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FAFSA Errors

Students with discrepancies on financial aid applications find removal of aid

RYLEE SEEVERS
Staff Writer

Some students with Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) discrepancies are having their financial aid temporarily removed from their accounts for the current semester. This is because of discrepancies on their 2016-17 and 2017-18 FAFSA's because were being filed using a 2015 tax return.

"When we detect a discrepancy on the FAFSA, the financial aid on a student's account is temporarily backed off until we resolve the mismatch," said Amine Qourzal, associate director of counseling for the Baylor student financial aid office.

Prior-Prior Year is part of a FAFSA rule change that will allow students to file FAFSA in October rather than January, using tax information from two years prior to the year the FAFSA is filed, according to the U.S. Department of Education office of Federal Student Aid. Because this is the first year of the program, 2016-17 and 2017-18 FAFSA's are both filed using 2015 tax returns, Qourzal said.

Any discrepancies between a student's 2016-17 and 2017-18 FAFSA, based on the information from their 2015 tax information, will result in their financial aid being temporarily removed for the current semester until the financial aid office is informed of the most accurate tax information, Qourzal said. This is to ensure that a student is being awarded the correct amount of financial aid, he said.

"If there is a discrepancy (a typo or miscalculation) on one of the FAFSAs, the Financial Aid Office is required [by the U.S. Department of Education] to resolve the discrepancy before awarding/dispersing financial aid," Qourzal said.

Two weeks ago, Austin junior Hannah Neumann checked her e-bill account to find a balance numbering in the thousands, she said. She was informed by the cashier's office that her financial aid had been reversed because her tax information

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Aiding Survivors

Universities, cities offer resources to sexual violence victims

BAILEY RAY
Contributor

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the actual statistic of sexual violence may be higher than reported due to the sensitive and personal nature it conforms to, given that there are slight discrepancies between this statistic and those of the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. In addition to statistical data, the CDC explained what the encompassing term of "sexual violence" refers to.

The issue of sexual violence can involve many different parties, said the CDC, which outlined different types of perpetrators such as intimate partners, spouses and significant others. Many communities, including Baylor, work toward preventing interpersonal violence of this kind, but there are several lingering questions as to how these abusive acts happen, what administrations can do to prevent them and what individuals can do to help survivors after the fact.

Baylor has dealt with the topic of sexual violence on its own campus, especially in recent

Resources for Sexual Violence Survivors:

Baylor University Counseling Center:
24 hour Hotline: 254-710-2467

Baylor University Title IX Office:
254-710-8454

years. The Baylor Title IX office outlines the on-campus confidential and non-confidential resources for victims of interpersonal violence such as the Title IX staff, the Counseling Center and the Baylor Police Department. Bell discussed how being an on-campus tool is important to promote conversations about sexual violence.

"Sexual violence is a significant problem in the United States," the CDC wrote. "[Sexual

violence] refers to sexual activity when consent is not obtained or not given freely. Anyone can experience [sexual violence], but most victims are female. The person responsible for the violence is typically male and usually someone known to the victim. The person can be, but is not limited to, a friend, coworker, neighbor, or family member."

More than one in four women are likely to experience unwanted sexual conduct in their lifetime, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This statistic, published in The Sexual Violence Surveillance: Uniform Definition and Data Elements in 2014, is readily available to anyone with an internet connection, yet misinformation about what happens to victims of violence and sexual misconduct of various forms is still out there, according to the National Sexual Violence Resource Center.

The existence of sexual violence in a significant portion of the female population is indicated by the CDC's Data Elements.

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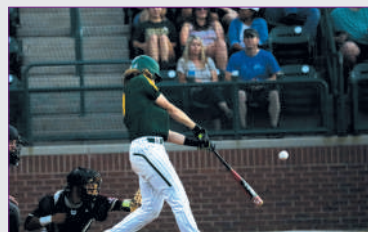
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BU summit strives to teach civic engagement

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Staff Writer

Registration is now open for the Baylor Public Deliberation Initiative Civic Life Summit this summer, the first of its kind, in order to improve civic engagement and teach different ways to work together.

"We try to teach different ways to have conversations, different ways to deliberate together, different ways to have dialogue together and different ways to take community action together," Dr. Joshua Ritter, assistant director of the department of formation in the Office of Spiritual Life, said. "We do this recognizing everyone has significant differences and recognizing that everyone's identity is really important but at the same time coming together to accomplish something for the common good."

The summit will feature various speakers and break-out sessions lead by community



Associated Press

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT Civic Life Summit registration is now open. The summit will take place on June 1 and 2 at the Mayborn Museum Complex.

and church leaders all with the same goal in mind: to help participants walk away with new skills to implement in the community. Speakers include Ashley Bean Thornton, director for informed engagement at Baylor, former Rep. Chet Edwards, Dr. Martin Carcasson, professor in the Communication Studies department of Colorado State University, Gaynor I. Yancey, Baylor professor of social work, Cheryl Miller, executive director of Perpetual Help Home in Victoria and Jasmine Wilson, assistant director for resident learning at Baylor. All

the speeches and sessions will offer models of civic engagement to emphasize.

"We're hoping in the breakout sessions that not only will the facilitators be able to present the idea, but the participants will also be able to take part in it," Ritter said. "It's very hands-on. We're trying for the summit to be very tangible, hands-on and skill-oriented, so you go to the summit, and you walk away with a very specific set of skills you can implement in

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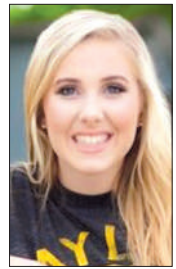
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There's not enough variety in our meal plans

SYDNEY SWIFT
Guest Contributor

As a freshman, purchasing a meal plan is required, and since my parents are paying for those meals, they obviously want me to eat in the dining halls. I, on the other hand, avoid going there at all costs.

On Baylor Dining's website, you can read about the amenities the dining halls offer. It is very obvious that Baylor takes great pride in the on-campus dining by posting informational facts around the dining hall and online.



I browsed through all the different tabs and came across a very interesting one: "Eat Well."

Baylor commits to having many different varieties on their dining hall menus.

The slogan is "We're committed to providing you a broad selection of great-tasting, healthy food and beverages."

They continue on saying they will always have fresh fruit and veggies, and that they are proud to serve culturally diverse meals. It mentions multiple times that Baylor strives to have diverse options to sustain a healthy diet for college students.

I love going out to eat, and unfortunately in college I am on a budget and am unable to eat out for every meal. I would love to have just a nice home-cooked meal, and I do feel like that is what Baylor dining halls are striving to do, but it is just not the same thing.

The "variety" in the dining halls is some pizza, stir fry, salads and sandwiches.

Besides the dining halls, options are Chick-fil-A, Panda Express, Moo-yah, Which Wich, etc. You can only repeat the same meals so many times before you get sick of them.

Yes, there is variety in the sense of all the different flavors and stations, but the options at each station seem to rotate on a cycle, so it is just the same "Wing Wednesday" or PB&J week after week.

I also tend to be a picky eater, so it is already hard for me to find things to eat and scarce options do not help that.

The rubbery meat scares me, so I do not eat that; I am tired of the fruits and vegetables, so basically I rely on pizza or a bowl of cereal. Then about an hour later, I am hungry again and the cycle repeats itself.

It is awesome that Baylor does provide us with multiple dining halls that offer different things and do have the nutrients students need, but I, along with many of my friends, believe there should just be more variety.

At this point in the year, I usually choose to microwave something (that I had to buy, sorry Mom and Dad) rather than going to eat on campus, which is why I have over 900 meals left on my meal plan.

Once again, sorry Mom and Dad. That being said, Baylor does provide great on-campus dining, but the dining halls could use a little more rotational variety.

Even coming from a picky eater, throw something crazy in there just to change it up.

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EDITORIAL

#Triggered isn't just a meme

In the past year, the phrase "trigger warning" has been part of a nationwide, continually re-emerging discussion about mental health and the so-called sensitivity of our generation. We've been accused, and accused others, of being overly reactive, "special snowflakes" who break down in the face of ideas and opinions that contradict our own. Trigger warnings have been held up as a barrier we've constructed to protect our fragile egos from dissent and from the reality of the world, and "#triggered" has become one of the most widely recognizable internet memes shared across global social media.

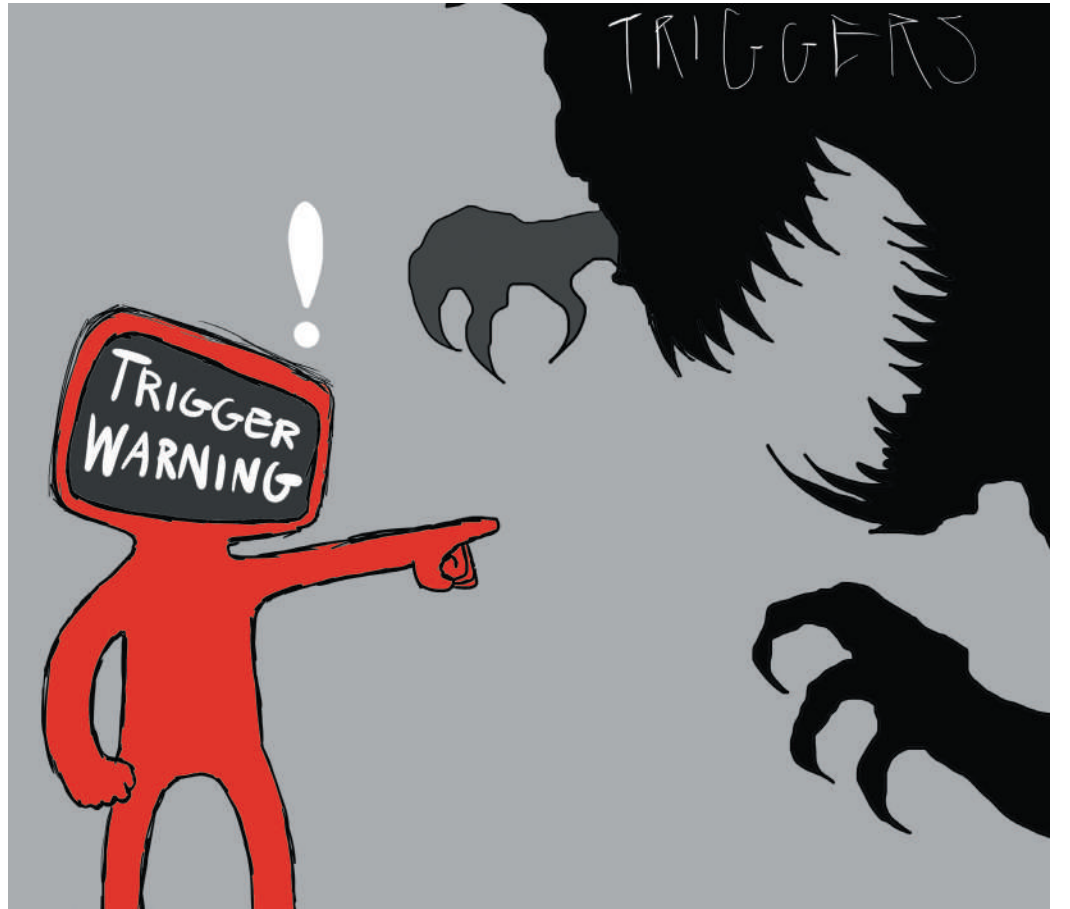
They have become satirical, a conservative jibe at liberal college students, an amusing saying between friends, but the joke has gone on long enough.

To survivors of abuse and sexual assault, to men and women suffering from mental health disorders, trigger warnings are not a joke.

For thousands of men and women across the globe, trigger warnings are the last chance to prepare to see, read or discuss something that may bring up painful memories or thoughts, and we need to take them seriously.

If you're lucky, they don't apply to you. Maybe you don't see flashbacks of Afghanistan when you watch a movie about war crimes in your history class, or maybe you don't still feel his hands on you when your English class reads a book containing a rape scene, but that doesn't mean that other people are similarly spared.

Those who suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder often experience intense flashbacks, and people with other mental disorders or who have survived



Joshua Kim|Cartoonist

traumas can be subject to intrusive, shockingly painful feelings and memories when confronted with situations that remind them of past experiences.

Trigger warnings are statements that prelude content that may be disturbing. They aren't a request for professors, lecturers or television producers to censor their material — it's just a brief warning that the material that follows may explicitly discuss or portray topics that can be truly distressing.

We have to move away from the idea that trigger warnings are about protecting the "special snowflakes." They aren't. They aren't about sheltering students'

minds from dissenting opinions, and they aren't about ensuring that students aren't exposed to things that are generally deemed graphic, frightening or sad.

They're about giving people who need it a chance to put up their barriers, to prepare their minds against the very real onslaught of unwanted thoughts, memories or feelings that might emerge when presented with an image or topic that pulls back to the surface moments of intense pain or suffering.

It's about giving people a chance to say no, to prioritize their mental health, to continue to heal from whatever they've survived or are struggling to survive.

Maybe they don't apply to you — hopefully they don't apply to you — but by reducing trigger warnings to an internet meme, we're discounting the very real mental struggles faced by thousands of men and women nationwide.

Just because your demons differ from someone else's, just because yours aren't unleashed when you see a graphic rape scene, hear gunshots or read a book featuring an abusive character, doesn't give you license to proclaim trigger warnings invalid.

Trigger warnings are not a call for censorship, for sheltering, but for mere consideration, and they should be taken seriously.

LARIAT LETTER

PawPrints updates are in the works

Thank you for your interest in improving PawPrints. Your observations give us a great opportunity to talk about positive changes on the horizon for our printing system and highlight some little-used features that can help students today.

An important context to any conversation about PawPrints is that it is a shared resource, with printers and supplies provided by many departments who volunteer these resources for student printing.

Since there is no central student printing fee or budget, changes to the cost of student printing are felt by every department that contributes.

Importantly, the current free allotment of pages covers most academic printing needs for our students. Those who do use up their free quota typically pay less than \$5 a semester out of pocket.

We believe our free quota and cost structure do a good job providing for academic printing and keeping average costs reasonable, while acknowledging that printing has real environmental and cost impacts.

With that in mind, any student may pay the Paul L. Foster business school's technology commons lab fee if they would like the additional pages and access to facilities in Foster.

Even this fee is not shared across the PawPrints system and already has an impact on every contributing department.

Further custom printing allotments, while technically possible, would also have

a financial impact on every contributing department and are generally contrary to the spirit of the PawPrints program, which tries to be simple and open.

Second, since departments do not currently have a way to subsidize printing for specific populations of students, to alleviate the amount of printing, we agree with the idea of encouraging faculty to use more earth-friendly approaches to readings and assignments.

Just this week, I met with the Libraries/ITS Student Advisory Group and we identified that student printing has a sustainability component that could be brought forward. Box, Canvas and other tools, along with buy-in from faculty, makes this very possible.

You mention concerns that both relate to printers that are offline and the downstream consequences for students. This has been a pain point for student printing for a long time, both for students and support staff.

PaperCut, the software that brings printers across campus into a unified system, recently added a feature we are eager to deploy this summer that will automatically disable printers that are reporting errors.

This will prevent students from releasing jobs to these printers until they are repaired. This will be an amazing improvement.

We are also increasing the number of staff that have the ability to delete jobs from printers when an error occurs.

The increase in these "queue managers" will mean more attention for each printer and fewer jobs that are printed after a printer is

repaired.

In the event that a PawPrints job is wrongly charged against an account, users may request a refund at baylor.edu/pawprints/login.

Another feature many students may not know about is that jobs can be released from mobile devices while standing near a PawPrints printer. Simply add baylor.edu/pawprints/release to your phone's home screen and release jobs while you are at the printer.

You will be able to see if there is a long line or paper jam before releasing the print job, and you can ensure your private documents are collected only by you.

Finally, in regard to sustainability, Earth Day this year has a focus on "Greening our Schools." PawPrints would welcome a wider conversation about a document's lifecycle and support ways to help assignments move from draft, edit, submit, grade, return, perhaps even to publishing without ever becoming paper.

Perhaps an initiative to reward faculty and students who are lightweight print users could be devised, or a campus education campaign could be launched about the life of an assignment and available resources that provide alternatives to printing.

Thank you again for your interest. We will keep working to make PawPrints better and look forward to working with others interested in solutions that reduce our dependence on paper.

With thanks,
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Methodist court to decide on validity of gay bishop election

RACHEL ZOLL
Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. — The highest court in the United Methodist Church considered Tuesday whether to invalidate the election of the denomination's first openly gay bishop, amid a struggle to avoid schism over the Bible and same-sex relationships.

The challenge was filed last year to the election of Bishop Karen Oliveto, who is married to another woman. Church law bars clergy appointments of "self-avowed practicing homosexuals," a stand that has come under increasing pressure from LGBT Methodists and their supporters as gay rights have made dramatic gains.

The 12.8 million-member denomination, the third-largest faith group in the United States, came close to fracturing last year at its legislative meeting, or General Conference. A commission has been searching for ways to stay united. On the eve of Tuesday's hearing, Methodist bishops announced a special assembly for February 2019, in St. Louis, Missouri, dedicated exclusively to differences over church law related LGBT people.

The denomination has seen its greatest growth in recent years in Africa and other parts of the world where theologically conservative views prevail on marriage. Overseas Methodists have been standing with U.S. evangelicals to insist the church uphold the ban on clergy in same-sex relationships and discipline those who violate the policy.

The hearing Tuesday, in a hotel conference room in Newark, New Jersey, was closely watched, the subject of prayer and activism from around the church. Spectators lined the hall outside the hearing awaiting a security check to enter. Many wore rainbow-colored stoles and T-shirts that read, "United Methodist Queer Clergy #ComeOut."

Oliveto sat in the front row



Associated Press

FATE OF GAY BISHOP The top court in the United Methodist Church on Tuesday considered whether the election of Bishop Karen Oliveto, the first openly lesbian Methodist bishop, violated church law barring clergy who are "self-avowed practicing homosexuals."

surrounded by bishops from the church's Western Jurisdiction, where she leads a region based in Denver. Across the aisle, the woman who filed the challenge, Dixie Brewster of the Oklahoma-based South Central Jurisdiction, sat with the Rev. Keith Boyette, an attorney who argued her case. Oliveto attended with her wife, her mother and her childhood pastor.

A ruling from the council is expected within a few days. Potential outcomes range from a narrow decision on procedure alone that keeps Oliveto in place to a decision that would void her election.

Oliveto was not required to speak at

the hearing, but said after the session she had received "boxes and boxes" of letters, along with emails from people across the church, supporting her. She cried when recounting the messages from young LGBT people who tell her they have "heard from pulpits that they are not welcome," or have been kicked out of their homes by their parents.

Oliveto said she was thinking about other gay and lesbian Methodist clergy "who have been serving in the silence of closets, in order to be faithful to God's call."

"I am not the first gay bishop," she said, "and I won't be the last."



Associated Press

FIRST DAUGHTER Ivanka Trump, daughter and adviser of U.S. President Donald Trump, participated in the W20 Summit Tuesday in Berlin.

Ivanka Trump defends father, gets groans

DAVID RISING
Associated Press

BERLIN — Ivanka Trump drew groans and hisses Tuesday from an audience in Berlin while defending her father's attitude toward women, but she brushed it aside as "politics" during her first overseas trip as a White House adviser.

Appearing on a high-powered panel at a conference to push for more support for women in business, Trump also said she was still trying to define her place in her father's administration.

"I am rather unfamiliar

with this role as well, as it is quite new to me, it's been a little under 100 days," she said.

Trump has been a vocal advocate for policies benefiting working women and vocational training. But she also has faced criticism in the United States, particularly from those who think she has done little to temper her father's conservative agenda.

As Trump described her father as "a tremendous champion of supporting families and enabling them to thrive," she drew scattered groans and hisses from the audience.

McLane Scholars opens applications

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The McLane Teammates Scholars program is accepting applications for the 2017 fall semester.

The program is a one-semester-long, non-credit reading group where students read texts pertaining to the theme of the semester and discuss ideas, according to its website. The theme for the 2017 fall semester is "Economics and Social Issues: Markets and the Marginalized."

The program is meant to be a discussion among students that are diverse ideologically and within their majors, said Dr. Steve Bradley, associate professor in the department of entrepreneurship and faculty director of the Baugh Center for Entrepreneurship and Free Enterprise.

"We hope to really get students discussing at a deeper level some pretty rich and fairly difficult texts," Bradley said.

The McLane Scholars program within the Baugh Center is funded by the McLane Company and has two complementary programs at Southern Methodist University and Texas Tech University, Bradley said. Faculty from the three universities decide on the topic for

each semester and develop the reading plan, Bradley said.

The three universities also attend a weekend conference during the semester that gives participating students the opportunity to discuss the topic of the semester with students from other universities. Throughout the semester, participants of the programs at Baylor, SMU and Texas Tech also have discussions through Facebook, Bradley said.

Dr. Peter Klein, professor in the department of entrepreneurship and past director of the McLane Scholars program, said another aspect of the program is exposing students to ideas that they may not cover in their courses.

"This is a chance for you to discuss fun and interesting topics with smart people and ... expand your horizons a little bit," Klein said.

Klein also said that they are looking for students that are intellectually curious in order to enhance the discussion.

"We're trying to get students that we think would benefit the program, who have ideas and are curious about things," Klein said.

Rowlett senior Rebecca Voth said she participated in the program because she wanted to learn more about poverty

from an economic perspective and would recommend it to other students.

"There were many diverse perspectives, and we had some excellent discussions. It was great to hear from students from diverse backgrounds and academic perspectives as well as to learn from a business focus about the interaction of markets and policy," Voth wrote in an email to the Lariat.

The program is very selective, with as many as 40 or 50 students applying to fill the 12 available spots, Bradley said. The students have dinner together at each meeting, and the books for the program are provided, he said. Bradley also said students who complete the course are awarded \$1000.

Bradley said the program requires a significant amount of reading, so an interest in the subject is necessary for the program to be successful.

"We want students to apply, and we think it's a lot of fun and it's the kind of thing that the college experience should include," Klein said.

The deadline to apply for the fall 2017 semester is July 1, and the application is available at the McLane Scholars Program website at <http://www.baylor.edu/business/freenterpris/index.php?id=869670>.

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Dismantled Monument



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COMING DOWN Workers dismantle the Liberty Place monument Monday, April 24, 2017, which commemorates whites who tried to topple a biracial post-Civil War government, in New Orleans. It was removed overnight in an attempt to avoid disruption from supporters who want the monuments to stay.

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needed to be verified, Neumann said. The financial aid office informed her that she needed to submit documentation to the financial aid office, including a form detailing her 2015 tax information signed by a parent, Neumann said.

"I called to make sure that I had accurately registered for summer, and they said, 'Oh, we haven't sent out bills for fall or summer yet,' and then I got really nervous because I was thinking, 'Well what do I owe this much money for then?'" Neumann said.

A student having their aid temporarily removed results in a balance on their e-bill account for the amount the financial aid would cover, said J.T. Lloyd, assistant vice president for student accounts and cashier services. In this case, a student would receive an email from the cashier's office informing them that they needed to provide the financial aid office with the correct information, Lloyd said.

The creation of Prior-Prior Year is unconnected with FAFSA's online data retrieval tool being closed due to security concerns, Qourzal said, and students who have used the online tool were much less likely to have their aid temporarily removed because the data retrieval tool imports tax information directly to the FAFSA.

This process is also unconnected to FAFSA



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verification, which is used to audit the accuracy of FAFSA and can be initiated by Baylor or the U.S. Department of Education.

This is not an issue that would affect graduating seniors, since the temporary removal of financial aid is a result of filing a FAFSA for the upcoming academic year, Lloyd said.

Lloyd also said that because the financial

aid office is required by the U.S. Department of Education to resolve any discrepancies before awarding or disbursing financial aid, a student is not eligible for financial aid until those discrepancies are clarified.

"The circumstances are unique this year because we have two aid years relying on the same tax information, but there hasn't been a

change in policy regarding how students are expected to repay balances owed," Lloyd said.

This problem is not only affecting Baylor students. Students at UT Austin are also being asked to verify their tax information because of discrepancies on their 2016-17 and 2017-18 FAFSA's, a representative for their financial aid office said.

Lloyd also said this is the first and only year that two FAFSAs will be completed using the same tax information. This transitional year where two FAFSAs are using the same tax information has resulted in discrepancies that students need to resolve, Lloyd said.

"We have been working with students during early registration if a discrepancy resulted in a balance owed, allowing students to get registered as long as they are working on providing the necessary information to the Student Financial Aid Office," Lloyd said.

To correct any discrepancies on a FAFSA, a student has to submit a signed document acknowledging what the correct information is, and financial aid will be reinstated, Qourzal said.

Students that have experienced a discrepancy on their FAFSA can contact the student financial aid office for assistance.

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the community."

Thornton will be giving the opening keynote speech at the Civic Life Summit. Since the 1960s, in the nation as a whole, civic engagement has dropped, Thornton said. Along with that comes a decline in skills to have productive conversations, Thornton said. Thornton found this trend fascinating to look into and was drawn to the Baylor Public Deliberation Initiative and its mission with this summit. Although her speech is not yet finalized, she said she plans to talk about crossing the bridge from being a consumer of the community to being a creator of the community.

"I think the opportunity to meet other people in town will be interesting," Thornton said. "I hope to exchange ideas with them and build a little momentum in town and look forward to talking about how we re-engage people in civic engagement and re-skill in those skills we need to do that effectively."

The Baylor Public Deliberation Initiative invites the Baylor community to participate in forums about issues in order to understand the perspectives, possible outcomes and trade-offs

of different options in engaging in deliberation, according to the website. It aims to promote civic literacy, active listening and humility as well as offer an experience for people to be able to converse and argue in an acceptable manner, according to the website.

The summit will take place June 1 and 2 at the Mayborn Museum Complex. The registration fee is \$95 and includes meals, but Ritter said there are options if money is an issue because he doesn't want that to be the barrier preventing anyone from attending. Registration is open until May 15. The Civic Life Summit is sponsored by the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core, Community Engagement and Service, W. R. Poage Legislative Library, Baylor Spiritual Life, Baylor Formation and Baylor Missions and the Campus Diversity Committee.

"I think it's going to be really neat to see all the different people who come together," Ritter said. "I think it's going to be a really great networking time as well. I think people are going to be able to make new friendships and new partnerships."

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Cara Tuttle Bell, director of Project Safe at Vanderbilt University, said the societal idea where victims of sexual violence will not be believed or will be shamed helps with the lack of resources.

"The rates of violence really are at epidemic levels," Bell said. "That is important to acknowledge because we are not sufficiently responding to this public health crisis – a societal problem – and because one of the major hurdles to addressing intimate partner violence is the unfortunately common victim-blaming that keeps survivors from coming forward for support."

"Many colleges and universities have only one overworked and, often, underpaid, person trying to take all of this on, which of course leads to burnout, which leads to turnover, which impedes the ability to actually provide quality service and make change on

campus," Bell said.

Though institutions' programs are in question, experts like Bell with firsthand knowledge of the effects of interpersonal violence say the average individual can aid survivors in the healing process.

Recent Baylor graduate Cameron Jenkins is employed as the volunteer coordinator at the Waco Family Abuse Center. He interacts daily with survivors of domestic violence.

"The best thing is to be knowledgeable about [domestic violence]," Jenkins said. "Some people might hear that, 'Oh, you're not being hit, so you're not being abused really.' There is such thing as emotional and verbal abuse, and people don't have to put their hands on someone else to be abusive. Knowing something like that and educating yourself could be helpful."

Bell reiterated Jenkins' call to action, who similarly emphasized

the necessity of knowledge. Bell said that while the cause starts with awareness, the true test is to bring action into your own life and community by knowing how to support a survivor who comes to you for help. She explained how knowing the resources available on campus and the rights given to students will allow the system of dealing with interpersonal violence cases to eventually catch up to the problem.

"Be a good listener. Be a good friend," Bell said. "This means you start by believing and offering support. While we may feel shocked or angry or upset when we learn that a friend has been assaulted, that is not our moment to display an emotional reaction – instead, respect their moment and experience."

The Lariat reached out to a university spokesperson as well as a representative from the Baylor Counseling Department and received no response.

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'Noises Off'



Jessica Hubble | Lariat Photographer

NOISES OFF, COMEDY ON Garry, played by Jack McAfee, Belinda, played by Rachel Cendrick (Left), Dotty, played by Tiffany Navarro (top right) and Poppy, played by Megan Reese (bottom right) are all characters in the play, "Noises Off," a comedic play that made its debut last night at Jones Theatre. The show pokes a bit of fun at theater and entertains audiences at the same time. Tickets are \$20 for general audience members and \$17 for students; they can be purchased on the Baylor department of theatre arts website.

This week in Waco:

>> Today

7-9 p.m.— Michael Incavo performs. Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits.

7:30 p.m.— "Noises Off." Jones Theatre.

>> Thursday

10 a.m.— "Self Chases Home" Art Exhibit opens. Free admission. Art Center, 1300 College Drive.

5:30 p.m.— Baylor Bronze. Free admission. Seventh & James Baptist Church, 602 James Ave.

5:30 p.m.— Preservation Fair. Free admission. Mayborn Museum Complex.

7 p.m.— Mountain Natives perform. Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits.

7p.m.— Music Association of Central Texas Groovy Awards. Lee Lockwood Library and Museum, 2801 W. Waco Drive.

7:30 p.m.— Henry V. \$8-\$12. Bosque River Stage, McLennan Community College campus.

7:30 p.m.— "Noises Off." Jones Theatre.

9:30 p.m.— The Piano Man. Backyard Bar, Stage & Grill.

>> Friday

7:30 p.m.— Black Glasses Film Festival. Waco Hippodrome.

7:30 p.m.— "Noises Off." Jones Theatre.

7:30 p.m.— Henry V. \$8-\$12. Bosque River Stage, McLennan Community College campus.

Theater revives slapstick comedy

KASSIDY WOYTEK
Reporter

A comedic cast kept audiences laughing at the opening show of "Noises Off," presented by the Baylor department of theatre arts Tuesday night. The farcical comedy by Michael Frayn pokes fun at the world of theater itself as the eccentric characters attempt to perform a play called "Nothing On."

This week marks the second time in Dr. Stan Denman's Baylor teaching career that he's directed "Noises Off." He decided to revive the comedy because he said he thinks it's one of the funniest plays ever written.

"I have yet to find anybody, unless they just have zero sense of humor, who doesn't like this play," Denman said.

Although the play is a comedy, Denman says there's still a lesson to take away from the show.

"It's trying to get us to take a look at our own sort of petty

jealousies and insecurities, our own narcissism," Denman said.

Conroe junior Lucas McCutchen agrees that "Noises Off" makes fun of the egotism and "cattiness" of the stereotypical actor. His character, Garry Lejeune, becomes jealous when he believes another actor has been flirting with his costar.

McCutchen's character is involved in a lot of physical gags like falling down a flight of stairs and hopping around the stage with his shoelaces tied together. He and several other actors met with a stage combat professor before regular rehearsals to practice stunts like these.

"We're all drenched in sweat by the end of it," McCutchen said. "You don't need to work out at home afterwards."

The majority of the cast including McCutchen are members of Baylor's improv group, Guerrilla Troupe. He said his years of experience with Guerrilla Troupe have helped him with comedic timing and thinking

on his feet.

"The show is so crazy that sometimes you just have to improvise," McCutchen said. "It keeps you on your toes."

San Antonio junior Kolby Jacobs, also a member of Guerrilla Troupe, said that the cast members sometimes change things up onstage so that no two shows are alike.

Jacobs also said that the script for "Noises Off" includes large sections where the movements and blocking for the actors are more important than the actual dialogue.

"It's chaos, but it's the most structured chaos you'll ever see," Jacobs said.

Jacobs plays Brooke Ashton, a former adult film actress making her debut on the stage. She said one of the biggest challenges she's faced in the role is wearing 6-inch heels while running up and down stairs.

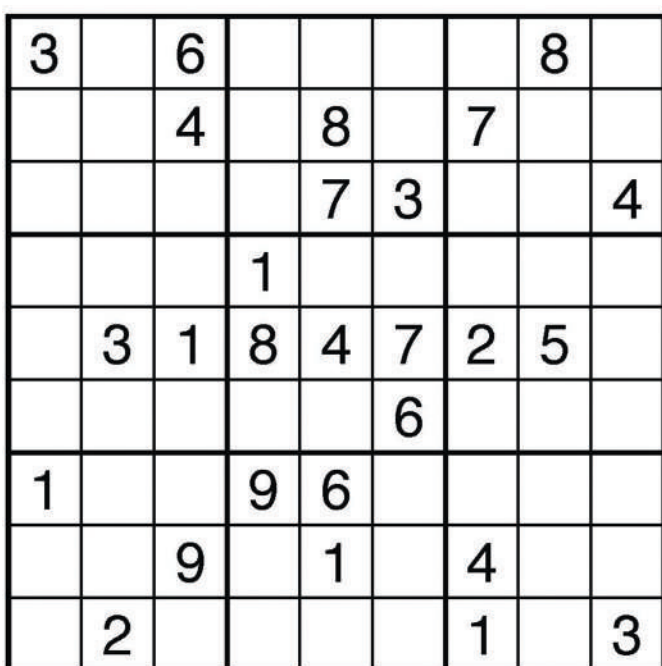
"She's really in her own world, but she never misses a beat in her role," Jacobs said. "Even when everyone else is messing up, she knows exactly

where to be and what line to say, even if it doesn't make sense with how much they've messed up."

The first act of "Noises Off" shows the last dress rehearsal for the fictional play "Nothing On," a traditional English farce. The second act shows the set from the other side, as tensions between the actors escalate backstage. In the third and final act, the characters have trouble concealing their true feelings onstage, resulting in a hilariously different performance than their dress rehearsal.

In between acts, audiences might enjoy reading the fake programs for "Nothing On." The biographies for the fictional characters include previous roles like "Yak #3," "Show Girl in Green Feathers" and "left shoulder and buttock in last season's hit HBO series West World."

"Noises Off" still has six more shows from tonight until Sunday afternoon in the Jones Theatre. Tickets are discounted at \$17 for students and available online.



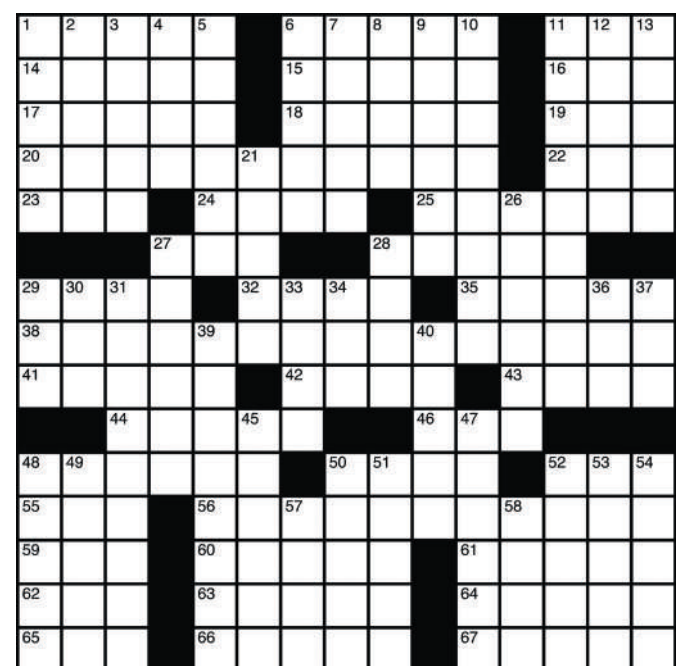
Today's Puzzles

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- 6 Skyscraper girder
- 11 Bobby on the ice
- 14 Willowy
- 15 Impudent
- 16 Baltimore Ravens mascot named for an author
- 17 Attendant who invites Hamlet to duel Laertes
- 18 Blubbers
- 19 Potato part
- 20 NOTHING
- 22 "Stillmatic" rapper
- 23 Equinox mo.
- 24 Secure at the pier
- 25 Small bite
- 27 Sulky state
- 28 L.A.'s region
- 29 Jessica of "Fantastic Four" films
- 32 Waimea Bay island
- 35 First sound of the day, for many
- 38 Provide missing info ... and what four clues do to their answers
- 41 Author Asimov
- 42 Ratio phrase
- 43 Boxing stats
- 44 Explosive experiment
- 46 Vote for
- 48 "I wanna go too!"
- 50 "Psst!" kin
- 52 These, in Nantes
- 55 Roadside respite spot
- 56 NAUGHT
- 59 Word with Iron or Bronze
- 60 Enter on a laptop
- 61 Tropical porch
- 62 Hi-__ image
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- 65 Cockpit abbr.
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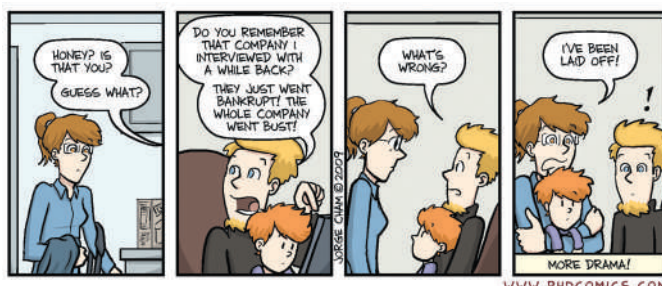
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- 1 Neatniks' opposites
- 2 Stocking thread



- 3 "It's ___!": "They tricked us!"
- 4 Climb, in a way
- 5 Badger from the bleachers
- 6 Anvil-shaped ear bone
- 40 Bergman's "Gaslight" co-star
- 8 Burnett of CNN
- 9 ACTIVE NATURALS skin care brand
- 10 Otherworldly
- 11 SPACE
- 12 Fit for a queen
- 13 Piece maker?
- 21 It may be passed
- 26 Golf ball material
- 27 Sense of taste
- 28 Bird feeder food
- 29 John Williams won its 2016 Life Achievement Award: Abbr.
- 30 Fleur-de-__
- 31 EMPTY
- 33 Busy, busy, busy

- 34 Dept. that oversees the FDA
- 36 "Citizen Kane" studio
- 37 Ed.'s backlog
- 39 Fridge feature that needs water
- 40 Bergman's "Gaslight" co-star
- 45 Title Tejano singer in a 1997 biopic
- 47 Starbucks' mermaid, e.g.
- 48 Sparkly crown
- 49 Broadway backer
- 50 Blazing
- 51 Roll out the red carpet for
- 52 Pachelbel work
- 53 Related on mom's side
- 54 Hit the slopes
- 57 Caustic cleaners
- 58 Tibetan spiritual adviser



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Paws AND Claws OF BAYLOR

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Baylor is a place that is alive and thriving. Above is a collection of animals, both domesticated and feral, found on campus.

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Knocking it out of the park

Baylor baseball triumphs over Texas State at home

BEN EVERETT
Sports Writer

The Baylor baseball team defeated Texas State 10-2 Tuesday night at Baylor Ballpark behind an early offensive outburst.

The Bears (25-16) have eclipsed last season's win total with 12 regular season games left.

Freshman starting pitcher Hayden Kettler walked the first batter and allowed a hit to put two on base but recorded a strikeout to end the inning in the first.

The Bears wasted no time getting the offense rolling. Junior second baseman Steven McLean reached second on a hit and error by the pitcher, and sophomore outfielder T.J. Raguse pushed McLean to third with a single to right field.

Baylor got on the board first when freshman catcher Shea Langeliers launched a double to score McLean, and senior designated hitter Matt Menard converted a single to score Raguse, putting the Bears up 2-0 in the first inning.

A ground-out by junior outfielder Kameron Esthay resulted in a double play for Texas State but brought Langeliers home to put Baylor up 3-0.

After giving up a hit and walking a batter in the second, Kettler was replaced with freshman pitcher Ryan Leckich. Leckich proceeded to strike out the next batter to bring the Baylor bats back out.

The offensive onslaught continued

in the second with senior first baseman Aaron Dodson dropping a double in deep left field. Sophomore outfielder Richard Cunningham followed with a single and advanced to second on a wild pitch.

McLean walked to load the bases, but Dodson was called out at home after a bunt from Raguse. With the bases still loaded, Langeliers hit a single to left field to score Cunningham and McLean and make it a 5-0 game.

In the top of the third, Texas State's Derek Scheible scored on a sac-fly from Jaylen Hubbard to put the Bobcats on the board, making it 5-1.

In the top of the fourth, senior Drew Robertson came to the mound to take the place of Leckich.

In the bottom of the fourth, Cunningham singled, and McLean followed with another single that put Cunningham at third. Cunningham scored on a wild pitch to extend the Baylor lead to 6-1.

Robertson was relieved in the fifth with sophomore Kyle Hill taking the mound for the Bears.

Texas State's Luke Sherley managed a run for the Bobcats after knocking in a double, stealing second and making it home on a wild pitch to make it a 6-2 game in the seventh inning.

In the bottom of the seventh, Esthay got on base with a double before advancing to third on a single from freshman third baseman Davis Wendzel. Esthay and Wendzel both



Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

THROWING THEM OFF BALANCE Freshman left-handed pitcher Ryan Leckich throws a pitch against Texas State University on Tuesday at the Baylor Ballpark in Waco. The Bears won 10-2.

scored on a long single from Dodson to extend the Baylor lead to 8-2.

Cunningham and McLean walked to load the bases and Dodson made it home on a sac-fly from Raguse to

make it 9-2.

Back-to-back walks of Langeliers and Menard brought in another run for the Bears as they now led 10-2.

Junior Kyle Ott replaced Hill at the

mound in the eighth and closed out the game as Baylor won 10-2.

The Bears hit the road to face Kansas in a weekend series starting at 6 p.m. Friday in Lawrence, Kan.

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April is National Sexual Assault Awareness Month

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To Prevent To Intervene To Care

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3. Help them to establish safety.
4. Offer to help connect them with resources.
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