state's legislative body.

Gerrymandering is significant for non-competitive districts because depending on how state legislatures draw district lines, it might be tilted to one side or the other, Flavin said.

"The person redrawing the district line gets to determine the boundaries or the map for their own district," Flavin said. "Sometimes what happens is that these state legislatures draw district lines both with a view to maximizing their party's influence, both at the federal level and at the state level."

In other years, when there isn't redistricting, Flavin said unopposed races happen sometimes when there are strong incumbents running for reelection.

"Those who have been in office for a long time — or who are incredibly popular — you see this happening there as well," Flavin said. "And part of it is resources, and at the end of the day, because the role that money plays in our elections for better or worse, it takes money

to campaign. As a local or state party decides where their resources are best spent, the non-competitive races are sometimes a part of that calculus to not spend the financial resources or human capital, the time and energy of volunteers."

Dr. David Bridge, political science professor, said the opposing party won't nominate a candidate unlikely to win because losing could look even worse for their career. However, not running a candidate at all is also harmful for the party, he said.

"One problem can be that it can hurt a pipeline of legislators who build the career experience to move to the next level," Bridge said. "Even if there's a city council race that's unopposed, if a party doesn't run somebody in that race, even if they're to lose, they're not building the electoral experience of gathering votes, bundling money, and the pipeline for possible folks who could run for state legislature is winnowed if you don't have more people running at the lower levels."

Uncontested races are not helpful for voter turnout either, Flavin said.

"The more competitive a race is, the more excitement it generates, and the more enthusiasm you get, and the more likely that people are to turn out and vote," Flavin said. "It's the psychological idea that if a race is competitive,

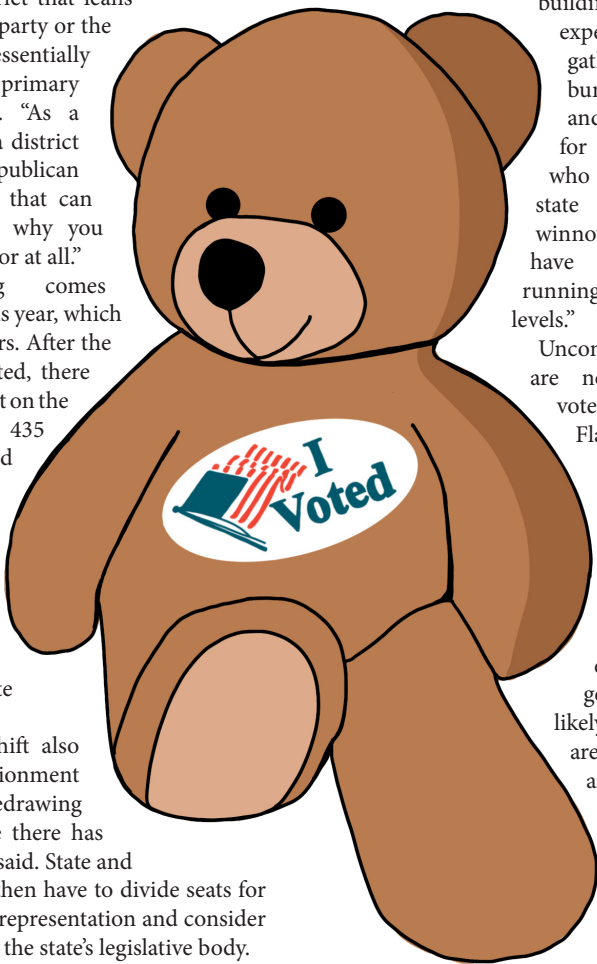
it's more likely to feel like your vote matters."

Although, Bridge said most voters who show up to vote are there for the presidential election, most non-competitive races are at the local level, so they don't affect voter turnout considerably.

"It's unfortunate, though, because the races that probably most affect your life are the local races, but that's not why people are there to vote," Bridge said.

In order to change the trends of uncontested races, Bridge said more voters are needed.

"Either one of two things have to happen: Republicans have to start voting Democratic or vice versa, or there has to be a giant new influx of voters," he said. "So, if young voters turnout at historic levels, or if Latino voters turnout at historic levels, that could change the calculus, but that doesn't happen often. It's a massive shift in the electorate, without that partisanship is so entrenched."





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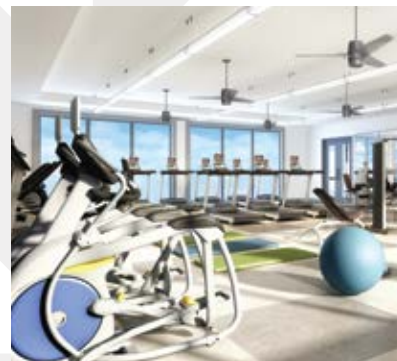
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said. "And it sets up a kind of ratings competition which I think is kind of counterproductive in terms of the political aims of these events."

Biden's will last 90 minutes and Trump's will last one hour.

Rebecca Morin of USA Today wrote in an article that Grant Reeher, political science professor at Syracuse University, believes Trump will target Americans at different income levels in order to raise doubt about a Biden presidency and cause them to second guess.

Reeher also believes that Biden will aim to raise doubt among voters by targeting Trump's response to the coronavirus.

Allman said he doesn't think the separate town hall events will impact voter leanings or impact voter changes.

"There's very few Americans, at this point, who define themselves as undecided or leaning one way or another but not yet ready to say exactly where they're going to cast their vote," Allman said. "Something less than 5% of pollsters find of the electorate is in that boat, so that's not a lot of room."

The first debate on Sept. 29 caused concern among voters as each candidate took to personal attacks over political policy.

Dr. Matthew Gerber, associate professor of communication & director of debate, said that

he doesn't believe that the first debate changed anyone's mind either.

"Both sides were able to claim victory after the first debate, same thing that would've happened with the second debate," Gerber said. "Because these aren't policy debates — these are name-calling events. I don't know that the public discourse in America will suffer because the second debate was canceled."

Gerber said that debates are important for democracy as they create an informed public that is able to deliberate about big issues that impact the country.

"But what's lacking today is that aspect of civility and mutual respect that allows those debates to flourish," Gerber said. "So often, 'debates' degenerate into name calling and ad hominem attacks, arguments that aren't about the policy issues."

Smith, however, states that historically, due to the extended amount of time between debates and election day, he feels debates have not been extremely effective.

"News cycles are just so short and within a couple days — within a week — most people have moved onto something new that's influencing the likelihood of them voting for one candidate or the other," Smith said.

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would be preferable in that circumstance."

The first round of shuttles went to the polls on Oct. 13, while the two remaining dates are Oct. 20 and 27. On these days, shuttles will pick up students from the bear habitat at three different times throughout the day and bring them back once they have finished voting.

Students must pre-register by filling out a form to save a seat by 9 a.m. the Monday beforehand. So far, Diaz-Espinoza said about 42 students have signed up. The service also partnered with Baylor Athletics to take a bus of student athletes to the polls on Oct. 13.

Baylor's Need a Ride to Vote shuttles are being provided by the visitor experience office and are the ones typically used for some campus tours, Diaz-Espinoza said.

"For students who aren't able to go on Tuesdays, the City of Waco and Waco Transit also has a wave-and-ride bus that makes a loop around La Salle to Downtown and back," Diaz-Espinoza said. "Students are able to walk out on La Salle, wave their hand, and the bus will pull over" and take them to and from the polling location for free.

Diaz-Espinoza said the shuttle service is being offered for early voting because "voting is like writing a paper or studying for an exam. You all, as college students, know it's there. You know you're going to do it, but you push it off until

tomorrow." After a few days of procrastination, "you're staying up all night" trying to get it in on time.

"We are trying to discourage that and get you to make a plan early," Diaz-Espinoza said, "because on Election Day on Nov. 3, we anticipate lines of an hour and a half to two hours long. We don't want students standing in line that long because of COVID exposure but also because you just don't have time to fit that in your schedule."

In addition to the Need a Ride to Vote service, Baylor's Academy for Leadership Development has also encouraged voter participation by holding registration drives on campus. They have also partnered with The Andrew Goodman Foundation and created the BearsVOTE webpage with voting resources. To learn more, contact leadership@baylor.edu or CES@baylor.edu.

"As students at Baylor, we understand how big spirituality is a part of us and what that means and how it enhances our learning experience," Diaz-Espinoza said. "It's the same thing with politics. You are involved in politics, whether you're voting or not voting. Decisions are being made on your behalf, and they are impacting you and your loved ones, so make sure your voice is heard."



# Student section to be grouped in 10s at games

SARAH PINKERTON  
Staff Writer

While the homecoming game may have been canceled, new COVID-19 guidelines will be put into place for the student section at the next home game on Oct. 31.

Matt Burchett, director of Student Activities, said that the first major change is a transition from groups of four and six in the bleachers to groups of 10.

"I think [this] will add less complexity to the student section," Burchett said. "I think we added way too much moving parts to try and effectively manage it."

In addition, they will be marking off the different sections with flags, rather than stickers on the bleachers, to make them more prominent.

"And then we're simplifying," Burchett said. "So it will be one row of 10, two rows marked off, one row of 10, two rows marked off."

There will also be a center aisle created in the middle of each section for staff to be able to walk around and better ensure compliance.

Students who receive a ticket to the game from the ticket pool will be notified about these changes. A sample model of the stands was created and photographed last week to send to students.

"We'll make it really clear what it will take for us to have a successful and safe football game ... which I think will offer some clarity to those ticket holders," Burchett said.

Burchett said they want as many students in the stands as possible but will be asking that students remain compliant by staying in the groups of 10 and wearing their masks.

"There will be opportunities for students who forget their masks to be able to get one there on site," Burchett said. "If the mask falls down, I think we'll have opportunities for warnings to make sure that they are complying to the guidelines which are all designed to keep as many people safe as possible."

Dr. Jim Marsh, dean of Student Health and Wellness and executive director for Counseling Services, said there was not a significant rise in cases in the targeted testing of students after the first home football game.

Marsh said they are not sure if this testing will be implemented after the next game, but they will if they feel that they need to.

"One of the reasons that we did the testing after the Kansas game, we wanted a chance to see what human behavior would be like at a

game," Marsh said. "One of the things that gave us some concern is that, at least some, of the students didn't maintain social distancing or other protocols."

Burchett said that the Bluetooth bracelets that were used for the Baylor Line were able to track the small number of cases that came from that section.

"The Bluetooth technology was okay," Burchett said. "It wasn't great. We've been working alongside the company, and we think we may have resolved some of the issues that we did have. It was good to a degree, but much like everything with COVID, everyone's building the plane as we're flying it."

Dr. Sharon Stern, medical director, said it is difficult to pinpoint where positive cases are coming from, in general.

"One thing that happens at football games that doesn't happen at most of your parties or get together dinners with friends is that it's on television," Stern said. "So every single person that's watching or even that's just on social media, they're going to see pictures and video of people not following the safety guidelines."

She reminds students that although wearing a mask and remaining socially distant may be fatiguing, it is important to remain consistent.

"We just have to do it for a bit longer," Stern said. "Until the pandemic either gets better or we get a good effective vaccine and enough people vaccinated that it's not an issue anymore."

She said while exposure doesn't just happen at games, eating and not being able to control what those around you are doing may pose risk.

"I don't think that [students] necessarily need to be worried to go to the game," Stern said. "I think I would want to have a buddy plan to where somebody was on the same page as me and knew enough to respect the infection and to push back and get away from people who are not being safe."

Marsh said that compliance with surveillance and target testing is beneficial as well.

"One of the ways you can really help us reduce the risk of the spread of the virus is by complying with that request," Marsh said.

Burchett emphasized that he wants to continue to provide an opportunity for students to connect in person.

"We all want to end this semester beautifully with as many of these great experiences and traditions as we possibly can," Burchett said. "Our ability to do that is predicated on everyone looking out for each other."

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## PIGSKIN REVUE GOES ONLINE

In order to best accommodate safety protocols, Pigskin Revue has turned to a virtual format. Audience members can pay to reserve tickets and will receive a link to view pre-recorded performances. **pg. 8**



**The herbs and spices on the perfectly fried chicken were an intense combination to the hot and spicy honey sauce...**

Carson Lewis talks on-campus food trucks. **pg. 7**



## McLane music excites game-day fans

**CAMILLE RASOR**  
Arts and Life Editor

There's nothing quite like a Baylor football game at McLane Stadium. Watching the Baylor Line rush across the field before kickoff, singing "That Good Old Baylor Line" and throwing up countless signs all adds to the game day experience. However, perhaps what gets the fans pumped up the most is the blaring music coming from the Jumbotron throughout the game.

Though there are fewer home games this year due to COVID-19-related game delays and cancellations, the team involved in creating that game-day atmosphere has been working hard to make the few remaining games at McLane as exciting as possible.

"It's my goal is to hopefully have the team jumping after every kickoff and have the student section all jumping in motion," said Derek Westbrook, the athletics department's associate director of fan engagement and one of the people in charge of the music selection at football games.

Eduardo Cavazos, the head stand leader in the Baylor Chamber of Commerce, is one of the Chamber members in the green jerseys who lead the student section in chants and help to bring up the energy in the Line section. He said part of what keeps the students engaged is the music from the loud speakers.

"I clearly remember a specific instance in which specifically the Baylor Line gets really excited, which is usually every kickoff whether it's Baylor kicking it off, or the other team kicking it off," Cavazos said. "They use music that has a big beat-drop when the kickoff happens, and all the student section gets really, really hyped for it."

However, Westbrook said the music choices



Josh Fralick | Photo courtesy of Baylor Athletics

**MCLANE MUSIC MIXES** Music played at McLane Stadium creates an atmosphere on game days that incites excitement within the student section and pumps up Baylor fans.

are not just for the fans. He said that before each game, he meets with the head of athletic performance, Corey Campbell, to talk with him about what songs the players themselves would enjoy.

"We talk frequently about pregame music and playing what the guys want to hear and making sure that they're getting as pumped up for the game as possible," Westbrook said.

Some of the music choices aren't just to hype up the crowd, but sometimes they aim to make the crowd laugh. For instance, it's not uncommon at a Baylor home game to hear Selena Gomez's song "Hands to Myself" after the referees call a holding penalty on the opposing team.

"I want things that you're going to remember and give you like a little bit of a laugh," Westbrook said. "I try and be witty with it

but ultimately it's just about what song fits the moment, being prepared, having hundreds of songs on this computer that may never get used. But there might be the one time that I use it at one game three years from now and I'm like, 'Man, I'm glad I had that.'"

True to Baylor's reputation as a Christian university, there are several songs that Westbrook and his colleagues choose not to play at football games. He said this is out of respect for Baylor's mission as well as keeping the Baylor home game environment family friendly.

"At the end of the day, I don't want to play things that are degrading the women or just have foul language or talk about drugs and alcohol," Westbrook said. "So ultimately what's going to represent our university in the best light? Just because we do have such a wide variety of people in our stadiums, you want to make sure that

you're representing the university in the best way possible."

Though the pandemic has affected a lot about the game day experience, Cavazos said that despite the limited availability of tickets to game day, the student section was just as rowdy at the last home game as he noticed in years past. Part of this is due to the work that Westbrook and other employees in the office of fan engagement do to keep the Baylor spirit alive.

"It definitely felt like it was another football game which was really really cool," Cavazos said. "The only thing that I did feel was that the freshmen didn't really know the chants and that was because they didn't really do Line Camp when [freshmen usually learn] those chants. Definitely like the first quarter, it was kind of like teaching them ... And then they kind of took it away from us, and it was just fun. It was a great environment for sure."



## WHAT TO DO IN WACO

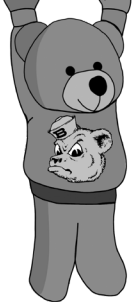
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| <p><b>Friday:</b><br/><b>The Art of Homecoming</b>   All day   Oct. 16   Downtown Waco   Downtown will be all dressed up for Baylor Homecoming, and a local artist will be painting a mural on a downtown storefront. For those unable to make it to Waco, a virtual tour of the mural will be available online.</p> <p><b>Pigskin Revue</b>   6:30 p.m.   Oct. 16   Online   For the first time ever, Pigskin Revue will be available for online audiences.</p> <p><b>Pep Rally Celebration</b>   8:30 p.m.   Oct. 16   Online / In-person for students   Instead of the annual in-person bonfire, Baylor will be hosting a virtual pep rally from McLane stadium. Students are invited to join in person (with face masks) starting at 6 p.m. for food trucks and socially-distanced activities.</p> <p><b>Fair Food Drive-In</b>   11 a.m. – 8 p.m.   Oct. 1 – 18   Extraco Events Center, 4601 Bosque Blvd.   Join the Heart of Texas Fair for favorite fair foods including funnel cake, corn dogs and more.   Free admission, food prices vary.</p> <p><b>Ofrenda Display: Celebrating Hispanic Heritage</b>   10 a.m. – 5 p.m.   Oct. 15 – Nov. 8   Mayborn Museum, 1300 S. University Parks Drive   The Mayborn Museum has partnered with a local artist to</p> | <p>commemorate Hispanic culture through an interactive Dia de los Muertos exhibit.   Free, no museum admission cost</p> <p><b>Alchemy of Light</b>   10 a.m. – 5 p.m.   Oct. 15 – April 11, 2021   Mayborn Museum, 1300 S. University Parks Drive   This weekend is the opening weekend for an exhibit featuring local photographer Steve Scott's photographs of natural landscapes from around the world.   Free with cost of museum admission</p> <p><b>4th Annual Climate Crisis Art Exhibit</b>   All Day   Oct. 1 – Nov. 30   Local artists and student artists from the Waco area are showcased in this virtual art gallery exhibit available online.   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# From costly hot dogs to chicken and waffles: A breakdown review of Baylor's food trucks

**CARSON LEWIS**

Assistant Digital Managing Editor



AB Boyd | Cartoonist

In September, Baylor started a new initiative to bring a variety of food trucks to campus. Having to read and edit a variety of articles that pass through our publication, I remember reading about this and decided to give the first food truck I saw, Waco Cha, a try.

Since then, I've compiled a list of all the food trucks that have visited campus so far this semester. Here are my rankings of them from the most disappointing to the peak of mobile cuisine.



Emileé Edwards | Photographer

**BUBBLE WEEEE** Waco Cha, one of the first food trucks on campus, shows off its twist on boba tea. The popular drivable drink shop made it all the way to No. 3 on Lewis' list, ranking right in the middle of the cool-down favorites Gelu Italian Ice and Pop's Lemonade.

**5. Heart of Texas Dog House** – A log of a dog, but leave the meal because the cost is a no deal.

The first thing that stuck out to me when I started this food truck journey was just how pricey these meals-on-wheels can be. The "Demo Day Dog" from Heart of Texas Dog House came in at a hefty \$9, a hot dog topped with chili, fritos and cheese. I was expecting a sizable dog with a little bit of a frito pie-esque treat. I received a very generously sized dog, topped with a ton of the aforementioned ingredients.

Great for a hungry college student, but the bun didn't seem to agree with the size of the rest of the meal, because it collapsed under the weight. It didn't taste bad but seemed like a worse, more messy version of Vitek's Gut Pak. I didn't try the rest of the menu, but judging from the prices on the other dogs, I probably wouldn't want to take the bet.

**4. Gelu Italian Ice** – A treat for the heat, but nothing elite.

A friend and I picked up some Gelu after lunch one day, and I was a little overheated. The Italian ice was a great benefit to counter the Waco weather, which always manages to surprise.

The thing about Italian ice? It's never outstanding. I've never had an Italian ice and had a sudden burst of inspiration. It's not too sweet, not too hard and not too soft. It's an easy dessert to eat during a break in class.

The colors of the treat are incredible, though. Gelu's marketing team has a really easy job because the stuff looks delicious. It's a good stop for Instagram savvy users to pair with a lovely view of Pat Neff on their way back home.

**3. Waco Cha** – Good drink, but gone in a blink

Waco Cha was my first foray into the wonders of food trucks conveniently located on campus. I picked up the "Milky Way Cha."

To be honest, I'm not much of a boba tea guy, and so I skipped that. The drink, when it came out, was an opaque red tea that tasted sweet with just a hint of milk and honey. I think the honey was the biggest selling point, as it added a great flavor while not making it too overpowering.

My only disappointment is that it was gone too fast. Despite me trying to save it, the drink was just a little too small to survive the walk back to my apartment, and I found myself looking for a trash can to dispose of the empty drink before I could make it to my door. Maybe I was just really thirsty.

Waco Cha in my opinion is definitely worth trying out, even just once. I tried it and liked it, but it won't have me coming back anytime soon. If you're a boba fan, however, I would definitely drink some for yourself with it included.

**2. Pop's Lemonade** – The mixing of flavors is something to savor.

While catching up with another friend over

lunch, I got them to embark on my food truck road trip with me and try Pop's Lemonade. I'm a lemonade addict, and I love to try any new variations on my favorite drink.

The system they have at the truck allows



The herbs and spices on the perfectly fried chicken were an intense combination to the hot and spicy honey sauce that dripped into the squares of a soft but firm waffle on the bottom.

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customers to add up to two flavors of their choice to their lemonade. I added strawberry (a classic), and also a bit of Topo Chico. The result was surprisingly good. The Topo watered down the sugary taste of the drink, but also added a hint of the seltzer water's trademark refreshing taste. The drink also was able to outlast my conversation with my friend, a criticism I had of Waco Cha. It's a great drink that'll last a while.

**1. Waffle Chic** – Not from the South, I was in doubt, but now I want to pig out

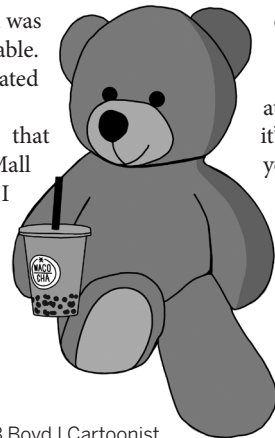
Circling around to how we started this article, I want to talk about price. I had eyed Waffle Chic for a few days but decided to hold off because of the costs approaching the double digits. I am extremely glad that I stopped in before this food truck left, because WOW.

I don't think I've had chicken and waffles before so I was a little skeptical, but the taste is incredible. The herbs and spices on the perfectly fried chicken were an intense combination to the hot and spicy honey sauce that dripped into

the squares of a soft but firm waffle on the bottom. Every part of the meal was perfect, and the smell is unimaginable. It tastes like the food in animated shows looks: out of this world.

It's a double-edged sword that Waffle Chic isn't on Fountain Mall every week — good because I would spend all of my paycheck there weekly, and bad because I won't have the wonderful smell of chicken and waffles following me to my classes every day.

**Conclusion**  
One thing I learned during the past few



AB Boyd | Cartoonist

weeks is to always find new things to experience. Whether that's finding a new hobby, facing your fears and conquering them or even eating at a new food truck every week, it's important to include variety in your daily routine. So, go out and experience the world for all that it's worth — and try not to spend too much on meat-topped hot dogs. Cheers!


*Editor's Note: Carson Lewis has no connection with any of the food trucks mentioned in this article, and did not receive any products for free. His opinion is his own.*



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**HOW DO I HOLD THIS** The Heart of Texas Dog House slotted in at No. 5 in Carson's rankings, mostly due to the oversized price point and the undersized bun.

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**VIRTUAL PIGSKIN** Sing Alliance performed their "Stupid Cupid" routine in the 2020 All-University Sing production and received third place overall.



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**VIRTUAL PIGSKIN** Chi Omega's production of "Maid to Moove" in the 2020 All-University Sing did not place but did perform well enough to be featured the upcoming Pigskin Revue.

# Pigskin Revue goes virtual to adhere to protocols

**MEREDITH PRATT**  
Staff Writer

In order to adhere to social distancing protocol, the university made several changes to homecoming this year. Pigskin Revue is no exception.

The top eight All-University Sing acts from last year will now be shown entirely online at 6:30 p.m. on today and Saturday.

Over the summer, Student Productions came up with several contingency plans for Pigskin, from best to worst case scenarios. Baylor approved one plan – a livestreamed performance with footage from Sing and supplemental pre-recorded videos of the acts from this fall.

Student Productions worked with Waco Hall to develop a plan that would allow each group to film close-ups of different scenes from their acts that will be played on top of the recordings from their Sing performance. Sammamish, Wash., sophomore Clara Lincicome learned a segment of the Kappa Alpha Theta act and practiced with a group of nine other Thetas in that particular dance.

"I was just in one portion of it, so I just met with the people I was dancing with. We don't even get to sing this time, but we got to learn the dances," Lincicome said. "We all got together on a Saturday and filmed it and put them all

together, so they're like 10-second segments."

For Lincicome, the opportunity to dress up in her sorority's costume and perform was not taken for granted.

"I'm a sophomore so I just got into Theta. So I was really excited that we were able to do it because it's my first time being able to participate in it," Lincicome said. "I was super excited that I was able to participate, even though it wasn't in the fullest form. I was able to still get to meet more Thetas and put on the costume and experience it in some way, which is really nice."

Plano senior Addisyn Burlage, a Student Productions member, said the change in format of Pigskin was not ideal but necessary.

"We are all upset about the restrictions on these shows because it is our job to help others see their vision performed on stage, and we are not able to do that anymore," Burlage said. "We know that for the safety of everyone involved, not just performers and audience members but also the workers at Waco Hall and the orchestra, we cannot perform Pigskin as usual."

Burlage had been promoted within Student Productions this year only to have her responsibilities significantly reduced.

"I was given an executive position as vice president of show experience," Burlage said. "That means I am in charge of lobby decoration, print designs for playbills and posters and the overall experience of both the audience

and performers in the show. However, given our change to virtual events, my job has been severely diminished as so much of the

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**ADDISON BURLAGE | STUDENT PRODUCTIONS MEMBER**

experience is out of our control."

Student Productions members were still assigned groups to assist with the filming process

and to help make sure they understood the shift to a virtual experience and how it would affect them. However, when groups learned of the restrictions on the performers, many of them chose not to participate in filming.

Burlage said she has compassion for those who were not able to enjoy this tradition for their last time (or first time) as a Baylor student.

"Losing [in-person] Pigskin is a huge loss for each of our groups and we are doing our best to help them feel included in the show," Burlage said. "Our executives came up with a brilliant idea to offer a commemorative playbill that will include letters from the Pigskin chairs, behind-the-scenes pictures and information, some collectible items and more to help those watching from home feel like they are still a part of the show."

Although it will undoubtedly be different, Burlage said she is hopeful that the show will still showcase what makes Pigskin meaningful.

"My hope for those who will watch Pigskin is that they are still able to see how much work each group put into these acts," Burlage said. "Such a huge part of what makes Pigskin meaningful is the heart behind each performance, and I hope they can feel that from wherever they are able to watch."

To watch Pigskin, purchase a \$15 ticket through Student Activities to be sent a link to the livestream.

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# Heart O' Texas Rodeo



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**JOYFUL JESTER** A rodeo clown holds up a child in celebration on Sunday.



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**WOULD I STEER YOU WRONG?** A cowboy kicks up dirt as he wrestles a steer trying to pull the animal off balance. Attendees can buy their tickets online on the website [hotfair.com](http://hotfair.com) or in person at the Extraco Event Center for the Heart O' Texas Rodeo that continues this upcoming Friday through Sunday.



Ava Sanborn | Photographer

**BRAZOS LASSOS** A cowboy swings his lasso on Sunday at the Heart O' Texas Rodeo.



Brittney Matthews | Photo Editor

**ALL ROPED UP** A cowboy pins a young calf to the ground in the Calf Roping event on Thursday.



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**IF IT WERE EWE** A young child clings to a sheep during the Mutton Bustin' event on Thursday, an event that will occur Friday through Sunday as well.

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**SPORTS TAKE**

# Brewer is BU's starter. Period.

**DRAKE TOLL**  
LTVN Managing Editor

Don't you understand? Charlie Brewer is Baylor's quarterback — and that's not changing. From pleas for Gerry Bohanon or Jacob Zeno to the weird sect of freshmen screaming for Blake Shapen to move behind the center, there's no single player in the quarterback room better than Chuck.

Brewer, a senior from Austin, has been the talk of the town in Waco for four years now, only the second quarterback in program history to start in four consecutive seasons. And while some have lauded over Brewer's ability, he's also been the subject of a controversial question — is he really that good?

The answer is complicated: yes and no. Brewer is a fine quarterback to compete in the mid-tier of the Big 12 passers. But he's not Trevor Lawrence, he's Charlie Brewer. For years, Baylor fans have missed the boat. It's not that Brewer has been underperforming or showing that he's too incompetent to be the Bears' starter, fans are just setting their expectations way too high.

If you're wholly preparing for Brewer to toss for 350 yards and four touchdowns a game, you are the problem. Now read that again. Yes, you are the problem. Just because Charlie isn't posting numbers like Lawrence or Mac Jones does not mean he's bad at football. It's just time to take our green and gold studded glasses off, look in the mirror and say to ourselves, "Charlie Brewer is good at football but isn't Heisman Trophy caliber."

On top of unrealistic expectations that are causing fans to ditch the Brewer bandwagon, Bear faithful are also missing the point that, objectively, Chuck's Baylor career is one of the top three in program history. Is that saying much considering the typical caliber of talent the Green and Gold has had taking snaps since kicking off in 1899? No, not at all. But it still says something about how Brewer has become a staple in Baylor history.

Like it or not, Brewer is top three in career passing attempts, completions, completion percentage, yards, rushing attempts by a quarterback, total plays and total yards. He is also top five in touchdown passes, touchdown-to-interception ratio, interception percentage, passing efficiency, rushing yards by a quarterback, rushing touchdowns by a quarterback and touchdowns responsible for. The history book of Baylor football is vastly different without Brewer on the pages.

Even more convincingly, with a 2020 campaign that even remotely emulates his 2019 season, Brewer will finish as Baylor's leader in career games played, games started, passing attempts, completions, passing yards and he'll certainly vie for the career passing touchdown title. Historically, Brewer is the most "Mr. Baylor" style guy you could ask for at the helm of a program.

All of the Brewer lauding aside, let's extinguish the cries for his benching by examining the stats of the two most prominent quarterbacks behind him, Gerry Bohanon and Jacob Zeno.

Bohanon, who I'm admittedly partial to since we grew up not far apart, is good, yes, but he's not ready. The sophomore quarterback tossed 36 passes last year and completed just 17 — that's a 47.2% completion percentage. Ouch. His touchdown-to-interception ratio is also one, as he lobbed one of each and charted just 187 yards through the air.

As for his legs, the guy can run extremely well. He logged 42 carries for 267 yards and three touchdowns in 2019, but you can't just be able to run and be a quarterback — just ask Sam Ehlinger. Bohanon is good, but he's no Brewer.

Perhaps the most frustrating wail from fans is the call for Zeno to rise from the bullpen and lead the Bears to glory. Please, stop. Zeno threw two good passes in the Big 12 Championship game, one a beautiful toss and the other a dump pass that Trestan Ebner took 75 yards to paydirt, but finished two for six — a 33.3% completion percentage.

According to ESPN, Zeno's average rating across the final two games of last season was 22.95. Compare that to Brewer whose rating was 49.0 against West Virginia this year in a game where some fans thought he was just average. Oh, and Zeno also has -9 career rushing yards. He may be the future, but Brewer is the now.

Factoring overexcited fan expectations, his ownership of the Baylor stat book and the ineptitude from his future successors given their sample size, it's clear that Brewer is Baylor's guy. Even throwing stats and expectations out the window, he helped turn a 1-11 program into an 11-1 powerhouse and has won 20 games in his career. There is no resurgence without Brewer, and it's time to calm down and let him do what he's always done — fight.



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**PLAYING HARDBALL** Emil Ernest "Dutch" Schroeder was Baylor Baseball's head coach from 1962 to 1973. He later returned to Baylor as the executive director of the "B" Association until Walter Abercrombie took over in 2004.

# Remembering Mr. Baylor

An ode to former baseball head coach Dutch Schroeder

**GRACE SMITH**  
Broadcast Reporter

A man who did it all and known to so many as "Mr. Baylor," Emil Ernest "Dutch" Schroeder, is remembered far beyond the Baylor community. It's an understatement to say he left behind a lasting legacy.

Intentional beyond belief, it is said of Schroeder that he never forgot any of his former students or players. A life full of friends and family and indeed all things Baylor.

At the age of 96, Schroeder passed away on Oct. 2, in Clifton, Texas. He checked more boxes than anyone ever could, even going into his last days. From former Baylor baseball coach to teacher, to friend, to "B" Association executive director, to greeter and bed & breakfast waiter, Schroeder did it all. He knew everyone, and everyone certainly knew him. So much so that Schroeder would send out somewhere around 500 Christmas cards each year.

"We will forever be impacted by the life and legacy of Dutch Schroeder—an incomparable letter winner, coach, teacher, and friend," said Baylor VP and Director of Athletics Mack Rhoades in a statement. "Dutch had an unparalleled passion for Baylor University and an unwavering belief in the opportunities afforded to young people through sport. He was the 'heart and soul' of the 'B' Association and an inspiration to generations of Baylor student-athletes. Dutch's loved ones are in our prayers and thoughts. Even as we grieve this loss, we celebrate a life well-lived. There will never be another Dutch."

Growing up in Austin, Schroeder was born Jan. 25, 1924. He was the president of his class at Austin High School and attended the University of Texas before joining the military.

The year before Schroeder arrived at Baylor, he volunteered to serve in the United States Navy following the attack on Pearl Harbor. Upon hearing of the attacks, Schroeder initially wanted to enlist but was told he was too young, so he spent four years as a quartermaster on vessels in the South Pacific. His ship was one of the many that docked in Tokyo Harbor when the Japanese surrendered. In 1946, Dutch was discharged and spent his last semester at Texas, where he would soon be off to Waco in the spring of 1947.

Schroeder's beginning years at Baylor were spent either playing baseball or with Betty Lou Swan. Swan and Schroeder married in June of 1948. The two newlyweds had to plan their honeymoon around the NCAA baseball playoffs that year. A love that ran strong, they were together for 68 years until Betty passed away on Oct. 4, 2016. The dynamic duo was seen at every men's and women's sporting event at Baylor.

After graduating from the green and gold, Schroeder continued his baseball career in the Big State League for the Temple Eagles. From then on, he took on the role of coach. Baylor hired him as the head baseball coach in 1958, putting down the title in 1973. But he wasn't retiring just yet. After coaching, Schroeder taught in the PE department at Baylor until 1999, where he then became

a retired man.

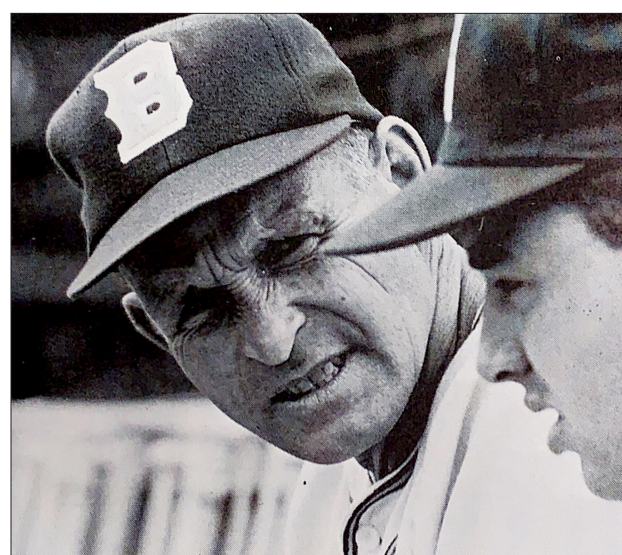
"Dutch was an incredible coach and an even better person," Baylor baseball head coach Steve Rodriguez said in a release. "He laid down the foundation for success for Baylor Baseball many years ago."

However, after his retirement, his legacy certainly did not end. Schroeder continued to do many great things for Baylor. He continued to pour into his longtime growing vision of the "B" Association, which is "the official letterwinners organization of Baylor University." It's a membership-based organization still around today that is comprised of former athletes who, while at Baylor, earned an athletic letter award. A select group that continues to show their interest in supporting Baylor athletics.

The "B" Association has a 9,000-square-foot beautiful facility inside McLane Stadium known as the Letterwinners Lounge. Decorated to a T, the room is draped full of all things Baylor athletics. The first "B" Room was built in 1972, at Baylor's football stadium when Grant Teaff was head coach.

"There would be no "B" Association today without his love, compassion, and sacrifices. We are forever indebted to him for his commitment to the vision of creating a permanent space on campus where Baylor letterwinners from all sports could reunite, fellowship, and gather together in support of Baylor Athletics," said Walter Abercrombie, "B" Association's Executive Director.

Before his passing, Schroeder always made it a point to acknowledge the death of every single letterwinner by sending a letter of condolence to the family. The message would always contain this quote by poet Thomas Campbell: "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."



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**DOING THE LITTLE THINGS RIGHT** Schroeder was known as someone who liked to do the little things right and serve others.

# Student organizations to compete in Boxcar Bash

**HARPER MAYFIELD**  
Sports Writer

2020 has seen changes in the way a lot of things have been done at Baylor, and homecoming festivities are no exception. In lieu of Baylor's traditional homecoming parade, the university is hosting its first Boxcar Bash, an event similar to the Boy Scouts' Pinewood Derby.

"We can't really have a full-size parade this year, that's the world we're living in right now," Waco junior Cole Tompkins, one of the organizers of the event, said. "So we said 'What can we do that's gonna give the students something tangible to hold onto and actually participate with and can be done socially distanced?', and this is the best solution we came up with."

The Boxcar Bash, similar to the homecoming parade, is open to all.

"It's really simple, you have to be in Waco," Tompkins said, "you have to be in Waco and willing to build a car."

While the Boxcar Bash is similar to the Pinewood Derby, the two events do have their differences.

"[In] the speed rounds, we're using a lot of their same criteria ... their tracks ... their same cars that they use," Frisco junior Ashley Madden said. "The design categories are less restrictive as far as weight and height and all those things, because they don't actually have to race."

Madden, a member of the Baylor Chamber of Commerce, was assigned to work on homecoming well before anyone really knew what it would look like. Since then, numerous changes have been made to the original format. Madden said that Chamber had gone through several different ideas before landing on the boxcars, and it was important for the whole planning committee to "[take] the punches as they come."

While some on-campus groups will still produce the full-sized floats often associated with Baylor homecoming, the Boxcar Bash created an opportunity for other groups to get involved with the weekend.

"I thought it would be a fun way to get into the whole homecoming scene, since we aren't having one this year," said El Paso sophomore Lauren Gil.

Gil is a member of the Bear Pit, Baylor basketball's official student section, and is submitting a car on behalf of the organization.

"We just added a bunch of new members to the club, so I thought it'd be a cool way to get everyone to bond, and build this car, and hopefully win some prizes," said Gil.

Among the prizes available to competitors are a football signed by head coach Dave Aranda, a basketball signed by women's head coach Kim Mulkey, and castings of Lady and Joy's paw prints.

"I'm just glad they're doing something this big for the students during such a hard time," Gil said.

The in-person event will have limited capacity for attendance, but it can be streamed online by students, fans, and alumni alike. The Boxcar Bash will take place tonight during the homecoming pep rally, which will be from 8-10 p.m.



Sports

# Just kicking it!



Photo courtesy of Lorelai Stramrood

**KICKING DOWN BARRIERS** Lorelai Stramrood, a Baylor soccer recruit, joined her high school football team as a kicker after the team's kicker suffered an injury.

## Baylor soccer recruit proves her mettle in high school football

**WILL CHAMBLEE**  
Sports Writer

There's not much 2021 Baylor soccer commit Lorelai Stramrood can't do.

A star athlete in volleyball and soccer for Tomball Memorial High School, Stramrood has most recently decided to take on football as her next athletic conquest.

"I heard that the last kicker tore his quad and couldn't play this season and was like, 'This is my chance,'" Stramrood said.

And just like in every other sport she has played, Stramrood has excelled. As Tomball Memorial has sped to a 3-0 start, Stramrood has already knocked in 12 extra-point kicks.

"We knew what kind of athlete she was," Tomball Memorial head football coach Sam Parker said. "So, I said, 'Great, have her come out and kick.' She came out and I think there was some 'Hmm, I'm not sure,' but then she kicked the ball, and everybody was like, 'Let's sign her up.'"

While Stramrood has done well, she said her past experience in soccer did not help prepare her for kicking a football and she had doubts of whether she would be good enough to kick for the team.

"It's very, very different," Stramrood said. "You have to be more precise in the placement of kicking the football."

"You basically have to hit the ball perfectly for it to go where you want it to go and the approach is crucial. There were doubts on my part where could I hit it hard

enough. Could I get my accuracy percentage very high? Could I really do this?"

Those doubts continued for Stramrood up until she ran onto the field for her first extra point in the opening game against Langham Creek. But she said she was able to overcome them to make the kick.

"Once I ran onto the field, I was getting shortness of breath. I was like, 'Oh gosh, this is actually happening,'" Stramrood said. "But then I reminded myself, 'Hey all it is is muscle memory. You've kicked 20 of these balls in one single soccer game. I think you can kick one football into the uprights.'"

After the 2020 football season, Stramrood will turn her attention to collegiate soccer, as she will be an early enrollee for the Baylor soccer program in the spring. Stramrood said she chose Baylor soccer because of its persistence in recruiting her since her freshman year.

"Baylor was probably the first college to show big interest in me," Stramrood said.

Being a female football player in Texas is unique, and Stramrood said she hopes her example will help other girls work hard and take on new challenges.

"I'd say to go out and do it," Stramrood said to girls who were considering playing football. "But keep in mind it's not going to come easy. Kicking has not come easy to me; I've trained so many years for it. So I want other girls to know that they can go, and they can set their goals, but they also have to work hard for it."



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**MULTI-SPORT ATHLETE** Lorelai Stramrood plays soccer, volleyball and football.

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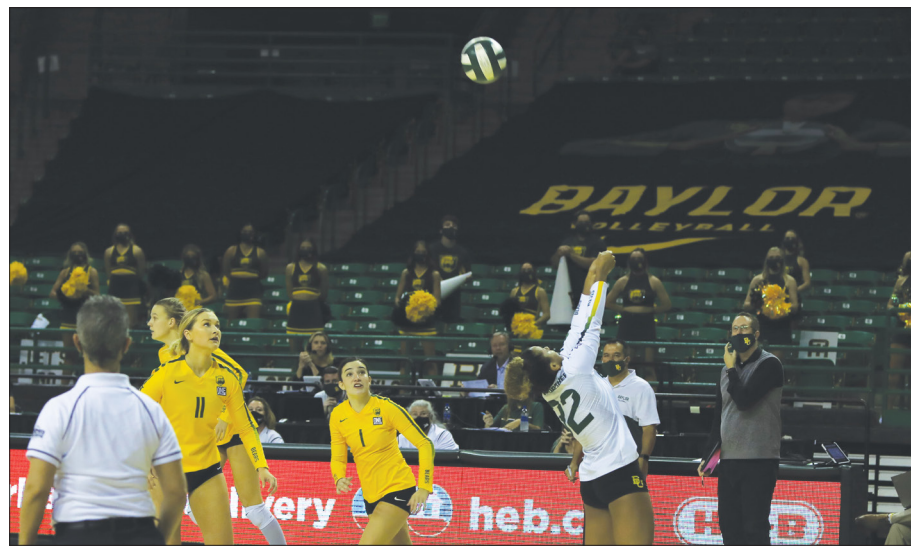
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**OVER THE MOON** Junior forward Taylor Moon dribbles the ball against No. 5 Kansas at Betty Lou Mays Field. Moon scored the winning goal in Baylor's 2-1 win over the Jayhawks on Friday.



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**DIGGING FOR DEFENSE** Junior libero Shanel Bramschreiber, Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week, saves a ball from going out of bounds during Baylor's sweep of Oklahoma last Friday.

## Soccer takes on No. 7 WVU

**WILL CHAMBLEE**  
Sports Writer

For the third time in as many weeks, Baylor women's soccer will face off against another top-10 opponent, this time against No. 7 West Virginia this week.

Last week, the Bears took down No. 5 Kansas 2-0 for their first win of the season and are looking to build on the momentum from their victory against the Jayhawks.

"There was a sense of relief and a lot of excitement, beating a top-five program here at home with a bunch of youngsters," Baylor head coach Paul Jobson said.

But while the win against Kansas was big for the program, junior forward Taylor Moon said the team has already moved on and is focused on this week's matchup against the Mountaineers.

"The coaches have narrowed our focus down to this week," Moon said. "We're on to what's next."

The road doesn't get easier for Baylor, as it takes on a formidable West Virginia team on the road.

The Bears, as well as the Big 12, have struggled to beat West Virginia at their home field. Baylor is 1-2 at Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium, while the rest of the Big 12 is a combined 3-24 all-time in Morgantown.

"You're definitely the underdog when you walk into Dick Dlesk Park up there under the mountains," Jobson said.

This year's West Virginia team is not different from years past. Sitting at 4-1 atop the Big 12 standings, the Mountaineers have been dominant in their offensive performances this year, leading the league with 11 goals scored.

"They're a traditional West Virginia team," Jobson said. "They're good from back to front. Athletic, strong, fast, good soccer players, a traditional powerhouse."

West Virginia is led by senior midfielder Stefany Ferrer-vanGinkel, who leads the Big 12 with three goals scored this season.

But if any team is capable of defending against West Virginia, it is Baylor. The Bears are led by senior goalkeeper Jennifer Wandt, who leads the Big 12 in shutouts, and junior defender Kayley Ables, who has been selected twice this year as the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week.

"We've all been doing a great job of making sure we keep goals out of the net," freshman defender Chloe Japic said. "We can see, and everyone else watching can see, that we're all improving every single game."

The Bears will be bolstered by the return of sophomore forward Elizabeth Kooiman, who was missed the last two games due to an undisclosed injury. Kooiman was one of the leading scorers for Baylor last season, as she found the back of the net four times, including a hat-trick in last season's game against the Mountaineers, which Baylor won 4-2.

Baylor faces WVU at 6 p.m. today in Morgantown, W.Va., and will be on ESPN+.

## No. 2 volleyball faces Red Raiders for two

**HARPER MAYFIELD**  
Sports Writer

Following a pair of competitive matches with Oklahoma, Baylor volleyball is headed to Lubbock to face off with an up-and-down Texas Tech team.

To this point in the season, Tech has been as even as a team can be. The Red Raiders are 3-3 on the year, including being 1-1 at home and 2-2 on the road. Baylor head coach Ryan McGuyre said he isn't worried about preparing for Tech's inconsistencies.

"We finally have a little bit of film of our opponent going into it," McGuyre said. "Tony [Graystone]'s a great coach, and part of his philosophy is matchups. He's always moving his lineup around ... We've seen all of his different lineups."

The Bears were without sophomore outside hitter Lauren Harrison last week, and have gone all season in absence of senior setter Hannah Sedwick. For most teams, that would be enough to mail in the season, but not for Baylor.

"We have so much depth that, I think, the trust really runs deep within every single player that's coming off the bench," said junior libero Shanel Bramschreiber.

Bramschreiber had a big week against Oklahoma, recording double-digit digs in both matches against the Sooners, and was

named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week.

"It meant a lot to me," Bramschreiber said. "Really it's a big shoutout to my teammates because practicing against great hitters in the gym just makes me better, and it makes great hitters seem more familiar on the other side."

Baylor's matches with Oklahoma were some of the season's most competitive, as the Bears battled for a five-set win last Thursday. But a close contest can have its benefits.

"We haven't gone five sets in a while, and it kind of lit a fire under us. ... We just wanted to be relentless on the court," Bramschreiber said.

Baylor sports have certainly felt the effects of COVID-19, with the football team having to halt practice and postpone this week's game. And while the volleyball team has remained healthy, precautions must still be taken.

"It changes, so how we're traveling this week is going to look a lot different than how we traveled to Kansas," McGuyre said. "So while I like to build and create routines that can get in us in an optimal mindset for matches, we also know that resiliency is going to be one of those things that we got to do."

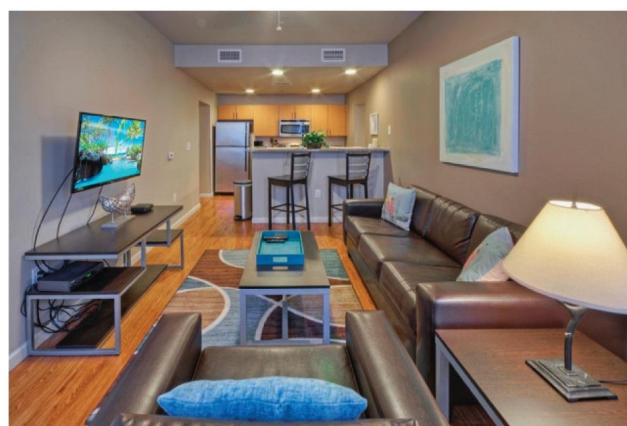
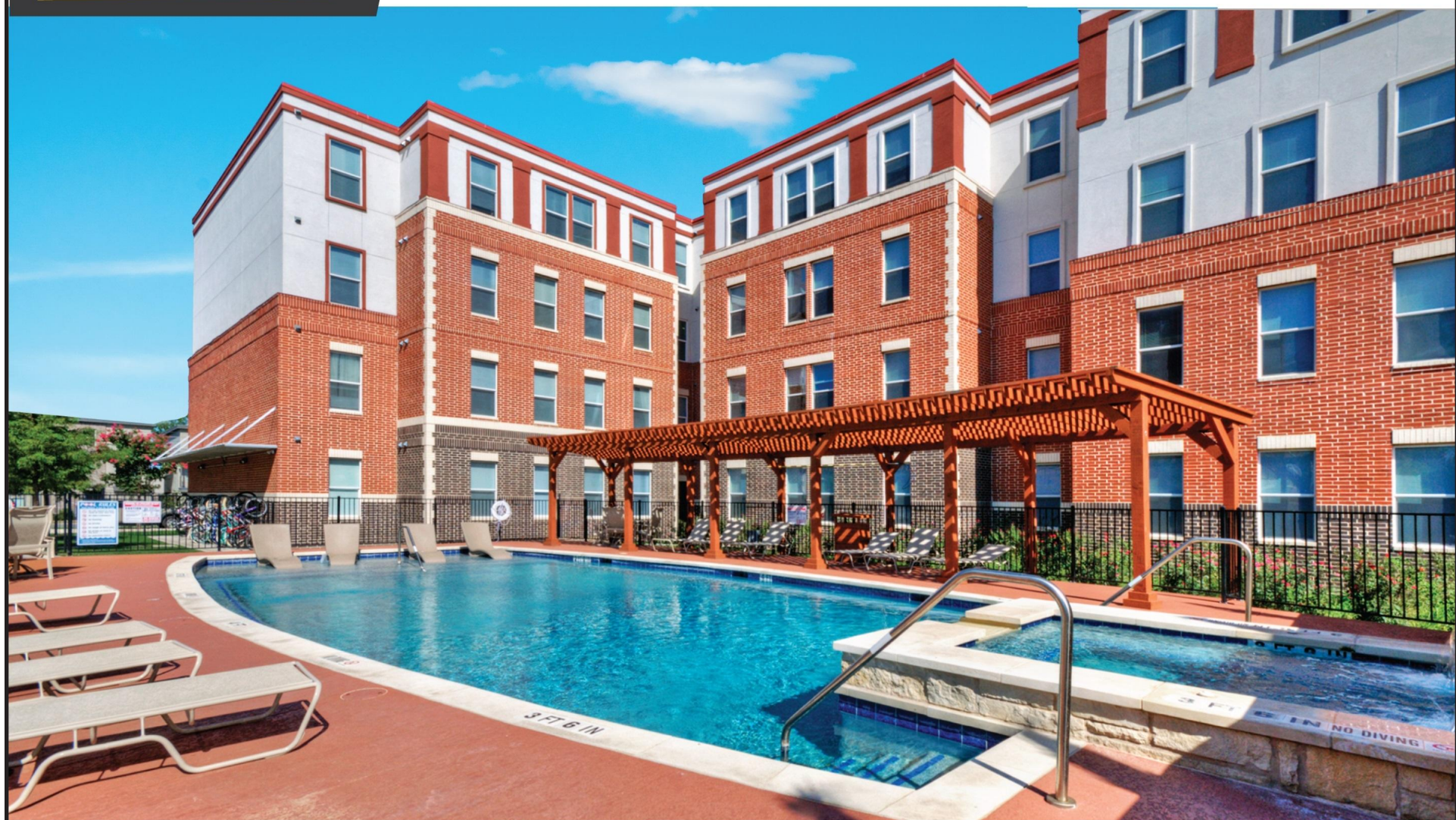
The Bears will take on Texas Tech at 6 p.m. Friday and 6 p.m. Saturday in Tech's United Supermarkets Arena. Matches can be viewed on Big 12 Now and ESPN+.

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