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MARRIAGE MYTHS Nicholas Wolfinger, professor of family and consumer studies and adjunct professor of sociology at University of Utah, conducted a survey in response to an online movement saying that marriage is bad for men. The report shows that marriage does indeed make men happier, and that these marriages are occurring later rather than right after college.

Ring by spring?

Study shows marriage is more likely to occur later in life

MEGAN RULE
Staff Writer

A recent report from professors at the University of Utah and University of Virginia debunks the idea of ring by spring, a popular phrase used around campus.

"The majority of Americans will get married," said Nicholas Wolfinger, professor of family and consumer studies and adjunct professor of sociology at the University of Utah. "Fifty years ago, the expectation was 95 percent of people would get married. Now it's down to 85 percent which means more people still get married, they're just marrying way later than they used to."

Wolfinger, collaborator and conductor of the study, said the report was done as a response to the online movement Men Going Their Own Way that says marriage is bad for men. This movement has an online presence that supports the idea of men rejecting marriage and rejecting women altogether, claiming that marriage is too expensive and women will take away time and energy from men.

"This report was done in response to the people that say marriage is bad for men, and we wanted to show that married men are happier than single men," Wolfinger said. "It shows repeatedly that these myths are not true."

Even though Wolfinger believes marriage is actually beneficial, this study shows that ring by spring is de-bunked. People are marrying way later than they used to, Wolfinger said. The divorce rate is lower now than it was in 1981 at its peak, but it is still high by historical standards, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. Wolfinger said that by combining divorce and the later ages in which people get married, people are now spending less of their lives married.

"I think now a lot of kids are growing up in broken homes and know the struggles that come with that, and they don't want their

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Baylor alumna pens three best-sellers

AMANDA HARGETT-GRANATO
Reporter

Every day after she drops off her three kids at school, author Candice Millard gets to become a detective at her desk. Delving into lost details of history, Millard has worked to bring light to fascinating, forgotten stories, and her work has paid off.

Millard has published three New York Times bestselling books, and her most recent work, "Hero of the Empire: The Boer War, a Daring Escape and the Making of Winston Churchill," was named Amazon's best history book of 2016.

Millard completed her undergraduate degree at Baker University in Kansas and then spent two years at Baylor to earn her master's degree in literature.

"Working on my thesis and taking my final exams are what I remember the most [about Baylor]," Millard said. "It was great because everybody in the program came together. I'm pretty much a person who works on my own, and it was a really great experience for me, working closely with other graduate students all in the same boat."

Entering the Baylor graduate English program on a full scholarship, Millard worked in the Writing Center and as a teaching assistant during her two years on campus. Wanting to immerse herself in literature rather than critique it, Millard said the emphasis on literary criticism pulled her away from wanting to teach and toward



Millard

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Communities in Schools looks to hire tutors, mentors

RYLEE SEAVERS
Staff Writer

Communities in Schools is recruiting Baylor students to work as tutors in local schools. According to Communities in Schools' website, it is the nation's largest and most effective dropout prevention organization.

Communities in Schools' goal is to keep children in school, said Courtney Powell, volunteer director. Its mission is to surround students

with support which will empower them to complete their education, Powell said. The tutoring program is a part of that mission because it gives students the academic support they need to do well in school.

"The students that we serve are generally an at risk population. Essentially, the students have to meet the state of Texas's definition of 'at risk' to receive our services, and tutoring is one of those services,"

Powell said.

Texas has 13 individual criteria that classify a student as 'at risk,' including being held back or being expelled. Ninety-nine percent of the students that Communities in Schools serves, stay in school, and 97 percent graduate on time, according to a Communities in Schools report.

Waco has a large population of at-risk students, which was one of the reasons Communities in Schools

chose to work in the Waco school district, Powell said. It is vital that those students are surrounded by support Powell said.

Communities in Schools has federal work study positions and volunteer tutoring positions available. Work study tutors focus on math and reading, and volunteer tutors can choose any subject.

"Especially if you're an education major. It's really great experience in

the classroom, one on one, working with kids," Powell said.

Tutors make their own schedule according to their classes, said Wichita Falls senior and Communities in Schools tutoring manager, Ethan Talley. Talley works with high school students and primarily focuses on math.

"It never crossed my mind that I wasn't gonna go to college. A lot of

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Baylor play-by-play to cover baseball

MEGAN RULE
Staff Writer

Baylor Lariat Radio listeners looking to hear about Baylor baseball are now in luck, as the radio station just added baseball to its lineup, making it the fourth sport the radio covers.

"I think in broadcasting, it's just doing broadcast and getting that experience and learning from your mistakes," said John Morris, assistant athletic director for broadcasting and "Voice of the Baylor Bears." "In broadcasting, it's doing a lot of games and doing a lot of broadcasts that help you learn from your mistakes and get

better from it, so I think this is a great learning laboratory for broadcasters."

Morris said radio coverage of sports is a constant that will always be there. Even as the media world evolves and develops, radio is always there, Morris said.

"I think this is a great attribute to what the university is doing in regards to the notoriety and the publicity that they're giving all of their sports," said Steve Rodriguez, head coach of the Baylor baseball team. "For me, it's an honor for them to take initiative and allow this team to be part of everything



Joshua Kim | Cartoonist

EXPANDING COVERAGE Baylor Lariat Radio began in February 2016 and has since expanded to include Baylor football, men's and women's basketball and now Baylor Bears baseball coverage.

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COLUMN

Galentine's Day can be all-inclusive

GENESIS LARIN
Assistant News Editor

It's that time of year again, where couples are showcasing their deepest affection all over social media, and single people are cringing at these exaggerated attempts.

It seems that you experience Valentine's Day through one of those lenses.

However, the day of love doesn't have to mean showing or sharing love with a significant other; it can also mean showing your love and appreciation for your friends.

Celebrating Valentine's Day with your friends is typically known as Galentine's Day. While Galentine's Day is usually thought of as women celebrating Valentine's Day, Galentine's Day can be celebrated by both men and women.

Also, Galentine's Day is inclusive to everyone regardless of your relationship status. Unlike the traditional celebration of Valentine's Day, Galentine's Day does not have an assumed expectation of how the day should be spent.

Celebrating with your friends can be as simple as hanging out with each other and eating takeout. No overpriced flowers and chocolate required.

Even if you are in a relationship and have Valentine's Day plans, you can still celebrate Galentine's Day the day before, which is when it is usually celebrated. It is important to not only show your significant other love and affection, but also your friends.

Being in a relationship offers countless opportunities to show that person how much you love and appreciate them. But there really isn't a day where you are able to tell your friends how much you appreciate them and care for them.

Celebrating Galentine's Day allows you to tell that person who you've known and who has been there for you that they are a special person in your life.

Your relationship with your friends will probably last longer than your intimate relationship and will have a special meaning that your intimate relationship doesn't. So why not celebrate that friendship in addition to your intimate relationship?

This year, instead of stressing about the expectations of a romantic date night or hiding out in your room to avoid seeing florid displays of affection, go out with your friends and revel in your friendship.

If you are an engaged couple, there isn't a need to celebrate Valentine's Day in a traditional and cliché way.

Ladies, you got the ring, and fellas, she said yes. There isn't a need to make a big impression.

If you are married, then you have probably not only professed your love, but also made lifelong promises to each other about that love.

Therefore, celebrating Valentine's Day shouldn't be an extravagant occasion because, ideally, you'd be showing your husband or wife how special and loved they are every day.

Valentine's Day isn't for everyone, but Galentine's Day can be. This year, show your friends some love and spend time with them.

After all y'all have been through, both of you deserve to have a day where you can tell one another how glad you are that you are in each other's lives.

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EDITORIAL

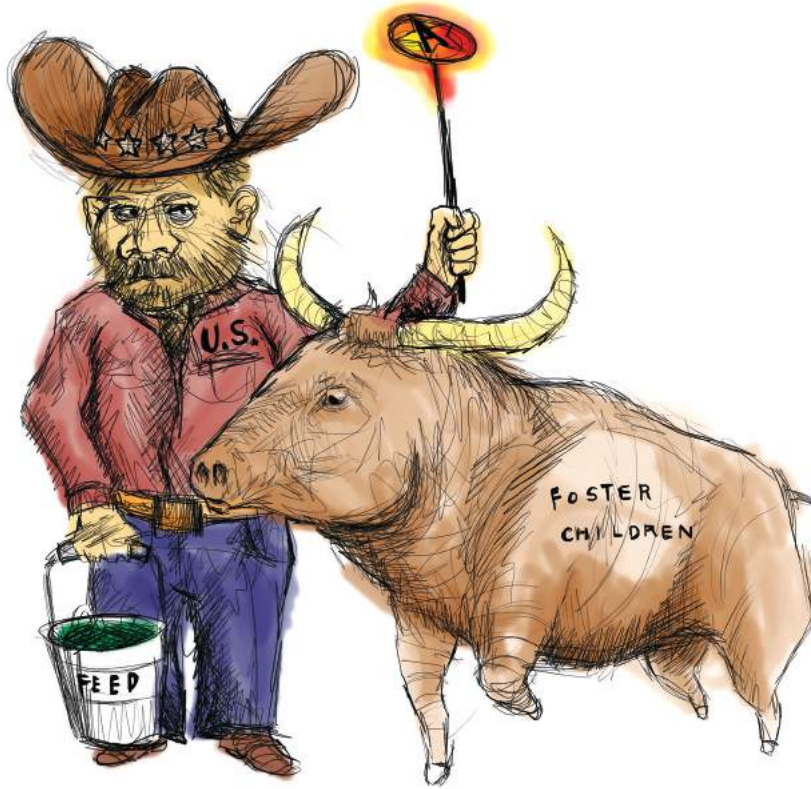
Focus on foster care reform

The current state of foster care in the United States is not acceptable. Children are distraught, forgotten and mistreated by the system that is meant to protect them. While foster care has received many years of reform and change, there is still much room for extensive improvement.

According to the official U.S. Department of Welfare's child and family services website, childwelfare.gov, the goal of child welfare and the subsequent foster system is to "promote the well-being, permanency, and safety of children and families by helping families care for their children successfully or, when that is not possible, helping children find permanency with kin or adoptive families." While this mission is admirable, the current reality is that the child welfare system falls short of such aspirations. In fact, the number of children in the foster care system has steadily increased since 2012, according to the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System 2015 report, demonstrating the growing need for the system to work correctly.

Children find themselves in the foster care system for different reasons — most often because the parents are either unable or unwilling to care for their children, and the children rarely return to their parents' custody. According to childwelfare.gov, sometimes they end up living with a relative, but for hundreds of thousands of children, this means foster care. Children need to be placed in forever homes, not temporary ones.

These temporary homes can include family foster homes,



Joshua Kim | Cartoonist

group homes and short-term relative care to provide shelter and daily necessities. These homes are subject to an assessment and licensing process and are given a monthly stipend to help them take care of foster children in their care, according to childwelfare.gov. While in the foster system, children are usually in the custody of the state, legally. The end goal, however, is a permanent home for each child.

A staggering 26 percent of foster children are between the ages of 11 and 16, the prime of adolescence, according to the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System 2015 report. During this developmental stage, children are highly self-conscious

but also tend to think that they are independent and display erratic behavior, such as mood swings and resentment toward authority figures. While they are going through the emotional stress of being separated from a family unit, at the same time they are dealing with natural chemistry of their bodies. In order to deal with these behaviors, those who take on children of this age must be properly trained and prepared for foster children.

Children in the foster care system are often subject to poor foster home conditions and red tape that deter them from finding forever homes.

"Our foster care system in America is broken," Anastasia

Deeter, licensed clinical social worker and former foster care youth, said in an interview with the Dallas Morning News. "We envision a system of protection, but it rarely sufficiently safeguards the children and families it claims to serve, only harming further and inflicting significant trauma. From my experience and observations, I believe that the child protection system in this state and nationwide needs a comprehensive top-to-bottom restructure."

Like Deeter argues, part of the problem is that voices of reform are not taken into consideration. This includes, in large part, the voices and suggestions of former foster youths such as Deeter. Their suggestions include accountability for foster parents and not expecting youths to be able to take care of themselves with little direction after turning 18.

Foster Youth in Action is an organization made up of smaller groups of adults who have gone through the foster system and want to advocate change. Instead of business people and politicians making decisions about a system most of them have had no experience in, policy makers should turn to former foster youths to begin the process of change.

The Children's Rights organization also works to spark foster care reform by investigating issues, forming legal cases, suggesting plans for change and monitoring that progress.

The United States needs to recognize that the current foster care system is doing more harm than good to its youngest and most vulnerable citizens. Only then can steps toward real and lasting change be made.

COLUMN

The news needs to be informative

News media might not be fake, but it's definitely biased

GAVIN RODGER
Reporter

There is no point in watching the news. At least it feels that way. Every news channel appears to have a political agenda, which is shown through stretching the truth, leaving something out, or even worse, fabricating a story.

Does President Donald Trump have a valid point when he accuses the media of creating "fake news?" Either way, I'm sick and tired of it. I want to be an informed American citizen, and I don't know where to go for that anymore.

How many of you have voted for someone at the federal, state or local level that you didn't know anything about, besides whether they were Republican or Democrat?

I think that most citizens want to be fully informed when we head to the polls on Election Day. But how are we supposed to gather information on our candidates if all our information comes from news stations that have political agendas?

Some people might be quick to point out a news station that they think is fair and balanced

such as CNN, MSNBC or Fox News. However, I would tell them that I don't think those types of news stations and television hosts exist anymore, and if so, they're dwindling.

For example, CNN was forced to cut ties with Donna Brazile, a former commentator and interim Democratic National Committee chair, after she leaked questions to Hillary Clinton's campaign before Clinton's face off against Donald Trump in a debate, according to multiple news outlets including the Washington Post. Fox News host Sean Hannity gave misleading information about the Benghazi attack, claiming U.S. troops had to change their clothes four times during a stand-down order, according to PolitiFact. And former NBC host Brian Williams was suspended for six months without pay for wrongly reporting being under fire during the Iraq War.

President Trump has been the president of the United States for more than three weeks now. It's been months since the election. Yet, regardless of who one voted for, I have heard many of my peers claim since then that they may have voted in a different way had they been more well-informed by the news media.

I remember watching the breaking news about WikiLeaks when they released their new revelations about Hillary Clinton and the Democratic Party. I wanted to find out more. I

wanted to be more informed. I turned on CNN, and they weren't even talking about it, so I figured I would tune into Fox News. Within five minutes of doing so, I think I heard the phrase "lock her up" a half dozen times and the word "prison" a dozen times.

The point is, I could never fully understand the significance of what WikiLeaks had discovered and if it was truly significant at all. When I voted on Election Day, I voted without the full story. I blame the media for this. One side of the news media was ignoring the issue entirely, while the other side failed to recognize the fact that WikiLeaks was posing a threat to our democracy by attempting to sway the United States general election.

It is time for someone in the news media to speak up and just report the facts. I don't want to make decisions on who to vote for based on a candidate's party affiliation.

I want to gather the facts, base them on my own political, spiritual and emotional beliefs, and check the person's name on my ballot who I am 100 percent informed on and who resembles my beliefs the most. Is that too much to ask? I truly hope not.

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Historic church closes, bought as venue space

JOY MOTON
Staff Writer

St. James Methodist Church shared tears of joy, prayers and fellowship for the de-consecration service that would close its doors as a church for good.

The historically black church on Clay Avenue is one of the remaining three churches in Waco built by slaves. After the remaining congregation of 20-30 people could not keep up with utility payments for the massive, two-story building, they had to put it up for sale.

After months of searching for a small space for an antique business, Lane and Amy Murphy decided to take a look at the beautiful church building they had heard about through Robert Darden, professor in the department of journalism, public relations and new media. The stained glassed windows, rooms filled with the church's history and original carvings in the seats from people who sat there in the 1920s captivated the couple.

"We came and looked and just fell in love with it and thought, 'Maybe that other stuff will happen, but this might be our antique that needs preserving,'" Lane Murphy said.

In the 1920s, many of the neighborhoods in downtown Waco were predominantly black. Dr. Kenneth Hafertepe, chair of the department of museum studies, said it is hard to tell now because many of the historically black churches and neighborhoods have been torn down due to factors such as a the tornado of 1953 and the Urban Renewal Policy that said communities could get rid of poverty by tearing down old buildings and replacing them with new ones. Considering the strong presence of lynchings and social injustice in Waco during that period of time, Hafertepe said he sees the old buildings as symbols of the courage and perseverance of the slaves who built them.

"A lot of those have fallen to the wayside.

There are a few left, and this is a great survivor," Hafertepe said. "It's really a testament to the faith and determination of the people who built it."

The Murphys purchased the building and decided to preserve its rich history as well as its original architecture. They only plan to make structural changes that will preserve the building as opposed to changing it because they appreciate its historic character, Amy Murphy said.

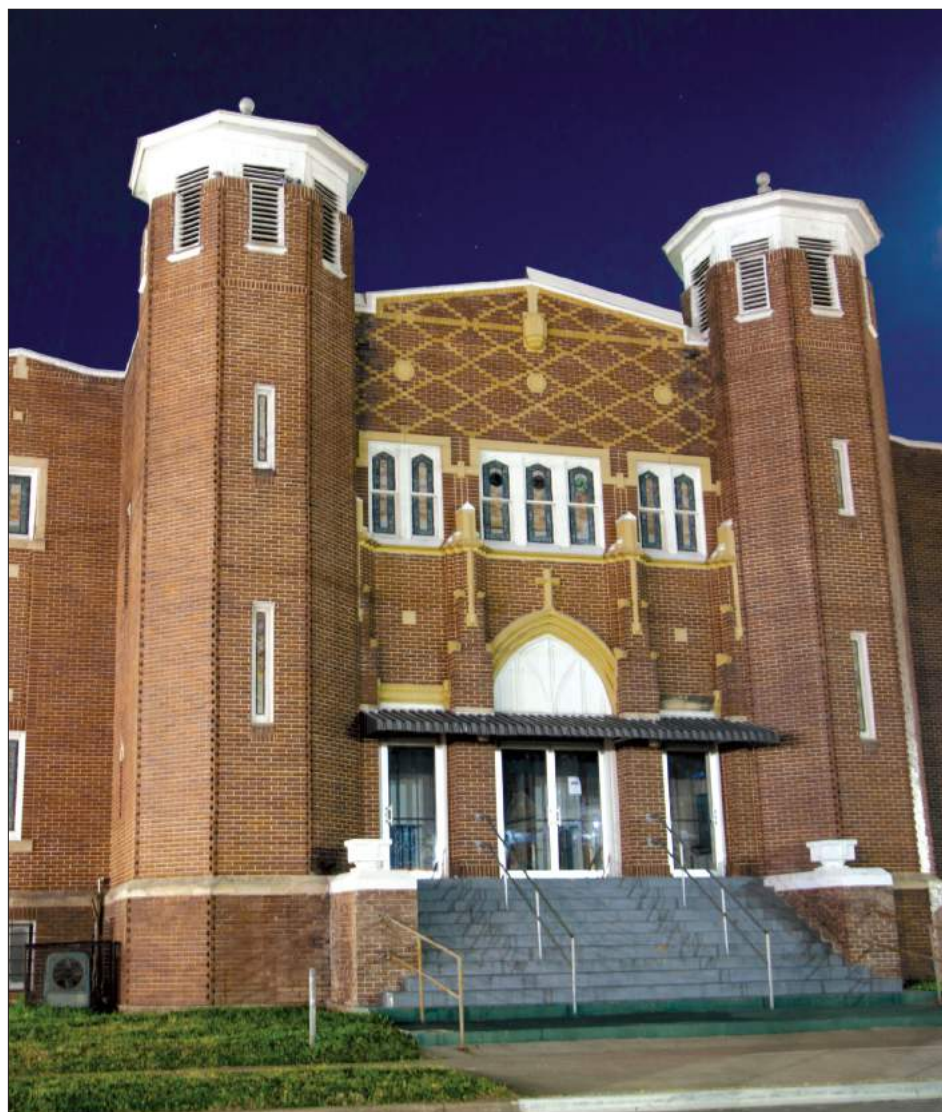
"You can't even build this character anymore, and you can't build the history, the sweat and the blood that went into creating a place like this," Amy Murphy said. "To tear it down would be such a disgrace and dishonor. So hopefully preserving it will speak volumes to the community about what it means for us to be a community in Waco and to care about things that really do matter."

The couple is considering using the space as a venue for concerts, weddings, theatrics, students activities, lectures art, nonprofits and any other ideas that people may have, they said.

"We want to do gospel brunches and things around the topic of reconciling race in Waco and have opportunities for folks who wouldn't normally run in the same circles to be a part of each other's lives and really promote unity and love in this place," Amy Murphy said.

The building can be rented as is, but renovations will be complete by May 2018. People who are interested in renting out the building can email Lane_Murphy@baylor.edu or visit www.2ndandclay.com.

"I think, in society, we tend to tear down beautiful things even to make or create exactly what we're looking for instant gratification, and it's just harder to [see] something that's beautiful that already exists and reconstruct it to meet your needs," Amy Murphy said.



DayDay Wynn | Lariat Photographer

WHEN A CHURCH CLOSSES St. James Methodist Church, one of the three remaining historically black churches in Waco, closed its doors after the last 20-30 church members could not keep up with the utility payments. Lane and Amy Murphy bought the church in hopes of it becoming a venue. The church built by slaves will be preserved and available to be rented May 2018.

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kids to go through it," League City sophomore Alex Lord said. "They want to wait to better the chances of the marriage lasting."

Wolfinger identified a few reasons for why marriage isn't as common right out of college, in addition to Men Going Their Own Way's reasons. He said the social landscape has changed the world of marriage in that male wages have declined, it is now normal to live with someone

before marriage and women, in particular, want to focus on careers.

"I think that the ring by spring trend is dying because our generation is more selfish than previous generations, and I don't mean selfish in a bad way at all," Fort Collins, Colo., sophomore Cacey Vigil said. "What I mean by selfish is that we are more concerned about following our dreams and our future careers. Yes, we still worry about relationships, but

it's not as big of a deal as it was with previous generations."

Wolfinger said that where the norm used to be a case of finishing school and getting married, it is now finishing school and going into a career, then considering marriage once the career is going well.

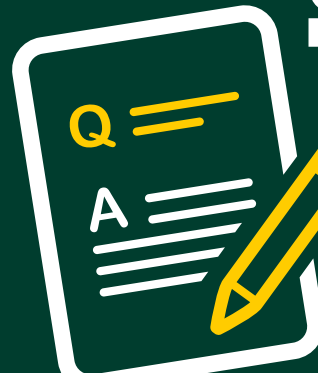
"As young adults in this day in age, we all want to be successful at a young age, and most of our time is put into creating our own brand and

working our way up in a company or even starting out own." Vigil said. "We don't have time to think about getting married or having kids and starting a family. We are more concerned about ourselves."

Wolfinger conducted the report with W. Bradford Wilcox, professor of sociology and director of the National Marriage Project at the University of Virginia. Wolfinger's other studies include the topics of

the age of marriage and divorce and the link in premarital sex and marital stability.

"I've been doing work on marriage and divorce for years," Wolfinger said. "This [marriage is bad for men research] is not original research; this is all just propaganda. It's us trying to argue a point."



Social Climate Survey Q&A

Q: How do I access the survey?


A: Check your email; Institutional Research sent a link to the survey on Jan. 31. Don't see it? Check your clutter folder or your deleted messages. If you still can't find the email, contact Jana_Marak@baylor.edu to receive a new link.

Q: Will my name be associated with my answers?

A: No. This survey is confidential. Your name, email and student identification number will not be linked to your responses.


Q: What kinds of questions are in the survey?

A: You will be asked about campus safety, social interaction and University resources.



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Take the Social Climate Survey Today

Last chance to be entered to win!

All students who take the survey before February 15 will be entered in a drawing. Fifty students will win a \$20 Amazon gift card.

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writing. “[Baylor] really launched me into writing,” Millard said. “I had gone in thinking I was going to be a teacher and came out wanting to see if I could write.”

After receiving her master’s degree in 1992, Millard went on to work for National Geographic magazine in Washington, D.C. While at the magazine, writers were divided into specialties, and Millard worked with a handful of others looking for and vetting stories about history and biography.

“I feel that was my real education for what I do now,” Millard said. “I spent a lot of time thinking about the subject, so I had all of these ideas swirling around in my head.”

Millard married Mark Uhlig in 2001 while she was still working for National Geographic. Uhlig, a former foreign correspondent for the New York Times, owns his own publishing company in Millard’s home state of Kansas.

“I didn’t want to leave my job because I loved it, and I worked really hard to get it,” Millard said. “I couldn’t think of anything in Kansas that would be as interesting and fun, and then I thought of the idea for my first book.”

Millard’s three books focus on interesting and little-known tales in history. Although her books tell stories of Theodore Roosevelt, James Garfield and Winston Churchill, respectively, Millard said it was never her intention to write stories about world leaders.

“It was just coincidence, honestly,” Millard said. “I was looking for great stories. With Roosevelt, I was interested in writing about the Amazon, and I came across this interesting story that had drowning and murder and Roosevelt almost losing his life.”

The coincidence would eventually turn into Millard’s first book, “The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt’s Darkest Journey.” She said she doesn’t write full biographies but prefers to focus on slice-of-life stories that illuminate a person’s character. With her second book, she

intended to write about Alexander Graham Bell but stumbled upon the mostly obscure life of U.S. President Andrew Garfield.

“I started researching [Garfield] and couldn’t believe how extraordinary he was,” Millard said. “Brave, kind, decent and completely forgotten.”

Rockwall senior Anabel Burke, a history major, said there is a debate among historians in the academic world about the merit of writing “popular history,” or history written for an everyday audience.

“I think everyone should be reading history books,” Burke said. “History contextualizes the world that you live in, and it’s all related.”

Burke said she thinks writing about novel historical events is a worthy endeavor and may be an entry point for the average person to learn more about history.

“A lot of getting people interested in history is pointing out fun and interesting things that happened,” Burke said. “It can get people’s interest at first and then they might be prompted to explore the topic further and learn more.”

Despite her success, Millard says the process of writing is not always easy.

“The first few drafts are going to be awful. I’m not Mozart, and it doesn’t come out a symphony by any stretch,” Millard said. “Getting the rhythm of it and the pacing and word choice is difficult. You just have to start and pound it out and then the fun comes in shaping and editing it and spending time with it.”

All three of Millard’s books have been received positively, and not only with the New York Times. She has won six awards, and her books have been translated into four different languages.

“I’ve learned that you don’t go at it thinking, ‘I want to write a New York Times best-seller,’” Millard said. “You have to think: ‘I love this story and I can work on it for three, four, five years, and I can’t wait to work on it.’ If you don’t, it’s never going to come across to the reader.”

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they’ve been doing at the university.”

Baylor Lariat Radio was the first to bring student play-by-play of men’s basketball, women’s basketball and Baylor football.

“Nothing beats experience,” said David Smoak, program director and talk show host on ESPN Central Texas. “You still have to have the talent and the knowledge and the ability to do what you do well. By origin, this and having the experience of doing games, when the time comes to graduate, students are going to have already done experience. It’s live, and I cannot stress that part enough.”

Smoak said that to see college stations like Baylor’s growing is

incredible. Smoak said when he was in college, he had a chance to work at an on-campus radio station in addition to getting a degree, and it gave him the chance to walk in the door. Smoak said he used to go to college games with microphone in front of him and a tape recorder to practice giving himself the live experience of play-by-play. For students to have the opportunity to do live play-by-play is a completely different experience that shows the reality of the what the job is like, Smoak said.

“I think this is great. When I was in school, KWBU, the campus radio station, was student run and that was before it was NPR,” Morris

said. “When I was in school, we did women’s basketball, we did volleyball, and we did baseball on the radio because they weren’t on any commercial station, and it was great experience, so I think it’s great. I love opportunities for students to get practical experience. In broadcast practical experience is big.”

Play-by-play coverage will begin with the first home game at 6:05 p.m. on Friday with a 30-minute pregame show, said Jordan Smith, Lariat sports editor and Baylor Lariat Radio play-by-play commentator. The Bears will be playing the Niagara University Purple Eagles at 6:35 p.m. Friday at Baylor Ballpark.

“I Love You Bunches”



Jessica Hubble | Lariat Photographer

LOVE IS IN THE AIR Baylor Tau Kappa Epsilon sold red carnations on Fountain Mall Monday and will continue sales today for Valentine’s Day.

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these kids may not even consider it,” Talley said.

Talley also said that being around college students exposes younger students to the idea of going to college themselves. He said the main goal of the program is to get students into some type of higher education.

El Paso senior Samantha Fernandez has been a Communities in Schools tutor for a year and said

helping students realize their abilities and achieve success is the most fulfilling part of her job.

“It is everything to me to be able to sit there and just work with someone and let them know that they can do it,” Fernandez said. “When they get simple things, like when they understand something in math, you can see it in their eyes that they feel like they accomplished something.”

For those not interested in tutoring positions, Communities in Schools also has mentoring opportunities available. Mentoring focuses less on academics and more on building friendships with students.

Information about all these opportunities can be found at communitiesinschools.org.

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Ensemble to jazz up Jones

CAROLINE BENTLEY
Reporter

Baylor University's Concert Jazz Ensemble will present its first concert of the spring semester on Thursday evening at Jones Concert Hall.

The Concert Jazz Ensemble performs a variety of songs all stemming from the traditional genre of jazz. As an instrumental ensemble, there are no vocalists singing during each piece, but vocalist Heather Boswell will sing a piece between performances.

"[The Concert Jazz Ensemble] provides students with the opportunity to put into practical use

the information discussed in their improvisation classes, the arranging classes and the jazz history class," according to the School of Music's website.

The Concert Jazz Ensemble performs at Baylor events and community events. It is an audition-based group, with multiple auditions held throughout the year. For the 2016-17 school year, there are 19 members.

This particular jazz ensemble is an extracurricular activity, meaning you do not have to be a certain major to participate, though it helps to have a musical background.

According to the School of Music

website, the Baylor Concert Jazz Ensemble, "Provides students with the opportunity to play the music of the swing era to the music of cutting edge big bands of today."

The Concert Jazz Ensemble is an organization that both students and citizens of Waco enjoy. Both groups have a diverse audience and fan base.

"Jazz music is one of my favorite genres of music," said Phoenix graduate student Josh Davis. "I grew up listening to it because my dad liked it, so it's nice to be able to have the opportunity to listen to a concert away from home."

Pieces that will be performed in the concert range from Myles

Collins' arrangement of "Broadway" by Billy Byrd, Dizzy Gillespie's "Oop Bop Sh'Bam" arranged by Gil Fuller, Pat Metheny's "Always and Forever" arranged by Bob Curnow and David Berger's arrangement of "Rumpus in Richmond."

"The Jazz Ensemble is a great concert to listen to, and the pieces they have lined up are incredible. It's different than the 'typical' type of music in Waco," said former Baylor University student Kevin Engelbrecht.

The concert is free and it is open to the public. The Ensemble's performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. and last until 9 p.m.

This week in Waco:

>> Today

Noon-4:15 p.m. — Dr Pepper Valentine's Day Special. Half-priced admission. Dr Pepper Museum & Free Enterprise Institute.

5 p.m. — A Dichotomous Valentine's. Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits.

5:30-7 p.m. — Valentine's Night Out. World Cup Cafe, 1321 N. 15th St.

6-8 p.m. — Valentine's Day Dinner. Live entertainment and carriage rides. Hilton Waco.

6:30-8:30 p.m. — Barnett's Valentine's Dinner. Barnett's Public House, 420 Franklin Ave.

6:30-8 p.m. — Blake Adams, The Mentalist. \$5 admission. Waco Hippodrome.

Flours for Valentine's Day



Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

DINNER DATE A popular attraction for Valentine's Day is tortilla tossing at the Waco Suspension Bridge. If you both land a tortilla on the pylon, it's rumored that you'll get your ring by spring.

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 - 11 Bygone intl. carrier
 - 14 Face in the crowd, in film
 - 15 With no help
 - 16 A, in Aachen
 - 17 Crude early version of a work of art
 - 19 Bottom-row PC key
 - 20 Natural saline additive
 - 21 Slightly
 - 23 Financial claim
 - 26 Coin-in-a-fountain thought
 - 28 Pakistani language
 - 29 "The Lord of the Rings" beast
 - 30 Computer programming glitch
 - 33 What marathoners load up on
 - 35 WWII conference site
 - 36 Like swimming competitions
 - 39 Getting by
 - 43 Rants and raves
 - 45 Bold
 - 46 New York City zoo locale
 - 51 Slithery fish
 - 52 Et __: and others
 - 53 Harp constellation
 - 54 Daly of "Cagney & Lacey"
 - 55 Sun protection for kissers?
 - 58 Former Russian ruler
 - 60 "___ no use!"
 - 61 Lakeside launching aid ... and, literally, each set of circled letters
 - 66 Pot pie veggie
 - 67 When Macbeth kills Duncan
 - 68 French-speaking Caribbean country
 - 69 FDR successor
 - 70 2000s TV series set in California
 - 71 Snooze

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- 5 Satirist Mort
- 6 Secret agent's passport, say
- 7 Some craft beer
- 8 Advanced in one's career
- 9 At no addl. cost
- 10 Grape soda brand
- 11 Italian playhouse
- 12 "I'm on it, boss"
- 13 Pre-poker deal demand
- 18 Planted, as seed
- 22 New Orleans university
- 23 "Livin' La Vida ___": Ricky Martin hit
- 24 Baghdad's land
- 25 Beige shade
- 27 Crafty
- 30 To be, in Barcelona
- 31 ___-mo replay
- 32 Perform miserably
- 34 Bill for drinks
- 37 "Hometown Proud"
- supermarket chain
- 38 Roomie in prison
- 40 Earl ___ tea
- 41 Pizza cooker
- 42 Actor Chandler of "Bloodline"
- 44 CIA operative
- 46 Muslim bigwig
- 47 Upper crust groups
- 48 Attacks, puppy-style
- 49 Super cold
- 50 Motorola phone
- 54 ___ by jury
- 56 Blind as ___
- 57 Ness, for one
- 59 Massage reactions
- 62 Padre's brother
- 63 Whopper
- 64 Summer, in 68-Across
- 65 Fabric mishap



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Baylor falls to Texas Tech 84-78

BEN EVERETT
Sports Writer

No. 4 Baylor men's basketball fell to Texas Tech 84-78 Monday night in Lubbock.

The Bears (22-4, 9-4) got a career performance from sophomore forward Terry Maston but were unable to overcome foul trouble and the Red Raiders' (17-9, 5-8) hot shooting.

The Red Raiders started strong, scoring the first six points of the game and prompting Baylor head coach Scott Drew to call a timeout just two minutes in.

Texas Tech didn't stop, however, as junior forward Zach Smith drained a three-pointer, and junior guard Keenan Evans knocked down a mid-range jumper to give the Red Raiders an 11-0 advantage.

Substitutions helped the Bears early as Maston came off the bench and scored the first four points of the game for Baylor.

Maston continued to operate as the focal point of the offense, knocking down two free throws and scoring on a layup and a floater to cut the lead to 18-15 midway through the first half.

Smith hit a three at the end of the shot clock to give the Red Raiders a 26-22 lead, but Baylor junior guard Manu Lecomte scored seven straight points to give the Bears their first lead with five minutes remaining in the half.

The Bears closed the half on

a 7-0 run including a three and pull-up jumper from Lecomte to give Baylor a 36-32 lead at the end of the first period.

Baylor junior forward Johnathan Motley, the team's leading scorer, was held scoreless in the first half while Maston and Lecomte led the team with 12 points each.

The Bears jumped out quickly in the second half as sophomore guard King McClure drove the lane for two and Motley found junior forward Jo Lual-Acuil Jr. for the alley-oop to give Baylor a 40-33 lead.

Motley began to find his groove after the break, scoring on a layup, a jumper and at the foul line to extend the Bears' lead to 46-37 just four minutes into the second half.

The Red Raiders fought back into the game with junior guard Niam Stevenson converted on an and-one while junior forward Justin Gray and Evans each chalked up two at the line to cut the Baylor lead to two.

Maston scored six-straight points for the Bears to make it a 59-53 game, but Texas Tech fought back again with Gray scoring on a put back and a free throw to make it a three point game.

With eight minutes remaining, Lecomte was called for an offensive foul and a technical after exchanging words with an official, fouling him out of the game.

The Red Raiders stormed back into the lead following the technical foul, with senior forward Aaron Ross scoring seven points to give Texas Tech



Associated Press

A LOOK OF CONFUSION Baylor junior guard Manu Lecomte and senior forward Ishmael Wainright sit on the bench at the end of a game against Texas Tech on Feb. 13 in Lubbock. Baylor lost the game 84-78.

a 69-63 advantage with four minutes remaining.

Gray nailed a jumper with one minute remaining to give the Red Raiders a nine-point

lead. A dunk from Lual-Acuil Jr. made it an 80-75 game with 27 seconds left, but Texas Tech iced the game with free throws to win it 84-78.

Maston scored a career-high 22 points on 7-for-11 shooting to lead the Bears while Evans led the Red Raiders with 23 points including 11-for-14

from the free throw line.

The Bears look to bounce back as they face No. 3 Kansas at 12 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

Baylor vs. Texas Tech Box Score

	1st half	2nd half	FINAL
No. 4 BAYLOR	36	42	78
Texas Tech	32	52	84

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KICKING IT INTO SECOND GEAR Baylor junior guard Manu Lecomte is getting ready to drive the lane in a game against the TCU Horned Frogs on Feb. 11 in Waco. Baylor won the game 70-52.

Lecomte earns third Big 12 award

NATHAN KEIL
Sports Writer

On Saturday, for the first time in history, the NCAA selection committee divulged the top four seeds in each region of the upcoming NCAA tournament. Finding its spot as the third-ranked, No. 1 seed was Baylor men's basketball.

Later that day, Baylor completely smothered TCU 70-52 at the Ferrell Center behind junior forward Johnathan Motley's 25 points.

On Monday, the accolades continued. The Big 12 conference office announced that junior guard Manu

Lecomte earned the Phillips 66 Big 12 Newcomer of the Week award for the third time this season. He previously took the honor on Nov. 4 and on Jan. 3.

In Wednesday's 72-69 win in Stillwater, Okla., against Oklahoma State, Baylor head coach Scott Drew called on Lecomte even more than usual. Lecomte played 37 of 40 minutes, seven more than his average of 30 per game this season. His 15 points was second on the team behind Motley's 24, but he tossed in four assists and a steal.

Perhaps his most important contribution was his poise at the free throw line down the stretch. After the Cowboys

went on a late 12-0 spurt to cut Baylor's lead to just one, Lecomte stepped up and hit two free throws that forced Oklahoma State to go for the three and the tie. Both attempts by the Cowboys were off the mark.

Drew said the team's toughness down the stretch was the key, including Lecomte's composure at the line.

"Jake's [Lindsey] toughness and Ishmail's [Wainright] toughness down the stretch to keep it together and keep poise was great," Drew said. "Manu [Lecomte] could have missed those free throws, but he stuck together and made those.

Especially after what had just occurred, we could have easily rattled and lost this thing very easily."

Against TCU, Lecomte once again was asked to play extra minutes, contributing 32 minutes on the court. He was an efficient six of 11 shooting and connected on three of his six 3-point attempts. He finished with 17 points, two assists and one steal. He also did not commit a turnover against the Horned Frogs, something that bothered him in his play down the stretch against the Cowboys.

"At the end, it was me who turned the ball over twice in a row," Lecomte said. "We can't

afford that, but hopefully we can learn from that."

On the season, Lecomte has a nearly two-to-one assist to turnover ratio. However, in Big 12 play, his ratio is nearly one-to-one. Yet, the way he handled the pressure and took care of the ball on Saturday is a good omen for Lecomte and the Bears moving forward with matchups against Kansas and West Virginia, two teams that can pressure the ball and force turnovers on the horizon.

Before the rematch with Kansas on Saturday, the Bears had to hit the road to Lubbock against a tough Texas Tech team. The Red Raiders were coming off a heartbreaking

80-79 loss at home to the Jayhawks and pushed Baylor for 40 minutes before the Bears prevailed 65-61 on Jan. 25.

Lecomte was just three of 11 shooting in the first meeting for 10 points but did contribute five assists in 36 minutes against the Red Raiders.

On Monday night, Lecomte finished with 16 points in 27 minutes but fouled out with eight minutes to go, as the Bears fell to 84-78 to Texas Tech.

Lecomte and Baylor look to rebound at noon Saturday at the Ferrell Center against Kansas.

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