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#### Plan ahead

The last day of school will be Monday. Study days are Tuesday and Wednesday and Finals will take place Dec. 6 through Dec. 12. Find your exam times at baylor.edu/registrar/index. php?id=84416.

#### Go and worship

Join the Spiritual Life Advisory Committee, the President's Office and the Office of Spiritual Life for a time of worship and prayer to close out the semester. The Lift Up Your Hearts service will be from 11 a.m to 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Powell Chapel of Truett Seminary.



By Amando Dominick Staff Writer

Along with the sudden rush of winter weather and the accompanying flood of Ugg boots and North Face jackets, Baylor's annual Christmas on 5th Street celebration will help usher in the holiday season from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m today.

The celebration includes several simultaneous activities at locations across campus, including Fountain Mall, Burleson Quadrangle, Traditions Plaza and the Bill Daniel Student Center.

Carriage rides in a horse-drawn buggie, concerts featuring talent from local bands and a national headliner, the lighting of the Baylor Christmas tree and other events, will be open to the public.

Some of these events include a petting zoo, taking pictures with and writing letters to Santa and Mrs. Claus, and a live Nativity

The Christmas on 5th Marketplace, a vendors fair located on the third floor of the SUB is composed of around 30 vendors selling Christmas-related objects. It is the only aspect of Christmas on 5th that will cost

"It really is meant to be a community event, where Baylor becomes the center of Waco for one night and everybody comes to celebrate Christmas and celebrates together," said Weslaco sophomore Carlos Gutierrez, a member of the Baylor Activities Council, which is one of the sponsors of the event.

Uproar Records, Baylor's studentrun record label, will be showcasing its talent in the SUB den.

Student artists performing under the label are The Derivatives, Dreamboat and Layne Lynch.

The Christmas tree lighting is one of the focal portions of the event. The tree was decorated and will be lit by the members of the Kappa Omega Tau fraternity.

"It's kind of like a symbol of Christmas,

that Christmas is finally here now that the tree is lit," Gutier-

Gutierrez said he

expects close to 10,000 people to at-

tend the

event. n t h

## Christmas on 5th Street

#### Fountain Mall:

 Christmas Tree Farm and Carriage rides from 6-10 p.m.

#### Student Union Building:

- •Pictures/Letters to Santa and Family Photos from 6-10 p.m.
- •Baylor Religious Hour Choir Concert from 6:30-7:15 p.m.
  - •Uproar Christmas from 8-9 p.m.

#### Traditions Plaza:

·Petting zoo, Nativity, and Pony Rides at 6 p.m.

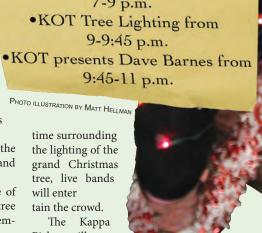
#### Burleson Quad:

- KOT Christmas Concert from
  - 7-9 p.m.
  - KOT Tree Lighting from 9-9:45 p.m.

9:45-11 p.m. PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY MATT HELLMAN

> time surrounding the lighting of the grand Christmas tree, live bands will enter tain the crowd.

The Kappa Pickers will start the concert series



# It's all about where you are

BU professor out to study effect of ads at sporting events

> By Maegan Rocio STAFF WRITER

Location affects advertising experience, or so one Baylor professor hopes to prove through his research.

Dr. Kirk Wakefield, professor & holder of the Edwin W. Streetman Professorship in Retail Management at Baylor, conducted a

study to e x a m i n ehow fans attending a live event react sports advertising. Wakefield will take the results, which he is still receiv-

at 7 p.m.,

lowed by

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Mickey

headliner

bird Sun at

7:30 p.m. and

and the Motor-

Then, after the

cars at 8:30 p.m.

Dave Barnes, a Grammy

nominated songwriter, will

take the stage from 9:45

Bryant said President

Ken Starr usually makes

an appearance during the

"Christmas on 5th is defi-

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that not only Baylor faculty staff

Bryant said.

scheduled to end around



Wakefield

ing, from the study and compare them to the national average of fans that watched the event on TV and viewed advertisements during the broadcast. The study was conducted from Nov. 16-18, during the last NASCAR race of the season, at the Homestead-Miami Speedway in Homestead, Fla.

"It's the first study that measures physical fan engagement with the sponsor," he said. "It compares NASCAR fans that are fully engaged with the average person in America that sees advertising from Coke, Verizon or Best Buy," he said.

Data was collected by setting up Radio Frequency Identification stations around the facility. NASCAR fans at the event signed up during the race for a promotional contest and were instructed to check into 12 different locations while wearing a lanyard that contained the Radio Frequency Identification microchip.

When fans visited each loca-

reason that campuses will remain

Communities Act requires that

any university receiving federal

funds adopt a program to prevent

use of illicit drugs by students

and employees, much in the same

way other federal funding for law

stance, receives millions in federal

research funds each year, which

The Drug Free Schools and

cannabis-free.

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## Legal pot: Still no free ride to light up on campus

By Nicholas K. Geranios ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPOKANE, Wash. - Young voters helped pass laws legalizing marijuana in Washington and Colorado, but many still won't be able to light up.

Most universities have codes of conduct banning marijuana use, and they get millions of dollars in funding from the federal government, which still considers pot illegal.

With the money comes a requirement for a drug-free campus, and the threat of expulsion for students using pot in the dorms.

"Everything we've seen is that nothing changes for us," said Darin Watkins, a spokesman for Washington State University in Pullman.

So despite college cultures that include pot-smoking demonstrations each year on April 20, students who want to use marijuana will have to do so off campus.

"The first thing you think of when you think of legalized marijuana is college students smoking it," said Anna Marum, a Washington State senior from Kelso, Wash. "It's ironic that all 21-year-olds in Washington can smoke marijuana except for college students."

Voters in November made Washington and Colorado the first states to allow adults over 21 to possess up to an ounce of marijuana, and exit polling showed both measures had significant support from younger people. Taxes could bring the states, which can set up licensing schemes for pot growers, processors and retail stores, tens or hundreds of millions of dollars a year, financial analysts say.

But the laws are fraught with complications, especially at places like college campuses. At Washington State, students who violate the code face a variety of punishments, up to expulsion, Wat-



medical marijuana dispensary, waters young plants in a grow room Nov. 7 in Seattle.

kins said. The same is true at the University of Colorado Boulder, where the student code of conduct prohibits possessing, cultivating or consuming illegal drugs.

"If you possess marijuana and are over 21, you still may face discipline under the student code of conduct," University of Colorado police spokesman Ryan Huff said.

Gary Gasseling, deputy chief

of the Eastern Washington University police department, said that while they await guidance from the state Liquor Control Board, which is creating rules to govern pot, one thing is clear.

"The drug-free environment is going to remain in place," he said. Even if conduct codes did not exist, marijuana remains illegal

under federal law, another key

enforcement and transportation comes with clauses stipulating that recipients maintain drug-free workplaces. Washington State, for in-

prohibits them from allowing substances illegal under federal law on campus.

College dormitory contracts also tend to prohibit possession of drugs, officials said. Dorms and other campus buildings also tend to be smoke-free zones, which would block the smoking of mari-

juana, officials said. At Eastern Washington, there SEE **POT**, page 6

## Take it easy on the energy drinks this time, folks

#### **Editorial**

We see them everywhere.

Calling to us from coffee shops and convenient stores, the platform of beverages, powders and pills entice us to "go faster," "be stronger" and "last longer."

To students — all, for the most part legally adults and able to make their own decisions buckling under the weight of full-time classes and jobs they seem like a godsend. And as our country gets busier and busier, we are constantly surprised when the long-term affects of these "godsends" finally surface.

Since November, the federal government and the New York Attorney General's office has been investigating the popular 5-Hour Energy drink in connection with over 13 deaths and 33 hospitalizations over the past four years (as reported by ABC News).

Other drinks such as Red Bull, Monster and Rockstar have also been linked to similar deaths and hospitalizations since 2004.

Investigations are ongoing and the founder and CEO of 5-Hour Energy told reporters that the product does not do any harm.

While no deaths have been proven to be the direct result of drinking 5-Hour Energy shots, the company's sales and stocks have marginally decreased in the past few months.

The main point of contention with these drinks in relation to possible health hazards is the amount of caffeine contained in each bottle.

The New York Times reported that a 5-Hour Energy shot has the caffeine equivalent of two cups of

5-Hour Energy is not required to report to the Food and Drug Administration the amount of caffeine contained in each bottle because it is sold in a two-ounce bottle, called a shot, which does not constitute a "beverage" that is governed under FDA agency regulations.

What the issue comes down to is taking personal responsibility and being smart in dealing with a hectic and stressful lifestyle.

Finals are looming closer than ever and the zombie-like stares are even more widespread among the student body.

The mountains of projects, papers and test reviews are becoming steeper and steeper with every

It's no wonder students increasingly turn to coffee, energy drinks and even prescription drug abuse like Adderall to get through the most torturous days of the se-

There have always been warnings against these types of abuse among universities, however, amidst the teeming masses the consequences of this abuse seems to go overlooked — that is, until a death occurs.

It is still yet to be determined exactly how strong energy drinks have in connection to past deaths and other health complications.

While the FDA does hold medical records involving the 13 deaths linked to 5-Hour Energy, the agency has not discovered if these deaths were the result of preexisting heart conditions (which is a very real possibility) coupled with the abuse of the drinks or if they are isolated incidents.

Until concrete evidence against these companies surface, we can only look to ourselves to use these drinks wisely.

This is especially important to consider now that finals are on the horizon.

Resorting to ridiculous amounts of caffeine - or other more dangerous substances — is not a healthy way to handle the

Yes, there is so much work to do and so little time to do it in while teachers' expectations continue to rise.

However, the fact that you completed that 12-page paper in 9 hours the night before it was due won't be comforting when you find yourself in the hospital.

Don't blame the companies



just yet for exposing you to such potentially dangerous miracle-

These deaths and investigations may be a foreshadowing of their demise (or at least caffeine

regulation) but that's no excuse to go crazy with caffeine.

In fact, there's no excuse at all.

## Try to remember what the holidays are really about

Bing Crosby would be appalled.

With singer Carol Richards, the great crooner once popularized a song, "Silver Bells," about the joy of Christmas shopping. "Strings of street lights," it went, "even stop lights, blink a bright and red and green as the shoppers rush home with their treasures."

Of course, that was in 1950, a more genteel era when men still wore hats and women still wore gloves. These days, one would be well-advised to wear Kevlar.

In 2008, a Wal-Mart worker named Jdimytai Damour was trampled to death by a mob of holiday shoppers who broke down the doors of a store in Valley Stream, N.Y. In 2011 a woman in Los Angeles used pepper spray on a group of shoppers vying for video game consoles.

That pleasant chore of holiday shopping about which Crosby sang has long since mutated into an annual ritual of mass psychosis called Black Friday.

About the best that can be said of this year's Black Friday is that nobody died. Two people were shot in Tallahassee, Fla., in what



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police say was a dispute over a parking space. In San Antonio,

a man allegedly cut the line and punched a guy who complained. The guy who was punched

pulled a gun. In Moultrie, Ga., there was a near riot over cell phones. In Sacramento, Calif., a man threatened to stab anybody who pushed his

And as people were thus celebrating the season of thanksgiving, redemption and light, the Rev. Nancy was saying grace over two cups of Jell-O.

She is my pastor's mother, a preacher in her own right, who took ill on Thanksgiving eve and had to be rushed to the emergency room. She spent the holiday in the hospital and her son was so moved by watching her give thanks for Jell-O that he preached about it Sunday.

Maybe you say to yourself, Well, yeah, but what is Jell-O to be thankful for?

Especially when everybody

else is gorging on turkey and ham and dressing and greens and mac and cheese and pies and cakes?

But when your last meal was intravenous, Jell-O is quite a lot. This is not a church, so there

will be no sermon, only an observation that, whatever one's belief structure or lack thereof, there is something to be said for learning to be content in the face of circumstances you cannot change.

Otherwise, you are in for a bumpy ride through this life.

Folks forget that sometimes. Heck, folks forget it all the time.

"The trouble with you and me, my friend," Don Henley once sang, "is the trouble with this nation. Too many blessings, too little appreciation."

Or as the serenity prayer puts it: "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

Such sentiments are necessarily at odds with the cult of consumption and its belief that one is incomplete until one buys what the store is selling, that one can change one's entire life, find wholeness and a better self, in the things one owns. It is a faith — the word is used

advisedly - that finds expression each year in scenes of people surging into temples of commerce, pulling guns and getting into fist fights while trying to buy things they feel they need.

But the things we need most in this life cannot be found in temples of commerce or bought at any price.

Did more of us know that, back in the era when men still wore hats and women, gloves? Maybe. Or maybe that's just a trick of memory, painting olden days in sepia tones.

So fine. No olden days, no sepia tones here. But you don't have to go back to 1950 to marvel at how some of us define what matters in this life. You can just go back to last week, to a holiday weekend some folks spent camping at the mall and punching one another in the face — and at least one of us spent in a hospital bed giving thanks for Jell-O.

Something in that juxtaposition makes you want to pause, reconfigure your ideas of what truly matters in this life and what, ultimately, does not.

Perhaps that's only to be expected when a woman is able to locate grace in a gelatin snack as the shoppers rush home with their treasures.

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#### Corrections

In a Nov. 28 article titled "Students Dig Deep in Forensic Science" contained a factual

The name of Robinson junior Ien Hasuk was mistakenly spelled Jen Hausk and she was mistakenly classified as a senior.

Additionally, in a recent article titled "Alum dispels popular myth," published on Nov. 27, several errors were made.

The Lariat reported Jim Hillin's title as Computer Generated Imagery Supervisor. His official title at the time was Artistic Director of Computer Generated Imagery.

The Lariat also reported that Hillin's family moved to Houston before he entered the first grade.

It should have read that they moved to Houston after the first grade.

Throughout the article, "special effects" should more accurately be referred to as "visual effects."

The Motion Picture Academy and the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences are the same body.

Entity FX and Gradient Effects did not make the films mentioned in the article. Hillin has, however, worked with both companies and the films mentioned at separate times.

The Baylor Lariat is committed to ensuring fair and accurate reporting and will correct errors of substance on Page 2.

Corrections can be submitted by sending an e-mail to Lariat\_letters@baylor.edu or by calling 254-710-4099.

## Library still beautiful post-myth

#### Lariat Letters

In a Nov. 27 article titled "Alum dispels popular myth," the Lariat talked to Jim Hillin, who has worked on a number of films including Disney's "Beauty and the Beast." The article dispelled the myth that the ballroom in that movie was based primarily on the Armstrong-Browning Library. This is a response by Jim Hillin to some of the sentiments expressed in the article. Read the article at www. baylorlariat.edu for more infor-

I read your article, and being that particular alum, I would like to offer this to those students and docents of the library who might feel disappointed.

When I was at Baylor, I lived in a house at Eighth Street and Wood Avenue managed at the time by the owner of Baylor Drug; apparently his father-in-law had lived there, and now he was renting it to Baylor students.

During my time in that house, I spent almost all of my time in Waco Hall at the School of Music and, as a result, walked by the Armstrong-Browning Library every day.

It became one of my favorite places to visit with its quiet interior and beautiful decor.

I attended several voice-only choir events there and found the hushed, dark surroundings and the "live" nature of the acoustics complementing the music and performances.

If you get a chance for one of

these, I highly recommend it.

And certainly, I can see where similarities can be drawn between the Library and "Beauty and Beast's" Ballroom.

They are both beautifully decorated, including their recessed, gilt domes in the ceilings and wonderful chandeliers that help remind us of a past not to be for-

While its design may have come from "Beauty's" art director Brian McEntee, I'm sure my time at Baylor, subconsciously or otherwise, helped the ballroom in "Beauty and the Beast" find its romantic elegance.

It's a beautiful building. Please try not to be too disappointed.

Jim Hillin 1979 Alumnus

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## Sergeant shows the real side of crime investigation

Contributor

Despite what is portrayed on CSI shows, forensic science does not involve projected computer screens, high-tech gadgets and

Sgt. James Huggins is a crime scene investigator and lecturer in the anthropology department.

"It's Hollywood hype," he said. "I don't have giant computers. I don't throw my hands back and forth and make them jump from screen to screen. They have 40 minutes to do what they need to do. It just doesn't work that way. It'd be nice if it did."

During his career as an investigator, Huggins has worked on cases involving serial killers, sexual murder and people who had their kids chained by the neck underneath beds, he said.

Huggins said he wants to por-

tray the reality of crime scene investigation in his classes, apart from the "Hollywood hype."

"Each investigation is different. They aren't cookie-cutter, and I try to demonstrate that in my classes," he said.

Forensic science always has been a priority in Huggins' life, he said. Although he said he doesn't like crime scene investigation shows, his interest began early and he worked hard to learn the field.

"I have always had an interest in forensics. I did a lot of studying on my own, outside of classes," he

After receiving a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor, Huggins became involved with the Department of Public Safety and the Texas Rangers.

"During my tenure there, I held positions of Highway Patrol

trooper and criminal investigative sergeant. I am currently accepted in state court as an expert witness in bloodstain pattern analysis, death investigation and shooting incident reconstruction," he said. Huggins also taught

police officers on the Huggins side, on top of his 50-

> hour work weeks. As he taught more, teaching became more attractive to him.

"I knew that there would come a point when I would want to do something different. I didn't plan on staying in that position forever. It takes a good toll after a while," Huggins said.

Huggins said he found the job

of his dreams, teaching full time at Baylor while job hunting online.

"I was looking through the American Association of Forensic Science website and this position was open. I thought to be able to do that, that would be the ultimate for me."

He began working on his master's degree in forensic science at Oklahoma State University to prepare himself for Baylor.

Huggins juggled long hours at work while continuing to train other police officers as he completed the courses required to earn his master's degree in forensic science.

Then he applied for the position

He didn't get it.

He did, however, receive another job offer from Baylor and offers from two other universities. He took on the roles while still juggling his other jobs.

"I taught Monday nights at Bay-

lor. I taught Tuesday nights at Sam Houston, and I started teaching online and Saturday classes at East Texas Baptist University. So for about a year, I didn't sleep," he said. It was nothing new for Huggins.

Huggins said juggling several teaching jobs was similar to the amount of stress he had while working and earning his degrees.

Huggins applied a second time at Baylor and became a full time lecturer in 2011

He also retired from the Department of Public Safety in 2011 after 29 years there.

He retired from being a Texas Ranger as well, after 19 years of service, in order to give his full attention to his position at Baylor, although he still occasionally helps in Department of Public Safety cases by going to crime scenes and assisting in investigations.

He now teaches six forensic science courses, ranging from crime scene investigation to bloodstain pattern analysis, and uses real files from cases he investigated as aides for the classes.

Many of Huggins students call

him "Sarge." Abilene, Kan., senior Kelsey Stevens said Huggins is one of her favorite professors.

"I learn so much through his examples and real cases," she said. "I plan on going into a different field, but Sarge sparked an interest in forensics that I will always have."

Dr. Lori Baker, associate professor of anthropology, works with

"Sergeant Huggins is a wonderful colleague and a superior mentor to students," Baker said. "He is respected by the law enforcement community, his university colleagues and his students. I am very proud to work with him and honored that he chooses to work

## Texas out to seize polygamist ranch

BY PAUL I. WEBER ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Texas wants ownership of Warren Jeffs' massive ranch where prosecutors say the convicted polygamist sect leader and his followers sexually assaulted dozens of children, the state attorney general's office said Wednesday.

A judge will determine whether to grant the state control of the nearly 1,700-acre property owned by the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. According to local tax records, the total value of the land is appraised at more than \$33 million.

Seeking to bolster their case for seizures, prosecutors also allege that FLDS leaders financed the property through money launder-

The sect bought the land for about \$1.1 million in 2003, according to an affidavit filed Wednesday.

Starting with a raid on the secluded Schleicher County ranch in April 2008, the state spent more than \$4.5 million racking up swift convictions against Jeffs and 10 of his followers. Jerry Strickland, a spokesman for the attorney general's office, said the warrant begins the final chapter in the state's fiveyear-old investigation into the sect.

"This is simply the next step," Strickland said.

Texas Rangers raided the ranch following a call to a domestic abuse hotline that turned out to be false. and took 439 children into state custody. Jeffs last year was convicted of sexually assaulting two minors whom he described as his spiritual wives. At trial, prosecutors presented DNA evidence to show he fathered a child with one of those girls, aged 15.

Jeffs, 56, is serving a life prison term in Texas.

He has continued to try to lead his roughly 10,000 followers from behind bars. The sect is a radical offshoot of mainstream Mormonism whose members believe polygamy brings exaltation in heaven.

Rod Parker, a Nevada attorney

return a phone message Wednesday from The Associated Press.

He told the Salt Lake Tribune that it seemed the state's purpose was to take the land and sell it to the highest bidder, which would result in sect members living at the ranch likely being evicted.

'They're punishing the victims. These aren't the people who committed the crimes," Parker told the

It's not known how many people still live at the secluded ranch located about 200 miles west of San Antonio, but the seizure warrant does not require them to leave. The property is so far off the main roads that only helicopters or planes can provide a true glimpse of the ranch.

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran said the population at the ranch has "reduced quite a bit over the last several months" since Jeffs was convicted. Whereas the property was once under a constant state of construction - the FLDS even had its own cement plant — Dolan said he believes only a small contingent of members are still there keeping the

"We don't see the traffic as much," Doran said. "All that has slowed to almost zero."

Doran said his deputies accomnied state investigators to deliver the warrant at the ranch. No one answered, so Doran said they taped the warrant to the ranch's front gate.

Strickland, the attorney general's spokesman, said it was too early to speculate about what the state would do with the property if given ownership. The group will have a chance to contest any seizure.

According to the state's affidavit, the ranch is controlled under the name the United Order of Texas, which is described in county filings as a "religious trust created to preserve and advance the religious doctrines and goals of the FLDS."

Online records from the Schleicher County Appraisal District indicate a dozen pieces of property at the ranch's address that



In this March 2, 2005, aerial file photo, the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints compound is shown under construction near

are owned by the trust and total 1,691 acres. Combined, the most recent appraised value of the properties is \$33.4 million.

Jeffs' most devoted followers consider him God's spokesman on earth and a prophet, but they were absent from court for the bulk of his criminal trial.

Paving the way to Jeffs' conviction were his own "priesthood re-- diary-like volumes, covering tens of thousands of pages, in which Jeffs recounts his sexual encounters and records even his most mundane daily activities.

Prosecutors cite the records in the 91-page affidavit filed Wednes-

"This will be a major gathering place of the saints that are driven," Jeffs wrote. "You can see it is well isolated. In looking at this location, we can raise crops all year round. There is no building code requirements. We can build as we wish without inspectors coming in. There is a herd of animals that the storehouse needs, that we can nourish and increase."

In the affidavit, prosecutors allege that sect members illegally and that Jeffs personally toured the ranch before the land was pur-

To support prosecutors' claims that FLDS leaders financed the property through money laundering, one section in the affidavit lists 175 deposits, almost all of which are just less than \$10,000, made at San Angelo banks over the course of two years and staggered by only a few days each. The total is about

\$1.5 million. Prosecutors say the series of four-figure deposits - which financial investigators call "structuring" — are typically done to evade federal reporting requirements.

However, the Texas attorney general's office, however, has not formally charged any FLDS mem-

bers with any financial crimes. Under Texas law, authorities can seize property that was used to commit or facilitate certain criminal conduct, such as a home being used as a stash house for drugs. Strickland said he didn't immediately know where this attempted seizure would rank among the state's biggest efforts to claim ownership of criminal property.

## McDonald's marketing director to speak at BU

By Amando Dominick STAFF WRITER

Mark Carlson, senior creative director of U.S. McDonald's Marketing, will discuss the ins and outs of marketing at 2:30 p.m. Friday in Bennett Auditorium.

Carlson's lecture will encompass a summary of McDonald's advertising from its small beginnings to its current global reach.

"He will talk about the challenges of marketing for the world's most iconic brand and how that brand has evolved over all these years," Cynthia Jackson, president of the Waco chapter of the American Advertising Federation, said.

Carlson will attend a luncheon hosted by the federation, after which he will come to campus to deliver his lecture.

It will be followed by a question-and-answer session with the

The event is free and open to all students and faculty of Baylor, Texas State Technical College and McLennan Community College. Even with finals starting next week, Jackson said he urged students to take advantage of this opportunity.

"He hardly speaks publicly at all anymore. This may be students' only chance to see the head of advertising for McDonald's," Jackson

Carlson oversees all advertis-

ing for McDonald's for the United "Attending his visit would be

well worth a Friday afternoon," Jackson said.

The event will last until 3:45 p.m.

## Round Table to meet again for Christmas luncheon

By Linda Nguyen STAFF WRITER

The Baylor Round Table is hosting its annual Christmas luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in Armstrong Browning Library.

"It's been a yearly event for as long as I can remember," said Carol Schuetz, one of the co-chairs for the Christmas Luncheon committee of the Baylor Round Table.

"It is an event we have every year where we are able to get together and enjoy a really good program and enjoy a luncheon together. It's a time for fellowship for the Christmas season."

The luncheon is for Baylor Round Table members and their guests.

The program also includes a performance from Baylor's Chamber Singers and silent auction.

"The silent auction is something we've added over the last two to three years," Schuetz said. "This is where we, as Round Table members, contribute items made into baskets. Members also have a

time where they can go place bids. All the money goes to the scholarship we give every year to a Baylor

Schuetz said the members also look forward to the performance from the Baylor Chamber Singers.

"We get to hear the program the Chamber Singers do for the Christ mas season," Schuetz said. "Everyone enjoys listening to

them sing. It's always a good pro-Dr. Kathryn Mueller, the other co-chair for the Chrismas lun-

cheon, said the Chamber Singers program is something she has always enjoyed.

"Despite a messy desk and lots to do, I always try to make time for the luncheon." Mueller said.

Schuetz said she always enjoys being involved on the committee

that plans the Christmas luncheon. "It's just a really good program and I think everyone in round table really enjoys it," Schuetz.

"It's a good time to get together and enjoy fellowship before the Christmas season."





## Times have changed, but classical music plays on

BY CONNOR YEARSLEY REPORTER

Stephen Heyde is the conductor of the Baylor Symphony Orchestra and the Waco Symphony Orchestra and is a prominent figure in the School of Music.

Sitting down with him, the Lariat learned about his views on the progression and future of music, as well as its role in peoples' lives.

Q: What major changes in orchestral music, if any, have you noticed in your lifetime and what do you attribute those changes

A: I believe that there is more interest in newer music now. And I think that's indicative of the fact that people want something fresh and new, in spite of still enjoying the older works. It's only been in the last 15 years or so that music has become so mobile. They love Brahms and Beethoven, but they have it on their iPods already. So, while they still enjoy those pieces, it's not quite the same treat it was to hear a Brahms symphony live.

When they come to a concert, they like to hear something new that attracts them. Another change in orchestras: I think orchestras are starting to understand they have to be a part of the community and interact with that community, which means there's a lot more outreach. So, to be successful, orchestras can't just stay in their auditoriums and dress funny and count on the audience coming to them.

Q: Why do you think a lot of 21st century music is so dissonant, often with no semblance of melody and little to no harmony?

A: I wouldn't entirely agree with that assessment. I think what you're describing is the music of 30 years ago. I think there's more dissonance for sure. Life has become more dissonant. Our ears have been stretched... Music that people found outrageous 50 or 60 years ago is now going on in the background of movies. What you're describing is music that alienated people, and if they can't find some accessibility, they'll reiect it... It didn't connect with them emotionally...There has to be something of redeeming value for people to accept it.

Q: Are you encouraged or discouraged by symphony attendance in recent years, especially in relation to young people?

A: I'm generally encouraged. There are regions in the world that are enormous hotbeds of interest in classical music. I would say the Scandinavian countries and Asia. I also think there are many young people who are developing sophisticated listening capabilities. I don't think our audience is getting older. In fact, I think they're getting younger... I think people who want to drink from the banquet of life want to experience these

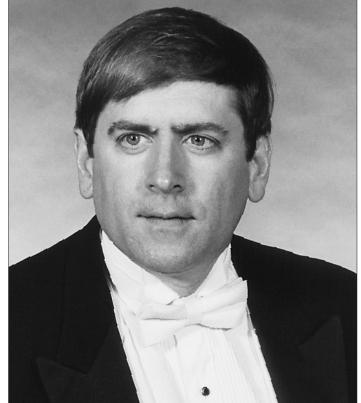
Q: In relation to art and music, some people say there are no new ideas under the sun. Do you agree or disagree with that statement and why?

A: I kind of agree with that. I think there are new expressions of old ideas... I don't really think there are too many things new in life, not just in art.

Q: What role do you think music should play in people's

A: It's not for me to say. The only thing I wish, because music already plays an important role in everyone's life, is for people to recognize it... There's some type of music that people need to get through their day... Whatever you need, music is probably playing a role in your life. I think it can play a bigger role. It's a lot more important than most people realize.

Heyde also talked about the idea that music is in the ear of the beholder and that it should speak for itself, saying it's not his place to tell people what to think. He talked about his belief that music can help with almost any circumstance, but that it can also have negative effects in the wrong situations. He expressed encouragement by the adventurousness and curiosity he's noticed in young symphony-goers.



Stephen Heyde is the conductor of the Baylor Symphony Orchestra and the Waco Symphony Orchestra. Heyde believes that there is a newer interest in music and that music plays an important role in life.

## Is '30 Rock's' Liz settling after countless failed relationships?

By Verne Gay McClatchy-Tribune

NBC has invited us all to the wedding of Ms. Elizabeth Miervaldis Lemon (Tina Fey) and Mr. Crisstopher Rick Chross (James Marsden) tonight. Thanks, but no thanks — we'd rather just watch (NBC at 7 p.m., "Mazel Tov, Dummies.")

However, assuming this wedding does actually happen (doubt-

ful), what's the fun in that unless you know all the baggage — in Liz's case, many failed relationships. To that end, the list (of necessity, partial) of past loves ...

Dennis Duffy (Dean Winters): The Beeper King of New York in fact, the only beeper salesman in New York — is an Islanders fan, borrows money from Liz's mom, is fascinated with rats, is somewhat misogynistic (thinks women that don't like him are lesbians) and refuses to move out of Liz's apartment because he has "squatter's rights." Relationship ends badly.

Carol Burnett (Matt Damon): Seemingly ideal airline pilot who slowly reveals an emotional side (he weeps) and a big chip on his shoulder — "Sully Sullenberger? Not that great. You know what I would've done? Not hit birds. But where's my ticket to the Grammys?" He even pulls a gun on Liz in a plane. Relationship ends badly.

Dr. Drew Baird (Jon Hamm): Another initially apparent Mr. Perfect, but her next-door neighbor, in fact, turns out to be rather simpleminded and accident-prone — he lost both hands, one after waving at someone he thought to be a former football coach while standing under a helicopter. Relationship ends

Floyd DeBarber (Jason Sudeikis): Finally! Mr. Perfect and from Cleveland, no less. Liz meets the NBC lawyer and recovering alcoholic on the elevator and learns of his current girlfriend in accounting, whom she promptly fires. Liz likes Floyd so much she even goes to Cleveland on vacation with him. Relationship ends badly.

Wesley Snipes (Michael Sheen): An edgy English businessman of indeterminate profession, Snipes meets Liz at the dentist's office while both are lightheaded from nitrous oxide, though after the ef-

fect wears off, both snap at each other obsessively. He interprets this as romantic tension - "like Russ and Rebecca on 'Chums" but also thinks Liz is like a "Cathy' cartoon that just won't end." Liz despises him: "I'm never going to be Mrs. Wesley Snipes. Is that your real name? That's insane." Relationship ends badly.

Tune in to NBC tonight to see if Liz will finally settle down with the right Mr. Right.

# This Week In the Arts

#### Today:

The Baylor Bronze. 5:30 p.m. Roxy Grove Hall. No charge.

Christmas on 5th Street. 6 p.m. Burleson Quadrangle

Christmas at the Mayborn. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Regular prices from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and no charge from 5 to 9 p.m.

Christmas at Baylor. 7:30 p.m. Jones Concert Hall. Tickets sold

#### Friday:

Christmas at Baylor. 7:30 p.m. Jones Concert Hall. Tickets sold Shane & Shane with Phil Wickham. 8 p.m. Common Grounds. Tickets \$20 pre-sale and \$22 at the door.

#### Friday – Sunday:

"Nuncrackers." Waco Civic Theatre. Friday, Saturday 7:30 p.m. Sunday 2:30 p.m. Friday tickets \$20 or \$18 for students and seniors. Saturday and Sunday tickets \$18 or \$16 for students and seniors.

Cody Johnson. 10 p.m. Wild West, 115 Mary Ave.; Tickets \$8 in advance, or \$10 at the door.

#### Saturday:

Waco Arts Initiative Christmas Benefit. 8 p.m. Common Grounds. \$3.

Club Salsa. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tres Mexican Restaurant. No charge.

#### Sunday:

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker." Waco Symphony Orchestra and Ballet Austin. 2 p.m. Waco Hall. Tickets range from \$20 to \$35.

Christmas carillon recital. 1 6 p.m. Pat Neff Hall tower. No charge.

Carols of Christmas with chamber singers and Bella Voce. 7:30 p.m. Armstrong Browning Library. Tickets sold out.

#### Tuesday:

Baritone Robert McFarland. 7:30 p.m. Lake Shore Baptist Church, 5801 Bishop Dr. Proceeds benefit the Gospel Cafe. \$10 or \$5 for children 12 and under.

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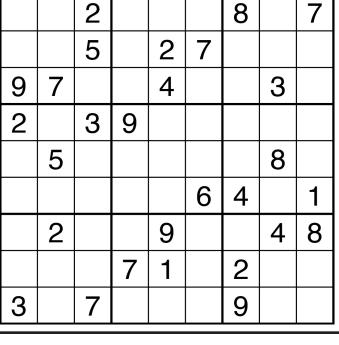






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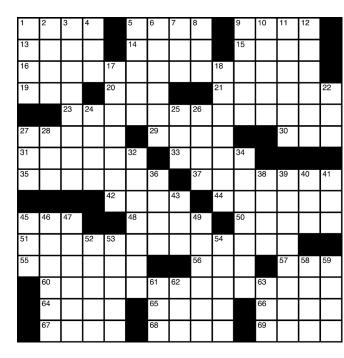
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# Record-setting season



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No. 6 defender Kat Ludlow heads the ball into the net for another goal against Northwestern State on Aug. 19 at the Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field. The Lady Bears ended up walking away with a 5-0 victory over the Demons.

By Greg DeVries
Sports Writer

Soccer can be relentless sometimes. A team can outplay its opponent all game, but one goal can change things dramatically. Such is the way it went for the No. 11 Baylor women's soccer team against the No.13 University of North Carolina on Nov. 18 in the Sweet Sixteen.

Baylor jumped out to an early 1-0 lead, but UNC was able to tie it up late in regulation, and take the win in penalty kicks.

The Bears fell to UNC last year by a score of 5-0, but if there is such thing as a dominant program in sports, it is Tar Heel women's soccer. UNC has won 20 of 22 ACC Championships, and 20 of 28 National Championships.

But this shouldn't detract from the season Baylor had.

The Bears finished the season with a regular season record of 19-1-5, the best record in Baylor soccer history.

"We played 25 games this year and I h a v e absolutely no re-



B a y l o r also finished with a perfect record at home of 9-0-0, and the team out-

scored its opponents by an average of 1.76 goals per game.

It was this strong combination of offense and defense that helped the Bears win their first Big 12 Championship since 1998.

Baylor entered the tournament

as the No. 2 seed, but the
Bears outscored their
opponents 9-2 over
the tournament's
three games to
convincingly
take home the
Big 12 Cham-

pionship.
With the end of the season comes the end of the seniors' careers.
This senior class is responsible for much of the

program's growth, however. It was only four years ago that Baylor soccer won eight games.

Senior forwards Lisa Sliwinski and Dana Larsen finished their careers fourth and fifth all-time on Baylor's scoring list with 30 and 29 goals respectively.

Senior forward Hanna Gilmore is right behind them.

She has finished in the top three

She has finished in the top three in scoring on Baylor's team each of her four years.

Senior defender Carlie Davis has been an instrumental part of a Baylor defense that has never allowed more than .82 goals per game during her tenure.

Baylor has a talented group of

erly returning.

next season.

Most of Baylor's defense remains intact with juniors Kat Ludlow, Selby Polley and Taylor Heath-

underclassmen ready to step up

The current freshman class has a lot of talent and received a good amount of playing time to help rest the starters throughout the season.

The freshman class is led by forward Bri Campos, who recorded three goals and four assists in her first year.

There will be a lot of offense to replace next season, but the combination of Campos, junior forward Alex Klein, and the rest of the Bears will be ready.

Baylor had 17 players score goals during the season, but only four goal-scorers were seniors.

A lot of the program's growth has to do with Jobson's impact on the program.

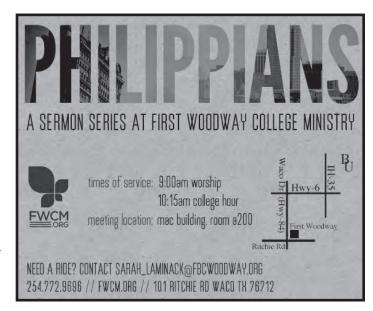
In 2006, the season before Jobson took over, the Bears finished just 3-7 in conference play and only managed one win away from their home field.

Baylor has not had a losing season in the past four seasons, and the team looks like it is ready for a period of sustained success.

Under Jobson, the team is 58-28-17, a far cry from the years of being in the conference basement.

## Topping the List

- Baylor led in 12 of the 14 categories in the Big 12 on the season.
- The Bears' team GPA is 3.56.
- Seniors Carlie Davis and Dana Larsen and junior Kat Ludlow made the All-Big 12 second team.
- Freshmen Bri Campos and Katie Daigle were voted onto the Big 12 All-Newcomer team.



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## Vets sue railroad over fatal crash

By Betsy Blaney and Danny Robbins ASSOCIATED PRESS

LUBBOCK — Two Army veterans and their wives on Wednesday sued the railroad company whose train hit a truck carrying veterans and their spouses during a parade in Midland.

Four veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan were killed and 16 more people were injured in the Nov. 15 collision. They had been riding on a flatbed truck in the parade organized to honor wounded veterans for their military service and were in the process of crossing the tracks when the crash happened. Officials have said the truck entered the crossing after the warning signals

The lawsuit was filed by Richard Sanchez and Todd King and their wives, but one of their attorneys said he expects other veterans to join it. He said the lawsuit was filed with just two couples because steps needed to be taken quickly to preserve evidence.

The lawsuit claims negligence and recklessness on the part of Union Pacific Railroad Inc. and Smith Industries Inc., the company that owned the truck, led to the collision. It was filed in Midland, where the crash happened.

The veterans have not asked for a specific amount in damages because their "No. 1 desire is that no accident like this ever happens again," said Bob Pottroff, one of the attorneys representing the two

The lawsuit claims the railroad was negligent in 28 ways, including failing to provide reasonable and timely audible and visual warning of the approaching train and failure to provide a safe railroad crossing. It also says the train did not brake or otherwise attempt to slow and the railroad hadn't fixed what it claims are hazardous conditions posed by the road grade.



A flatbed truck carries wounded veterans and their families during a Nov. 15 parade before it was struck by a train

Union Pacific spokeswoman Raquel Espinoza-Williams said the company would not comment on the lawsuit specifically, but she noted in an email that federal investigators have already determined the truck moved onto the tracks after the red flashing lights and bells ac-

"Disregarding active warning signals is extremely dangerous, and we urge drivers to stop once the red flashing lights and bells activate," she wrote.

The lawsuit accuses Smith Industries of having a driver who, among other things, failed to keep a proper lookout and didn't exercise reasonable care for the veterans on the truck's trailer.

The attorney representing Smith Industries, Jimmie B. Todd of Odessa, was away on vacation and could not be reached for com-

The driver of the truck, 50-yearold Dale Andrew Hayden of Midland, is an Army veteran who served in Iraq and Afghanistan and is employed by Smith Industries.

Also Wednesday, the Texas Department of Transportation released documents showing the crossing's warning system was designed to become operational at least 30 seconds before the arrival of trains. On the day of the crash, only 20 seconds elapsed from the time the system was activated to the train's arrival, according to the

Twenty seconds meets federal guidelines, but railroads can and do — provide longer intervals at some crossings.

The documents, released to The Associated Press and other media organizations in response to requests under the Texas Public Information Act, do not show whether the crossing had been upgraded or altered since it was completed in

A TxDOT official said in an email released with the documents that the crossing was designed for trains that went up to 25 mph, but they now travel on that line at up to 70 mph. Darin Kosmak, section director for the department's rail-highway division, wrote in the email to TxDOT's legal counsel that the state expected the railroad to upgrade its safety mechanism to match the greater speeds, but had not verified that changes were

Espinoza-Williams said in an email that the design documents released by the state "do not reflect current conditions at the ... crossing, which clearly has more than six trains per day operating at a maximum speed of more than 25

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tion, they were instructed to scan their lanyard at various areas in each location. Each location had different activities fans could participate in, such as games and contests. Wakefield said if fans visited all 12 locations, they would be eligible to win a sweepstakes prize. He said he checked the RFID stations to see which brand name event fans visited.

"Using RFID, we're able to determine the effects of fans interacting with sponsors and displays at NASCAR events with actual attitudes and mind behaviors associated with brands," he said.

Anne Rivers, the senior vice president and global director of brand strategy at BrandAsset Consulting in New York City, said she and her company worked on the proposal for the study.

"We were just working to get the proposal in and do a brand research on sponsorships," she said. "We do it for corporate clients and teams. It is consistent with what we do all the time."

Wakefield said more data will be collected from a post-race survey given to the fans to help sponsors know the return on their investments. Wakefield said all the data from the surveys will be in by Friday.

Wakefield said sponsors will receive information about their property and learn how effective their advertisements are.

"The track will learn how to be more effective with sponsorship strategies to attach the marketing and theory research," he said.

"They will also learn about fan en-

Wakefield said he and his associates created a hypothesis about the results of his study.

"We had to hypothesize between relation of frequency of interacting with sponsors and their attitudes and buying behavior for the brands," he said. "If you were there for three days, more than eight hours, engaging with displays and playing games, you would have a more favorable attitude toward the sponsor."

Rivers said the study has been completed but not all of the data has been compiled.

Wakefield said Rivers and her company will compare the results of the average national attitudes about each brand to the attitudes of fans that attended the NASCAR

Wakefield said he plans to continue his research beyond this

"We plan to do follow up with the Australian Open in tennis," he said. "We're looking at similar a relationship with the RFID, more integrated into the sponsorship engagement displays."

Eric Smallwood, the senior vice president of Front Row Marketing Services & Front Row Analytics in Port Huron, Mich., and Liam Weseloh, the regional vice president of the company, also helped Wakefield in the study.

The study was funded by The Wharton School's Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative.

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is a student-led movement to ban smoking even outside across the entire campus, Gasseling said.

In addition, NCAA rules prohibit student-athletes from consuming marijuana or other illegal

With all these complications, it is reasonable to expect that some students will be confused by the new laws.

"Some type of communication is going to come out from the university to clarify this," said Angie Weiss, student lobbyist for the Associated Students of the University of Washington.

Derrick Skaug, student body vice president at Washington State, said he believes most students will understand they cannot consume marijuana on campus.

"I don't see it likely that people will be smoking marijuana while walking around campus," Skaug said. "Most people do understand that just because it is no longer banned by state law, it doesn't amount to a get-out-of-jail-free pass."

Skaug acknowledged that some students might feel they should be allowed to consume marijuana on campus if it is legal everywhere

"It may be something worth starting a discussion on," Skaug said. "But there are a lot of issues that need to be addressed."

Colleges in Washington already dealt with this issue in 1998 when the state approved the use of medical marijuana, which was also banned on campus, Watkins said. Students who wanted to use

marijuana for medical reasons had to live off-campus, and Washington State waived its requirement that all freshmen had to live in dorms to accommodate them, Watkins said.

Of course, pot has been illegally used on college campuses for decades, and students for decades have been getting busted for pos-

Marum said that many Washington State students who have medical marijuana cards are allowed by their residence hall advisers to consume marijuana brownies, even though the drug is banned on campus.

"People in dorms now who want to smoke, they do it," Marum said. "I do think more people will be smoking in the dorms when marijuana is legal for use."

One thing that will change: Some off-campus police departments have said they will no longer arrest or ticket students who are 21 and older and using marijuana.

## NJ spruce lights Rockefeller Center

By Deepti Haiela ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - An 80-foot Norway spruce that made it through Superstorm Sandy was transformed into a beacon of shimmering glory Wednesday when New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg and others turned its lights on at Rockefeller Center.

Thousands of onlookers crowded behind barricades on the streets that surrounded the center during the traditional tree-lighting ceremony for the Christmas holiday season. A video screen projected an image of the tree for those who did not have a direct line of sight.

"It makes me want to sing and dance," said Zuri Young, who came several hours early with her boy-

friend to watch the lighting for the first time."I've heard a lot about it. I was kind of sick of staying home and watching it on television," the 19-year-old nursing student from

Illuminated by more than 30,000 lights, the tree from the Mount Olive, N.J., home of Joe Balku was topped by a Swarovski

The 10-ton tree had been at the homestead for years, measuring about 22-feet tall in 1973 when Balku bought the house. Wednesday, its girth reached about 50 feet in diameter.

"It's an experience that I cannot get back home," said Freyja Shairp, a 22-year-old from Sydney, Australia, who is working in the U.S. temporarily. She said she hadn't planned to come, but was in the neighborhood.

Balku lost power and other trees during the Oct. 29 storm at his residence about an hour outside of Manhattan. The spruce survived, and Erik

Pauze, the head gardener at Tishman Speyer, one of the owners of Rockefeller Center, picked out the

He said he found it by accident when he got lost while returning to the city on a tree hunting expedi-

"It wasn't even on our list. It was a good find," Pauze said.

Pauze said workers prepared for Superstorm Sandy by bracing the tree with cables to secure and protect it. It was moved in Novemjust before 9 p.m. Wednesday in the 80th annual celebration.

Officials turned on the lights

Prior to that, the tree-lighting event include performances from Rod Stewart, CeeLo Green, Scotty McCreery, Il Volo, Victoria Justice, Brooke White, Mariah Carey, Trace Adkins and Tony Bennett, along with appearances by Billy Crystal and Bette Midler. The tradition of a Christmas

tree at Rockefeller Center started in 1931, when workers building the center put up the first one. No tree was put up the follow-

ing year, and in 1933, the first treelighting ceremony took place.

People will be able to view the tree until Jan. 7. After its stint in the spotlight, it will be turned into lumber for Habitat for Humanity.



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