Political clubs rally for Super Presidential elections

SAWYER SMITH Reporter

Two of Baylor’s political groups have big plans to shape the student body and outside Waco community during this election season.

The Young Conservatives of Texas Baylor chapter held their first meeting recently. Members of the Baylor Democratic group have also been hard at work on campus.

The Young Conservatives of Baylor intend to volunteer heavily for Senator Ted Cruz’s presidential campaign this semester. Some have already begun regular phone-banking for him at a local Texas call center.

Being engaged in the government processes on campus is only the start of what the Young Conservatives seek to accomplish this spring. They want to work to spread conservative values everywhere across campus, said president Whitney MacDonald, junior. "We are the grass roots for Cruz, they serve as chief president."

That Tuesday night there was lengthy discussion about how their membership could effectively support conservative positions at Baylor meeting about how they talked about campus carry policy and how to continue the fight in favor of it. May be on the agenda is the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) held every year in the Washington, D.C., area. The conference is coming up in early March and multiple members of the group plan to go to CPAC to sign up generally all up for Baylor’s Young Conservative chapter, however. The Young Conservatives of Texas will be preparing for a state convention in April should be the case, Baylor’s committed.

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Grinnin’ & Swingin’

HEATHER TROTTER Reporter

Super Bowl 50 will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 7 when the Carolina Panthers will face the Denver Broncos at Levi’s Stadium in Santa Clara, CA.

The Carolina Panthers have a 15-1 season record. They are led by quarterback Cam Newton, one of six African-American quarterbacks in the Super Bowl.

The Denver Broncos have a record of 12-4. They are led by quarterback Peyton Manning, who could be playing his last NFL game in Super Bowl 56 but the quarterback has yet to confirm at this time.

The two teams will come together on both sides of the ball, except where the Panthers have a significant lead over the Broncos in points per game, rush yards per game, and third down conversion percentages according to the NFL.

Key Panther players include quarterback Cam Newton, who threw for nearly 4,000 this season, and wide receiver Greg Olsen, who had just over 1,000 receiving yards during the regular season.

The Denver Broncos’ Peyton Manning had nearly 2,500 passing yards and wide receivers.

WINNER TAKES IT ALL Denver Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning (18) hands off to running back C.J. Anderson (22) during an NFL football practice Friday, Jan. 29, in Boulder, Colo. (Associated Press)
Don’t limit your own creativity

Ask any student what qualities they think they will have to take them outside to use the puppy. His needs are now yours, such as finding yourself cleaning up a mess on the carpet. Another major thing is that you will have to manage your time and schedule around your puppy. His needs are now, such as when he needs to eat, go outside, and when he wants to play. There is no such thing as rolling out of bed 10 minutes before class anymore. I would caution people that while having a dog has been great, and you shouldn’t trade him for anything, it is hard work. It is not for everyone. Make sure that you always consult your veterinarian because they are your biggest aid when it comes to helping take care of your puppy.

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LONDON — World leaders pledged more than $10 billion Thursday to help feed schools, dodder and jobs for refugees from Syrian civil war, money that British Prime Minister David Cameron said "will save lives, will give hope, will give people a chance of a future."

But participants at the aid conference in London acknowledged that prospects for ending the conflict have rarely been so weak and that the revelations of Islamic State atrocities in and around Kobani, in eastern Syria, were only one reason why aid is desperately needed.

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Debbie Chabon argued that Eisenhauer's mental health could sustain his claim.

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Fumigation used to combat Zika

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Fumigation is one method, another is rolling out and draining standing water, where the insects lay their eggs. Other strategies are planned for treating larvae—draining fish, genetically modified insects and even larvae.

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- 7:30 p.m. — Baylor Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble at Jones Concert Hall. Free.
- 8 p.m. — Jukebox with The Ghost with the Family at Waco Downtown Farmers Market. Free.
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**Saturday**
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Men look to regain form; women on pace for title

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“We cannot look back on it and have it get ready for West Virginia,” Medford said after the loss.

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The Bears are going to need to bring their A game if they plan to make a dent in the Mountaineers at their home.

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OVER THE BACK: Junior forward Nina Davis pulls up a shot during the first half of the Lady Bears’ game against Kansas State on Wednesday at the Ferrell Center. Davis and the Lady Bears host the Kansas Jayhawks at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

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