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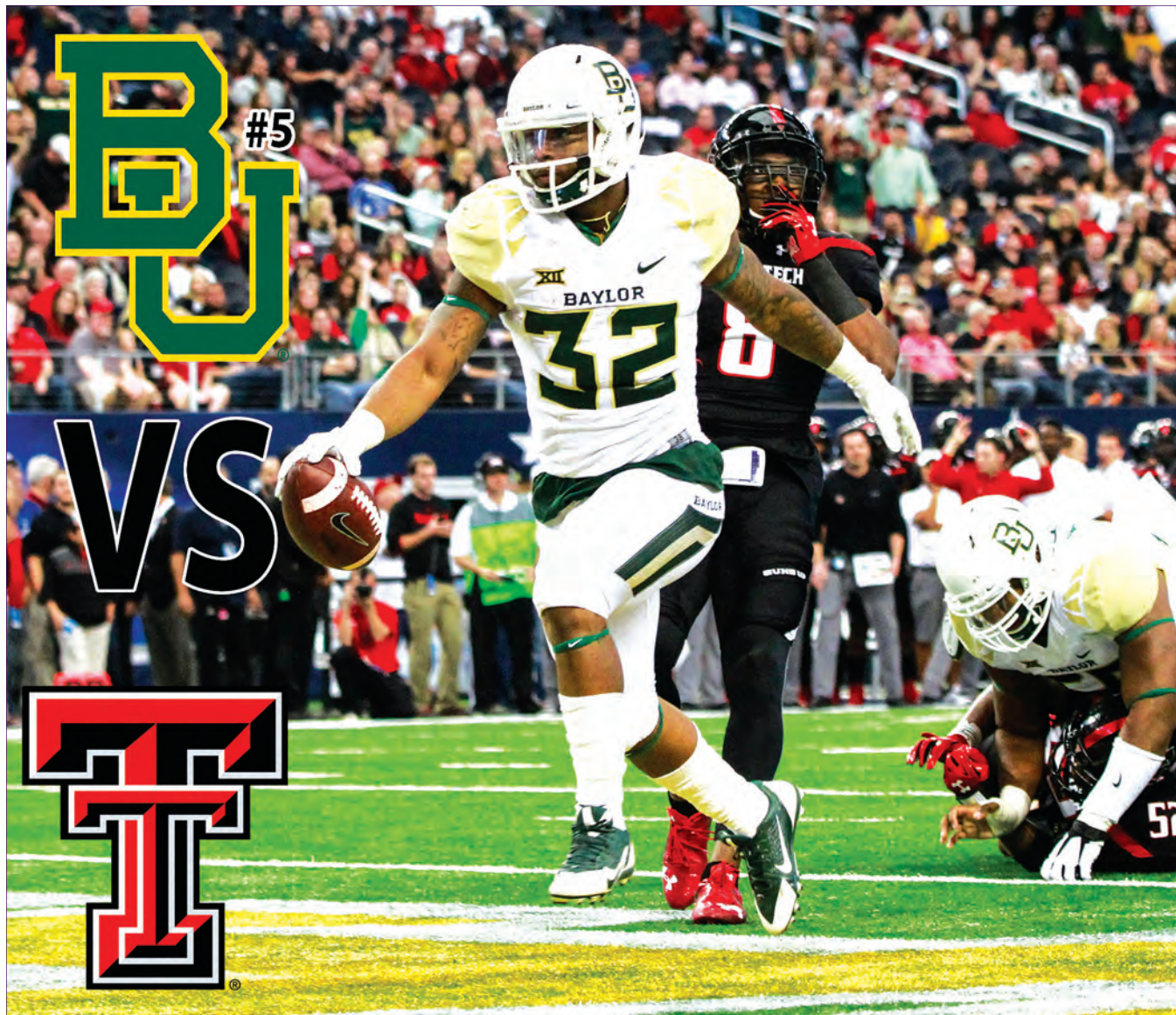


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Texas Shootout

Bears look to win season's first conference win in Arlington

TYLER CAGLE
Sports Writer

Big 12 play is officially here as the Baylor Bears will begin the conference gauntlet, Saturday, against the Texas Tech Red Raiders. The Bears are coming off a 70-17 victory against Rice and appear to be firing on all cylinders.

Though the Red Raiders, unlike the Bears, have a loss to their name, they appear to be legitimate contenders in the Big 12 this season.

Winning all three of their non-conference games to start the season, head coach Art Briles said the Bears are right where they need to be ahead of their clash with the Red Raiders.

"Realistically, we feel like we did what we should have done through our non-

conference schedule," Briles said. "I felt like the team was where we need it to be, and that's the first time I felt that this year. We need to be a devastatingly dominant football team that's the way we have to play. I felt, at times the other day, that we were that."

Texas Tech is riding high after almost defeating No. 3 TCU last weekend in a thrilling contest that ended 55-53.

While the Bears are only allowing 161.7 yards per game through the air, Texas Tech's plays a high-paced, air-raid offense. For Baylor to be successful, pressure must be supplied up front by the defensive line, said sophomore linebacker Taylor Young.

"On third and long, we've got to blitz," Young said. "That's just one thing we've got to do, and that's make them uncomfortable. That's something that's in our mind at practice and in the game."

Baylor registered a season-high five sacks last week against Rice. Keeping pressure on Texas Tech quarterback Patrick Mahomes will be paramount to Baylor's success this weekend, as the sophomore carved up Baylor last year for 598 yards and six touchdowns.

"We expect a shootout every year, but our defense is looking at stopping them this year," said junior running back Shock Linwood. "In the past, we have let them come back on us. We just look to shut them out on defense for as few points as possible."

Linwood said an area of improvement for the Bears is their ability, or lack thereof, to close out games. The Bears allowed the Red Raiders to score 19 points in the fourth quarter in last season's game at AT&T Stadium. Furthermore, the Bears produced a disastrous fourth quarter against Michigan

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LECRAE

Grammy-winning artist takes concert to Waco Hall tonight

HELENA HUNT
Staff Writer

Grammy-winning Christian rapper Lecrae, will perform at 7 p.m. in Waco Hall after an opening by fellow Christian rapper and Baylor alumnus Tedashii.

Bringing Lecrae to Baylor is part of a recent push to diversify the line-up of on-campus performers. The black community at Baylor has been integral to bringing artists like Lecrae to perform here.

Sugar Land junior Nsela Ndando, who was part of the original effort to bring Lecrae to campus, said she is excited to finally see him perform.

"It feels really good and really cool, like we're finally being heard," Ndando said. "I'm just excited to get to hear him in person. I think it's going to be really cool, and it's really

great to see him not only in person, but on our campus."

Ndando said she and other members of the black community have been trying to get Lecrae to come to Baylor for years. She recognizes the significance of bringing an artist of his fame and caliber to campus, and hopes that it will be part of a larger effort to integrate the black and white communities at Baylor.

Lecrae's concert was announced in mid-September. His appearance at Baylor is part of his Anomaly tour. Tedashii, a Baylor alumnus and fellow Christian rapper, will be opening tonight's concert.

Lecrae's latest album, "Anomaly," recently topped the Billboard 200 Album Chart, a rare feat for a Christian performing artist. In 2012, the rapper won the Grammy for the Best

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OREGON SHOOTING

At least 10 killed, motive unclear

JEFF BARNARD
Associated Press

ROSEBURG — A gunman opened fire at a rural Oregon community college Thursday, killing at least nine people before dying in a shootout with police, authorities said. One survivor said he demanded his victims state their religion before he started shooting.

The killer, identified only as a 20-year-old man, invaded a classroom at Umpqua Community College in the small timber town of Roseburg, about 180 miles south of Portland. Authorities shed no light on his motive and said they were investigating.

Douglas County Sheriff John Hanlin said 10 people were dead and seven wounded after the attack. He did not clarify whether the number of dead included the gunman.

Earlier, Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum said 13 people were killed. It was unclear what led to the discrepancy.

"It's been a terrible day," a grim-faced Hanlin said. "Certainly this is a huge shock to our community."

Hours after the attack, a visibly angry President Barack Obama spoke to reporters at the White House, saying the U.S. is becoming numb to mass shootings and that the shooters

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HAPPY DAY

Return of the Blue Bell, coming soon

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Blue Bell Creameries announced Thursday it was entering the second phase of re-entering the market, with its products available Nov. 2, in several additional markets, including Dallas, Fort Worth and Waco.

Ricky Dickson, the company's vice president of sales and marketing, said the company continues to make good progress and expects to begin production at its main plant in Brenham during the next few months. Currently Blue Bell Ice Cream is being made in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, and Sylacauga, Alabama.

Blue Bell ice cream returned to stores in Brenham, Austin, Houston and most of the

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Associated Press

ICE CREAM ROAD KILL A container of Blue Bell homemade vanilla ice cream litters the side of Texas State Highway 105 on April 23 in Brenham.

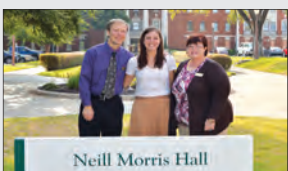
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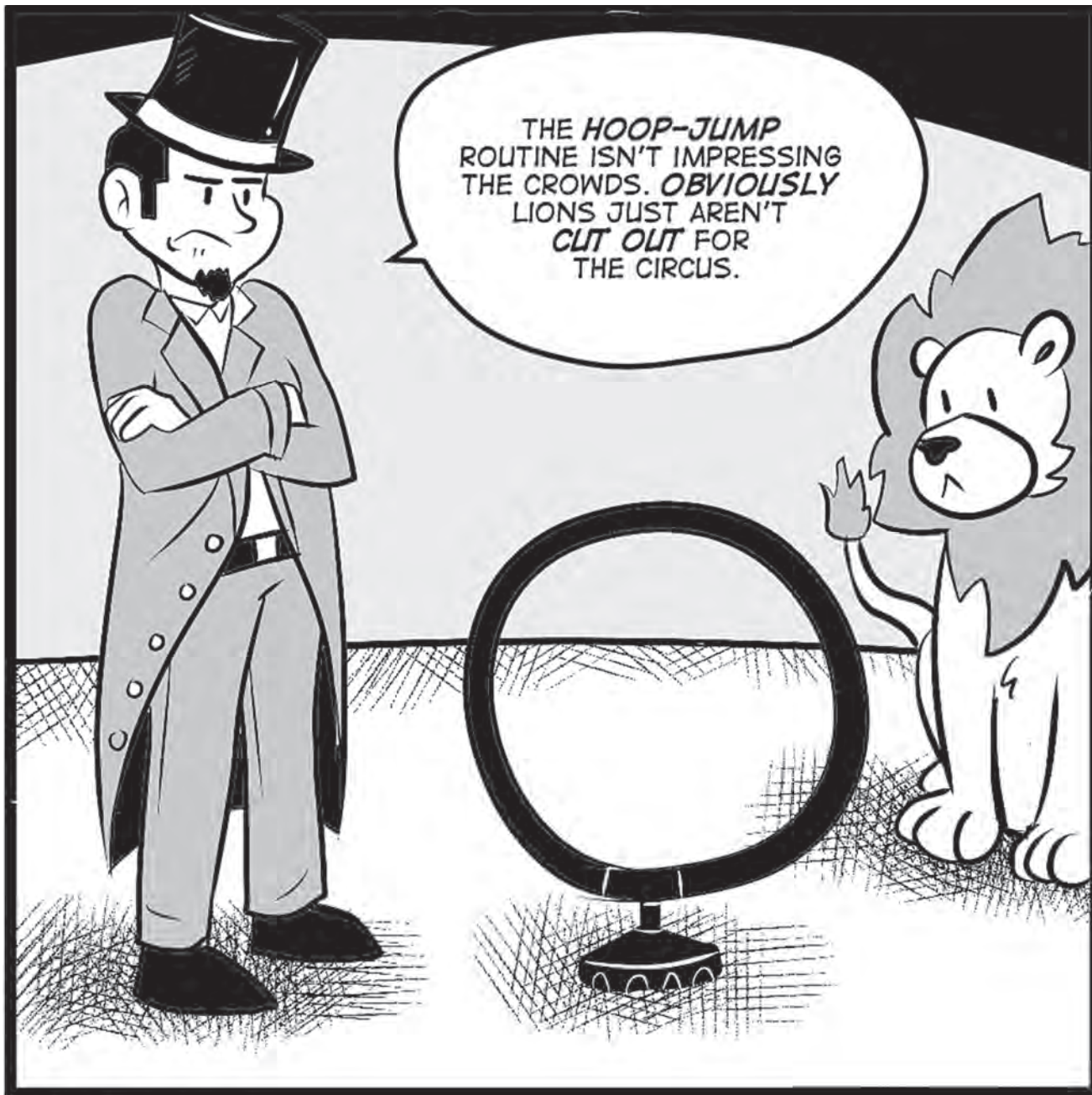
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EDITORIAL



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Girls just wanna have guns

Military standards should not stoop to meet gender differences

In 2013, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta made the move to lift the military's ban on women serving in many combat and front-line positions, leading to hundreds of thousands of new potential positions opening up for women. Currently, the Pentagon has a goal of completing this monumental move, making every job and unit available to women by January 2016.

However, even though this decision was made by the Pentagon some time ago, service branches were given until Thursday to request exemptions for specific combat roles.

While the Army, Navy and Air Force are expected to not ask for exemptions to fully integrate women into the military, the Marines have expressed some hesitation to the new plan.

The Marine Corps released a study in September suggesting that women perform worse than men in combat training and that mixed-gender units are not as successful as all-male units. Recently, this study has become a topic of debate about

whether women are capable of being on the front lines of combat.

This study, while it may rile up any feminist, does bring about legitimate concern for women entering the front lines.

Currently women in the military are held to different physical standards than men. Just by looking at a typical physical fitness test alone, there are significant disparities in the requirements men and women have to meet. Based on the minimum requirements for Army Basic Training, men ages 22 to 26 are required to do at minimum 31 push-ups, 43 sit-ups and a two-mile run in just over 17 minutes. Women in the same age group, on the other hand, are only required to do 11 pushups, 43 sit-ups and have just over 20 minutes for a two-mile

This pattern of women being held to a lower physical standard is uniform throughout the armed services and should be re-evaluated with women entering the front lines alongside male counterparts.

Both men and women should have equal opportunities to pursue all job positions in the military as long as certain standards can be met.

With the recent graduation of two women from the Army Ranger School earlier in August, it is evident women are in fact capable of meeting the same physical requirements as men and can be successful under the same conditions.

At the end of the day, both men and women should have equal opportunities to pursue all job positions in the military as long as certain standards can be met. But that's the key: Set the same standards regardless of gender, and let all soldiers rise up to meet them.

COLUMN

End the stigma

Immigrant dream should be recognized

SHEHAN JEYARAJAH
City Editor

Kenneth and Shireen De Silva immigrated to Texas in 1982 as their home country of Sri Lanka moved toward what would become a two-decade civil war. Kenneth was the manager of a big company in his home country, but left it to start from the bottom once again in America.

After working as a copier salesman, Kenneth earned enough money to acquire a building he turned into a school. Now, the school has expanded to four buildings and received commendation from the White House, Texas governor's office and city of Austin. A couple decades later, their grandson was blessed with the opportunity to go to the best college in Texas.



The immigrant dream is perhaps the purest version of the American dream. The De Silvas, my maternal grandparents, are just one of many immigrants with a similar story of struggle and eventual success.

Multiple studies have shown that immigrants are willing to do harder jobs for less money in hopes of creating future opportunities for their families. Influxes of immigrants throughout history have led to massive growth in prosperity, including during the Industrial Revolution and technology boom in the 1980s.

It's time to end the stigma surrounding immigrants and embrace those hoping to become the next generation of Americans.

"Immigrant" seems to be a dirty word these days and comments from Republican presidential front-runner Donald Trump have not helped. Trump has claimed most Mexican immigrants are "rapists" and "criminals," to cheers and massive support.

While playing to existing xenophobia scores easy political points, it makes America look that much pettier on a global scale and increases stigma against millions of hardworking immigrants. To make things worse, this is a time we could use immigrants more than ever.

America's baby boomer generation is starting to reach retirement age. More than one-third of people in this country are over the age of 50. Historically, the solution to making a population younger is bringing in working-age immigrants from other countries. Countries across the Western world are dealing with similar issues.

The best way to address this is to add young, hardworking immigrants to the workforce. This would increase the workforce participation rate and create significantly more wealth to support baby boomers into retirement. Instead, we choose to victimize.

To be fair, illegal immigration has played a big part in this negative perception of immigrants as of late. Most estimates say over 10 million illegal immigrants currently live in this country, which is undoubtedly an issue. But according to a Pew poll, illegal immigration has gone down each of the past few years.

It's easy to score political points by victimizing groups of legal immigrants who do not have a voice in mainstream politics. Ultimately, the group we hurt most is ourselves.

The fact that immigrants still want to come to America is a testament to this country's greatness. Part of this country's greatness is its ability to take people of all types and get them to work together for the good of the many. We must fix our attitude to keep this dream alive.

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Emma King | Staff Writer

SUPPORT SYSTEM Dr. Paul Blanchet, associate professor of communication sciences and disorders, graduate student Cayla Weber, and Deborah Rainer, senior lecturer and clinical director of communication sciences and disorders, have put together a support group for students with stutters. The first meeting will be on 6 p.m. Thursday in 123 Neill Morris Hall.

BU speech support group to aid students who stutter

EMMA KING
Reporter

A trio from Baylor's speech pathology department is starting a speech impediment support group to encourage stutters.

The Baylor University Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic Stuttering Support Group will have its first meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in 123 Neill Morris Hall.

One of the Baylor professors who helped plan the group has a stutter himself.

"At least with me, we know at every single meeting there will be one person who stutters," said Dr. Paul Blanchet, associate professor of communication sciences and disorders in the College of Health and Human Sciences.

"I'm anxious to see what happens with this group. I anticipate it growing," said Deborah Rainer, senior lecturer and clinical director of communication sciences and disorders. "We're hoping that we don't have enough space in the room on the first night."

The support group was Rainer's idea, according to Blanchet. The two of them have been working with graduate student Cayla Weber to get the group off the ground and spread the word.

"It has a very long title at this point: the Baylor University Speech, Language

and Hearing Clinic Stuttering Support Group..." Blanchet said. "That's quite a — especially for someone who stutters — that's quite a mouthful."

The meetings will not serve as therapy, but will simply be a place to talk, learn and fellowship with other individuals who struggle with a stutter.

This first meeting will focus on the International Stuttering Awareness Day Online Conference, which is being held until International Stuttering Awareness Day on Oct. 22.

The conference features an "ask the expert" panel, where people can log on and ask questions about stuttering. Blanchet has been chosen as one of the 21 international experts on the panel.

Blanchet speaks from experience when he says that people who stutter often feel like they are the only ones. He said only about one percent of students stutter, which could mean only one student in an entire high school.

"I was always a fluency client in whatever school I was in," said Blanchet, referring to his undergraduate and graduate studies. "I've spent, like, half of my life on one or the other sides of a therapy table."

Weber said Blanchet's experience will add to the support group.

"... It brings a whole other level to [classes] for him to have that personal

experience and to have been there at a lot of those different [therapy] programs across the country," Weber said.

He will bring that same experience and expertise to the support group meetings, where attendees are encouraged to use their own therapy techniques or to speak freely without worrying about someone correcting them.

Baylor students, community members and parents of children who stutter are all welcome to come to the meetings.

After the first meeting this Thursday, meetings will occur on the first Thursday of every month beginning in October.

The Baylor Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by appointment.

Rainer said evaluations and treatment are free for students who think they may need speech or hearing therapy.

"We have a really good clinical reputation, as well as academic," Rainer said.

The clinic also sees patients from the community and offers a range of services, working with lisps and stutters, vocal cord abuse, articulation, understanding and expression of language, hearing impairments, traumatic brain injuries, impairments due to strokes and even social therapy. Visit www.baylor.edu/csd for more information.

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ROLLIN' WITH BROS



Phi Delta Beta held a brotherhood event with members of the fraternity at Bear Park in front of South Russell Thursday evening. The game they played was called Knockerball, with rules similar to soccer. The objective of the

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have "sickness" in their minds. Repeating his support for tighter gun-control measures, the president said thoughts and prayers are no longer enough in such situations because they do nothing to stop similar attacks from happening a few weeks or months later. He challenged voters wanting to confront the problem to vote for elected officials who will act.

Police began receiving calls about a campus shooting at 10:38 a.m. The school has a single unarmed security guard.

Kortney Moore, 18, said she was in a freshman writing class when a shot came through the window and hit the teacher in the head.

The gunman then entered the Snyder Hall classroom and told people to get on the floor, she told the Roseburg News-Review newspaper. He told people to stand up and state their religion before opening fire.

Next door, students heard a loud thud and then a volley of gunfire, Brady Winder, 23, told the newspaper.

Students scrambled "like ants, people screaming, 'Get out!'" Winder said. He said one woman swam across a creek to get away.

The sheriff said officers had a shootout with the gunman, but it was not clear if he was killed by authorities or whether he took his own life.

The gunfire sparked panic as students ran for safety and police and ambulances rushed to the scene.

Lorie Andrews, who lives across the street from the campus, heard what sounded like fireworks and then

saw police cruisers streaming in. She spoke with students as they left.

"One girl came out wrapped in a blanket with blood on her," she said.

Some students were in tears as they left. Police lined up students in a parking lot with their hands over their heads and searched them before they were bused with faculty to the nearby county fairgrounds, where counselors were available and some parents waited for their children.

Jessica Chandler of Myrtle Creek, south of Roseburg, was at the fairgrounds desperately seeking information about her 18-year-old daughter, Rebecka Carnes.

"I don't know where she is. I don't know if she's wounded. I have no idea where she's at," Chandler said.

Carnes' best friend told Chandler that her daughter had been flown by helicopter to a hospital, but she had not been able to find her at area medical centers.

Interim college President Rita Cavin said it was awful to watch families waiting for the last bus of survivors and their loved ones were not on it.

"This is a tragedy and an anomaly," she said. "We have a wonderful, warm, loving and friendly campus."

Officials at Mercy Medical Center in Roseburg, Oregon, said four of the wounded were hospitalized there and were expected to survive. Three other patients were transferred to a hospital in Springfield.

The sheriff described the town of 22,000 as a peaceful community that

has crime like any other. In fact, it's no stranger to school gun violence. A freshman at the local high school shot and wounded a fellow student in 2006.

The sheriff has been vocal in opposing state and federal gun-control legislation. Earlier this year, he testified against a bill to require background checks on private, person-to-person gun sales and told a legislative committee in March that a background-check mandate would not prevent criminals from getting firearms.

He said the state should combat gun violence by cracking down on convicted criminals found with guns, and by addressing people with unmanaged mental health problems.

In 2013, Hanlin also sent a letter to Vice President Joe Biden after the shooting at a Newtown, Connecticut, elementary school, declaring that he and his deputies would refuse to enforce new gun-control restrictions "offending the constitutional rights of my citizens."

Before the shooting, a posting on the message-board site 4chan included a photo of a crudely drawn frog used regularly in Internet memes with a gun and warned other users not to go to school Thursday in the Northwest. The messages that followed spoke of mass shootings, with some egging on and even offering tips to the original poster. It's unclear if the messages are tied to the shooting because of the largely anonymous nature of the site.



Associated Press

SADNESS AND SORROW Jessica Vazquez, left, hugs her aunt, Leticia Acaraz, as they await word on Acaraz's daughter after a deadly shooting at Umpqua Community College, in Roseburg, Thursday.



Associated Press

COMFORTING FRIENDS Hannah Miles, right, sits with her sister Hailey after Hannah was reunited with her family in Roseburg, on Thursday, after a deadly shooting at Umpqua Community College.

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Brazos Valley on Aug. 31.

Blue Bell voluntarily recalled its products in April after they had been linked to 10 listeria cases in four states, including three deaths in Kansas.

"We have experienced tremendous consumer response and support since our return to stores on Aug. 31," Dickson said. "This support, coupled with our current production capacity, has slowed our ability to enter additional distribution areas. We are working as hard as we can to keep stores in phase one stocked without jeopardizing the new quality and safety procedures we have implemented to ensure our products are safe and of the highest quality."

Blue Bell announced on Aug. 17 a five-phase plan to return to markets. The expansion planned for Nov. 2 is part of phase two.

"We do not have a date for any other phases at this time," Dickson said. "As soon as we know that we can properly service the customers in an area with an adequate supply of Blue Bell Ice Cream, we will move to the next phase."

For now Blue Bell is producing five flavors of ice cream in the half gallon and pint sizes: Buttered Pecan, Cookies 'n Cream, Dutch Chocolate, Homemade Vanilla and The Great Divide. More flavors will be added in the future. The 12-pack Homemade Vanilla Cups and 12-pack Homemade Vanilla and Dutch Chocolate Cups are also available in stores.

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Gospel Album.

Tickets for the concert are available for both students and members of the Waco community. The concert is meant to bring together both Baylor and Waco communities for the night on campus. Tickets are available for purchase at Baylor Student Activities' box office.

"We had a lot of outreach efforts to sell tickets and promote the show," said Matt Burchett, director of Student Activities. "We did radio ads, newspaper ads, what have you."

Tickets are back to \$25 for balcony seats and \$35 for floor seats after a discount slashed prices earlier this week. On Monday ticket prices were cut by 70 percent after Baylor's football team

beat Rice 70-17.

"One of the ideas we had was to take a home score and discount the score," Burchett said. "We ended up having a 70 point victory over Rice, so we took 70 percent off tickets."

Rather than return ticket prices back to full price immediately after Baylor's victory, the ticket office has gradually raised the price again from 70 percent, to 50 percent, to 30 percent and back to full price.

Lecrae's next stop after Baylor will be Dallas, where he will perform for free at the State Fair of Texas in Fair Park.

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DOSE OF DREW

Holcomb talks tour, new album

Q&A



Rebecca Flannery | Arts Editor

NEW DREW At 8 p.m. Sunday at Common Grounds, Drew Holcomb will be playing songs from his new album, "Medicine." Sharing the stage that night will be Ausin-based performers Penny & Sparrow.

SARAH JENNINGS
Reporter

Drew Holcomb, singer and songwriter of the folk rock band Drew Holcomb and the Neighbors, spoke with the Lariat about his Medicine Fall Tour and the meaning behind the music. He will perform with Penny and Sparrow at 8 p.m. Sunday at Common Grounds.

You recently introduced the VIP experience to your tour. What was your idea behind this?

I started it with some of my good friends, NEEDTOBREATHE. They did a VIP thing on the tour we did all together. It was really fun and also a way for fans who wanted an extra experience to be more up-close and personal. I've always thought, "If I could buy a ticket to see one of my favorite bands, what would I want to pay to do extra?" Ours is going to have a Q&A, a couple of acoustic songs unplugged and a time for meet and greet. At this level in our career, I don't have the physical stamina to go out every night and do it with everyone who comes to our show. But we can do it with a smaller group of people.

After coming off a whole summer with "Tour de Compadres," what do you hope to bring to the Medicine Fall Tour?

It's really great to be on a tour like that and to play to large crowds. But, you have four bands on a bill, so you're really managing your time and your musical scope. Doing a headline run is a lot

more comfortable for us. It's more intimate and comfortable. We can stretch out and play more songs, take requests and tell more stories. We can interact more and make the crowd feel more connected to us. We've been headlining a lot for years, and we would prefer to headline. But every once in a while, it's fun to play on a tour with friends like NEEDTOBREATHE and Ben Rector, to pair up and do something different like that.

Since you've played Common Grounds and Baylor before, what can we expect this time?

We've got this really cool, old-school part of our set where we all play our instruments around one old-school radio microphone. There will definitely be some collaboration with Penny and Sparrow. These will really be one-time experiences for this tour. And, like you said, we've been in Waco before. It's such a great venue and always a great crowd. It will probably be one of the most fun shows on the tour.

So you've been performing with Penny and Sparrow. How do you think they complement your show?

Well, our show is kind of interesting. It's mellow at times. It's also got a lot of energy at times. It's really important that the opening act has the music for that. It's the icing on the cake that they're good friends of ours. They're great guys. There's a lot of mutual respect. Even the way I heard their music is pretty cool. I had a friend in Nashville, who called me and asked, "Are you

home? I need to bring you a CD." He came in, and said, "This band, I just heard them, and you've got to check them out." I said, "Okay, I'll listen to them." He said, "No, you're gonna listen while I'm sitting here." He wanted to watch me listen to them. So we sat down, and I put their album in. It was their EP actually, their first EP. I listened to their first song and was just floored. These guys are incredible. Then we met them somewhere down the road. And you know, we don't have to convince our audience to like them. They've already got their own fans.

In a previous interview, you stated that "Medicine" was the first album you've written by yourself. How do you think it's evolved from earlier work? What makes you proud of this album?

Well, I'm incredibly proud of each album and think each one has merit. But there's always kind of a sense of youthful ambition, of trying to figure it out. This album is the first one that feels like a total expression of my maturity into adulthood: having kids, settling down, being comfortable with who I am as an artist — not trying to be all things to all people, and being comfortable with making the music the band and I love to make. Also, it was stretching limits. The way we recorded it was very old-school. We didn't go back and fix things or record things, we just tracked it live. It was in the moment. So, for those reasons, it feels like the first record, that was, "Oh yeah, this is exactly what I've always wanted to do."

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This week(end) in Waco:

>> Today

4:30 p.m. — Beginning of First Friday event, Downtown Waco

7 p.m. — Lecrae feat. Tedashii, Waco Hall

8 p.m. — Dueling Pianos, Waco Hippodrome

>> Saturday

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

>> Sunday

7 p.m. — JAMFest Open Mic, Waco Hippodrome

8 p.m. — Drew Holcomb and The Neighbors with Penny & Sparrow, Common Grounds

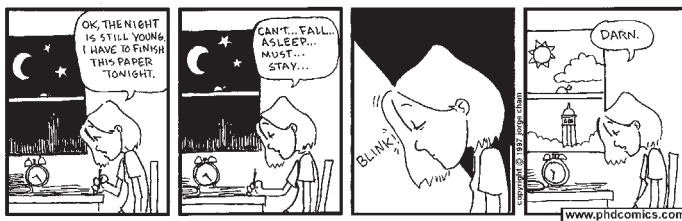
>> Monday

ALL DAY — Bearsforphans Red Bus Project, outside Waco Hall

7 p.m. — Indie Movie Monday, Waco Hippodrome

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Today's Puzzles

Across

- Go gaga over
- Put into motion
- Bride of Dionysus
- "This can't wait!"
- "Gilligan's Island" ingénue
- How some things are written
- Telltale facial mark
- The clink
- Field
- Scolding
- Japanese food item sold in sheets
- Dept. head, e.g.
- Selene's Roman counterpart
- EI
- Barely make waves?
- Some RPI grads
- Medium-dry sherry
- Political initials since 1884
- Wonder Girl or Kid Flash
- Quiet spots
- Twin seen in a thesaurus?
- Abs, pecs, delts, etc.
- Place for a shoe
- Grit
- First bk. of the Latter Prophets
- 1988 N.L. Rookie of the Year Chris
- Picnic piece
- Situation after the first out, in baseball lingo
- John or Paul
- Astronomical measures
- Knee-slapping
- Original McDonald's mascot
- Stand behind

Down

- "Dynasty" actress Emma
- Character-building unit?
- It's often chosen from a map
- '70s-'80s San Diego Padres owner

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- Red-coated wheel
- Trees' age indicators
- Strained
- Sarah McLachlan hit
- Companies
- "My Wife & Kids" co-star __ Campbell-Martin
- Completely
- Year abroad
- Lot
- Common rebus pronoun
- You won't hear any hits on it
- Arbitrary experimentation variable
- Dues collector
- People now known as Sami
- Square __
- "Falling Into You" Grammy winner
- "Chase those guys!"

- Piece maker?
- __ speak
- Canceled
- Ring-wearing pianist
- Colorful helmet brand
- Is blitzed by
- Millinery accessory
- Called from a field
- Drum kit item
- Big pill
- Like one contemplating bariatric surgery
- Where KO means Coca-Cola
- Place for an ornament
- Short missions?
- Power __
- "Take heed, __ summer comes ...": Shak.

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All Rise for the Big 12

No. 5 Bears expecting 'shootout' against Texas Tech

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State in the Cotton Bowl last season, which ultimately resulted in a loss for the Bears.

Linwood and his fellow Baylor backs lead the nation in rushing, something that opens up many doors for the Bears.

"If they play the pass, we're going to run for 400 yards," said senior left tackle Spencer Drango. "If they play the run, we're going to throw for 400 yards on them. I think they complement each other really well."

Both aspects of the offense finished on a high note against Rice, Briles said.

Baylor is the only team in the country to average 300 yards per game in both rushing and passing this season.

In the passing game, junior quarterback Seth Russell had his best game yet against Rice. Russell completed 12 of 16 pass for 277 yards and six touchdowns.

Russell also did not turn the ball over, something that had been hampering his otherwise gaudy numbers.

"We can run the ball because the offensive line has done an amazing job the past three games of opening up

those running lanes," Russell said. "If we can continue to do that, it's going to open up the passing game, too, and we can continue to go from there."

If Baylor's passing game gets fully into gear on Saturday, Texas Tech could be facing a tough day in the defensive secondary.

In just three games, junior wide receiver Corey Coleman has planted himself firmly as one of the top receivers in the game catching an astounding eight touchdowns.

Coleman leads the Bears' three-headed monster of a receiving corps, consisting of sophomore receiver KD Cannon and senior receiver Jay Lee.

The three have accounted for 74 percent of the Baylor's receiving yards and 14 of 17 touchdowns in 2015.

Texas Tech's defense has allowed 556 yards per game so far, a number that does not bode well for them ahead of a matchup with one of the nation's best offenses, if not the best.

The kickoff is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Saturday at AT&T Stadium. The game will be televised on ABC.



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MAKE SOME NOISE Senior defensive lineman Shawn Oakman looks to the crowd for more sound during the Bears' game against Northwestern State on Sept. 6, 2014, at McLane Stadium.

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Palmer returns after year-long ACL rehab

JOSHUA DAVIS
Sports Writer

Just five games into the 2014 season, defensive end Jamal Palmer tore his ACL, ruling him out for the rest of the season. Since then, Palmer has fought through pain and doubt, eventually leading to his return to the Bears' defensive lineup for the 2015 season.

Reflecting back on the situation, Palmer said his first thought after hearing the bad news was that he would be powerless to help his team.

The loss hurt the Bears in the 2014 season, as they were unable to muster the same pass rush they had before Palmer's injury. Without Palmer, the Bears' defensive line was missing a key piece to its game plan.

"I was so worried about not helping my team win," Palmer said. "I knew it was an ACL injury and I knew that I had to get surgery, but at the same time, I was worried that I couldn't help my team anymore. That was the first thing that came into my mind."

Palmer said the prospect of surgery and rehab was disappointing. He went through months of rehab and extensive workouts in an attempt to get back to full strength.

"When the surgery came around, it brought me down because the pain was going to be there and it was going to be starting all over again with walking. It was tough for me," Palmer said.

Though the pain was intense, here was one thing that kept the 6-foot-3, 240-pound senior determined to get back on the football field.

"[My] motivation was winning a national championship before I left school and helping my team [get there]," Palmer said. "I wanted to show people that I can come back and be the same player that I was [before the injury]."

The McKinney native registered 14 tackles and 2.5 sacks in his five-game season last year. Judging by the numbers.

The defensive end has already accumulated 13 tackles and two sacks through three games this season.

People can be skeptical about players coming off knee injuries, but Palmer fully believes that he will be able to elevate his play each week, he said.

"People have doubts about the ACL injury and what you can do after you come back from surgery... and I still have a ways to go," Palmer said. "I still do a little rehab, but my knee's getting back strong and I'm improving every game. That's what I want to do, so if I can improve every game, I think it'll help this team



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RECOVER Senior defensive end Jamal Palmer jogs onto the field before the Bears' game against Rice at McLane Stadium on Saturday. Palmer suffered an ACL injury in 2014 and returned in 2015.

[win]."

Palmer said having an iconic pass rusher like All-American Shawn Oakman on the other end makes things a little easier on the defensive line. The senior defensive end went on to say that one of the keys to Baylor's success is putting pressure on the quarterback.

"Having [Oakman] will make [defenses] focus on him a lot more and that's what we want them to do," Palmer said. "If they focus on Oakman, it'll give me the chance to rush off the edge and have the one-on-one battle. Having Oakman back is a big deal for me, because he

can control the edge. If I get that one-on-one, I want to win that [matchup]."

Palmer has proven that he is capable of wreaking havoc in the backfield when only facing one man and admitted that he takes it as an insult when teams allow him to go one-on-one.

"I want to beat [Oakman] off the edge because I want to show him that I'm back there too and I'm going to beat [him] to the punch," Palmer said. "That's good for our defense; getting back there to the quarterback... me and Oakman competing to get sacks is going to help

the whole team out."

The prospect of a defensive line competing for sacks may seem a bit odd, but Palmer was quick to point out that the competition raises everyone's level of play.

"It's a friendly competition, but to have the whole D-line with Beau Blackshear, Andrew Billings and Bryon Bonds out there competing, I think it helps our defense," Palmer said.

The race to reach the quarterback may prove tougher this Saturday as Baylor takes on Texas Tech. The Red Raiders have only surrendered one sack through four games this season.

Palmer said he believes the Bears' defense will have greater success getting to the quarterback this year, thanks to the deeper core of defensive linemen. Last year, Baylor played Texas Tech late in the season and was limited with personnel, due to injuries.

"Now that we're playing Tech earlier in the season, we're all healthy," Palmer said. "we've got some guys that can go out there and rotate. It'll give us a chance to catch our breath and when we get back out there, we can stop [Tech]."

With the deeper rotation on the defensive line, Palmer said the defense is looking to make this a statement game. Palmer added that the disruption of the Red Raiders' offense starts with Baylor's defensive line.

"We have a chance to show people that we are a good defense and we are a better defense than we were [last year]," Palmer said. "We want to get a pass rush on them, because if we get a pass rush, it'll be easier for our [defensive backs]."

The lack of a pass rush in the game against Texas Tech last year allowed quarterback Patrick Mahomes to throw for 598 yards against the Bears. The shaky defense nearly let the Red Raiders steal the game late, but Baylor was able to hold on for a 48-46 victory.

Palmer said it was hard to watch the game unfold on the sidelines, being helpless with an injury.

He said the experience has made the team focus on closing out games better and making sure they don't repeat last year's performance.

"It made us hungry to play. We don't want that to happen," Palmer said. "When we have a lead, we have to be able to finish games. That's a big chip on our shoulders this year. We want to finish well as a team and that's what we're taking pride in this year."

The Baylor defensive line will look to make a statement when they take on Texas Tech at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at AT&T Stadium in Arlington.

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