Baylor weighs in on world refugee crisis

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Better Together BU is holding a prayer vigil for refugees and immigrants from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday in front of the Bobo Spiritual Life Center.

“Sending Prayers” is a 10-week campaign organized by the Office of Intercultural Life. During this time, students are invited to send cards to Syrian refugees participating in the “Sending Prayers” project. They are also invited to read an excerpt from Kathy Hillman’s book, “Refugee: The Political Economy of National Security.” The cards are then sent to the refugees via the U.S. embassy in Damascus.

“Sending Prayers” is an opportunity for students to express their care and concern to refugees. The project aims to provide a space for students to engage with the issue of refugees and to promote a culture of compassion and empathy. It encourages students to reflect on the experiences of refugees and to understand the impact of the political and social factors that contribute to their displacement.

The project is part of a larger initiative by the Office of Intercultural Life to create a more inclusive and welcoming campus environment. It seeks to promote a culture of understanding and empathy, and to foster a sense of community among students from diverse backgrounds. The project also aims to raise awareness about the issues faced by refugees and to encourage students to take action in support of their rights and well-being.

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New study analyzes responses to adoption

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Researchers have conducted a new study on adoption, analyzing the experiences of birth mothers and adoption professionals. The study aimed to understand the perspectives of both parties involved in the adoption process and to identify areas for improvement.

The study was conducted in two phases. The first phase involved surveying 20 birth mothers and 20 adoption professionals to gather their perspectives on the adoption process. The second phase provided a deeper analysis of the responses from the participants in the first phase.

The study found that birth mothers and adoption professionals had differing perspectives on the adoption process. Birth mothers expressed concern about the lack of emotional support during the adoption process and the impact of adoption on their personal lives. Adoption professionals, on the other hand, focused on the legal and administrative aspects of adoption.

The study also identified areas for improvement in the adoption process. Birth mothers and adoption professionals agreed that more attention should be paid to the emotional well-being of birth mothers and the children they relinquish for adoption. They also emphasized the importance of adequate support and resources for birth mothers during the adoption process.

The study highlights the need for a more comprehensive approach to adoption, one that considers the needs and perspectives of both birth mothers and adoption professionals. It also underscores the importance of providing more support and resources for birth mothers during the adoption process.

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Bayor Library search for summer interns

AMANDA HARGETT-GRANATO
Reporter

Bayor Libraries is searching for five summer interns to work in the Libraries. The positions are available from April 1 to August 15.

The internships are open to undergraduate and graduate students. The positions offer an opportunity to gain valuable work experience in a dynamic and diverse library setting. Interns will be assigned to projects in areas such as library operations, collection development, and digital initiatives.

The Libraries are seeking candidates who are passionate about libraries and their role in higher education. Applicants should have a strong commitment to excellence in service and a desire to contribute to the Libraries’ mission.

Interested candidates should apply online at the Libraries’ website. The application deadline is March 15, 2017.

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**Take time to fully prepare for your future career**

FAITH MILLETTO

Reporter

“Do what you love and love what you do” is a phrase I hear often, but do we really understand what it means? Do we love doing what we do, or are we more focused on the results we achieve? I believe that loving what we do is crucial for our long-term success.

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It’s also important to keep an open mind and be willing to try new things. The world of work is constantly evolving, and what you think you want now may not be your passion in five or even ten years. It’s important to be adaptable and willing to learn new skills.

Finally, it’s important to have a support system. This could be friends, family, or mentors who can offer guidance and support as you navigate your career path.

Remember, your future career is your choice, and it’s important to take time to reflect on what you truly want to do. By doing so, you’ll be better equipped to make informed decisions and prepare for your future.

**EDITORIAL**

The early bird catches the worm

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**COLUMN**

**Do you love what you love and love what you do**

JORDAN SMITH

Sports Editor

Learning high school and starting college is a transition for others, it's an easy one for me. However, one thing that I try to do for people is to know for certain heading into what they want to do with their career. Finding a degree that is right for you is very hard to do, especially when an educational institution is making you plan the rest of your life at 18. People who go into college try to figure out what they want to do as a career. I know that this was the case for me.

I spent my first two years of college doing the community college route. During these two years, I was constantly changing my major between three degrees because I wasn’t sure what I wanted. After the cost of my life, it was a lot of pressure to have to know what you want to do with your life at 18.

At 25, I was a communications major. With that, I wanted to chase my childhood dream of being a sports journalist. However, that was not the best route for me because I was not good with computers and using different programs on computers. I quickly realized that this was not the right career for me because I did not enjoy it. So, I changed my major to graphic design because I was good with computers and using different programs on computers. I quickly realized that this was not the right career for me because I did not enjoy it.

I have learned a valuable lesson from a self-taught philosophy. “If you don’t do what you love, then you won’t love what you do.” From the moment I learned that, I decided not to listen to what other people say about what I should do with my life and to stick with what I enjoy. I got into the design world and became a graphic designer. I like what I see people tell you how to live your life, and this isn’t your life.

That is the first lesson that I learned to go back to what I originally loved to do — journalism. It was the thing that made me the happiest. It was the thing that I loved the most. The rest of us are people who have to choose something that seems productive. But for some of us, it’s a daily routine to make your college schedule with little more balanced.

**Opinion**

The Baylor Lariat editors welcome reader viewpoints through letters to the editor and guest columns. Guest columns are written by the student body, the Baylor Lariat staff, the faculty, or anyone who is interested in sharing an opinion.

We get it – your days are crazy. It seems silly to sacrifice precious moments just to do something that doesn’t seem productive. But for some of you, it’s a daily routine to make your college schedule too.

Jordan Smith is a sophomore communications major looking to hopefully get into the sports journalism world as a writer or even as a sports editor. Jordan says that being a sports editor would be the love of his life.

We are a 24/7 staff working around the clock to get the news to you. It’s a lot of work, and sometimes the stress can become overwhelming. That’s why we are always open to receiving letters from you.

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Alpha Gamma Omega fundraises with spring kickball tournament

RACHEL SMITH / Reporter

Gamma Alpha Omega kicked off fundraising efforts earlier this March with a tournament called the third annual spring kickball tournament on campus. Kickball is a fun way for students to learn about and write questions for Cann and Long.

"Nationally, our philanthropy is mentoring youth, so we do a lot of service," Moroz said. "We have a lot of work to be done toward equality globally and within the United States. In regard to America, she specifically mentioned the wage gap, the low percentage of women in Congress and that women are still discouraged from running for office.

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"In hiring Gamma Alpha Omega was the best decision I've ever made," Chavez said. "I've been able to grow a lot since I joined the sorority." Moroz said the sorority is not exclusive to women. Dallas junior Amy Mpalu, another member of Gamma Alpha Omega, is originally from Zimbabwe.

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Get to Steppin’

STEP OUT WITH STEPPIN’ OUT Baylor Community Engagement and Service has sign-up sheets and information for the campus-wide volunteer effort. Steppin’ Out in the Student Union building this week. Steppin’ Out will be Sat., April 8, around the Greater Tyler area.

"Women were absent in the world can have a direct impact on us," Long said. "We're connected, right? We're in a connected world, and what happens in some remote town or city in Pakistan or Myanmar or Morocco will have an impact on us. We're connected economically, we're connected technologically in every way, and some small ripple in some small corner of the world can have a direct impact on us," Long said.

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Organization advocates for children in foster care system

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Children who suffer traumatic experiences often find themselves enduring the pain and struggles of being homeless around the foster system because of the mindset of an environment that makes them feel unwanted and misplaced. Children are able to start hoping with an organization dedicated to helping them.

CASAs (The Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) is an organization established to advocate for children who go through the foster system.

Because the fostering system is so dismal and Child Protective Services often works with a multitude of cases at a time, children can feel as if they are going through the process alone. CASA volunteers work with attorneys, social workers and child protection services to effectively find loving homes for children. 

Volunteers also go through training and receive the tools needed to help build relationships with children, so they can communicate the children’s desires to make decisions regarding the child’s future.

Volunteer director of volunteer in-depth services, said volunteer provides the gift of being able to see children grow into successful adults. “While the work is not always easy and not always sunshine and roses, you do as a CASA volunteer directly impact what will happen to the child’s life as they navigate the gigantic, scary hilly terrain of our child welfare system,” Masten said.

CASA volunteer Ginnie Wood said volunteering has rewarded her with the opportunity to see the foster system’s expectations from a different perspective. “We really valuable experience because it gives you a glimpse of a world that not one in five adults have never known,” Wood said.

“Volunteers often still hear from the children they helped while they were in foster care. So, volunteering provides the gift of being able to see children grow into successful adults. “Volunteers often still hear from the children they helped while they were in foster care,” Masten said. “Children that CASA helps often develop a new sense of hope.”

The study also showed that a lot of the information adoption professionals discussed with the expectant mothers focused on the policy changes. Laura Bruder, a Baylor alumna and executive director of BraveLove, which is a pro-adoption movement aiming to change the perception of adoption by those who put their children up for adoption.

“It’s really valuable experience to do that because they’re adoption agencies, but that’s a part of the process. A crucial part of making sure your claims have really, truly gone through all the options they could and worked their way through this, and have actually dug through the data,” Masten said.

The study was conducted by The Donaldson Adoption Institute and convened in conjunction with the University of Arkansas School of Social Work, according to the press release. The study included both in-person surveys from the time when first-time parents were going through the adoption process and the adoption movement causing the perception of adoption by acknowledging birth mothers for their bravery, and BraveLove is an organization that benefits from the information in this study.

“Because of the stories and experiences shared, the researchorio the findings were intended to improve parents’ counseling and adoption practices so that expectant parents are able to fully enjoy all of their options on their own time and make the best decision for themselves and their child,” Masten said.

The study recommends mandating adoption agencies and attorneys to develop access to pre- and post-adoption services for expectant parents and providing expectant parents with information that is standard and contains details of possible options, including the availability and the cost of their adoption.

The study also suggests increasing education for expectant parents and prospective adoptive parents about pre-post adoption contact and mandating ethical adoption education for adoption professionals. “It was evident the amount of thought, attentiveness and research into this went into Dr. Mashek’s and Ms. Masten’s work,” Bender said in an email. “Making adoption plan is a highly sensitive and immensely personal decision that impacts people’s lives and families forever. You could really find the weight of those decisions, which is why the call for change is important. People’s lives are forever impacted because of adoption.”

Masten said she hopes these educational and ethical practices will be implemented among adoption professionals.

“The libraries get wonderful interns, and the students get invaluable experience.”

Kathy Hyman | Director of Keston Center for religion, politics and society

“I think by having faculty and graduate teaching assistants develop assignments that utilize the materials in these different special collections on campus and then having the students懦和 access from a wide variety of fields and perspectives, the library can create more opportunities to teach new ways to approach their work.”

The event will feature unveiling special collections on microfilm and an opportunity for the public to share their memories of the event. Although each library has a focus, Brown said applicants of any field are welcome. During the first year of the program, computer science professor Dr. Matthew Fendt’s fellowship will be exploring a video game based on the story of Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning. Bender said she hopes that applications come from a wide variety of fields and perspectives, to help humanities professors the opportunity to teach new ways to approach their work.”
**Fallen Starr: ‘Bear Country’ disappoints**

**KRISTINA VALDEZ**


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**A STAR IN THE MAKING:** Ken Starr’s book “Bear Country” released last week. Highlighting Starr’s time at Baylor and the scandal at the end of his tenure.

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**Today’s Puzzles**

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Lady Bears advance to Sweet 16

BEN EVERETT  Sports Writer

The No. 1-seeded Baylor Lady Bears basketball team defeated No. 9 California 86-66 Monday night at the Ferrell Center to advance to the NCAA Tournament’s Round of 32.

The Lady Bears (32-3) used a balanced scoring attack and strong defense to rout the Golden Bears (20-14), 20-21 in the Oklahoma City Regional.

Culv ed went out center Kristina Anigwe early, feeding her to the basket and也许 sophomore center Kalani Brown. Anigwe scored five of her team’s first seven points as the Lady Bears and Golden Bears went back and forth in the opening minutes.

Senior guard Alexis Jones then scored an 1-2 combination from the free throw line to take a 17-12 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Anigwe kept Cal in the game early in the second quarter, knocking down two free throws and scoring five of the team’s first 12 points.

Baylor led 60-31 at halftime, and 69-31 by the end of the third quarter.

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At the break, Jones led the Lady Bears in scoring with eight points while Anigwe scored 13 in the Golden Bears on 5-6 shooting from the free throw line.

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The Lady Bears continued to attack the basket and get easy contributions from Brown and senior forward Nina Davis as they took a 78-53 lead.

Prince knocked out in transition twice to get to the free throw line and get an easy lay-up to put the Lady Bears up 90-53.

Down 3-0, Baylor began to rally for a 13-0 run that included back-to-back triples from freshmen guards Mckayla Dybas and Kristina Chmura as Baylor extended the lead to 35 in the last four minutes remaining in the half.

The Bears were 30-39 from the free throw line and pulled away to a 51-32 halftime lead.

In singles play, Baylor once again found most players catching up against the Trojans.

Sophomore and junior Mike Smidt and Frantzen were defeated in straight sets, giving UCSD what seemed to be an insurmountable lead heading into the championship round.

Both sophomore Jimmy Tchoutakian and senior Nick Crystal played well.

I am really happy for Max that it was his first time to clinch in that situation. That is really special for any player," Knoll said. "We talked about that a lot, but when you’re playing up to every match hoping you get to No. 1 in that position. It is a really special thing as a collegiate tennis player to be last match on with both names calling.

Baylor head coach Matt Knoll said this was the team’s toughest and will be a great building block moving forward.

It was a match that was really good for us, and I would have said that we lost. I think it was a tough, hard-fought match," Knoll said. "I am really pleased with how much we were improving. I think we are a way better team than we were at the end of the season. This was a good week to build on as we prepare ourselves for our next game."