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## Immigration ban hits home at BU

**KALYN STORY**  
Staff Writer

Abdul Saadi, assistant professor of Arabic studies, lived in Aleppo, Syria, before coming to the United States in 1990 after receiving a full scholarship from the University of Chicago. He said even back then his chances of getting a visa were 50/50,

and it is much harder now.

Saadi said that for the past six or seven years, it has been nearly impossible for the average person in Syria to get a visa, and President Donald Trump's executive order temporarily banning immigration from seven Middle Eastern countries, including Syria.

Two years ago, Saadi's sister and

her family applied for visas to flee war-torn Aleppo and find safety for their children but were denied.

"I am so thankful I was able to come to the United States when I did, and I am now a U.S. citizen. It is truly a gift from God," Saadi said.

Trump's immigration ban halts immigration for 90 days from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria

and Yemen. It also bans all refugees for 120 days and Syrian refugees indefinitely, according to the New York Times.

Saadi has a relative who is a legal green card holder in the United States who went back to Syria a few weeks ago to check on business and family there and is now unable to come back to the United States due to Trump's

executive order.

"He is calling me and calling asking me what to do and if he will be able to come back, but all I can tell him for now is to wait and pray," Saadi said.

Saadi said he understands the need to vet immigrants, and while

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## Briles abandons lawsuit against regents

**RYLEE SEEVERS**  
Staff Writer

Former head football coach Art Briles has dropped the libel lawsuit against Baylor regents without any settlement. The libel suit was filed in early December 2016, alleging that three Baylor regents had damaged Briles' reputation, preventing him from being hired for another head coaching position, according to KWTX.

"All he wanted was his good name," Briles' attorney Earnest Cannon said in an interview with KWTX.

Baylor University officials declined to comment to the Lariat on the dropped lawsuit.

Cannon told KWTX that Briles chose to drop the case because he wants to move on with his life and gain some peace for himself and his family. Cannon also said the lawsuit was not about the money. He expressed regret that those affiliated with Baylor would never know the truth, KWTX reported.

The lawsuit was filed against Baylor Board Chairman Ron Murff, Regent J. Cary Gray, Regent David Harper and Reagan Ramsower, senior vice president and chief operating officer, according to the Waco Tribune-Herald. Briles accused these board members of libel, slander and intentional infliction of emotional distress, the Waco Tribune-Herald reported.

"A man can only carry so much," Cannon told KWTX.

Cannon also told KWTX that Baylor had an endless supply of money, lawyers and resources to use regarding the lawsuit, and it had "overloaded" Briles.

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Associated Press

**FIGHT FOR BIG 12 CHAMPION** Baylor guard Jake Lindsey (3) causes a jump ball while covering Kansas guard Josh Jackson (11) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game in Lawrence, Kan., on Wednesday.

## Men's basketball drops ball

### Bears lose to Kansas Jayhawks 73-68 in Lawrence

**BEN EVERETT**  
Sports Writer

No. 2-ranked Baylor men's basketball fell to No. 3 Kansas 73-68 Wednesday night in Lawrence, Kan.

The Bears (20-2, 7-2) kept it close but couldn't get their first-ever win in Allen Fieldhouse against the Jayhawks (20-2, 8-1).

The Jayhawks jumped out to a 4-0 lead, but junior forward Johnathan Motley kept the Bears in the game early, scoring seven of the team's first 10 points to make it a 10-10 game three minutes in.

Put-back layups by junior center Jo Lual-Acuil Jr. and sophomore forward Terry Maston gave Baylor a 18-16 lead, but Jackson responded with a three to put Kansas

back up by one.

From that point, the Bears outscored the Jayhawks 16-10 the rest of the first half, including three post scores from Motley and a three from Acuil Jr.

A floater from Kansas senior guard Frank Mason III cut the Bears' lead to six and made it a 34-28 Baylor advantage at the break.

At halftime, Motley was the leading scorer for the Bears with 14 points on 6-for-10 shooting while grabbing six rebounds. Jackson posted 13 points and seven rebounds for the Jayhawks in the first half.

Baylor senior forward Ishmail Wainright scored on a reverse layup to extend the Baylor lead to 36-28, but the Jayhawks went on a 13-0 run to take a 41-36 lead.

Two layups by Maston and a three from

junior guard Manu Lecomte put the Bears back on top 43-42.

Kansas jumped out to a 52-47 lead on a three from Jackson, and the Bears wasted no time getting back into the game with a three from Lecomte and a jump hook from Motley to make it a 53-52 Jayhawk lead.

A key point in the game came when sophomore guard Jake Lindsey fouled Mason III on a layup, fouling out of the game with eight minutes remaining.

Back-to-back threes from Lecomte and Wainright tied the game at 64, but Kansas responded with a Jackson dunk and Mason III free throws to take a 68-64 lead.

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## Baylor Bruins share experiences after recent lawsuit alleges 52 rapes

**KALYN STORY**  
Staff Writer

After a former Baylor Bruin filed a lawsuit Friday against the university suing for Title IX violations and negligence, other former Bruins have spoken out detailing different experiences they had as Bruins.

The lawsuit, filed by Elizabeth Doe, claims Baylor had a "show 'em a good time" recruiting policy, which included making Baylor Bruins available for sex with recruits, taking recruits to strip clubs, recruiting based on implied promises of sex and using alcohol and drugs in the recruiting process.

Baylor alumna Ashton Bremer was a Bruin at the time the lawsuit alleges the "show 'em a good time" policy was used and she said her experiences were nothing like the ones described in the lawsuit.

"I'm not saying that anybody lied



Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

**ALLEGATIONS** The Baylor Bruins are described as "football hostesses" by the lawsuit program, and the most recent lawsuit was filed by a former Bruin.

about what happened, but I know that that year I was a Bruin, and my best friends were Bruins, and we were never even-nothing like that was even insinuated," Bremer said.

Bremer said the Bruins had weekly meetings where all rules were reiterated to take anything out of the recruiting room — not even a pen,

which she said could be considered a gift from the university.

The lawsuit alleges that 31 Baylor football players committed at least 52 acts of rape, including five gang rapes, between 2011 and 2014. In a Wall Street Journal article from October 2016, Baylor regents said they were aware of 17 reports of sexual assault against 19 football players, including four gang rapes, since 2011.

The lawsuit describes the Bruins as "a football 'hostess' program with the purpose of using attractive female students to escort recruits and their families to campus events and football games on official visits to Baylor."

Tenley Gummelt was a Baylor Bruin in 2011 and made a Facebook post expressing her gratitude to the Bruins and confidence in the

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**COLUMN**

## Different opinions shouldn't divide us

**MEGAN RULE**  
Staff Writer

One of the greatest things about this country is that we are all entitled to our own opinions. We can voice our opinions without punishment, believe what we want and do what we want without much control from a governmental body. In this country, I can publish this column on this page that says "Opinion" right at the top in big, bold letters. In this country, my 600



opinionated words can be distributed to the 16,787 students on the Baylor campus and the 6.9 billion internet users that can access the Lariat's webpage. With this amazing ability we have been given comes an enormous

responsibility: Knowledge of the line between disapproval and disrespect.

Politics have long played the role of the giant elephant (or donkey) in the room, but over the past year have become even more taboo. People don't voice their opinions in certain crowds out of fear of being harassed and judged, and speaking out is supposed to be a basic American right. People are turning their backs on their neighbors because of the bubble they filled in one night in a private booth. People are even turning their backs on their neighbors for something as simple as the news channel they prefer to watch. And in recent weeks, people are using disgusting terms to refer to the man that currently runs our country and those who voted for him. People are using disgusting terms to refer to the greatest gift that our Founding Fathers gave us: The ability to speak our minds openly.

So you're concerned about the wall that could be built by the border? What about the wall that divides us from our fellow Americans? Regardless of race, religion, disability, weight, age or gender, we are all brothers and sisters living in a great place, and regardless of what bubble was filled in on election night, we are all guilty of adding another brick to the wall that divides the wonderful people in this nation. And this, this brick-by-brick phenomena, is currently blocking the people's view of what makes America a great nation. By disrespecting our president and those who voted for him, we disrespect the very reason our Founding Fathers created this country and we disrespect a major value America was built on.

If just one person throws their brick for the wall away, others will follow. And all of a sudden, the wall that divides our nation will brick by brick be taken apart, and we can use those bricks to start building a stronger, more unified foundation. Our opinion is such a special thing that we each hold. It is the only thing that is completely and totally our own. Once we learn to distinguish dislike and disrespect, the sky is the limit for where we can go and how we can build upon each other. The start of that comes from developing the maturity to disagree with the opinions we don't share and still respect the person they came from.

The power of opinion enables me to dislike whatever and whoever I want, and so can you. But the power of opinion also presents the responsibility to maturely agree to disagree, then come out with hands still intertwined.

*Megan Rule is a junior journalism major from Stamford, Conn.*

**EDITORIAL**

## Give us healthy options

Living a healthy lifestyle in college can be difficult. Many of us rush from one activity to the next and find little time for healthy eating habits. Eating properly requires money and time, both of which are difficult to secure on a daily basis.

That being said, there are those who make an effort to eat well. Fifteen percent of Baylor undergraduates are currently enrolled in Health and Human Sciences courses, and the student population has a Vegetarian Club, the Baylor Student Nutrition Association and numerous athletic clubs. This shows a clear interest in well-being, as students are motivated enough to put extra time into activities that encourage fitness and health. This portion of the student body also includes those who have food allergies and are required to find a healthier lifestyle.

Baylor's campus provides few healthy options. While Freshii is located in the Bill Daniel Student Center and serves food that is edible for vegetarian and vegan students, it is one of the priciest food vendors on campus. A way to aid these students and gain interest from others would be to install healthy vending machines around campus.

Currently, there are snack and drink vending machines in most buildings around campus. There are a few newer machines in the upper levels of Moody that claim to be healthy, but many of the snacks included are processed and hold little nutritional value, even though they have a smaller calorie count than those in the 'less healthy' machines.

There are multiple companies that have created fruit vending machines. These are similar to refrigerators and hold specially wrapped food that is able to remain

on the shelves for longer without losing freshness. This makes the vending machines less likely to have large amounts of food waste.

One company in particular, Fresh Del Monte, provides a mix of products including bananas, grapes, cut pineapple, apple slices, baby carrots, celery and tomatoes. These products can be accompanied with light ranch or caramel dips, and the sizes of the packages can be selected individually as well. The company also can provide juices and sandwiches in their machines.

A machine like this would be easily personalized for the budget or tastes that the buyer might see fit. The vendor would be responsible for the installment and

refilling of the machines.

If Baylor is skeptical of how well the food would sell, it could implement the new machines in smaller numbers and watch how they are received among the student body. Many vendors allow for individual purchases of fruit vending machines, but buying a larger number would be more economical in most cases.

While a fruit vending machine is ideal for healthy eating, a push towards other healthy options would be helpful for the campus if fruit machines were deemed too expensive in the near future. Replacing a few soda machines with fruit juices or having dried fruit added to the machines already on campus would make

a big enough of a difference to be considered.

America is an overweight nation. Obesity is currently the second-largest preventable cause of death of Americans, as determined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, with 32.3 percent of those aged 20-39 being classified as overweight.

The decision to add a healthier on-the-go option for the students on campus would make a difference in the lives of those who make an effort to be healthy in an environment where it is easy to do otherwise. It could also be an encouragement for those who currently buy from less healthy vendors to change their lifestyle.



Joshua Kim | Cartoonist

**LARIAT LETTER**

## Waco's pro-life community rallies again

In October 2013, the pro-life community ended the reign of abortion in Waco. Sadly, the victory may be short lived.

According to a Waco Tribune article published on Oct. 1, 2013, the Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas relinquished its abortion license for Waco after House Bill 2 (HB2) was passed that requires all doctors performing abortions to have admitting privileges in hospitals within 30 miles of the clinic, which the Waco Planned Parenthood's staff did not. The activism of sidewalk counselors and protesters, combined with new health regulations, left Planned Parenthood without doctors willing or legally able to provide abortions in Waco.

The House's Investigative Panel on Infant Lives' report listed 15 criminal and regulatory referrals against Planned Parenthood and its associates, and recommended its defunding in 2013. However, last year, the Supreme Court repealed regulations include the previously included mandate. These regulations are necessary for protecting women from the

dangerous and exploitative practices of abortionists.

Now that HB2's protective measures have been lifted, Planned Parenthood is seizing the opportunity to bring abortion back to Waco. The Planned Parenthood facility on Ross Avenue, only a mile from Baylor's campus, was relicensed to perform abortion in November of 2016. There are very strong indications construction has begun on a new, larger Planned Parenthood facility off of Hwy 6.

Faced with the possibility of their return, the founder of Baylor's pro-life student group and Pro-Life Waco's leader, John Pisciotta said in an email to members of the student group, "Let's pray and work for the result of Planned Parenthood deciding NOT to kill baby boys and girls in Waco. The pro-life community of Central Texas will rise to this occasion!"

The Waco pro-life community successfully expelled the abortionists three years ago, and we will do it again.

*Eric Holloway, Maryland Doctoral Candidate*

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# Counseling Center offers addiction recovery support

**RACHEL SMITH**  
Reporter

Baylor offers multiple avenues of support for students who struggle with alcohol addiction, as well as other types of addictive behavior and substance abuse.

The department of wellness and the Counseling Center extend help to students through behavioral assessment, counseling, a recovery program to help students build relationships and involvement opportunities on campus and in the community. Dr. Don Arterburn, addictive behavior specialist, meets with students who visit the walk-in clinic at the Counseling Center.

"They'll often refer them to me to see what they're dealing with," Arterburn said.

Arterburn identifies the type of misuse or addiction not only with alcohol, but also with other habits such as video game usage, pornography and spending. He then recommends next steps such as attending meetings or individual counseling.

"The sooner you address an addiction issue, the better," Arterburn said. "Many times, people will not seek help until there's a bunch of negative consequences."

Arterburn said addictive behaviors affect not only health, but also areas of life such as academics and relationships.

"Sometimes it has a bad effect on all [these areas] before they admit they need some help," Arterburn said. "It's actually easier to help somebody who has been active in their addiction for four years than 14 years because of neuro-pathways in the brain that are more and more established."

Arterburn said those who need help fall along a continuum. On one end, they might misuse substances or practice compulsive behaviors, while others struggle with obsessive and compulsive use of drugs, alcohol or other addictions.

"On the far end is where it has become compulsive to the point where life is kind of spinning out of control," Arterburn said. "That person needs to be detoxed before they can go to class, be in a healthy relationship or keep a job."

than 30 classes per semester about recovery in addition to interfacing with other recovery programs.

"There are about 16 other Texas universities that have recovery programs," Ettinger said. "We work with them and plan events with them."

A recent \$2.5 million gift from Baylor Regent Bob Beauchamp and his wife Laura Beauchamp will fund the Beauchamp Addiction Recovery Center, which will be located in East Village.

"The gift will also contribute funding for more seminars, more events and more education," Ettinger said.

About 20 percent of college students meet the criteria for an alcohol use disorder, according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

"Our hope is we will give people help in their college days rather than down the road," Arterburn said.

Sarah Hepola, author of The New York Times best-seller "Blackout: Remembering the Things I Drank to Forget," will speak at 6 p.m. tomorrow in Bennett Auditorium. Her subject will be "Drinking, Blackouts, and Seeking Power Beyond the Bottle."



Penelope Shirey | Lariat Photographer

**RECOVERY** Regent Bob Beauchamp addresses a crowd on Monday, Jan. 30 after Baylor accepted a \$2.5 million donation to create the Beauchamp Addiction Recovery Center.

## What's Happening on Campus?

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**Thursday, Feb. 2 | Men for Change**  
**5:30 p.m.** Join Men for Change every Thursday in the Bobo Spiritual Life Center Chapel to discuss ideas of spirituality and masculinity.
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**Friday, Feb. 3 | Self-Defense Workshop**  
**4 p.m.** Boxing and karate instructors will lead a 90-minute class introducing basic self-defense moves in Marrs McLean Gym.
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**Saturday, Feb. 4 | Bears vs. Kansas State**  
**2 p.m.** Join the Bear Pit and cheer on the Bears as they take on the Kansas State Wildcats at the Ferrell Center.
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**Monday, Feb. 6 | Lady Bears vs. Texas**  
**7 p.m.** Cheer on our Lady Bears as they face the Longhorns at the Ferrell Center.
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**Monday, Feb. 6 | Movie Mondays at the Hippodrome: Cameraperson**  
**7 p.m.** A boxing match in Brooklyn; life in postwar Bosnia and Herzegovina; the daily routine of a Nigerian midwife; an intimate family moment at home—these scenes and others are woven into *Cameraperson*, a tapestry of footage captured over the 25-year career of documentary cinematographer Kirsten Johnson. Admission is free, but tickets are required; pick yours up at the Bill Daniel Student Center Ticket Office or at [baylormoviemondays.com](http://baylormoviemondays.com).
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**Monday, Feb. 6 – Tuesday, Feb. 7 | Enneagram Workshop**  
**5 p.m.** Do you know your Enneagram number? Join renowned Enneagram teacher, Suzanne Stabile, in the Bobo Spiritual Life Center as she guides workshop participants in learning more about themselves through the Enneagram. The workshop is free with registration and dinner will be provided both evenings. Please contact Baylor Formation at [Formation@baylor.edu](mailto:Formation@baylor.edu) to register.
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**Tuesday, Feb. 7 | Outdoor Adventure Climbing Clinic**  
**6 p.m.** Calling all climbers! New climbers will learn the basics of how to move and climb efficiently, while more experienced climbers can work on new techniques, at The Rock inside the SLC. This course is \$5 for students.
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**Tuesday, Feb. 7 | Dr Pepper® Hour**  
**3 p.m.** A Baylor tradition since 1953, enjoy a Dr Pepper® float and catch up with friends in the Barfield Drawing Room or at Robinson Tower on the 6th floor.
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**Wednesday, Feb. 8 | Lunch with Kevin Breel**  
**Noon.** Please join us to hear from author, comedian and "TED Talk" phenomenon, Kevin Breel, as he shares about depression and mental health in the Alexander Reading Room. Lunch will be provided free to the first 50 people in attendance!

*"The sooner you address an addiction issue, the better."*

Dr. Don Arterburn | Addictive Behavior Specialist

The Counseling Center also offers in-patient and out-patient training. The Department of Wellness organizes recovery groups – mostly student-led – in which students go to conferences, are partnered with faculty and staff mentors and participate in service work.

"There are groups for people who are struggling with friends who struggle with addiction," said Lilly Ettinger, recovery program coordinator. "We can help them get connected with the right resources."

Ettinger said students in the recovery program are actively and voluntarily pursuing recovery or seeking help with it, and the program hopes to add an allies organization by next year for students who live abstinent lifestyles. Ettinger also speaks to more

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Liesje Powers | Lariat Photographer

**SWEET HEARTS** The Waco-McLennan County Public Health District recognizes the American Heart Association's National Wear Red Day. Several famous landmarks and Waco landmarks will be lit up in red to recognize how heart disease kills more women each year than all forms of cancer combined.

## 'Wear Red Day' starts heart health month

**MEGAN RULE**  
Staff Writer

This Friday, people across McLennan County and the country are encouraged to wear red for the American Heart Association's National Wear Red Day in order to kick off American Heart Month and build awareness for heart disease in women.

"It's important to know how to keep our hearts healthy so that we can live a healthier life, have a better quality of life and just be there for our families," said Courtney Wollard, public health planner in the emergency preparedness program at the Waco-McLennan Health District. "It's especially important for residents who have a family history of heart disease or heart problems that they know how to keep their hearts healthy, because if they have a family history of heart problems, then they have an increased risk of having heart problems."

Peggy Lane, a volunteer with the American Heart Association and a staff member from 1995 to 2012, said famous landmarks such as the Empire State Building, the Sears Tower, the Space Needle in Seattle and Times Square will be lit up with red lights. Waco landmarks such as the Interstate 35 bridges, Pat Neff Hall, the McLennan County Courthouse and the Dr Pepper Museum will also be lit with red lights as they were last year for National Wear Red Day.

"I help to raise money

and awareness with the Go Red Movement," Lane said. "It's a great way to create a really big impression that heart disease is something we all need to be aware of, especially as women."

Heart disease kills more women each year than all forms of cancer combined, a press release from the American Heart Association of Central Texas said. 80 percent of heart and stroke incidents are preventable just with healthier lifestyle choices, but women are dying at a rate of one per minute because they don't know that this is their No. 1 health threat, according to the press release.

"I really believe in the importance of several aspects of health, whether that be heart health, healthy eating, no smoking, hand washing and just general health, because if we are healthy, we have a healthy community, we can thrive and we can be prosperous," Wollard said. "It's really important for the community to be educated on how to be healthy."

Wollard said that Live Well Waco, a coalition dedicated to improving the health of people in McLennan County, will host the Women's Health Conference with the Central Texas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce on Feb. 25 for Heart Health Month. This event will be a day focused on equipping women to improve their health.

"We've developed a map that people can actually select a different category for what they're looking for.

It's a really great project that went live last week," Wollard said. "We have six different categories of health that we like to focus on through the website."

The website's six categories are "Be Well," "Play Well," "Eat Well," "Work Well," "Breathe Well" and "Think Well." Wollard encourages anyone looking for more information about the Women's Health Conference or Live Well Waco go online since events are always listed there, and there is supplemental information as well.

Lane said the American Heart Association has three main fundraising events throughout the year. Feb. 24 is the Go Red for Women Luncheon at the Baylor Club. On May 6, there will be a gala which will be Kentucky Derby-themed this year. In October, the Heart Walk will take place and starts at the statue of Robert Griffin III in front of McLane Stadium and then goes across the pedestrian bridge through campus. Lane said volunteers are mainly needed to decorate for the luncheon and help with the walk. Anyone interested in volunteering can reach out to Janet Ginsburg, corporate marketing director of the American Heart Association in Waco, through email at janet.ginsburg@heart.org.

"We are a volunteer organization, and we depend on volunteers," Lane said. "There's one staff person in Waco, and we love to have Baylor students volunteer."

## Baylor Business enters cutthroat competition

**MEGAN RULE**  
Staff Writer

Baylor students stepped into the cut-throat world of professional selling in an internal selling competition appealing to real 3M employees, also known as the Baylor Business Selling Outside Competition.

"Over the course of time as I came in, I saw the competitions as an important place to give students the kind of ongoing development that they need," said Dr. Andrea Dixon, associate professor of marketing and director of the Keller Center & Center for Professional Selling. "For our students, every time they get to engage with a business executive they're more productive in those conversations. That skill-building opportunity is important for someone in the sales area."

From 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, sales students were role-playing in the Baylor Business Selling Outside Competition at the Paul L. Foster Campus for Business and Innovation.

The competition starts at the very beginning of the year. Magnolia junior Nick Logan said students do one competition that starts off with emails, voice calls or voicemails to initiate the calls process. Then students have their first meeting with a salesperson, followed by the value analysis and eventually closing on the buyer. The competition is emulating the steps in a sales process, Logan said.

The company that students were selling to was 3M, a manufacturing corporation and Fortune 500 company that participates in this program with 12 colleges in the nation. In this case, the buyers were real, current employees who had a true and strong attachment to the competition. Dixon said that the 3M employees also had a strong interest in seeing young people develop professionally.

"I competed in the competition when I was a student, but this is my first year buying in it, and I'm very impressed with the caliber of talent that's coming through," said Robert McCandlish, employee at 3M. "They're all very well prepared, very well spoken, and they do a great job. I've been impressed, and I'm looking forward to the rest of the buying process and helping the students grow as much as they can."

The role play lasts about 20 minutes and allows for students to see how they compare to their peers. The Baylor Business Selling-Outside also allows the buyers to get a "sneak peek" at the Baylor talent as they prepare to enter the job market.

"Something that's really neat about these sales competitions is that it's actually relatable in almost any major," Logan said. "You're almost always selling yourself, so at the end of these competitions you can see yourself being successful in a lot of presentations."

The role playing was captured in video format and sent to 100 judges who view three videos each and complete a judging assessment form. The competition names the top ten winners, and prize money is given to the top four. This year's first place winner is Frisco senior Sam Azide, the second place winners are Severance, Colo., senior Caleb Simmons and Waco senior Megan Williams, the third place winner is Eustis, Fla., senior Clayton Whitener and the fourth place winner is Dallas senior Luke Stainback.

"This was my second BBSO, and I've definitely learned more with the more experiences I've had," Houston senior Thomas Scaff said. "It was just a really great opportunity to get a real-life business experience."

The first selling outside competition took place in 2009 with only six competitors. Dixon said there were 91 competitors this year. Students also compete in four internal competitions and nine external competitions. External competitions take place in Indiana, California, Wisconsin, Georgia, New Jersey and Ohio.

"There's a great spectrum, and the nice thing about that is sending them to other parts of the country where people speak a little differently and the way that people engage is a little different," Dixon said. "Learning how to engage with someone and be on equal terms with them is important, and competitions give them some of that practical application as well."

Baylor's Center for Professional Selling was the first sales center in the country and is annually recognized as a top sales program, according to the website. The website also states that the program provides financial support for students to compete in at least one external competition as it helps with the college to career transition.

"In reality, we're here for the students today," said Phil Redding, 3M employee. "We're here because we know they're in preparation for further programs or competition, so we're here for the benefit of them so they can practice, review and see what things are working and what are not. This is also going to help them to go further within their sales program in the future."

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# Multicultural Affairs holds 'signing day'

**JOY MOTON**  
Staff Writer

Just in time for NCAA National Signing Day, the department of multicultural affairs hosted its own Multicultural Affairs Signing Day. Students visited the multicultural affairs suite and signed letters of intent to either commit or recommit to the multicultural organizations of their choice.

"This is just an opportunity to heighten the awareness of all multicultural organizations and activities that we have available," said Leslie Moore, coordinator for the department of multicultural affairs.

The idea for the event came from Geoffrey Griggs, assistant director of multicultural affairs.

"MA Signing Day was thought of while I was getting annoyed with my Bleacher Report App updating me with notifications on the top commitments in high school football choosing what places they would commit to for college," Griggs wrote in an email to the Lariat. "So, after being frustrated with my phone battery on life support from all the notifications, I thought, 'Why should high school athletes get all the fun?'"

As a result, Multicultural Affairs Signing

Day was born. The organization with the most commitments and recommitments won a gift card, and individuals with the most creative commitments won a prize as well.

"It's important to commit to these organizations so that you can feel like you have a support system while here on this predominantly white campus," said Annette Christie, an ambassador for the department of multicultural affairs.

The event also gave students a chance to take a look around the new multicultural affairs office that the department moved to in the Bill Daniel Student Center in November 2016.

"We've been trying to get this space for 25 years, so it's a really big deal that we're finally here all together as the department of multicultural affairs," Christie said.

The event was a success, with the department running out of food after 10 minutes and Twitter being flooded with pictures and videos of newly recruited and veteran members of organizations.

"We've had a lot of students come and recommit and are really excited about doing good work this semester," Christie said.

This is the first of many events that Multicultural Affairs will host throughout the course of Black History Month in February.

At 7 p.m. on Monday in Barfield Drawing



Jessica Hubble | Lariat Photographer

**COMMITTED** Decatur, Ga., sophomore John McDonald was one of many students who either committed or recommitted to a multicultural organization on Wednesday.

Room, Multicultural Affairs will have the Inaugural Black Student Union Celebration, a meeting for students to discuss black community on Baylor's campus and ways to

work together to address concerns. For more updates on multicultural affairs events, follow @BaylorMA on Twitter.

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According to the Dallas News, members of the Board of Regents made the comments that led to the lawsuit, in October, after Briles and Baylor reached an agreement regarding his contract settlement. Baylor announced in June 2016 that

Briles and the university had come to a mutual agreement, ending Briles' employment with Baylor, according to a press release.

After Briles left Baylor, the accused regents made comments to the media, alleging that Briles had

knowledge that 19 Baylor football players had been accused of domestic violence, sexual assault and gang rape, since 2011, according to the Wall Street Journal.

After leaving Baylor, Briles expressed interest in a head coaching

position at the University of Houston, according to CBS Sports.

"After discussion with University of Houston leadership, we developed a list of candidates to be interviewed that did not include Art," University of Houston athletic director Hunter

Yurachek said to CBS Sports.

The lawsuit also alleged that Briles was fired without any warning and was never presented with any of the facts behind Baylor's fact finding report after he requested them, KWTX reported.

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this temporary ban is inconvenient for his family, he trusts that it will be worth it in the long run.

"As Syrians, we are looking for hope," Saadi said. "We are welcome to suffer and share the consequences temporarily for the big welfare of America and to share the bigger goal of the safety of the United States."

Saadi said his family will mostly be impacted financially and sentimentally by the ban, but there are other families in dire situations that will be hurt much more by the ban, and he thinks those instances should be addressed separately.

"People who finally got a visa, sold everything, purchased a ticket and attempted to come to America and while they were in the air everything changed- that is unacceptable," Saadi said.

Saadi said he does not believe mass immigration is the solution to Syria's problems, nor would it be good for America. He said from his perspective, Syrians don't want to

leave their homes - ideally, allies would help create a "safe haven" inside of Syria for refugees to go instead of fleeing to the United States or Europe.

Saadi used to visit Syria every summer but has been unable to for the last four years due to the war.

"We just want peace," Saadi said. "I have no idea how it will happen, but I can hope and pray that Syria is healed."

St. Louis senior Anisha Zaman said that, as a Muslim student, sometimes she feels like an outsider, but she didn't feel alone Monday when she went to her local mosque and saw bouquets of yellow flowers laid on the steps.

"As I was walking out of the mosque, an older woman hugged me and said, 'We love you and you belong here,' and in that moment, I had never felt so connected to a complete stranger," Zaman said.

Zaman said Trump's immigration executive order is very disheartening

*"We just want peace. I can hope and pray that Syria is healed."*

Abdul Saadi | Assistant professor of Arabic studies

and it can seem like America doesn't care about Muslims or other minorities at times, but days like Monday remind her that she is loved and cared for.

"I am just as American as anyone else," Zaman said. "There are a lot of other people in this country that don't feel like they are, but when people step up like this, it shows us that people outside of our community care about us, too, even when it doesn't feel like it."

Zaman said she is not usually an emotional person, but she cried when a man came to the steps of the mosque with flowers and his young son and said, "I want my son to be part of a better America."

DeSoto senior Mark Toliver made a last-minute decision to drive to Dallas/ Fort Worth International Airport Sunday with a friend to protest the immigration executive order and advocate for the release of refugees being detained at DFW.

"I will always advocate for all human rights," Toliver said. "I want America to be a leader for the world in human rights, and I don't feel that banning refugees is a good example to set."

Toliver said it was empowering to see the refugees being released after hours of protesting.

"Protests are so important," Toliver said. "This protest helped release a few detainees from imprisonment. Protesting shows the nation that we are here, we care and

we are watching. We as citizens can impact change through protests. I've seen it happen."

Toliver said he believes the executive order is unconstitutional, and he hopes Trump will rethink his immigration policies.

"I hope we live up to our name as the land of opportunity and understand that we are a country built on immigrants," Toliver said. "We should be thanking our immigrants, not shunning them."

While he understands the legitimate fear of terrorist attacks, Toliver said he does not think banning refugees will help fight terrorism because many terrorist attacks on U.S. soil were carried out by U.S. citizens.

"It becomes a question of necessity. Is it necessary we force policies based on fear, or should we make policies based on results and actual history?" Toliver said.

## BRUINS from Page 1

organization's integrity.

"Point blank, the women involved with Baylor Gold and Baylor Bruins were held to a high standard and were expected to behave above reproach during their time in and out of the organization," Gummelt wrote in her Facebook post. "The things being described in that article are horrendous and would never have been encouraged by the leaders of those organizations."

Baylor interim President David Garland sent a statement to the Baylor community on Saturday night outlining the changes Baylor has made in response

to the sexual assault allegations.

"Our hearts are heavy at the thought of anyone experiencing sexual assault within our community," Garland wrote. "Any such acts are reprehensible and unacceptable. The university remains committed to eliminating all forms of sexual and gender-based harassment and discrimination within our community."

The Baylor Bruins social media pages have not been active since 2015. On Baylor's website under "Student Organizations," the Baylor Bruins link diverts to the Baylor Alumni Network page.

"Baylor had an unofficial policy of looking the other way when there was sexual intercourse between the Bruins and the football players," the lawsuit claims, which is against Baylor's student code of conduct which does not condone sex outside of marriage.

"It was suggested that we did things that I certainly didn't do and I know my friends didn't do, so I was really kind of shocked by that," Bremer said. "It [dragged] our name through the mud, so that infuriated me."

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## Shedding light on 'Blackout'

**KRISTINA VALDEZ**  
Copy Editor

### REVIEW

A book written by an alcoholic about being an alcoholic is not for everyone. A book written about being a woman in the midst of double standards, all-night binge drinking, and endless self-discovery can be for everyone.

Sarah Hepola's brutally honest autobiography and New York Times bestseller, "Blackout: Remembering the Things I Drank to Forget," is not for the complacent, wavering reader. This novel draws out the darkest inner workings into a humorous light with tastefully placed swear words and outlandish stories about the drunk and disorderly.

"Alcoholism is a self-diagnosis," Hepola wrote. "Science offers no biopsy, no home kit to purchase at CVS. Doctors and friends can offer opinions, and you can take a hundred online quizzes, but alcoholism is something you must know in your gut."

There were the stolen sips of Pearl Light at age 7, the one beer that led to one too many at age 11, the dependency on alcohol at age 20 and the ultimate breakup with alcohol at age 35. But, as the title suggests, the book is about more than alcohol and the inability to know when to stop. The book confronts Hepola's suppressed memories head-on and attempts to make the readers think about what situations are similar to their own lives.

"Be kind to drunk people, for every one of them is fighting an enormous battle," wrote Hepola.

Dedicated "to anyone who needs it," the book offers the worst of herself and the

best of her memories. To understand the severity of Hepola's alcoholism, the term "blackout" must be clear.

"The blood reaches a certain alcohol saturation point and shuts down the hippocampus," Hepola wrote.

Hepola said that it can be extremely difficult to tell if someone is experiencing a blackout.

"But in a blackout, a person is anything but silent and immobile," Hepola wrote. "You can talk and laugh and charm people at the bar with funny stories of your past."

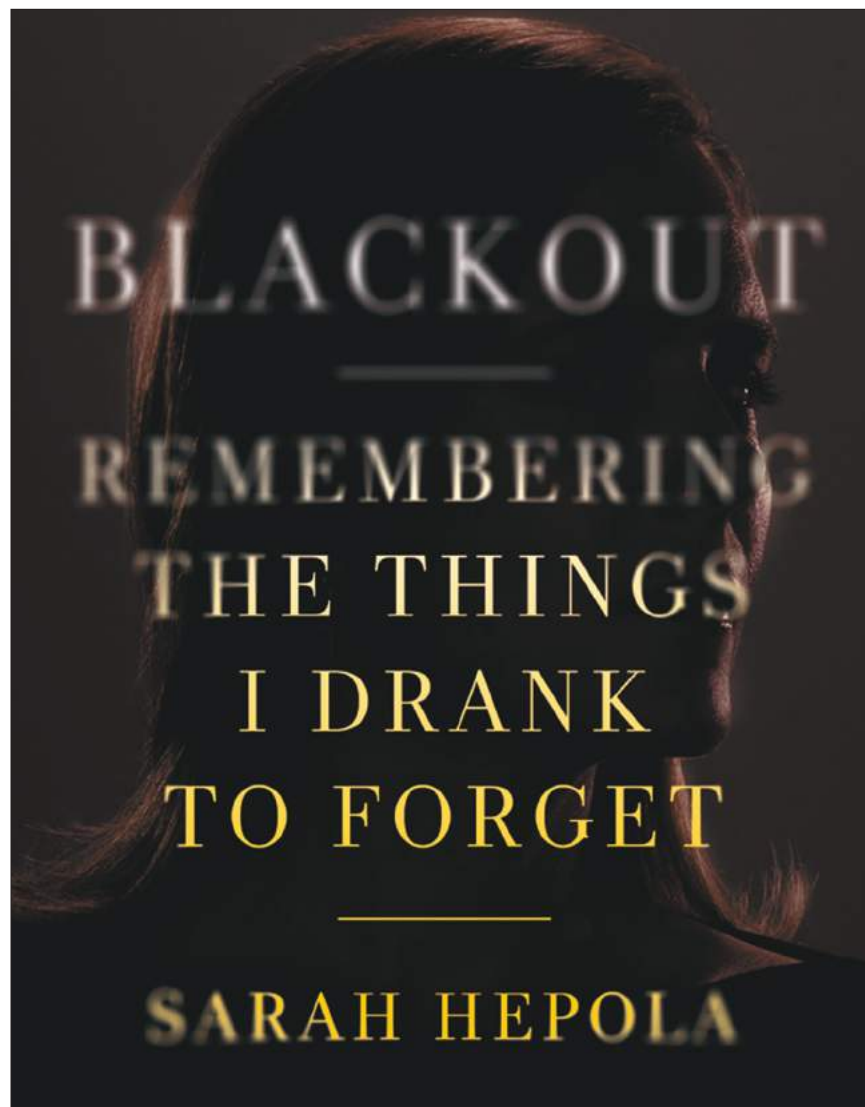
### THE DETAILS:



Sarah Hepola

**What:** "Drinking, Blackouts and Seeking Power Beyond the Bottle"  
**When:** 6 p.m. tonight  
**Where:** Bennett Auditorium in the Draper Academic Building

Throughout the book, Hepola was either getting drunk, drunk or waking up from a blackout. There is an urge to laugh definite smiles at Hepola's random flashings at unassuming elderly men or her mooning people in



Courtesy Art

**NUMBING THE PAIN** "Blackout, Remembering the Things I Drank to Forget" is a story about a woman's road to self-discovery and the trials she endured while on her journey. Alcoholism, one-night stands, and inspiration for readers, especially female readers, flood the pages. Hepola will be speaking at Baylor at 6 p.m. today in Bennett Auditorium in the Draper Academic Building.

bumper-to-bumper five o'clock traffic. But then you ask yourself, is this her rock bottom? No, not yet.

In the middle of all of this, there were the friends Hepola's friends. They filled in the gaps where her memories lacked, told her the truth and tucked her into bed several times. It was refreshing to know that just as alcohol defined Hepola's life, her friends did, too.

"Some recovering alcoholics believe you need to distance yourself from your old friends," Hepola wrote. "They are triggers and bad influences. But what if your friends were the ones who saved you? Who closed out your bar tab and texted with you until you made it home safely?"

Although it is printed that the book is written "to anyone who needs it," the vulnerability and strength of Hepola's life

denotes and caters to an audience of women. The book is beautifully written to the girl, the teenager and the woman with subtle compassion.

The parts of the book that talk about getting your period for the first time, extreme dieting and about having sex are unspoken truths. Hepola refuses to shy away from the pain of the woman she was and is.

"We all want to believe that our pain is singular," Hepola wrote. "that no one else has felt this way - but our pain is ordinary, which is both a blessing and a curse. It means we're not unique. But it also means we're not alone."

Alcohol drowned the truth and the pain. In the bubbles and swirls of alcohol, Hepola thought she found her voice, her courage and her sexiness. For other women, the same could

be found in a relationship or in materials. But there is a moment of breaking - Hepola had it. She saw what was left of herself and made the decision to be sober.

"I don't know how to describe the blueness that overtook me," Hepola wrote. "It was not a wish for suicide. It was an airless sensation that I was already dead. The lifeblood had drained out of me."

Hepola told Salon, an online arts and culture magazine, that she was afraid that when the book came out, nobody would care. But while we live a world full of body issues, alcoholism and depression, someone will always care about a book that will make you nod your head, pump your fist in the air and smile because that is one more person in this world who gets it.

## This week in Waco:

### >> Today

**10:30 a.m.** — Director's Forum: The Art and Science of Texas Dinosaurs. Mayborn Museum Complex.

**7-9 p.m.** — Stars Over Texas Jamboree. Lee Lockwood Library and Museum.

**7-9 p.m.** — Robin Lore, Americana songwriter, concert. Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits.

**7 p.m.** — Star Wars Destiny Tournament. The Game Closet.

**7:30 p.m.** — "Almost, Maine." \$16-\$20 admission. Waco Civic Theatre.

**7:30 p.m.** — "Dancing at Lughnasa." \$20 admission. Mabee Theatre.

**7:30 p.m.** — Master class with pianist Jon Nakamatsu. Roxy Grove Hall.

### >> Friday

**5-7 p.m.** — Horton Duo performs. Papillon Antiques.

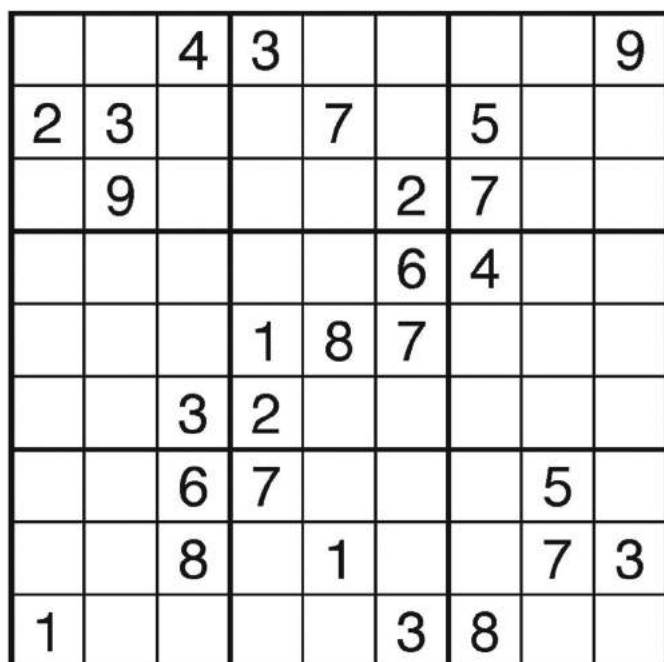
**5-9 p.m.** — First Friday. Downtown Waco.

**7:30 p.m.** — Baylor Symphonic Band. Jones Concert Hall.

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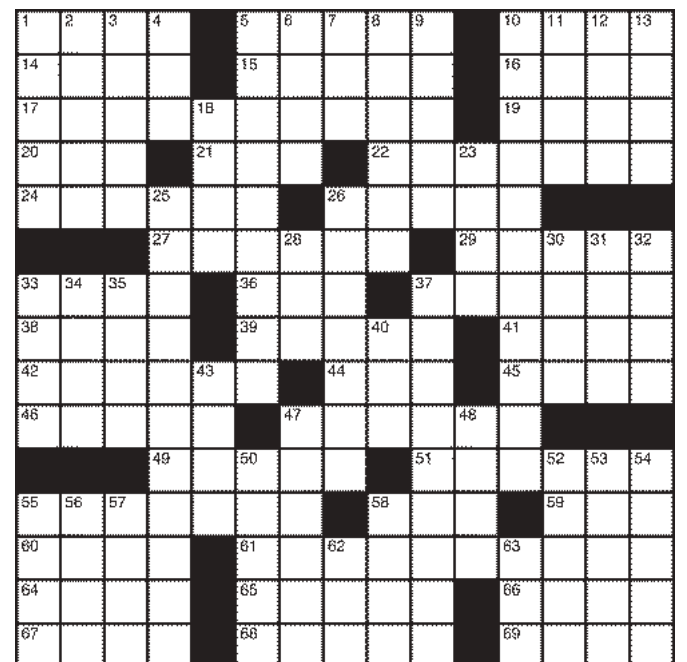
### Today's Puzzles

#### Across

- 1 Brewski
- 5 Scrubland succulent
- 10 Skate park protection
- 14 "\_\_\_ something I said?"
- 15 Bounded
- 16 Settled on the tarmac
- 17 Headline during an African wildfire season?
- 19 "¿Qué \_\_\_?"
- 20 Peach or orange
- 21 Snitch
- 22 Rental duration
- 24 Former NASCAR Cup sponsor
- 26 Pass along
- 27 Go over again
- 29 Kind of key
- 33 Bro
- 36 Tolkien villain
- 37 "This feels familiar" feeling
- 38 Corner office fig.
- 39 Casual parting ... and a hint to this puzzle's four longest answers
- 41 Had too much
- 42 Satisfies, as thirst
- 44 Reduction
- 45 Attending
- 46 Fable teller
- 47 "Challenge accepted!"
- 49 West Coast pro
- 51 Possible reason for an empty seat
- 55 Picture of health?
- 58 Profession, casually
- 59 Hosp. area
- 60 \_\_\_ clarinet
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- 66 Latin I word
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- 68 Core belief
- 69 Out of shape

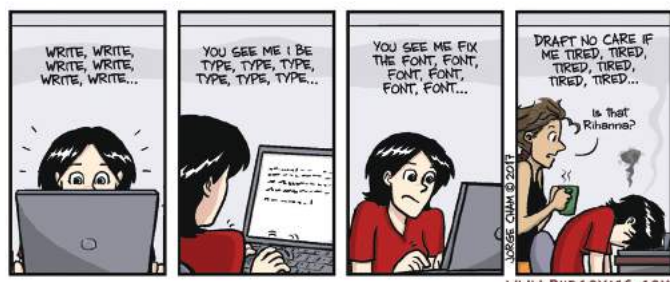
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- 1 Punjabi monotheists



- 2 Burn through
- 3 Eatery often named for its owner
- 4 Foul spot
- 5 Seemingly eternal burden
- 6 Joint ailment
- 7 Abbr. in car ads
- 8 Unloaded a burden
- 9 Old lemon
- 10 Artist Jasper during his tropical period?
- 11 Cumming of "The Good Wife"
- 12 CD part
- 13 Sit tight
- 18 "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 23 License info
- 25 Farmer's possible reply to "What beans are you planting this year?"?
- 26 Pit visitor
- 28 Before, poetically
- 30 Green gem
- 31 Wrapped up

- 32 Deserving a slap, maybe
- 33 Badlands landform
- 34 Shaft with bushings
- 35 Genteel gatherings
- 37 Couple's break from the kids
- 40 "Delish!"
- 43 Amazing, in dudespeak
- 47 Biological map subject
- 48 Slime
- 50 Pester
- 52 Card table request
- 53 Where some large schools may be found
- 54 Rathskeller fare
- 55 Aye-catcher?
- 56 Trattoria's "in the style of"
- 57 Firebird roof option
- 58 Military center
- 62 Half a cosmic whole
- 63 Check



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## Signed, sealed and delivered



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**THAT GOOD OL' BAYLOR LINE** Students cheer for the Baylor Bears on Sept. 10 in McLane Stadium in the game against Southern Methodist University. The Bears beat SMU 40-13.

### Football signs 14 players for defense

**NATHAN KEIL**  
Sports Writer

On Feb. 1, 26 high school football players signed on the dotted line and committed to continuing their careers at Baylor and for head coach Matt Rhule next season.

Rhule had to play catch up as soon as he took over the reins of Baylor's football program. When he arrived, he had only one player committed to the Bears for the 2017 season. After putting in long hours on the road and over the phone, Rhule is thrilled with the group of guys that has agreed to come join the Baylor program.

"We're excited about this group of young men we signed today," Rhule said. "We think they represent a great future for the Baylor football program."

Of the 27 players who signed their letter of intent, 14 of them are on the defensive side of the football. Rhule insisted that it wasn't necessarily a priority to focus on certain positions or one side of the football. Instead, it was about going out and getting great kids from the state of Texas and making a play for the best available players.

"Our coaches did a great job of running down leads," Rhule said. "I think there was a plan to it. We wanted to make sure we found enough. We had positions of need. Make sure you find enough of the other positions and still try to get the best available players."

Rhule would not have been able to do the job alone as he relied heavily on his support staff throughout the recruiting process.

Defensive line coach Elijah Robinson said that the recruiting process is all about relationships and how important it was for them as coaches to get out and get to know guys off the field.

"Our role is pretty much to identify players and go out and see the guys. We build relationships with their families and with their high school coaches," Robinson said.

In looking to boost its defensive resume from last season, Baylor has added seven defensive linemen, three linebackers, and four defensive backs.

Joining Baylor on the defensive line is two-time all-state defensive lineman Sanford, Fla. native DeMarco Artis, 247Sports' No. 276 national prospect Gonzalez, La. Justin Harris, Round Rock native James Lynch, Allen native Cole Maxwell, Houston lineman Chidi Ogbonnaya, Pennsville, N.J. lineman Rob Saulin and England, Ark. native B.J. Thompson.

Incoming linebackers are La Porte's own Terrel Bernard, Byron Jackson of Mansfield and Temple prospect Ashton Logan.

Logan is the lone 2017 prospect from the Central area. Rhule said that he was drawn to Logan because of his sheer athleticism.

"Ashton is a physical safety who will be developed into an outside linebacker prospect," Rhule said. His athleticism and explosiveness show on both field and basketball court. He's a hometown kid who is strong, physical and fast."

When Rhule started the recruiting trail, he had one commitment: Stafford safety Jalen Pitre and according to Robinson, Pitre is the embodiment of Baylor's mission statement.

Rhule even went as far to call him the "anchor" of the class for seeing through to his original commitment.

Joining Pitre in the defensive backfield are College Station cornerback Timarcus Davis, who is coming off of a torn ACL during his senior season. Cherry Hill, N.J., cornerback and Houston safety Trevon Lewis round out the 2017 defensive recruiting class.

Robinson said the goal in recruiting is to go and get versatile guys and that he and the coaching staff believe that they've brought in guys that fit that description.

"We recruit guys that are versatile and the guys we brought in have the chance to be that in our scheme," Robinson said.

The season is still a long way down the road, but Rhule believes that this class has what it takes to make an impact not only on the football field, but more importantly in the community.

"This is a special group, who believe in Baylor and our future. They'll have an opportunity to receive an elite education and be developed into outstanding football players," Rhule said. "These are not only high-character guys, they are leaders—who represent this university well, on the football field, in the classroom and in the community."

According to rivals.com, Baylor finished with the No. 32 overall recruiting class. The Bears will open their season on Sept. 2 against Liberty University.

### Offensive standouts join Baylor football

**JAKOB BRANDENBURG**  
Reporter

The first recruiting class of the Matt Rhule era at Baylor is officially in the books. On Wednesday, 27 players signed their National Letters of Intent to enroll and play football at Baylor next season.

Perhaps the most impressive thing about this class is that only one player was committed to play for Baylor when Rhule was hired as head coach in December.

At Baylor's National Signing Day press conference, Rhule explained how Baylor, despite recent turmoil, really sold itself to recruits.

"It's still an elite, not a great, an elite education," Rhule said. "It's still, everywhere you turn, championship-caliber athletics programs, championship-caliber facilities. There are so many kids that have grown up in the church, grown up with having a relationship with a God, and this is a place that sticks to its Christian core and Christian commitment."

Baylor football built its reputation on fast-paced, high-powered offenses, leading the country in scoring three straight seasons from 2013-15. This new class of offensive recruits, which includes three players in ESPN's top 300 prospects, is expected to return the Bears to their electrifying ways.

The quarterback position may be the highest profile spot in football. The signal caller for Baylor's 2017 class is Charlie Brewer from Lake Travis High School in Austin, TX. The 6'1" 190 pound Brewer set the national record for completion percentage and led Lake Travis to the 6A Division I State Championship this past season.

Brewer graduated high school early and is already enrolled at Baylor this semester. Rhule seemed confident in his new quarterback.

"For us, it was, hey, we believe that he has a chance to be a starting quarterback in the Big 12 and help us win the Big 12 Championship," Rhule said.

Joining Brewer in the backfield are running backs Abram Smith and Johnathan Lovett. Smith, Abilene High School's all-time leading rusher, is also already attending Baylor this spring. Lovett is a tall running back at 6'2" and

one of the highest rated players out of New Jersey.

Some of the highest-ranked signings in Baylor's class were at the receiver position. R.J. Sneed from Cypress Ranch High School in Cypress is 6'2" while also possessing ideal speed and agility. Trestan Ebner from Henderson runs a 4.40 in the 40 yard dash, making him one of the fastest players in the country. Rounding out the group of playmakers is All-State selection Gavin Holmes from Northwest High School just outside of Fort Worth.

Co-Offensive Coordinator Matt Lubick talked Wednesday about the new receiver group.

"They really have a chance to play early," Lubick said, "because they're intelligent, they have confidence in themselves and they work hard."

Skill players can't score without a solid offensive line, and that position seemed to be a point of emphasis for Rhule and his staff.

"[I'm] really excited to replenish the offensive and defensive lines and begin to build a foundation of a program that we can win up front with," Rhule said.

The headliner of the group is Xavier Newman from state power Desoto High School. ESPN has Newman ranked as the second best center in the country, and he's played at several different positions along the line.

Newman is joined by a pair of teammates from Carroll High School in Southlake in tackle Henry Klinge III and center Ryan Miller. Baylor also received signatures from tackle Eleasah Anderson out of Houston and 6'5, 320 pound Khalil Keith from Alpine, Ala. Completing the group is Jason Moore from Independence High School in Frisco. Moore chose Baylor over several offers from Ivy League schools.

Additional offensive aid may come from four-star athlete B.J. Thompson from England High School in Arkansas. The 6'6" Thompson played tight end and receiver in addition to defense and showed a penchant for out jumping defensive backs.

Lubick said it's still to be determined which side of the ball Thompson will play on.

"He is a guy that does have a great skill set, and I'd love to have him," Lubick said.

Following a month of hard work, Rhule and his staff had it pay off and put together a recruiting class full of on-field potential and young men eager to be agents of change at Baylor.



Rhule

### Soccer signs three in addition to early enrollees

**BEN EVERETT**  
Sports Writer

Baylor soccer added three new players for the 2017 season on Wednesday as a part of National Signing Day.

Sarah Bevington, Zionah Browne and Allyson Henderson joined early enrollees Emily Bunnell and Jennifer Wandt to round out the 2017 recruiting class for the Bears.

Head coach Paul Jobson says the team will benefit from the winning mentality of the newly-inked Bears.

"All these kids are winners," Jobson said. "They know how to win. They come from winning clubs. We're really excited to have them here. They are going to push the level of our team

from day one."

Bevington is a 6-foot center midfielder from Colorado who lettered 16 times in multiple sports during her high school career. She committed to play for Baylor her freshman year and says she is happy to make it official.

"It's been such a long time waiting and I finally got to sign," Bevington told 9news.com. "I finally get to fulfill my dreams and go to college."

As for on-field skill, Jobson says Bevington fills an important role as a tall midfielder.

"We're a team that likes to make the other team put the ball in the air," Jobson said. "So having a 6-footer in the middle of the field to help bring

that ball down is important for us. And Sarah's going to fill that role extremely well for us."

Browne, a striker from Houston, is adept at scoring, posting four goals for her high school in a game last week. Jobson says her scoring ability is a huge need for the Bears.

"We're solid in the back," Jobson said. "We definitely keep the ball out of the net, but we've got to find a way to get it into the other team's net, and Zi's going to help us do that."

Henderson is a midfielder from Wichita, Kan., and Jobson praised her toughness and defensive ability.

"She's a scrappy midfielder, tough as nails," Jobson said. "She's going to defend really well and help us keep

possession of the ball as we move forward."

Enrolling early, Bunnell and Wandt also bring needed skill sets to the 2017 Baylor soccer team. Each player graduated high school early in order to enroll at Baylor for the spring semester and get a head start on the fall season.

Bunnell, a midfielder from Minnesota, says she chose Baylor based on the community.

"The whole atmosphere down there is about community and family," Bunnell told the South Washington County Bulletin. "And I just liked that."

Jobson says Bunnell will join Henderson and Bevington in a

midfield-heavy class.

"She's going to be a scrappy midfielder for us, as well," Jobson said. "Tough, extremely athletic and knows how to win. She's got some great speed and just a great mentality and works great."

Lastly, Wandt is a goalkeeper from Milwaukee who Jobson says could earn some minutes right away.

"She's a goalkeeper who has tremendous athleticism," Jobson said. "She's going to fill in really well between the pipes for us and challenge as a freshman for that position."

The Bears will open the spring exhibition season at 2 p.m. on Feb. 25 against Houston.

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With under a minute remaining, the Bears fouled Kansas forward Svi Mykhailiuk, who made one of two at the free throw line to put the Jayhawks up 71-68.

The following possession, the Bears were unable to get a shot off as Mason III poked the ball away from Lecomte and Kansas went on to win 73-68.

Motley finished with a double-double of 16 points and 10 rebounds. Lecomte added 16 points, and Maston added 14 points off the bench. Jackson led the Jayhawks with 23 points and 11 rebounds.

The Bears look to bounce back against Kansas State at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Ferrell Center.



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**NAMED IN LAWSUIT** Baylor University Interim President Dr. David Garland watches play during an NCAA college basketball game against UCLA in Waco on Nov. 16, 2016.

# Ex-head of football operations at Baylor sues university

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WACO — The former director of football operations at Baylor University has filed a lawsuit arguing he was unfairly named as contributing to the school's mishandling of student sexual assault complaints.

Colin Shillinglaw's lawsuit in district court in Dallas County names the school, interim President David Garland and others as defendants. In the lawsuit filed Tuesday, Shillinglaw contends Baylor leaders and others were defamatory in unfairly blaming him when it was the university's public safety officials who were responsible for handling assault complaints.

Shillinglaw, who was fired last year, is seeking a jury trial and damages.

A Baylor spokesman said the lawsuit is without merit.

"We will defend the university aggressively," spokesman Jason Cook said. "We look forward to presenting our defense in a court of law."

Baylor has been broadly criticized for its response to assault complaints, including a series of claims against former football players.

Several lawsuits have been filed arising from the sexual assault scandal. One

filed last week in federal court by a former Baylor student alleges she was raped by two football players and that there were dozens more assaults of women involving other players.

Shillinglaw argues in his lawsuit that university regents have conducted interviews with various media that unfairly placed blame on the football program.

"All of these articles, which were published or referenced in various other news outlets across the country, continue to methodically create the narrative that the Baylor football program was out of control — a narrative that clearly defamed Mr. Shillinglaw or anyone else associated with the Baylor football staff and administration," the lawsuit contends.

An investigation last year by the law firm Pepper Hamilton found that the school mishandled assault claims for years. Football coach Art Briles was fired, school President Ken Starr was demoted and eventually left, and Ian McCaw resigned as athletic director.

Pepper Hamilton is named as a defendant in Shillinglaw's lawsuit.

# Win over Cyclones makes 20 in a row this season

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Redshirt senior guard Alexis Prince scored 22 points and the Lady Bears used a 13-2 run to open the third quarter to help them pull away from the Cyclones and earn an 83-52 victory over Iowa State on Wednesday night.

During the run, Prince connected on all three of her attempts from beyond the arc, and the Lady Bears were able to find their offensive rhythm.

Prince said she was just taking what the Cyclones' defense was giving her.

"Just trusting my shot," Prince said. "They're leaving the perimeter open, so we're just trying to hit the open shots."

Prince provided a much-needed boost offensively as redshirt senior guard Alexis Jones struggled shooting from the floor. Jones finished with 12 points but was just five of 16 from the field.

Mulkey said the key adjustment in the second half was just trusting in the offense and taking what the defense was giving them, which were perimeter jump shots.

"Just making shots," Mulkey said. "They were concerned about our post play. They packed it in there and let all our perimeter players have open looks, and we can shoot it."

Senior forward Nina Davis provided a strong effort on the offensive end for Mulkey. Davis finished with 13 points and grabbed eight rebounds.

Iowa State was able to keep it close throughout the first



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**LEAPING ABOVE THE CROWD** Baylor senior forward Nina Davis jumps in the air to retrieve the ball in a game on Feb. 1, 2017, in Ames, Iowa. Baylor won the game 83-52.

half, mostly due to the play of redshirt junior guard Jadda Buckley. She scored 13 points on five of eight shooting in the first 20 minutes. However, in the second half, the Lady Bears' defense held her to zero points and only two shot attempts. No other player finished in double figures scoring for Iowa State.

Buckley credits Baylor's defense for coming out in the second half with an inspired energy on defense.

"They came up with a lot

more pressure. A lot more aggressiveness," Buckley said.

After allowing two three-pointers in the first quarter to Buckley, Baylor held Iowa State to one of 16 on three-point attempts the rest of the game.

Despite a quiet eight-point, nine-rebound game for sophomore post Kalani Brown, Baylor controlled the glass, outrebounding Iowa State 46-29. The Lady Bears also took advantage of second chance opportunities,

outsourcing the Cyclones 19-2 and nullifying quality defensive possessions for Iowa State.

Iowa State dropped to 12-10 but 3-8 in Big 12 play. The Cyclones will take on No. 22 West Virginia at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Baylor, who won their 20th consecutive game, improves to 22-1, 11-0 in the Big 12. The Lady Bears will travel to Lubbock to take on Texas Tech at 2 p.m. Saturday.

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