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Spate of new laws now in effect

Abbott makes 'revenge porn' illegal in Texas

KATIE GROVATT

Reporter

A rush of legislation went into effect in Texas last week which may affect students. During the 84th Session of the Texas Legislature, 1,200 new Senate bills were authored for Texas Gov. Greg Abbott to sign. On Sept. 1, 704 of these bills became laws.

Among the legislation state lawmakers was "The Relationship Privacy Act," officially making "Revenge Porn" illegal in the state of Texas. The Senate Bill 1135 criminalizes any publication of sexually explicit images of individuals online without one's consent.

The bill states, "A person commits an offense of unlawful disclosure of intimate images if without the effective consent of the depicted person, the person intentionally discloses visual material depicting another person with the person's intimate parts exposed or engaged in sexual conduct."

If one publicly posts an intimate photo of a previous partner, without ones consent, they could receive a fine up to \$4,000 or up to a one year sentence in jail.

The primary author, Texas state Sen. Sylvia Garcia, said the bill was specifically designed to protect women. According to Garcia, there have been many cases where images are posted by an ex-partner seeking revenge and such action causes immediate and irreversible harm. In most of these cases the victim is the woman, she said.

All eight women state senators of the state agreed with Garcia and coauthored the bill. They believe it to be an important piece of legislation for Texas women.

Many critics agree that the language of the law needs some clarification. Policy

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COMMUNITY



FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS Howard Johnson, 70, of Waco made watching a Baylor game his dying wish. This Saturday, Sept. 12, his dream will come true: he will get to sit in McLane Stadium with his fellow Baylor fans and cheer on his Bears.

Wacoan granted dying wish to see football game

EMMA KING

Staff Writer

At age 70, Howard Johnson has already spent over 20 years stuck at home because of his health. His dying wish to watch a Baylor football game in the new stadium has been

"Ever since I was a kid I've been watching Baylor, when they were down and when they were up," Johnson said.

Johnson grew up in Waco, and has lived here his entire life. After high school, he spent 26-year working for the city as a backhoe operator and a foreman before retiring due to health complications.

His health decline began with a skin cancer diagnosis. Johnson then had a stroke about 10 years ago, which paralyzed his right side. Now, after multiple operations and a kidney cancer diagnosis, he has been admitted to a Hospice program.

"I try to do the best I can. What I can't do, I just can't do," Johnson said.

Johnson lives with his son, Kenneth, who cooks, cleans and takes care of him. They get regular visits from Johnson's Hospice chaplain, Sarah Miller. She began working with Johnson in February.

"In the early spring, I asked him... if there's something you could do before you die, anything in the world, what would it be," Miller said. "He said, 'I want to go to a Baylor football game at the stadium.'

Miller said she took to Facebook and immediately started trying to get tickets that would meet their needs.

"All these people said, 'Oh yeah, we have tickets we'll give you,' but none of them were wheelchair accessible," Miller said.

She said someone suggested Tom Hill, Baylor's associate athletic director for community relations and special projects. He then called Miller and told her he had two tickets with her name on them.

"I'm in a very fortunate position, to be able to play a small part in this," Hill said.

"I couldn't believe it," Johnson said. Johnson said he has only been to one Bay-

lor game in his lifetime, when he was about

"It's good to be a winner

> **Howard Johnson** Waco resident

sometimes."

10 years old. He doesn't even remember if the Bears won or lost.

Now, thanks to Hill, Johnson and Miller will be in the stands this Saturday to watch Baylor continue its 2015 football season against Lamar University.

"I'm still excited now," Johnson said. "[I] might not show it but I am."

> Johnson said he has supported Baylor for years, no matter if the Bears were winning or losing, but the thing he is looking forward to most is a victory on Saturday.

> "It's good to be a winner sometimes," Johnson said.

> Miller said Johnson even got a new Baylor

shirt for the occasion. Johnson said he

hopes to still be around for another decade, but he is thankful for this gift now.

"We appreciate everything y'all are doing for us," Johnson said. "This is a dream come

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LANGUAGES

Bilingualism gives fresh perspective

SARAH JENNINGS

Reporter

Almost all Baylor students are required to take foreign language classes, but few finish with fluency. However, there are many ways on campus and through Baylor to enhance formal language classes.

The Baylor Modern Languages department provides exchange and study abroad programs in Argentina, China, Egypt, and many more. Other ways to meet foreign language speakers are the Baylor and Beyond LLC, Baylor Spiritual Life's Cross Cultural Ministries and the Baylor Linguistics Club.

Language learning provides more than the practical benefit of being equipped to converse with more people. Language is inextricably connected to culture. In addition, research such as the 2004 study by psychologists Ellen Bialystok and Michelle Martin-

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CRUSHED IT



Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

Paint was thrown, mud was slipped in, and laughs were had at Baylor Alpha Chi Omega paint crush event Wednesday.

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EDITORIAL

A tweet is worth a thousand characters

Sam Houston State student illustrates what not to post

It's time

to wise up.

It's time to

recognize

our words go

far beyond

ourselves.

Harris County Sheriff's Deputy Darren Goforth was shot in the back 15 times last week while filling up his police cruiser at a gas station. What's left of the story? How a student at Sam Houston State University claimed he deserved to die because of his "creepy perv

Since the arrest and conviction of gunman Shannon Miles, who has been said to have a history of mental illness-related aggravated assault, the Internet cannot stop buzzing about how Monica

Foy was arrested (for unrelated reasons) shortly after careless her tweet.

What's more is that there have more 42,000 than accumulated comments and tweets assaulting Foy's

character, appearance, affiliations and more. She's received threats of all sorts and been made the personal target of a Texas journalist with an enormous Twitter following.

Recently, an article from New York Magazine has come to the forefront of the conversation — with Foy commenting on the matter. She explains her tweet was never meant to be seen by the masses. Rather, considering her follower count was a mere 20 friends and family, it was meant to be a private comment shedding light on the "double standard on display in the aftermath of

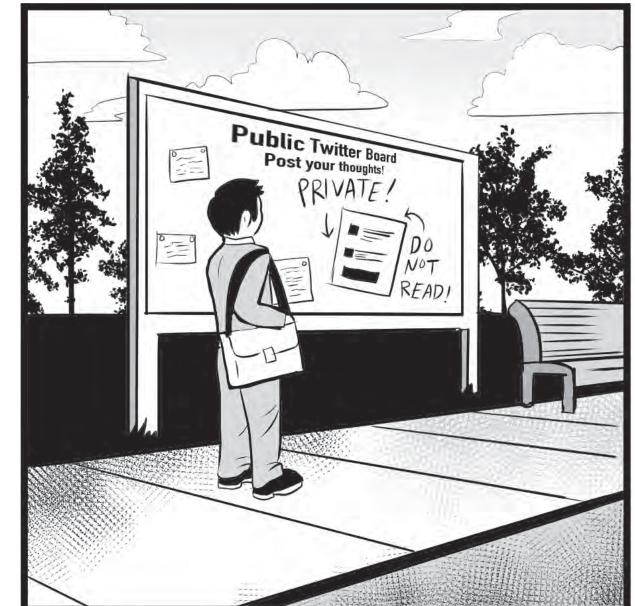
Goforth's death: When an unarmed person of color is killed by police, she said, there's often an immediate effort to prove that they were 'no angel'... but when a white person is killed, people seem much more able to accept the fact that some killings are simply unjustified."

However justifiable she felt her opinion was, her tweet's message quickly became known as the most malicious comment concerning the death of a policeman warranting a cyber-bullying

> In this day, no one should expect their tweet in response to an incredibly nationally-relevant and sensitive topic to go unseen. Regardless of the number of followers one possesses, single follower

can choose to share the message, which can be retweeted. The original message then can be reviewed thousands of times before the next click of a mouse. If a message isn't meant to be shared with the world, please stay off of Twitter and Facebook with your opinion. It's called social media for a reason.

Secondly, this one tweet about how a cop "deserves" to die is gaining more attention than the thousands of others tweeted per day. On both sides of the spectrum, you can either find messages in support of killing cops or messages



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from cops in support of killing 'vagrants" or protesters. However, this one woman is absorbing the brunt of the hate. In no way should we defend the comment about someone deserving to die. But maybe it does take a tiny tweet to mag-

nify the issue at hand. Lastly, the tragic death of a human has once again been pushed to the wayside to make room for shaming and cyber stone-throwing. Regardless of the job one possesses on this earth, the loss of life is one to be mourned. The family is to be consoled and the legacy of life is to be tearfully remembered — not tainted.

If no other time, it's now we should elect to be responsible consumers and creators of media. Be thoughtful about tweeting. Listen to the age-old advice of mothers everywhere, and don't say something if it's blatantly intended to hurt someone. For consumers, push the garbage to the trashcan. Ig-

nore the despicable words and smother humanity with comfort in times of grief. By making light of the harmful words one person says, it becomes the memory of the situation. It's time to change the way this works. It's time to wise up. It's time to recognize our words go far beyond ourselves.

COLUMN

Don't have it figured out? No worries.

TREY HONEYCUTT

Photographer

"Oh, you say you are a business major at Baylor University. What do you want to do with that?"

That is the question that I dread getting asked every time I meet somebody and have small talk about my major. My personal favorites are family holidays. The whole family, with all the grandparents, is gathered around the table, stuffing their faces with turkey and dressing, and your uncle looks at you and says the exact thing that you did not want to hear: "What do you want to do with your life?"

At that moment you have the internal battle with two options from which to choose. Option one: tell them what they want to hear, that you have your whole life planned out down to what kind of dog you are going to have and what color fence is going to be at your first house.

Option two: you can tell them that you have no idea what you want to do with your life at this point which could change tomorrow.

College the time in your life that you are supposed to figure out what you want

to do for the rest of your life, and that can be a scary thing.

The New York Times reported 80 percent of students who have declared a major are not sure what they want to do and probably will

change it by the time they graduate. This statistic is pretty close across the board for college students all around the country.

> According to research at the University of La Verne, more than 50 percent of college graduates pursue careers that are not related to their majors. Keep in mind that most

> > employers just

want you to

have a degree in something. With statistics like these, why is this happening on such a vast scale to college students? Is it possible that it has to do with all the different media outlets and pieces of information we

are bombarded with every second of the day?

According Telegraph, the average person comes in contact with the equivalent of 174 newspapers' worth of information a day. If you think about it, it is hard enough to decide what your sandwich will consist of at Subway, let alone decide your major that will impact you for the rest of your life.

I know college is supposed to answer your questions, but I am here to say as living proof that that is not always true in all cases. At that point we just have to have faith that God knows what He is doing in our lives

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Lockdown

Baylor fights back against bike thieves

RACHEL LELAND

Having a bike is a convenient way to get to class, but many students are unwittingly leaving their bicycles subject to theft. According to the National Bike Registry, a database that helps return stolen bikes to their owners, a four-year college student has a 53 percent

Dallas senior Brianna Fisher recalls the time her bike was stolen. It was freshman year when someone cut the cable lock she purchased

chance of having their bike

to secure her bike. The bike was \$150 and Fisher still remembers the panic she felt when she discovered that her bike was missing.

Bikes secured with cable locks are an easy target for thieves, said Kandy Knowles, Baylor Police Department's Crime Prevention Specialist. Cable locks are easier to transport, but are also the easiest to cut.

"Most of the bikes that have been reported stolen were with cable locks," Knowles said.

Instead of cable locks, Knowles recommends students secure their bikes with u-locks, which are much harder to compromise.

Should a student's bike get stolen, the Baylor Police Department will be much more equipt to find and return the stolen property if it is registered on nationalbikeregistry.com or with

If an unclaimed or stolen bike is discovered, Baylor Police can run the serial number through their database and hopefully return the bike to its owner.

Unfortunately, police will have a harder time locating a stolen bicycle if the owner has not registered it either in a national database or with Baylor. If an unregistered bike is reported stolen, Baylor Police will search for it on campus Knowles

When Fisher reported her bike stolen, an officer took a description of her bicycle and drove around campus to look for it.

"I already knew it was likely off campus. They should be partnering with pawn shops to keep an eye out for stolen bikes," Fisher

In fact, Baylor Police use the services of the nation's largest online investigation system for law enforcement, Leads Online. This service records transactions at pawn shops. If the police have the serial and registration, locating the stolen bicycle becomes an easy task.

This year, three bicycles were reported stolen in the first week of classes. This is higher than last year when two bicycles were stolen in the first week. However, both Knowles and Baylor Police Chief Brad Witgil said they believe the numbers are much higher than that because of underre-

<u>"I have had so many peo-</u>

ple come up to me and say 'My bike was stolen, but I never reported it," Knowles said.

Knowles said registered bikes are marked by a Baylor sticker

"If we see a 45-year-old man riding a pink Huffy with a Baylor sticker on it, we know that the vehicle is probably stolen," Knowles

Students that want to take advantage of the bike registration services can visit a registration table frequently set up on Fountain Mall, or at the Baylor Police Department office.

Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

Hispanic heritage of Waco honored with new museum

HELENA HUNT

Staff Writer

The Waco Hispanic Museum, created to celebrate Waco's Hispanic heritage, is set to open by the end of this year. One of the final fundraising events took place Saturday, securing additional funding for the museum's completion.

City councilwoman Alice Rodriguez introduced the idea for the museum to the city of Waco in 2012. The city supported the initiative and offered a space at 2815 Speight Ave. to house the museum.

It will celebrate a piece of Waco history that is often overlooked, said Louis Garcia, chairman of the Waco Hispanic Museum.

"The museum is an acknowledgment that we [the Hispanic community] exist here, that we helped Waco build and grow," Garcia said.

The museum aims to bring back this forgotten side of Waco, Garcia said. It will showcase communities such as Sandtown, which occupied a part of Baylor's campus from the late 1800s to the time it was vacated by urban renewal projects in the 1950s.

"There were several pockets of Hispanic communities here in Waco. going all the way back to what is now Baylor campus, Second Street and River Street," Rodriguez said.

pilot and Baylor graduate will be commemorated in the museum as well.

All of the articles, photographs, and documentation that will form the museum's



Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

LA HISTORIA The Hispanic Museum, of which has been located at the Waco Fort House will be moving to its own location at 2815 Speight Ave. by the end of the year.

Garcia, Rodriguez and others have been collecting materials from local families that will help bring this history to light. They plan on featuring Waco's foremost Hispanic families in a sixmonth rotating exhibit at the museum. Individuals such as Waco's first Hispanic nurse,

collection has been donated by local families who are eager to see their ancestors recognized. The funding for the display cases, frames and preservation materials has been donated to the museum as well.

While Garcia and other members of the board are

preparing to open the permanent location on Speight, they have displayed a popular temporary exhibit in the Historic Waco Foundation's Fort House at 503 S. Fourth St.

El Paso master's candidate Alyssa Chavira saw the temporary exhibit during her internship for the Historic Waco Foundation.

"It was really interesting," Chavira said. "There's a lot of history, and it goes back to the founding of Texas and the founding of Waco. I didn't know the Hispanic history of Waco went back that far."

Garcia said he hopes the museum will educate others on Waco's history as well.

"We want to acknowledge that it was something that existed, the difficulties and hardships that we've had," Garcia said.

The museum will not only educate Waco newcomers like Chavira. It will also allow the members of these Hispanic families to see themselves remembered by the city they call home.

"There's a lot of families that have been here for a long, long time," Rodriguez said. "It's going to bring back a lot of memories for some folks."

READY, AIM, FIRE



Trey Honeycutt | Lariat Photographer

The Odyssey's Shipwreck Pirates and Treasure exhibit at the Mayborn Museum features an Iron Swivel Gun from a French shipwreck in 1774. The exhibit includes wreckage from around the world and will be open until Sept. 16.

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Coaches' conduct questioned in Texas referee incident

JIM VERTUNO

Associated Press

ROUND ROCK - The governing body for Texas high school sports questioned whether the Wednesday coaches of two football players accused of intentionally ramming a referee should have done more to calm emotions in a tense game.

The University Interscholastic League's executive committee heard from local officials on their investigation into the incident involving San Antonio Jay High School. The organization is investigating several allegations, including that the hit was prompted by something an assistant coach said and was preceded by racial slurs from the targeted umpire.

The incident was caught on video and sparked national attention and reaction. Marble Falls beat Jay in Friday's game, 15-9.

Two Jay High School players, who have not been identified, and assistant coach Mack Breed have been suspended by the Northside Independent School District pending the investigation.

"This has been an embarrassment for the school, the UIL and the state of Texas," said committee member James Colbert of Houston.

Dallas committee member Gil Garza, who used to work in San Antonio schools, noted reported tensions in the game between Jay and Marble Falls high schools, including punches thrown, late hits and ejections before the Jay players rammed umpire Robert Watts.

"The only thing our kids really have is our coaches. That's where the leadership starts," Garza told Northside officials, calling the out-ofcontrol atmosphere "a time bomb waiting to happen. And

Garza also questioned whether the game officials could have done more to control the game.

Officials with Northside and the Texas Association of Sports Officials said they are still investigating the incident.

Brian Woods, Northside schools superintendent, said he wasn't aware of previous concerns about a culture of unsportsmanlike conduct at Jay.

"We don't have any reason to believe the actions of those two young men are representative of that program or the student body of that school," Woods said.

Woods said concerns about sportsmanship could be "applied both ways." Marble Falls school officials attended the meeting but declined an offer

The Jay High School players, coaches and Watts did not attend the meeting. Watts' attorney, Alan Goldberger of New Jersey, has denied Watts made racial remarks. Watts has been a game official for 14 years and was recently nominated for president of the Austin chapter of the Texas Asso-

ciation of Sports Officials. Watts was not working



QUESTIONED Mike Motheral, chairman of the University Interscholastic League (UIL) State Executive Committee, is seen through a cluster of microphones during an emergency meeting Wednesday in Round Rock. The UIL, the governing body for high school sports in Texas, called the meeting to investigate two John Jay High School football players that hit a referee.

with his regular crew at the game and was a fill-in for another official who couldn't make it, said Michael Fitch, executive director of the officials association. Fitch said he's still waiting for a complete report on the game from the crew.

The UIL said any state

disciplinary action against the players or school won't come before its next meeting Sept.

The case also has prompted a criminal investigation in Marble Falls, where the game was played about 90 miles north of San Antonio.

Video from the game

showed the referee watching a play, and his head snapping back when he is leveled from behind and another player then dove on top of him. Northside school district officials have said that during the game, the suspended players "were feeling lots of frustration by what

they perceived to be missed or

wrong calls by the refs." The players also alleged the referee directed racial slurs at them.

The students allege that assistant coach Breed, 29, said "that guy needs to pay for cheating us" or words to that effect, according to the dis-

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strategist for ACLU of Texas, Matt Simpson, said that the bill's language needed to be written so as not to create unintended victims.

"Art displays could technically be considered a criminalization," he said.

Waco lawyers also agree with Simpson in that the law needs some clarification in order to be successful.

"With the way it is now, it won't last a day," said Michel Simmer, an attorney of Simer & Tetens said.

Simmer agrees that the law has the right objection, but needs a more thorough clarification.

College aid was another focus point for the wave of legislation. Two state programs that contributed about \$90 million annually are being defunded. These two programs, the B-On-Time loan system and the Top Ten Percent Scholarships, represented more than 26,000 student scholarships in 2013.

The phasing out of these two programs will shift a significant financial burden to the middle class seeking higher education.

The state legislature also downgraded the standards placed on Advance Placement Tests. State colleges are now required to accept any test score of 3 or above. Many colleges in the past, including University of Texas and Texas A&M, have only accepted a 4 on the AP tests.

The lowered standard potentially allow could college freshmen to gain thousands of credit hours coming into college that they previously did not qualify for. Texas State Rep. John Zerwas, the main author of House Bill 1992, predicts that the looser standards could ultimately save up to \$160 million in college tuition.

Texas law has also passed several new weapon laws, some of which will go into effect over the next year. Lawabiding citizens will also no longer need a permit to carry a concealed handgun in their vehicles. The specifics of the law include the weapon being concealed, the gun holder unassociated with a criminal assembly and completely unengaged in crime.

An attorney of the Grayson County District tells reporters that the law will not mean more guns on the street, but more good and lawful citizens protected.

This law coincided with the new Campus Carry law that will go into effect in August 2016. This law permits college students to carry a concealed handgun on any state college in Texas. Jurisdiction will still lie within private universities, giving them the option to create their own policy regarding student handguns.

For a complete list of the 704 laws that went into effect on Sept. 1, go to www. legiscan.com/TX.

Gun removed from woman's body cavity

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO - Police in Texas say they removed a loaded handgun from a woman's body during a cavity search.

Waco police Sgt. W. Patrick Swanton tells the Waco Tribune-Herald officers stopped an SUV for a traffic violation late Monday and found methamphetamine inside. A man and woman were arrested.

Swanton says while 31-year-old Ashley Cecilia Castaneda was being taken to the McLennan County Jail, she told an officer

she had a loaded .22-caliber semiautomatic handgun inside her vagina.

Swanton says officers called for a female officer, who retrieved the gun. Swanton confirmed the weapon was loaded.

Castaneda is charged with possession of methamphetamine and unlawfully carrying

Thirty-year-old Gabriel Garcia faces the same drug charge.

Both are in custody in lieu of bond. It wasn't immediately clear if they had attornevs who could comment on their behalf.

BILINGUAL from Page 1 -

Rhee suggests bilingualism expands the brain's normal way of thinking.

"Bilingualism will change you in ways that you can't really even contemplate, just leading a monolingual life. It changes the way you think; it changes the way you approach life," said Dr. Paul E. Larson, director of the Baylor in Madrid Summer Study Abroad Program.

Larson said students interested in becoming bilingual should find a semester long study abroad program. He said a five week program is good for getting a taste, and students inevitably learn a lot. Nevertheless, it's even better if they can get away from their cultural supports in English and go somewhere where they'll learn new things.

recommendation "My for any Baylor student is to first, go get your beginning language classes here," Larson said. "Go every day, learn as much as you can. Then, sign up for a study

abroad program, and it doesn't matter what your field is. You have time. Go abroad. Six months, five months. A year is ideal. That's how you learn to go outside of yourself and be another person."

In a world rapidly globalizing, having the ability to understand a stranger's point of view is increasingly necessary, he said.

"With monolinguals, you're completely locked into one culture and one way of thinking," Larson said, "The number one thing you pick up from living in another culture is that problems may have more than one solution."

Issaquah, Wash. senior Courtenay Klauber is a Language and Linguistics major at Baylor. She also suggested study abroad as a tool for becoming bilingual. She said that the best way to learn a language while at school is to learn it from another speaker. partner conversation provides personalized input on pronunciation as well as

explanations of idioms and other colloquial phrases.

"Unless you tapes, it's hard to learn pronunciation from a book," Klauber said, "The problem with learning from a textbook is that then, you sound like a textbook. Very formal and ritualized."

Klauber said success in learning languages is dependent on several factors: age, motivation, aptitude, transferred knowledge of a previous language learned, and affect-- which is the willingness to speak up and make mistakes in public. Klauber is also a member of the Baylor Linguistics Club.

"The [Baylor Linguistics Club] has meetings to build community and get to know other people who love languages," Klauber said, "It's not any specific language; we don't all talk in Spanish. We have lots of different language backgrounds."

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RIGGING THE COMPETITION Country singer and songwriter, Sam Riggs will be playing Friday at Wild West in downtown Waco directly following the Brad Paisley concert on Baylor's campus for Traditions Rally.

LAUREN FRIEDERMAN

Reporter

The party won't be over when Brad Paisley exits the stage Friday night at Traditions Rally. There's more fun to be had at Wild West, where Sam Riggs will be performing.

The country singer and songwriter will be playing 11 p.m. Friday at Wild West in downtown Waco. Doors open at 8 p.m., when Brett Hendrix will be opening the show. Riggs will take the stage after Paisley finishes his set across town.

Riggs is making a stop in

Waco on his long tour, taking him across Texas and farther north into Colorado, Wyoming and Montana.

Mark Easterling, director of marketing and promotions at Wild West, expressed his excitement for Riggs' upcoming performance.

"He's just original," Easterling said. "If you come watch his performance, you'll see stuff you don't see in other shows. He really engages the crowd and his songs are

Riggs said he has played in Waco five or six times throughout his

"Waco has a lot to offer," Riggs

said. "I love it. It's a cool little town."

Riggs' concert had already been scheduled before it was announced that Brad Paisley would play down the road the same night.

"My initial response was, 'I wish I wasn't playing a show so I could go to the Brad Paisley concert," Riggs said. "But when I found out what time he was playing it was fine by me because we go on about 10:45 or 11 p.m."

Although both concerts are on the same night, the Traditions Rally is expected to finish with enough time for attendees to head over to Wild West.

"I think it's going to be a blast," Riggs said. "I hope somehow we can get people channeled and funneled over from that show to ours."

Riggs has played the guitar since he was about 6 years old and started writing his own songs his sophomore year of high school. At that time in his life, he said he wrote about whatever he could come up with — especially girls.

"When you first start out songwriting, you just kind of start writing a lot of your own story down and coming up with songs and different experiences that you've had in your life, different emotions you're going through, but eventually you sort of, I don't want to say run out of material," Riggs said. "But you end up writing the same story over and over again. As a writer you get good at making [stuff] up."

Some of his favorite songs that he's written include "When the Lights Go Out" and a song titled "Lucky Ones," from his new album, "Breathless."

Riggs said he is looking ahead with big career goals.

"Someday I want to be able to go through a Taco Bell drive-thru and not have to pay for my food," Riggs said. "I'm gonna be honest with you, There's really no limit in my mind as to where I want to be, I just want to take it as high and as far as I possibly can."

Easterling sees great importance in booking acts like Riggs at Wild

"I think it helps with the image of what we want to be," he said. "It's where country or at least Texas music is today. It represents what we're about and hopefully what our customers want."

Wild West has more upcoming concerts this year. A complete list of events can be found at on their website at wildwestwaco.com/

This week in Waco:

>> Today

7 p.m.— Taylor Swift Sing-a-Long, Waco Hippodrome

7 p.m.-10 p.m.— Pi Beta Phi & Baylor Activities Council's All-University Howdy, Burleson Quadrangle

>> Friday

5 p.m. — Gates open, Traditions Rally with Brad Paisley, Fountain Mall

8 p.m. — Dueling Pianos, Waco Hippodrome

8:30 p.m. — Dirty River Boys with Baylor student Thomas Csorba, Common Grounds

11 p.m. — Sam Riggs, Wild West

>> Saturday

9 a.m.-1 p.m. — Waco Downtown Farmers Market

6 p.m. — Baylor vs. Lamar, McLane Stadium

>> Sunday

8:01 p.m. — First Baylor YoungLife Club, Bobo Spiritual Life Center

Colbert wins first ratings battle

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Los Angeles Times

Nearly 7 million viewers watched Stephen Colbert make his debut Tuesday night as the new host of CBS' "The Late Show."

According to Nielsen, the former Comedy Central star averaged 6.6 million as he stepped onto the Ed Sullivan Theater stage to succeed David Letterman on the late-night program. Among viewers in the 18-to-49 age group, which is the most sought after by advertisers, Colbert scored a 1.4

Colbert topped the usual late-night leader, "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon," which averaged 2.9 million viewers total and a 0.9 rating among 18-to-49-year-olds. ABC's "Jimmy Kimmel Live" averaged 1.7 million viewers and a 0.4 among 18-to-49-year-olds.

The ratings for Colbert's opening did not approach the dience levels for Fallon's premiere as "Tonight Show" host on Feb. 17, 2014, which drew 11.3 million viewers and a 3.8 rating in the 18-to-49 demographic. However, that premiere had the benefit of a massive lead-in from NBC's prime-time Olympics coverage from Sochi, Russia.

Minneapolis was the highest-rated market for Colbert's debut, scoring a 9.3 rating and a 27 share. In Los Angeles, the show had a 4.5 rating and 15 share. Colbert captured a 5.7 rating and 15 share in New York and a 7.1 rating and 15 share in Chicago.



ONE TRUE CHAMP Stephen Colbert, right, talks with Republican presidential candidate Jeb Bush during the premiere episode of "The Late Show" on Tuesday in New York.

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WHAT YOU HOPE IT MEANS:



Today's Puzzles

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1 "__ Man Standing"

5 Series for Anna Faris

8 Mayberry resident 9 Corrects a manuscript

12 Actor Alan and his family

13 "Sex __ City'

14 Actress Overall

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26 Loathe 28 "The Bucket ___"; Nicholson film

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World's _ "

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37 "Eat __ Love"; Julia Roberts film

38 Actor Robert _ 40 Popular 1960s skirt style

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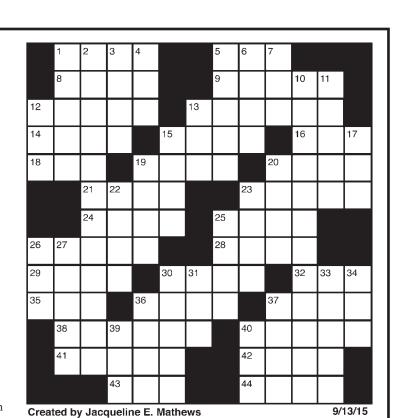
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44 "___ Rider"; Peter Fonda movie

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4 Cobb and Burrell 5 "__ Trees"; Anne Heche series

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Raymond"

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20 Long, long periods

22 Woodwind instrument 23 "__ Man"; Dustin Hoffman

movie 25 "__ It Again, Sam"; film for Woody Allen

26 "Ice __"; hit animated film 27 "The __ of St. Mary's"; Bing Crosby/Ingrid Bergman movie

30 James Bond and others

31 Historical time 33 "The __"; Fran Drescher series

34 "Touched by an Angel" actor 36 Meanie

37 "Guilty" or "Not guilty" 39 Four qts.

40 Actor Vigoda

For today's puzzle results, go to BaylorLariat.com

Heisman Watch: Boykin, RBs in lead

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SPORTS TAKE

As the college football season draws near, I have found myself poring over numbers and schedules to see who will have the best shot at winning the Heisman Trophy.

Anyone who knows anything about college football realizes that no amount of studying and analyzing can help predict the prestigious award's recipient.

If there's one thing I've learned over the years, it's that college football is unpredictable, especially the Heisman trophy winner.

Not surprisingly, I chose to stick with the recent trend of Heisman winners by continuing with quarterbacks and running backs.

In case you didn't know, the last 17 Heisman Trophy winners have played one of those two aforementioned positions. Here's the list of my top four candidates (in no particular order):

QB TREVONE BOYKIN - TCU

Trevone Boykin was the leader of the No. 2 scoring offense in the nation last year (46.5 points per game). On top of that, eight starters from TCU's offense return this season.

Many analysts believe TCU head coach Gary Patterson's team will actually improve upon their remarkable 2014 season. Let's not forget, Boykin was a top candidate in last season's Heisman race.

Boykin's dual-threat ability is undeniable and it made him one of the scariest player's in college football



UNDER PRESSURE Quarterback Trevone Boykin is flooded with a rush Baylor's defensive rushers during last season's game on Oct. 11, 2014, at McLane Stadium. Boykin is in the running for the Heisman trophy this season.

last season (3,901yds, 33TDs, 10INTs through the air; 707yds, 8TDs on the ground).

The senior quarterback from Dallas will start this season with a year under his belt as the main signal caller for the Horned Frogs.

TCU's game against Baylor scheduled for Nov. 27 in Fort Worth could be Boykin's make-or-break platform in his Heisman campaign.

RB EZEKIEL ELLIOTT – OHIO STATE

Last year's national championship came offensive MVP, Ezekiel Elliott returns to run for an extremely talented Buckeyes squad.

Elliott's playmaking ability is something that I believe is frequently overlooked on this team, due to the drama of the quarterback position

After a stellar postseason finish last year, Elliott will be on everyone's radar and I expect head coach Urban Meyer to give him the ball even more this season.

His capability to find a hole, make a defender miss and then outrun everyone to the house is extraordinary.

It won't hurt that he'll be running behind an offensive line with a combined 76 career starts. Ohio State's scheduling should also help

Elliot's chances at the Heisman.

The final two games are Nov. 21 versus Michigan State and Nov. 28 at Michigan. A strong finish over both Michigan schools and a win in the Big Ten Championship Game could be just enough to send Elliott home with the hardware.

RB NICK CHUBB - GEORGIA

Not many people expected the true freshman Nick Chubb to have the immediate impact that he did in 2014, especially with running back Todd Gurley on the scene. Gurley was actually ranked No. 1 in the Heisman race after the first five

weeks of the season. Unfortunately, he was suspended for the next four games and returned against Auburn where he wound up tearing his ACL, which ended his season. Chubb took full advantage of the opportunity during Gurley's absence - compiling 1,547yds, 14TDs, and 7.1 yards per carry, while topping the 100 yard mark in each of his final eight games.

If head coach Mark Richt can't find a good balance between the passing game and running game, it may spell doom for Chubb as defenses will be able to load up to stop the run.

RB SAMAJE PERINE – OKLAHOMA

If anyone told you they knew Samaje Perine would break the NCAA single-game rushing record last year ... they were probably lying or just didn't know what they were talking about.

Although the true freshman began the 2014 season third on Oklahoma's depth chart, he ended up rushing for an astonishing 1,713yds, 21 touchdowns, and 6.5 yards per carry last season.

This year, Perine has a chance to improve upon those incredible numbers. After all, he only started eight games last season. If he can stay healthy, he will have 12 games to make his mark this season.

Add that to the fact that head coach Bob Stoops will be trying to break in new transfer quarterback Baker Mayfield and it seems like a lock for a heavy workload for Perine.

I expect the 5-foot-11, 243 pound running back to have no problem with an increased workload and it wouldn't surprise me one bit if we see him in New York once December rolls around.

College Football Top 10 Roundup

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The first week of college football provided us with a taste of the excitement that is sure to come in 2015.

Thrilling finishes brought fans to their feet. Electric players flew around the field and intriguing storylines developed throughout the nation. Here are some of the highlights of college football's opening week.

No. 1 OHIO STATE at VIRGINIA TECH

The defending national champion Ohio State Buckeyes and starting quarterback Cardale Jones continued their dominance Monday night against an upset-minded Virginia Tech squad in Blacksburg, Va.

The Hokies were outmatched against the Buckeyes, losing 42-21 after a second half blowout from the Buckeyes.

The Hokies played the Buckeyes well in the first half, leading 17-14 at halftime before the game quickly shifted after Virginia Tech's quarterback suffered a broken collarbone.

VT could only muster 2.8 yards per play after Brewer was sidelined. From then on, Virginia Tech was left in the aftermath of Ohio State wide receiver Braxton Miller's explosive

Miller accounted for 140 total yards of offense and two touchdowns, entering his name into the Heisman conversation once

No. 3 ALABAMA vs. No. 20 WISCONSIN

Alabama and Wisconsin faced off in Arlington for the Cowboys Classic over the weekend, marking one of the biggest games of the opening weekend.

Alabama's newly-named quarterback Jake Coker was solid in his Crimson Tide debut, throwing 15 of 21 passes for 213 yards and a

The real meat of the Alabama offense was the two-headed monster at running back in Derrick Henry and Kenyan Drake though.

Henry, a surefire Heisman candidate, ran for 147 yards and 3 touchdowns while Drake provided 77 yards and a touchdown of his own to secure the Crimson Tide's 35-17 victory over the Badgers.

TEXAS at No. 11 NOTRE DAME

After arguably the worst performance of the weekend, Texas head coach Charlie Strong's squad did nothing to convince the undits that they improved from last season

Texas was throttled by No. 11 Notre Dame 38-3 at South Bend, Ind. in their 2015 season opening game on Saturday.

The Longhorns only managed to gain 163 yards of total offense against the Fighting Irish. Texas quarterback Tyrone Swoopes only completed 7 of 22 passes for 93 yards.

Notre Dame quarterback Malik Zaire's performance was vastly different. Zaire completed 19 of 22 passes for 313 yards and three touchdowns.

Texas gave up 527 total yards to Notre Dame. Texas had ranked 25th in total yards given up in 2014 but looked soft and confused against Notre Dame.

No. 2 TCU at MINNESOTA

TCU did just enough to leave Minnesota with a win last week. The Horned Frogs scraped out a 23-17 victory over Minnesota. Minnesota unable to capitalize on a lastminute possession.

TCU quarterback Trevon Boykin went 26 of 42 for 246 yards, a touchdown, and one interception. Boykin was impressive running the ball however, managing a team high 92 yards and a touchdown on 18 carries.

The Horned Frogs only gained 449 yards of offense, a far cry from their high-powered attack last season.

Two turnovers and a couple of miscommunications certainly played into TCU's woes as well, leaving at least 21 points on the field against Minnesota.

TEXAS A&M vs. No. 15 ARIZONA STATE

The Aggies showcased their talent against the No. 15 Sun Devils, winning the game dramatically with 38-17 comeback win.

The Sun Devils were projected by many to compete for a Pac-12 South title. Some lobbied for ASU as a playoff contender in preseason. The Aggies put Arizona State's dreams to bed, along with some of their own doubters.

A&M's biggest challenge the last few seasons has undoubtedly been on defense, as the Aggies have fielded historically bad units the last two seasons.

With newly-hired defensive coordinator John Chavis coming in from LSU to coach the Aggies' defense, A&M's fortune on defense has already seen substantial change.

The Aggies only allowed the Sun Devils to gain 291 total yards, holding the explosive D.J. Foster to 61 yards of offense during the night.



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