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Sexual assault conviction overturned

KALYN STORY
Staff Writer

Waco's 10th Court of Appeals reversed former Baylor football player and 2015 graduate Sam Ukwuachu's sexual assault conviction yesterday morning.

Ukwuachu was found guilty in

August 2015 on two counts of sexual assault.

He was charged with sexually assaulting a former Baylor student in an off-campus apartment in October 2013.

The 10th Court overturned the ruling and ordered a retrial because a series of text messages between

the victim and a friend were deemed inadmissible as evidence in the first trial.

A portion of the messages were used as evidence, but not all of the messages were admitted, which Ukwuachu's lawyer argued would have supported his defense of consensual sex.

"We find that because consent was the central issue in the proceeding, we cannot say that we have a fair assurance that the erroneous exclusion of the text messages did not affect the outcome of this proceeding, especially when considered with the other alleged errors in the trial of this cause," Chief Justice Tom Gray

wrote in the opinion.

Ukwuachu's lawyer William Bratton III released a statement yesterday afternoon expressing his approval of the court's ruling.

"My review of the court record showed there was evidence that did

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Featured Student Artists



Jessica Hubble | Lariat Photographer

EXPRESS YOURSELF Martin Museum of Art showcased student's artwork at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday. Various mediums of artwork were displayed, including paintings, drawings, sculptures and more.

Second former football player arrested

MOLLY ATCHISON
Opinion Editor

Former Baylor linebacker Shamycheal Chatman was arrested on charges of sexual assault on Thursday in Houston. Chatman has been booked at the Houston Police Department Central Jail, and no bond has been set.

McLennan County released a warrant for Tre'Von Armstead and Chatman's arrests. An Elizabeth Doe lawsuit was filed on Jan. 27, 2017, connects the two players to a sexual assault incident in 2013.

Chatman transferred to Sam Houston University in 2013 after redshirting his freshman year at Baylor. Armstead started in 27 games at Baylor before being released for a violation of team rules in 2015.

Armstead was arrested for the second time in two weeks on Wednesday morning on charges of sexual assault. The charges stemmed from the same McLennan County warrant as for Chatman.

Esther's Closet outfits, trains women in need

RYLEE SEAVERS
Staff Writer

In the year that Esther's Closet has been open, it has had over 170 individual outfittings, provided over 450 outfits and supported over 85 newly employed women, Esther's Closet Coordinator Rachel Pate said.

Esther's Closet will

celebrate its one-year anniversary and Women's History Month on Wednesday at the "Women of Distinction Luncheon."

Esther's Closet is a local organization that provides workplace outfits to unemployed women at no cost to them. They also provide workplace training, resume writing and business etiquette

training to help women excel in the workplace, Pate said.

Laveda Brown, founder and CEO of Esther's Closet, said that the organization was created to help combat the high poverty rate in Waco. It is named after Esther from the Bible who was an orphan but became the queen of Persia,

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Jessica Hubble | Lariat Photographer

DRESS TO IMPRESS Esther's Closet will celebrate its one-year anniversary at a "Women of Distinction Luncheon." The organization aims to help outfit and train unemployed women.

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Online: Men's basketball set to take on South Carolina tonight in New York.

Baylor holds Federal Day for students

MEGAN RULE
Staff Writer

The second floor of the Bill Daniel Student Union Building was a popular place to be Thursday afternoon as students of various classifications and majors gathered for Federal Day, an opportunity to learn more about career paths in the federal government.

"The goal of Federal Day is to increase student awareness of the large quantity and high quality of job opportunities that federal agencies can offer to Baylor students," Adam Kaye, director of employer relations in the Baylor Office of Career and Professional Development, said in an email to the Lariat.

The event took place from 2 to 5 p.m. Thursday afternoon and offered a panel with presentations



Dayday Wynn | Lariat Photographer

OPPORTUNITIES Representatives from government organizations and departments visited Baylor on Thursday to discuss future career options with students.

from different agencies, a time for questions and answers and wrapped up with networking opportunities.

The agencies in attendance included the Federal Bureau of

Investigation (FBI), the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, the Air Force Civilian Service, the Central Intelligence Agency, the U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of State.

"I'm most looking forward to the feedback and the interest from the students about what their goals are and their plans after they graduate," Sheri Armstrong-Hardy, administrative specialist for the FBI of San Antonio, said.

Armstrong was part of the panel with the other agencies present, and said her goal was to answer questions about the internship program with the FBI. Armstrong said on other campuses she visited, internships were a hot topic among college students, and she recommends students look at those

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COLUMN

Don't focus on all our differences

DAYDAY WYNN

Lariat Photographer

Today's world spends too much time looking for ways we are different. We are quick to separate ourselves from each other and spend an endless amount of energy trying to prove that one of us is better than the other. Why are we in such competition with each other?



Some people who identify with "White America" believe that they are superior to "Black America," and vice versa. On a regular basis, I hear about Africans claiming to be "better" than African-Americans. There are cultures who believe that the darker people of their country are "dirty" or "less pure" than those of a lighter complexion.

Our president, along with a good amount of society, shuns Muslims as if the actions of a few gives us an idea of what their religion is truly about, failing to understand that the Muslim religion is one of the most loving and beautiful religions known to man. And it doesn't stop there. It doesn't matter where you turn, there is some kind of separation taking place within societies of the world. Other examples of ways people tend to separate themselves from one another are nationalities, class, groups, educational background, government and even neighborhoods. But why? This is a question I tend to ask myself a lot and still struggle to come to a valid conclusion.

Sometimes I wonder what this world would be like if we spent this short amount of time we have on the earth to, instead of looking for differences, look for similarities we have with one another. Do you think our world would, slowly but surely, change for the better? Could we someday walk together as brothers and sisters as opposed to what we claim to be today? I'd like to think so. This constant competition and hate has done nothing but drive us apart from each other. We need more things to bring us together and connect.

I don't believe there is a real difference between me and any person in this world. I have a firm belief that I can do anything I put my mind to, and there's nothing that should get in anybody's way of doing the same. We are both equal in nature and put on this earth with the same purpose in life: to live life to the fullest. Both of us are traveling on a path. We have dreams and aspirations for our futures. We both experience hardships and have people who we consider family and friends.

The number of differences between humans is so minuscule that I refuse to believe that I am in any way superior or inferior to the next man. With that being said, I do believe there is something that sets me apart from others. What sets me apart is my God-given wisdom to understand, my ability to empathize with another and see others for more than their socially-constructed methods of division (race religion, beliefs).

I don't believe that anything not constructed by God himself should be something that separates me from the next man. God made us all to be a part of one big human race and to love each other regardless of the way we appear. Whether you, the reader, agree with me or not, let me be the first to say that I don't care who you are or what you claim to be. In my eyes we are family, and I love you.

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EDITORIAL

Emphasize the 'all' in equality

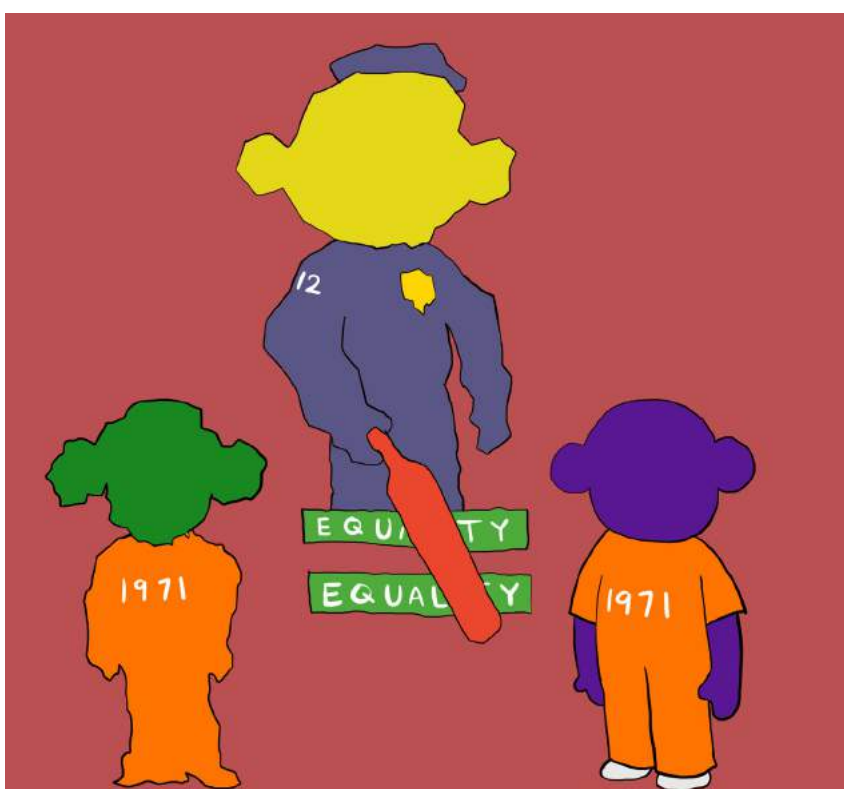
Editor's Note: This is the third installment in a four-part editorial series regarding prison reform and the issues surrounding it.

In order to continue a discussion of meaningful and needed prison reform, the focus now shifts to equality in prisons, both for gender and race.

One issue that is prominent in female prisons is the lack of quality feminine hygiene products. About 54 percent of incarcerated women do not get enough sanitary napkins for the month, according to a study by the Correctional Association of New York. This study finds that about 24 pads are distributed to each prisoner per month, but they are typically low quality and unable to withstand the entire menstrual cycle. If women need more supplies, they must purchase them through the commissary.

To make a purchase at the commissary, prisoners must have money in their personal accounts, which either comes from employment at the institution or from outside family or friends. Those who hold jobs in federal prisons make a maximum wage of \$1.15 per hour, with a minimum of 23 cents, according to the Prison Policy Initiative.

Tampons and pads can range from \$10 to as much as \$25 per box when the prison reaches a shortage, making the purchase of additional supplies a large investment for prisoners. This is more common than some may think, as described by the Prison Legal News organization, because when the store runs out of items, they must renew their contracts. Often these go through smoothly, but sometimes the contracts can take months to be approved, leaving the stock on items low



Joshua Kim | Cartoonist

or nonexistent. Items like soap are considered a necessity, so the prison will continue to provide those even when stock is low. However, feminine products are not categorized the same way, according to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Those who receive money from outside sources tend to be from wealthier backgrounds, which makes being able to purchase a necessity another clear distinction between those who are from different socioeconomic backgrounds. This can add to the tension of an already stressful climate, and while tensions may not stem directly from a lack of feminine products, it is important to note the way that all parts of a prison can indirectly affect one another, as stated by Bruce Western and Becky Pettit in their work, "Incarceration & social inequality."

One of these overlapping issues is the racial inequality in prisons. Minority parties who are incarcerated tend to be

treated differently by disciplinary members, Andrea Armstrong wrote in the UC Irvine Law Review. This practice is given a handle of freedom by many prisons' "catchall rules," which allow for prison guards to use their own discretion when punishing prisoners. This allows for harsh punishment toward behavior and demeanor, two factors that can be widely influenced by a racial preference.

According to the "Implications Association Test," a prison guard is more likely to perceive anger from a black inmate than a white inmate, implying that race has a role in prison regulation, especially in cases where infractions could have been implied, rather than acted out (i.e. attitude related infractions).

The Supreme Court has enacted *Washington v. Davis*, an employment law case which requires actual intent to qualify the strict scrutiny of racial cases. Racial preference is often hard to prove, as seen in *McCleskey*

v. Kemp. In this case, a petitioner brought the Supreme Court statistical evidence of Black convicts being sentenced to death more often than White convicts, at a stark 4.3 percent more.

However, *McCleskey* was unable to provide discriminatory purpose, which means that decisions were made specifically to cause harm to a specific race, even though that could be understood by the facts presented. This is an issue that prisoners come across if they choose to pursue court, as they not have access to specific evidence in most disciplinary cases, as explained in the case review.

This brings to light the cycle of bias and inequality in prison systems. Those who are oppressed or wronged do not have the proper channels to fight injustice, leading to continued strife and heightened tensions.

Incarceration is a large part of America's society, with an estimated 6.7 million people imprisoned in 2015, as listed by the Bureau of Justice Statistics, not to mention the number of people who work for the courts and run the prison system in some capacity. If that many people are a part of a flawed system, one that continually cycles people in and out of the free population, the tensions found inside of the prison have the ability to spread among those outside of the jail cells.

To expect the issues among the incarcerated to remain inside of the prison walls is incredibly naive. Heads must be turned toward the prison system, and an effort to alleviate inequality must be made for all citizens, whether incarcerated or not.

COLUMN

Puppy mills are still terrorizing dogs

ELISABETH THARP

Broadcast Reporter

I love all animals, but most of all I love dogs. Dogs have lived among humans for thousands of years now and are very intelligent and caring animals. They are known for their sweet and devoted personalities and their love for their owners.



Usually dogs are bred in safe conditions, but today most don't get the same treatment. The puppy you hold when you go into places like Petland come from places called "puppy mills."

According to the ASPCA, puppy mills are where they mass breed dogs. They don't only mass breed dogs, but they breed them in the worst possible conditions. Puppy mills care more about the profit of their dogs rather than their condition they are kept in.

That is why places like Petland charge thousands of dollars for their puppies and their staffers are required to say "you can come back if your puppy dies within a year and replace it

with another puppy for equal or lesser value," when you leave the store.

I don't know about you, but that makes me wonder why they need to have that disclosure. Why do they need to tell their customers that?

The ASPCA states that this is because their puppies are coming from places that cram a female dog and her just-born litter into a small cage with little food and water, no sanitation and no veterinary assistance, meaning the puppies don't get the proper amount of nutrients to grow properly and the mother doesn't get the proper nutrients between each birthing.

The ASPCA also says that some mothers are also forced to breed again with little to no recovery time in between each litter. They do not clean the cages at all, so the dogs are literally living in their own feces. On top of all this, they usually do not get any veterinary assistance until someone buys them at the store and hopefully takes them to be checked themselves.

I am not saying places like Petland are responsible for the conditions puppies are before they are sold, but they, and places like Petland, can very well boycott puppy mills by not buying puppies from puppy mills anymore. It is so simple to change the way our puppies are bred in the world yet, puppy mills are still a thing and have been a thing for years.

The ASPCA estimates that there are about 10,000 puppy mills today, and that number scares me.

Most people don't even know puppy mills exist or don't want to believe they exist. Puppy mills do exist, and the facts and pictures you read and see on the ASPCA and PETA websites about puppy mills are true.

I once got to hold a puppy at Petland that had been in the store for only a week. I was the first non-employee to hold and play with the puppy. The puppy acted like I was the first person to ever play with her, and she was 10 weeks old.

She was much smaller and weaker than she should have been. The little one did not look healthy at all. Seeing this puppy brought tears to my eyes because she was so afraid to be out of her cage. All these puppies know are what they learned in that cage at the puppy mill.

I hope you take away from this that puppy mills are real — they do exist still today, and they need to go.

The only way these places will shut down is if people know about them and take a stand against them.

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Selling program encourages quick thinking

MEGAN RULE
Staff Writer

Most students in the professional selling program at Baylor only get to experience the selling side of the table, but Thursday morning's role-play featured a senior who joined an executive on the buyer's side of the exchange.

"It's actually a great learning experience for me because I can think in the mind of a buyer, and the next time, in the mind of a seller," San Antonio senior Margaret Newton said. "I have a better understanding of what the buyer might ask when I present something. It's really valuable and a great learning experience that way. It's also a great learning experience because these are my peers and my friends, so to learn how to be critical on one side of the table and then leave the room but still be friends with them."

Newton participated in the team sale last year and was on the selling side of the table. This year, Newton faced the challenge of having to withhold information from her peers and not tell them about the curveball with which

the buyers had planned to surprise the students. Carroll Fadal, vice president of sales for Texas Life Insurance and a Baylor alumna, served as the executive who was buying on Thursday and has been a buyer for the team sale on several occasions.

Students were expected to come in with an agenda for the meeting, but the curveball was that the buyers presented the sellers with an agenda that they wanted to see. This was meant to see how the students would react to a real-world situation and how they would adapt to a sudden change in the sales pitch without losing their cool. With the buyers presenting the sellers with a surprise agenda, the presentation and slideshow is out of order, forcing the students to think on their feet.

"From sitting on the other side of the table as a sales student, I know that would absolutely make me panic," Newton said. "So I feel kind of mean being a sales student doing it to them, but it's kind of fun to be on the other side."

In yesterday's team sale, students presented consumer-packaged goods to the buyers who role-played as a national

grocery store. They asked the company "Salty Snacks" to come in with eight stock-keeping units; the ninth one that was up to them. Everything on a shelf in a grocery store is a unique stock-keeping unit. Students were asked to present the ninth stock-keeping unit, a food product and the total revenue that was expected to be generated from the nine stock keeping units in a pilot program and nationally. The students have been preparing for this since before spring break.

"I'm impressed that they've done some research, and they've put together a pretty decent business plan," Fadal said. "Obviously it has holes in it, but they do a pretty good job of presenting it in a 20 minute interview setting."

Fadal said to get verbal and non-verbal feedback as well as learning to adapt a presentation to what the buyer is looking for is invaluable for students. Real world simulations like this role-play provide more preparation than a theoretical classroom discussion, Fadal said. Students who participated in the role-play Thursday



Liesje Powers | Lariat Photographer

ROLE-PLAY Students play the role of sellers during the professional selling program at Baylor that challenges students to think on their feet and maintain their composure in presentations with potential buyers.

morning expressed their gratitude for learning how to prepare for various situations while still in school.

"We learned a lot," Houston senior Thomas Scaff said. "After we went, we learned a lot, and if we would have known the knowledge we do now, we would have totally changed our presentation. That's what this whole class

[ProSales 2] has been."

Port Neches junior Claire Brown said the ProSales program is set up a lot like having a real-world job. She said their professor acts more like a boss than a professor, which can be challenging but will pay off in the long run. Coppell junior David Dickens said it was a hard adjustment because many professors teach

in class for interaction, whereas in the ProSales program, students are expected to go up to the professor and check in periodically like in a boss-employee relationship.

"No big sale or big presentation will ever go the way you expected it to," Brown said. "We had to think on our toes and be ready for everything."

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Brown said.

"It's amazing what clothes will do inspire the person to dream, to feel good, to feel confident, to feel strong, to feel empowered," Brown said. "It's amazing to watch the transformation of these women from tired and broken and dejected and overwhelmed to watch them walk out like they're the queen of Persia."

Pate said most people view Esther's Closet as a clothing program, but it also helps build confidence in the women that it serves. Some women are transitioning to a new career, entering the workforce for the

first time or are new mothers, Pate said, but the clothes they receive from Esther's Closet help them succeed and be confident in their new roles.

"To see someone who may not even have an idea of what business professional dress looks like or they've never seen themselves outside of their casual clothes or their work uniform, it can really transform their self confidence and their image, their personality and their initiative to get out there and push even harder because they look the part," Pate said.

Brown said that if she could tell someone only one thing

about Esther's Closet, it would be that it gives women hope for the future, for their careers and for their families.

The "Women of Distinction" luncheon will feature a silent auction and entertainment. The keynote speaker is Commissioner of the Texas Governor's Commission for Women Karen Harris. All funds raised will go to benefit Esther's Closet.

Tickets for the luncheon cost \$20 and can be purchased online or at the Esther's Closet office on Elm Street.

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as soon as possible. Students were able to get a wide range of information from the government agencies about the job criteria, application requirements and what working for the government entails.

Kaye said that these agencies do not visit every college or university. Baylor has been selected as a university in which they see high potential for student hiring. This was the first event of its kind that CPD has hosted, Kaye said, and the planning was extensive. CPD connected with numerous government agencies, coordinated dates for campus visits for as many agencies as possible and created a program that would be mutually beneficial for both the agencies and students.

"I am studying linguistics, so I wanted to see if there are opportunities for majors

that aren't necessarily what you would think of to work in the government," Mountain View, Calif., junior Rachel Risk said. "So I want to see what kind of opportunities there are for me."

Risk said the presentations given allowed students like her to learn what people in government jobs do and how the government works, as well as presented opportunities for jobs post-graduation.

"I am most looking forward to showcasing our outstanding student body to each of the nine federal agencies in attendance, many of which have never been to campus," Kaye said. "I am confident that every agency will say they plan to return to Baylor to recruit again because our students will impress them."

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Students discuss solutions to preventing human trafficking

JOY MOTON
Staff Writer

Baylor's Office of Student and Community Engagement, in partnership with International Justice Mission, invited students to gather in the classroom of North Russell Hall for a human trafficking forum Thursday evening.

International Justice Mission is an international organization composed of social workers who take cases in international countries.

Sacramento, Calif., junior Madi Powell said human trafficking is so prevalent in other countries because often the police are on the side of criminals.

"Almost every country has laws against slavery, but they don't have security to enforce them," Powell said.

Baylor's International Justice Mission chapter hosts events

to raise awareness about these issues.

Powell said it is important for Baylor students to pay attention to these problems because human trafficking occurs in America due to small actions.

"Stuff like this happens under our nose and we don't realize it. Things like rape, porn and prostitution lead to human trafficking — a lot of little things lead to international issues," Powell said.

Students at the event were separated into groups to engage in discussion about methods for raising awareness and preventing human trafficking. They were given pamphlets describing various approaches to decide which methods would be the most effective to raise awareness about the dangers of human trafficking.

"This gave us the opportunity to get students to talk about such a hot topic in the community,"



Penelope Shirey | Lariat Photographer

PREVENTION Dr. Josh Ritter, co-leader for the Public Deliberation Initiative, explains the ground rules for Wednesday's discussion about human trafficking.

said Erin Payseur, International Justice Mission faculty adviser and associate director for civic learning initiatives.

The first approach explored the options of raising awareness through the community. The second approach listed the roles schools and public officials can play in reducing the impact of human trafficking. The final approach discussed the laws and

policies that could be changed for the sake of decreasing human trafficking. Students engaged in dialogues and chose one approach.

"You can listen about the topic and hear statistics, and it's great, but it's more impactful for students to have their voices heard. Allows them to take what they're hearing and actually discuss this issue," said Salem, Ore., senior Omar Mosqueda.

URSA Scholars Week to display undergraduate research projects

AMANDA HARGETT-GRANATO
Reporter

Next week, students from all around the university will present the results of over 100 research studies at the ninth annual Undergraduate Research and Scholarly Achievement (URSA) Scholars Week. From March 27-31, undergraduate student research posters will be displayed in the Baylor Science Building, and oral project presentations will be given in the Bill Daniel Student Center. The Scholars Week keynote lecture will be given on Thursday by Dr.

Michael Endl, who was involved in the discovery of a new planet, Proxima B, in 2016.

Research projects ranging from theoretical mathematics to family and consumer sciences will be presented during the week. URSA Director Dr. Susan Bratton encourages students of all disciplines to take part in Scholars Week, saying that there are several fields that are probably underrepresented in the program.

"A lot of the projects are of publishable quality," Bratton said. "I don't think there's any doubt that for students looking to go to graduate schools, [presenting at Scholars Week] is a good idea."

Because of the abundance of posters this year, Scholars Week poster presentations have been split into two sessions, with session one on Tuesday and Wednesday and session two on Thursday and Friday. Researchers will present their posters or give their presentations orally to judges from each academic department. Awards will be given for outstanding presentations in both individual and group categories.

"It's one more thing that proves the student is capable," Bratton said. "The awards aren't just to give away a trinket—they're to recognize students who

are doing an exceptional job.

In total, 118 research posters will be displayed, and 55 oral presentations will be given during this Scholars Week. Denver senior Delaney Bryant will give her oral presentation about the normalization of misogyny in the story of Don Juan. Having begun her paper five months ago, Bryant said she's still in the process of revising it.

"I've learned that there's always so much more that can be improved," Bryant said. "The farther I get into this, the more interesting sources I find that I would never have noticed if I had stopped working in December."

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not go before the jury that we felt should have been allowed," Bratton said. "Specifically, the text messages the court referred to in its opinion."

Bratton also said that he believes the outcome of the trial may have been different if that evidence had gone before the jury.

"However, this is just the beginning of the appeal process," Bratton said. "Prosecutors say they will appeal this ruling, which means we have a long way to go before this action is final. If the state appeals, I believe we have other evidence that will help us if this case proceeds in the process."

McLennan County District Attorney Abel Reyna said he is requesting that the Texas Court of Appeals review the case further.

"We will continue the fight on behalf of our victim and her family," Reyna said. "While I respect the 10th Court of Appeals, I disagree with their decision and reasoning in this case. I am extremely confident in the decisions made by our prosecutors and the rulings made by Judge Johnson in the trial of this case."

The complainant's lawyer, John Clune, released a statement Thursday morning stating his dissatisfaction with the ruling but confidence that the retrial will yield the same guilty conviction.

"This is an unfortunate ruling but one that we expect will ultimately be decided by the Criminal Court of Appeals," Clune said. "The trial court ruled that these text messages had no bearing on consent and we remain optimistic that the higher court will agree. Either way, the victim will continue to cooperate with the prosecution and see this case to its proper end."

A Baylor spokesperson said Baylor declines to comment on the ruling because it is a legal matter outside of the university's purview.

In August 2015, following Ukwuachu's conviction, Baylor issued a statement about sexual assault. It reads:

"Acts of sexual violence contradict every value Baylor University upholds as a caring Christian community. In recent years we have joined university efforts nationally to prevent campus violence against women and sexual assault, to actively support survivors of sexual assault with compassion and care, and to take action against perpetrators. We have established and fully staffed a Title IX office that employs a Title IX Coordinator and two full-time investigators. Maintaining a safe and caring community is central to Baylor's mission and at the heart of our commitment to our students, faculty and staff."

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ZZZ goes the distance with 'Zing'

KASSIDY WOYTEK
Reporter

Tickets for Zeta Zigma Zamma's fourth annual production of Zing, the unofficial fraternity's version of All-University Sing, are on sale now. The show, which will be Friday at 9 p.m., will consist of a large variety of acts, culminating in a Sing-style act called "Herculezzz" featuring the new members of the organization.

As a Zing chair, San Antonio sophomore John Abiassi helped put together "Herculezzz," creating the theme, major plot points and some choreography. Abiassi said the new members had a lot of autonomy in putting together the act, so his main role was to "facilitate the creative process."

Abiassi served in a similar role earlier this year as a student producer for several Sing acts. He said that the main difference between Sing and Zing is that there's no pressure to make Pigskin, which allows the performers to focus on having fun.

"Zing is a lot less stressful," Abiassi said. "There's no competition; there isn't any hostility in the room. It's a different sort of

environment."

Abiassi said he doesn't consider Zing a parody or a "watered-down version" of Sing. He sees the show as an outlet for creative expression and a way to raise money for Mission Waco, ZZZ's philanthropy, through ticket sales.

Houston junior Patrick Reinschmidt will be a Zing master of ceremonies this year. He said that being part of last year's act helped him bond with other new members, who are required to perform as part of their initiation.

"A lot of my close friends in ZZZ now are actually from the original dance group I got put with," Reinschmidt said. "You're spending two hours, three times a week with these guys, so it's a great way to meet people."

Reinschmidt said Zing is also open to performers who aren't members of the organization. Last year, Baylor's improv group, Guerrilla Troupe, performed a set, and a freshman girl sang an original song about living in Collins.

"We have some pretty good stuff lined up," Reinschmidt said. "With Z's, you never really know what



Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

ZING YOUR HEART OUT Luke Berry and Clark Coneby strut their stuff by McLane Stadium in preparation for Zing. Tickets are available for \$5 online at zing2017zzz.ticketleap.com.

you're going to get."

Reinschmidt's fellow master of ceremonies, Leander junior Will Stauber, agreed that Zing acts have a wide variety of talents and skill levels, ranging from silly to serious. Audience members can expect musical numbers, magic acts and comedic skits and videos.

"It's so weird because one moment you'll have two guys doing a dance in nothing but

short shorts," Stauber said, "and then the next minute you'll have one of the guys up there singing a really good song on the guitar."

Stauber said he's been involved with Zing since he became a new member his freshman year. He said he's watched the tradition of Zing grow from a small show to a campuswide tradition.

His freshman year, Stauber said the group

performed in the Jubilee Theatre, but this year, Zing will take place at the Midway Performing Arts Center. Stauber said the larger facility and improvement in resources has helped the group put on a better quality production.

Zing tickets are still available for \$5 online and will also be available for purchase at the door unless the event sells out online.

This weekend in Waco:

>> Today

5:30 p.m.— Whit Stillman's Film: "Metropolitan" and a Conversation with its Creator. Castellaw 101.

7-9 p.m.— Paul Schafer performs. Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits.

7:30-9:30 p.m.— The Amish Project. Sold out. Mabee Theatre.

8-11 p.m.— Zack Willard and Holly Tucker. Backyard Bar, Stage & Grill.

>> Saturday

8 a.m.-5 p.m.— The Bearathon. Downtown Waco.

10 a.m.-5 p.m.— Big 12 Equestrian Championship. Willis Family Equestrian Center, University Parks Drive.

10 a.m.-5 p.m.— South 40 Outdoor Expo. Extraco Events Center, 4601 Bosque Blvd.

2-3 p.m.— U.S. Army Band Saxophone Quartet. Free admission. Meadows Recital Hall.

2 & 7:30 p.m.— The Amish Project. Sold out. Mabee Theatre.

4-10 p.m.— Relay for Life. Brazos Park East.

5:30-10 p.m.— 22nd Annual Gateway to India. Waco Hall.

8-10 p.m.— The Glo Run. Indian Spring Park.

>> Sunday

2 p.m.— The Amish Project. Sold out. Mabee Theatre.

Expert shares wellness tips with students

ALEX MUEHLBERGER
Contributor

Former cigarette, alcohol and nightlife enthusiast Sonia Rangel altered her mindset to transform not only her body and spirit, but her also entire life.

Rangel told Baylor students on Thursday that in her junior year at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in Edinburg, she dropped out. Later, she developed scoliosis from an unhealthy lifestyle of party nights along with waitressing and bartending. She was also struggling to figure out her life's purpose.

"One day I was about to turn 30, and I literally asked God 'What is this life for? What do I do? How do I do it?'" Rangel said as she recalled a 3 a.m. cry for help.

Rangel, now a fitness and wellness expert, told students that answers do

come to you if you pray for them. She said her greatest blessing was the opportunity to work at a vegetarian restaurant while surrounded by positive influences—people who were living healthy lifestyles. There, she met a coworker who invited Rangel to her first yoga class.

"They were thriving. These were educated people who had a masters in poetry and were standing in tree pose, and they were happy," Rangel said. "I didn't really care about a title or what car I drove, I wanted to feel good in my body and especially in my heart."

Phoenix Ariz., freshman Rylee Seavers said that the emphasis Rangel placed on college students feeling good as a result of working out

inspired her.

"I try to eat right and workout, but it's a good reminder to hear how much it can improve my overall concentration and health," Seavers said.

She told students that her greatest yoga takeaway was the power of focus. Prior to yoga, Rangel never believed that she could focus on anything for more than five minutes. She learned to tune out the noise and silence her "monkey mind." Her posture changed and her mindset followed.

"I started to get really strong and all the pain started to go away," Rangel said. "After a few months, I was a different person. I started partying less, doing yoga more, getting better sleep and I quit smoking."

For Round Rock sophomore



Sonia Rangel

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Today's Puzzles

Across

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- Hail in old Rome
- 2000s Israeli prime minister Sharon
- Rip out stitchwork in
- "The Louisville ___": nickname for Ali
- "Five Weeks in a Balloon" novelist
- Last line of Dale Evans Rogers' "Happy Trails"
- Puget Sound swimmer
- Bull pen locale
- Sci. subject
- Recipe directive
- Cat of many colors
- Got laughs, hopefully
- Stately
- Tomato type
- Bird ___
- Scottish countryside sight
- Northern Kentucky county
- Complain
- Dancer Charisse
- Stew veggies
- Kid around with
- Alternative for beef avoiders
- Prepare for cooking, as sole
- One getting under your skin
- From the top
- Time server, usually
- Block in a barn
- What's left by an ace investigator ... and in each of the four longest puzzle answers
- Mischievous
- Gloucester's cape
- "The Heart of Georgia"
- MS. enclosures
- Strings for Israel Kamakawiwo'ole
- Legislative assemblies

Down

- See 59-Down
- Combined, in Cannes
- Capital NW of New Delhi
- Type of cat in "Cats"
- "How cute!"
- Marzipan staple

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- Entertain lavishly
- Tabriz native
- "Giant Brain" unveiled in 1946
- Slowly, to Salieri
- Point Pelee's lake
- In the future
- Jag model
- Dossier shorthand
- "Squawk Box" ailer
- 2016 FedExCup winner McIlroy
- Came up
- "The Daily Show" host before Trevor
- Chanel offering
- Whack a mole?
- Lyft competitor
- Deprived (of)

- Whiskey barrel wood
- Highbrow
- "The lowest form of humor—when you don't think of it first": Oscar Levant
- Prom rental
- Many an off-campus local
- '60s Batgirl portrayer Craig
- At an angle
- Some North Sea fishermen
- Name on a historic B-29
- Squawks
- Genesis brother
- Blockhead
- "Coming Home" singer Bridges
- Krabappel of "The Simpsons"
- Add-___
- Caller of I-Down



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OUT FOR REDEMPTION The Lady Bears are looking to reach the Elite Eight for the second time in as many years. Last year, Baylor lost to Oregon State by a final of 60-57 on March 28 in Dallas.

Lady Bears look for Elite Eight berth tonight

BEN EVERETT
Sports Writer

The No. 1-seeded Baylor Lady Bears basketball team heads to Oklahoma City to face No. 4-seed Louisville at 8:30 p.m. on Friday in Chesapeake Energy Arena.

The Lady Bears (32-3) are familiar with the building, having played the Big 12 Tournament there in recent years and having played there in the Sweet 16 in 2013.

Senior forward Nina Davis says the team is focused on the game rather than the location, despite having seen mixed

results at that specific arena.

"We've shed plenty of tears there, but we've also celebrated in confetti there," senior forward Nina Davis said. "We're not really worried about the location where we're playing at. We're just worried about our next opponent, which is Louisville, and just focused on us and what we have to do to get to the next round."

Baylor most recently lost in Oklahoma City to West Virginia in the Big 12 Tournament Championship game, but a more devastating defeat came in the 2013 Sweet

16 game to Louisville in which the defending national champion Lady Bears were stunned by No. 5-seeded Cardinals.

Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey says the loss to Louisville four years ago is in the past and that the two teams are completely different now.

"That's history," Baylor coach Kim Mulkey said. "So now you go to this game, and they're a different team; we're a different team. They have great players; we have great players. They're well-coached; I don't know if we are or not, but we'll see."

The Lady Bears are coming off blowout wins in the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament, winning 119-30 against No. 16-seed Texas Southern and 86-46 against No. 9-seed California.

Louisville is led by sophomore guard Asia Durr who is averaging 19.2 points per game on the season while shooting 40 percent from 3-point range. Junior forward Myisha Hines-Allen anchors the paint for the Cardinals, averaging 13.9 points and 9.3 rebounds per game on the year.

The Cardinals defeated

No. 13-seed Chattanooga in the first round 82-62 before knocking off No. 5-seed Tennessee 75-64 in the second round.

Hines-Allen and Louisville will have to contain the size of Baylor's bigs, led by sophomores Kalani Brown and Beatrice Mompremier, senior Khadijah Cave and freshman Lauren Cox.

Mulkey says she is excited that she has so much depth and youth in the post and that it bodes well for her program in the future.

"Our size is young, and I think people tend to forget

that," Mulkey said. "I just think the more they can get NCAA experience, the better they get. And then maybe someday they'll win them a national championship here."

The Lady Bears are 41-13 all-time in the NCAA Tournament and 7-6 in the Sweet 16, including three straight wins to advance to the Elite Eight.

Should Baylor win, it will face the winner of No. 2-seed Mississippi State and No. 3-seed Washington on Sunday.

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