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Starr responds after Monday on-campus demonstration

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Staff Reporters

Following the 'Survivors' Stand' vigil in honor of sexual assault victims on Monday, president and chancellor Ken Starr released a statement Tuesday titled "Baylor Students: Thank You and We Hear You."

"Last evening, our students came together as a family. They displayed great poise and maturity during the vigil at Allbritton House and in the prayer service that followed at our beloved Truett Seminary," Starr said. "We hear your voices loud and clear. You want us to continue to improve. And you want definitive, responsible actions after we receive the insights and recommendations from Pepper Hamilton. You have my word on both."

The vigil was organized in light of the ongoing investigations carried out by Pepper Hamilton law firm regarding the university's handling of sexual assault cases. Sexual assault survivors and their sympathizers were invited to attend the vigil.

A printed mission statement of the service was given to those present by volunteers and

read: "Because we love Baylor, we hope to show in a visible way, just how much sexual assault affects us, those we hold dear, and our community to peacefully incite change."

According to the handout, the event's organizers feel Baylor has mishandled sexual assault cases and failed to offer proper protection to victims with its Title XI policies. The handout mentioned president and chancellor Ken Starr's multiple efforts to address the issues regarding sexual assault on campus, but regarded them as ineffective.

Irving sophomore Surbhi Todi said she attended the vigil and is proud that she was able to be part of something so important.

"The vigil pushed Baylor administration to take more serious action and promise change," Todi said. "It goes to show that students standing up together truly can make a difference."

Stefanie Mundhenk, Baylor graduate and organizer of the vigil, wants more than an apology.

"His statement is demeaning. He is not hearing us loud and clear," Mundhenk said.

Mundhenk does not feel her questions are



Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

BOOKING IT Stefanie Mundhenk, a recent graduate, organized a candle light vigil on Monday in front of Allbritton House to honor those affected by sexual assault.

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HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS



Charlene Lee | Lariat Photographer

Alpha Chi Omega participates in National Healthy Relationships week by giving away free cupcakes and handing out fliers Tuesday at Fountain Mall. The sorority's campaign was in effort to raise student awareness on the topic of abusive relationships.

Library hosts Valentine's event Broadway-style

KALLI DAMSCHEN
Reporter

Elizabeth Barrett was 40 years old when she married Robert Browning, who was 34, and though their love story got a late start in life, it was one to go down in the history books.

To celebrate that love story, and the love of couples all over the world, Armstrong Browning Library will hold its eighth annual Valentine's Day Extravaganza at 2 p.m. this Saturday.

"It is a way for us to promote the Brownings and to promote the fact that they had a fantastic love story," said Rita Pattenon, director of Armstrong Browning Library. "It gives us a way to honor the people who make donations to the library. It's just kind of a fun event that promotes love."

The famous poets who

give their name to Armstrong Browning first began corresponding through letters after Elizabeth Barrett's highly successful volume "Poems" in 1844. They fell in love and, after meeting, eventually got married in secret because Elizabeth's father did not approve. Afterwards, they moved to Italy together and had "a fantastic life," Pattenon said. And their love went on to inspire Elizabeth's famous poem "How Do I Love Thee? Let Me Count the Ways (Sonnet 43)."

The theme of this year's extravaganza is Broadway at the Movies. The event will feature love songs from popular Broadway shows that made it to the big screens, such as "My Fair Lady," "Les Miserables" and "Phantom of the Opera."

The musical selections for the Valentine's Day Extravaganza

are intended to appeal to a large range of people, from college students to residents of the Waco community, said artist-in-residence Carlos Colón. This is Colón's third year arranging the music for the extravaganza.

"We have chosen music that will have a broad appeal," Colón said. "Music that people will recognize as their favorite romantic tunes or love songs from these musicals."

A number of musicians will perform at the extravaganza, but the main artist is Kimberley Fuselier Mendoza. Mendoza is a Baylor graduate who has done professional opera and musical theater in Houston and other cities.

The musical performance will be followed by a dessert reception. According to Jennifer

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Asian study abroad gets overlooked

GAVIN PUGH
Reporter

For Baylor students studying abroad, Europe offers familiarity: similar languages, cultures and skin color. But many students do not know that Baylor has a wide range of scholarships and accommodations available for Eastern countries, such as China and Japan.

Instead, students study abroad in western European countries more than they do in any other part of the world. Bobby Leis, the Baylor exchange program and study abroad adviser, has theories of why this is the case.

"I think inside of us, a lot of Americans are heritage seekers,"

Leis said.

Students whose great grandparents emigrated from Europe, or who have relatives living there, may choose to stick to the West to learn about their heritage.

However, Eastern programs can accommodate students studying abroad as well. Hong Kong Baptist University, a study abroad destination offered by Baylor, is an English-speaking campus.

"Their courses are similar, their class hours are similar," Leis said. Even the course titles are similar. So it gives students that sense of familiarity."

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Associated Press

TRAVELING EAST Performers participate in a lion dance on Monday at Ditan Park in Beijing. Eastern countries often get overlooked by students looking abroad in favor of Western European countries.

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EDITORIAL

Compassion: the needed Christian response

To many Christians, the church and related institutions are thought of as safe places. But for others, that isn't the case.

Victims of sexual assault that occurs within Christian establishments often don't report their abuse because these communities, unfortunately, aren't seen as a refuge, according to Godly Response to Abuse in the Christian Environment (GRACE), a faith-based organization that provides education and training for Christians to recognize, prevent and respond to child abuse.

Certain aspects of Christian culture cause some victims of sexual assault to hide their abuse. Christian teachings of purity promote abstaining from sexual behavior of any kind before marriage. The church's emphasis on sexual purity, while Biblical, is sometimes misconstrued by both victims and their communities, and can incorrectly paint rape victims as guilty of sin.

A 13-year-old victim told a member of GRACE that she never disclosed her abuse because her only knowledge of sex outside of marriage was that it was sinful. Other victims have similar experiences, and experience tremendous guilt as a result. In the worst cases, other members of Christian communities will go so far as to condemn victims, saying sexual contact of any kind, even involuntary sex, is a sin.

When the church's teachings on purity are misconstrued or incomplete, victims are unable to receive proper healing and counseling. GRACE suggests that church leaders actively address issues of sexual assault and incest when teaching on sexual purity. Speakers should be careful to point out that victims of these things are not guilty of the sins of their attackers. This helps to increase victims' chances of not seeing themselves as guilty of a sin in the wake of an attack, as well as silence ignorant Christians who might try to bring shame on victims with incorrect applications of scripture.

In December 2014, an independent investigation conducted at Bob Jones University, a non-denominational Christian institution, revealed disturbing facts about the treatment of rape victims on its campus, according to an article by the New York Times. A confidential survey was given to 381 current and former students and employees who said they had



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knowledge of how the university handled abuse cases. Fifty-six percent of these people said the university treated assault victims with a "blaming and disparaging" attitude. Of those surveyed, 166 identified as victims of abuse, and almost half of these people said they were pressured by the university to not report the incident to police.

Several participants said Bob Jones university staff told victims they were guilty of various sins in the wake of their abuse. One recounted being told he or she was harboring bitterness against the abuser, which was deemed a sin, and was told not to report the incident. Another person claimed a university official said the victim was responsible for "[tearing] your family apart" after reporting abuse at the hands of his or her grandfather, and even told the victim "you love

yourself more than you love God."

Assault in faith-based environments can be particularly difficult for female victims to deal with. Christian teachings on purity emphasize the woman's responsibility of warding off male attention by watching how she dresses and not spending time alone with men. This weight placed on women can foster environments where female victims are shamed for their situation; improper dress and behavior are cited as reasons for assault, rather than just blaming her abuser for the attack.

The practice of placing the guilt on victims is even more magnified in instances when victims are intoxicated at the time of the assault. Christians will sometimes downplay the fact that a victim was wrongly violated and instead focus on a sin that preceded the incident. Regardless

of whether a person is drunk or involved in some other sin at the time, being sexually assaulted should not be lumped in with those transgressions. No one would suggest a murder victim is sinful for being killed by someone else; being the victim of someone else's sin is not a sin in itself. Even if an assault is perceived as the result of a sinful situation, victims need to be protected by their Christian community, not shamed.

In some instances, Christian leaders may ignore or diminish claims of sexual abuse in an attempt to save the reputation of their institutions. The lack of punishment for Christian leaders committing sexual abuse does nothing to curb assaults or encourage victims to report the incidents. The Catholic Church is a prime example. Over the last decade, it has been forced to deal with a disturbing number of clergymen abusing children. Statistics released in 2014 showed that more than 3,400 cases of child abuse at the hands of priests had been reported to the Vatican in the previous decade. Of the accused priests, more than 2,500 did not lose their positions in the church.

Church leaders in other denominations often don't report suspected abuse to authorities, and try to deal with the problem in-house, according to GRACE. Victims facing abuse in environments where their abusers are not adequately punished often don't see the merit in reporting abuse. Because being identified as a victim of abuse can be perceived as shameful, many victims would rather not risk their reputations on just the possibility of seeing their abuser punished.

For too long, Christian sexual assault victims have been silenced by shame. Churches and related communities should be fortresses for those who have been deeply hurt. Instead of fostering an environment where victims experience shame and guilt, Christians should create safe spaces for victims to heal. Discussing the reality of sexual assault goes hand-in-hand with conversations about maintaining sexual purity. As Christian institutions around the country come to terms with the reality of sexual assault within their walls, it's paramount that Christians welcome victims with love, compassion and an educated perspective, just as Christ would.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Starr responds to student vigil with 'Baylor Students: Thank You and We Hear You'

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Posted on baylor.edu/president/news.

LARIAT LETTER: Holster malfunction is not a reasonable concern

I am writing in response to the Jan. 20th article "Panel offers perspectives on campus carry," by Lariat reporter Jessica Hubble. With rising instances of gun violence sweeping the nation, it is completely understandable for students and faculty alike to have concerns about the notion of campus carry. I would like to address one of these concerns, namely a statement by Mark Childers, who is the associate vice president for the Baylor Department of Public Safety.

Mr. Childers is no doubt qualified to speak on these matters; however, some statements from Jessica Hubble's

article are concerning. Mr. Childers pointed out that a gun could perhaps be left behind by a student or fall to the ground and discharge. It is important to note that under GC §411.172 A7 of the Texas License to Carry a Handgun Laws, before being issued a license, one must display sound knowledge of gun safety. This would include how to secure the weapon within a holster matching the make and model of the weapon. These holsters are designed with manual release mechanisms, which will not likely fail from normal activity. While of course there is the possibility of the holster not

working effectively, this possibility also exists for any police officer. I think it is a poor argument against campus carry to assign this unlikely outcome as any more prevalent than it already is with our own law enforcement.

My question for Mr. Childers is have you ever in your 26 years of carrying a fire arm while in the Secret Service witnessed an accidental discharge due to a holster malfunction?

Jacob Santarelli
Sophomore
Colorado Springs, Colo.

LARIAT LETTER: Waco needs more healthy options

Being a native of Los Angeles where new fads centered around not only fashion, but also fitness and nutrition, typically begin, I'm still learning to adjust to life at Baylor, let alone here in Waco.

Here things run at a much slower pace. Don't get me wrong, Waco has plenty of unique characteristics that make living here an incredible experience, but it's lack of healthier dining options and even grocery stores makes any health freak, like myself, wish they were closer to the

big cities. Although Waco has made an effort to incorporate elements of nutrition with temporary vendors like those at the Waco Downtown Farmers Market, stores like Whole Foods, Trader Joes, and Sprouts make healthful choices easier to make on a daily basis. Restaurants that often incorporate local and/or organic ingredients, vegan items and wholesome options would also add to the small town feel of the city along the Brazos while also

supporting local farmers and producers. The need for businesses centered around nutrition is growing consistently with Baylor's student population, especially since students like me are more common than one might think.

Taylor Berman
Sophomore
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GLOBAL BRIEFS

Farmers earn record sales during drought

FRESNO, Calif. — A new state report shows California farmers reaping record sales despite the state's epic drought, largely from the export of thirsty crops such as almonds and walnuts. Farmers appear to be thriving even as city-dwellers have been forced to conserve water, household wells have run dry and fish have died.

California's 76,400 farms recorded \$53.5 billion in sales in 2014, the year Gov. Jerry Brown declared the state in a drought emergency and launched what in 2015 became mandatory conservation for cities and towns. The sales figures are the most recent annual ones released by the state agriculture department.

The state report tracked sales, not profits. Higher costs for water and other expenses of the drought outstripped sales for some farmers, but experts said it is clear many others made strong profits.

California farmers have passed the higher costs of water on to consumers, with almond prices soaring from \$2.40 a pound in 2012 to \$5 last year.

25 Texas counties called disaster areas

AUSTIN — More than two dozen Texas counties are now eligible for federal help following deadly end-of-December blizzards and tornadoes.

President Barack Obama on Tuesday declared 25 counties federal disaster areas. Gov. Greg Abbott on Jan. 26 requested the disaster designation to provide expanded government assistance.

The declaration covers Bailey, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Dallas, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Ellis, Hall, Hardeman, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Kaufman, Kent, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Navarro, Parmer, Rains, Red River, Rockwall, Titus and Van Zandt counties.

Storms reached West Texas on Christmas Day. Twisters and other violent weather hit North Texas the following day, claiming at least 13 lives.

Siege conditions loom in Syrian city

BEIRUT — As government troops close in on Aleppo, some residents are preparing to flee Syria's largest city while others are hoarding food in case of a long siege, even laying out bread on rooftops to dry it out for storage.

The U.N. warned Tuesday that hundreds of thousands of people could be cut off from humanitarian aid as siege conditions tighten around the rebel-controlled eastern part of the city.

Aleppo looms large in Syria's 5-year-old conflict, both as the country's former commercial capital and a bastion of the opposition in the north. The city has been divided since 2012, with the government controlling the western portion, while the eastern part is held by insurgents. Many neighborhoods and historic buildings have been ruined by street fighting and aerial bombardment.

A government offensive in the countryside north of Aleppo has cut a vital opposition supply route from the Turkish border, leaving just one corridor from the east to the outside world. That route is squeezed between two government fronts to a border crossing farther west and is exposed to heavy bombardment by the Russian air force. Those airstrikes are helping Syrian forces, supported by Iranian, Lebanese, and Iraqi militias, to advance.

The only other routes to the north are blocked by militants from the Islamic State group and, to a lesser degree, by Kurdish forces. Aid operations also have been disrupted.

Compiled from Associated Press reports.



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THREAT ASSESSMENT Director of National Intelligence James Clapper, left, accompanied by Defense Intelligence Agency Director Lt. Gen. Vincent Stewart, testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington on Tuesday before a Senate Armed Services Committee hearing on worldwide threats. The officials discussed potential threats that may arise in the upcoming year.

Intelligence officials warn of this year's global threats

DEB RIECHMANN & RICHARD LARDNER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Leaders of the Islamic State are determined to strike targets in the United States this year, senior U.S. intelligence officials said Tuesday, telling lawmakers that a small group of violent extremists will attempt to overcome the logistical challenges of mounting such an attack.

In testimony before congressional committees, Director of National Intelligence James Clapper and other officials described the Islamic State as the "pre-eminent terrorist threat." The militant group can "direct and inspire attacks against a wide range of targets around the world," Clapper said.

Marine Lt. Gen. Vincent Stewart, director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, said the Islamic State will probably conduct additional attacks in Europe and then attempt the same in the U.S. He said U.S. intelligence agencies believe IS leaders will be "increasingly involved in directing attacks rather than just encouraging lone attackers."

Clapper also said al-Qaida, from which the Islamic State spun off, remains an enemy and the U.S. will continue to see cyber threats from China, Russia and North Korea, which also is ramping up its nuclear program.

North Korea has expanded a uranium enrichment facility and restarted a plutonium reactor that could begin

THE FACTS

Officials believe...

►The Islamic State will attempt to coordinate attacks in both the U.S. and Europe in 2016, and al-Qaida will remain an enemy.

►Cyber Threats will continue to be received from China, Russia and North Korea.

►North Korea has developed the tools necessary to begin advancing its nuclear weapons test program and may possibly be expanding a nuclear arsenal.

►Afghanistan will see a political collapse, but Syria, with increased support from Iran and Russia, will not.

recovering material for nuclear weapons in weeks or months, Clapper said in delivering the annual assessment by intelligence agencies of the top dangers facing the country.

Clapper said that Pyongyang announced in 2013 its intention to refurbish and restart nuclear facilities, to include the uranium enrichment facility at Yongbyon and its plutonium production reactor, which was shut down in 2007. He said U.S. intelligence had assessed that North Korea has expanded Yongbyon

and restarted the plutonium production reactor there.

Clapper also told the Senate Armed Services and intelligence committees that North Korea has been operating the reactor long enough that it could begin to recover plutonium "within a matter of weeks to months."

Both findings will deepen concern that North Korea is not only making technical advances in its nuclear weapons program, following its recent underground test explosion and rocket launch, but is working to expand what is thought to be a small nuclear arsenal. U.S.-based experts have estimated that North Korea may have about 10 bombs, but that could grow to between 20 and 100 by 2020.

North Korea on Sunday launched a rocket carrying an Earth observation satellite into space. The launch followed a Jan. 6 underground nuclear explosion that North Korea claimed was the successful test of a "miniaturized" hydrogen bomb. Many outside experts were skeptical and Clapper said the low yield of the test "is not consistent with a successful test of a thermonuclear device."

Clapper said that Pyongyang is also committed to developing a long-range, nuclear-armed missile that is capable of posing a direct threat to the United States, "although the system has not been flight-tested."

On the cyber threat, Clapper said U.S. information systems, controlled by the U.S. government and American

industry, are vulnerable to cyberattacks from Russia and China.

North Korea "probably remains capable and willing to launch disruptive or destructive cyberattacks to support its political objectives," he said.

Moscow "is assuming a more assertive cyber posture" that is based on its willingness to target critical infrastructure and carry out espionage operations even when those operations have been detected and under increased public scrutiny, Clapper said.

On Afghanistan, Clapper said the country is at "serious risk of a political breakdown during 2016." He said waning political cohesion, rising activities by local powerbrokers, financial shortfalls and sustained attacks by the Taliban erode stability.

On Syria, Stewart said he does not think the Syrian government of Bashar Assad is likely to collapse or be defeated in the near term because of increased support from Iran and Russia. He said Assad's forces will likely regain key territory in some key areas. "He certainly is in a much stronger negotiating position that he was just six months ago," Stewart said.

He predicted, however, that Iranian and Russian interests in Syria will likely diverge because they won't share the stage there as a regional power. For now, however, Iran wants to maintain its relations with Moscow so it can purchase Russian arms without preconditions.

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WINNING NEW HAMPSHIRE Donald Trumps greets voters at Webster Elementary School on Tuesday in Manchester, N.H. The Republican nominee gained the majority of the party's votes at the New Hampshire primaries along with Democrat Bernie Sanders. This comes after a loss by both candidates at the Iowa caucus.

Trump, Sanders victorious in New Hampshire primaries

JULIE PACE & KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Bernie Sanders swept to victory in Tuesday's New Hampshire primaries, adding crucial credibility to their upstart candidacies and underscoring the insistence of voters in both parties on shaking up American politics.

While New Hampshire is known for its political surprises, Trump and Sanders led in the state for months. Still, both needed to deliver on expectations after second-place finishes in last week's leadoff Iowa caucuses, where Ted Cruz topped the Republican field and Hillary Clinton narrowly edged Sanders in the Democratic race.

For some Republican leaders, Trump's and Cruz's back-to-back victories add urgency to the need to coalesce around a more mainstream candidate to challenge those two through the primaries. However, it was unclear whether New Hampshire's contest would clarify that slice of the field, with Ohio Gov. John Ka-

sich, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio and former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush all locked in a tight race, along with Cruz.

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who has staked his candidacy on New Hampshire, lagged behind the pack in early vote counts.

Sanders pulled from a broad coalition of New Hampshire voters, gathering a majority of votes from men, independents and voters under 45, as well as a slim majority of women. Clinton won the majority of those over 65 and those with incomes over \$200,000 a year, according to Edison Research for The Associated Press and the television networks.

Clinton's campaign argues she will perform better as the race heads to more racially diverse states, including Nevada and South Carolina. Both New Hampshire and Iowa are overwhelmingly white states that are far less diverse than the nation as a whole.

"A Democrat who is unable to inspire strong levels of support in minority communities will have no credible path to winning the presidency in the general election,"

Clinton campaign manager Robby Mook said in a memo released as the polls closed.

Both Sanders, a self-described democratic socialist, and Trump, a real estate mogul who has never held political office, have tapped into the public's frustration with the current political system. Even if neither candidate ultimately becomes his party's nominee, whoever does will have to reckon with those factions of voters.

Nearly half of voters in the Republican primary made up their minds in the past week. Republican voters were more negative about their politicians than Democrats, with about half of GOP voters saying they felt betrayed by party officials.

In a sign of Trump's impact on the race, two-thirds of GOP voters said they supported a ban on Muslims entering the U.S., a position the billionaire outlined last year.

After finishing behind Cruz in Iowa last week, Trump embraced some of the more traditional trappings of presidential campaigns, including smaller town hall events with voters. Still, he closed the final full day of campaigning with a

vulgar insult of Cruz.

The Texas senator brushed off Trump's comments, saying the reason the businessman engages in insults "is because he can't discuss the substance."

The large Republican field was winnowed after Iowa, but there remains a crowded grouping of more traditional candidates, including Rubio and the governors.

Rubio had appeared to be breaking away after a stronger-than-expected showing in Iowa, but he stumbled in Saturday's debate under intense pressure from Christie. The New Jersey governor has relentlessly cast the young senator as too inexperienced and too reliant on memorized talking points to become president.

Kasich, Bush and Christie all poured enormous resources into New Hampshire in hope of jumpstarting their White House bids in a state that has been friendly to moderate Republicans. All three could face pressure from party leaders and financial donors to end their campaigns without a strong showing.

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Borderud, the associate director of Armstrong Browning Library, the reception generally includes a wide array of desserts, such as chocolate mousse, cookies, a wide selection of fruits and a coffee bar.

"I think it's a really nice thing to do for Valentine's Day, because it's something different," Borderud said. "The music is great. It's in a beautiful place. I know my

husband and I have always enjoyed coming, enjoying the music, and then the dessert reception is always great. The desserts are wonderful."

The Armstrong Browning Library is a particularly fitting location for a Valentine's Day event because it's the most romantic place on campus, Patteson said.

Colón agreed that the library is a special place, and pointed out that nearly half

of Baylor students graduate without ever paying a visit to the Armstrong Browning Library.

"It is the most beautiful building on campus," Colón said. "It's one of the most beautiful libraries in the world."

For the Valentine's Day Extravaganza, the appeal of the Armstrong Browning Library is not only how beautiful the building itself

is, but how beautiful music sounds inside it, Colón said.

"I think the part that I enjoy the best is the way that familiar, great music connects with the memories and the imaginations of people," Colón said.

Baylor students receive a special discount on ticket prices. With a student ID, tickets are \$20 or \$35 per couple.

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But choosing to study in a country with different cultural background offers more than just scholarships or accommodations.

Beijing junior Jennifer Cheng said Chinese cuisine and the ability to get around on foot are her favorite things about home.

"People don't want to step out from their comfort zones," Cheng said. "They might have to change themselves to get used to that new thing. And most people don't want to change, necessarily."

Different food or means of getting around might be enough to keep some

students from traveling East. A more obvious obstacle is the language barrier.

"Chinese is hard, even for a native speaker," Cheng said.

The low numbers in students traveling east is not exclusive to Asia. Leis said he even has trouble convincing students to consider Eastern Europe.

"I would imagine every factor you can think of has something to do with it," Leis said.

But some students show initiative. Leis cited the South Korean "K-Pop" music genre for creative students, or learning Russian as strategy

for ROTC students as some of the reasons people might choose to travel East.

"Usually, if a student goes to western Europe, it's because they want to go to western Europe. But when a student goes to Japan, it's because they want to be in Japan," Leis said.

For students who are considering traveling East, Cheng said it is best to know someone who already lives there.

"They might be that important connection to that country," Cheng said.

For those that are undecided on whether they will study abroad or not,

registration for both summer and fall semesters is due by March 15. Any additional information is viewable at bearsabroad.baylor.edu.

College allows for students to encounter new ideas and new people, while having some fun along the way. Studying abroad, especially to a country one does not know much about, offers much the same — if not more.

"Traveling to East Asia, especially to a country with a long history, that is very fun," Cheng said.

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being answered. She believes her questions are reasonable and could be easily answered by the Baylor administration.

"I want clear, direct answers to each of those questions," Mundhenk said. "I would love for Ken Starr to come out and say, 'You're right, we didn't meet the standards we've set for ourselves. We have failed our students and we won't allow it to happen again.'"

Heath freshman Courtney Sosnowski said she is glad President Starr released a statement addressing the vigil. Sosnowski said she admires the participants and organizers of the vigil for their poise and ability to effectively and respectfully stand up for what they believe is right.

"There needs to be more communication between the students and the administration, and I think this is the first step," Sosnowski said. "It's sad that it had to come to this. It's awful that these students weren't treated right by Baylor, but I believe there will be improvement. I believe Ken Starr will keep his word and he does want to do better."



Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

CANDLE LIGHTING Jenuine Poetess, a Waco resident, lights candles for the candle light vigil held on Monday in front of Allbritton House. The vigil was held honoring those who have been affected by sexual assault at Baylor.

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Week in Waco:

>> Today

Noon — "Inside Out" at the SUB Den. Free.

6:30 p.m. — "The Marriage of Figaro" at the Waco Hippodrome. \$5 for students, \$8 for the public.

7:20 p.m. — JaZZ N' Stanzas in partnership with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority at the SUB Den.

7:30 p.m. — "Mary Stuart" at the Mabee Theatre. \$20.

8-10 p.m. — Open Mic Night at Common Grounds. Free.

>> Thursday

7:30 p.m. — "Mary Stuart" at the Mabee Theatre. \$20.

>> Friday

10:30 a.m. — Love Day Carnival at the Baylor Sciences Building Atrium. Free.

6 p.m. — Rising Sons at the Waco Hippodrome. Free.

7:30 p.m. — "A Song for Coretta" at the Waco Civic Theatre. \$16 for students, \$18 for the public.

7:30 p.m. — "Mary Stuart" at the Mabee Theatre. \$20.

Good Eats



Trey Honeycutt | Lariat Photographer

VEGGIE TALES World Hunger Relief volunteer Michael Cleveland stands with the Veggie Van at JH Hines Elementary. The van sells fresh produce in food deserts with limited access to nutritious meals.

THE DETAILS

Find the Veggie Van's daily hours and locations at worldhungerrelief.org/veggie-van/

Urban Edibles is open 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1505 N. 15th St.



Courtesy of Jimmy Dorrell

MEALS ON WHEELS Mission Waco's Urban Edibles gives young people restaurant industry training.

Waco nonprofits branch out into food truck industry

JACQUELYN KELLAR
Reporter

In the last several years, food trucks have taken Waco by storm, with hubs at University Parks Drive and Magnolia Marketplace as well as appearances at university events like Diadeloso. Pokey O's, Cristo's Cafe and Milo Local Provisions are only a few of the food trucks that serve distinctive options to local patrons. Meals on wheels are all around in this college town.

However, two local nonprofits are going beyond just adventurous cuisines by turning food trucks into tools for urban outreach. Urban Edibles, the latest installment of Mission Waco, and Veggie Van, which is operated by World Hunger Relief, are using the recent trend in portable restaurants to their advantage.

Jimmy Dorrell, founder of Mission Waco, works to rehabilitate the impoverished area of North Waco with the many different branches and programs of his nonprofit, including the Jubilee Theatre, the World Cup Cafe and, most recently, Urban Edibles.

Dorrell prides Mission Waco on offering all the aid of a charity organization without making those in need feel like they can't be independent.

"Empowerment is really critical," Dorrell said. "It's the model that shows that a kid can work. We are not going to give him things; we are going to teach him how to work."

This approach to ministry inspired the creation of Urban Edibles, which opened in September. To make a place for the young people of Waco to work and learn job skills,

Dorrell repurposed a snow cone trailer that once catered to beachgoers in Galveston, giving it new life and purpose as a food truck. The goal of Urban Edibles isn't to make a profit for Mission Waco, or even to break even. Its only purpose is to give 16-24-year-olds, an underemployed demographic in Waco, the opportunity to gain experience and job skills for the restaurant industry.

The food truck is usually parked at 1505 N. 15th St., where it dishes out pulled pork and chicken parmesan sandwiches, burgers and fries from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on weekdays.

Nazry Mustakim, who turned to Mission Waco for help in hard times, operates the Urban Edibles truck. He said he stayed to volunteer for the organization once he was back on his feet, and he later joined the staff to repay the kindness shown to him. Now, he wakes up at dawn to make breakfast for up to 40 of Waco's homeless, another of the food truck's services. Mustakim works for Urban Edibles as a way to gain experience for his own career in the food industry.

"Without Mission Waco, I wouldn't be where I am now," Mustakim said. "I am deeply grateful. Just pouring back and getting involved with Mission Waco is something I enjoy doing."

Urban Edibles isn't the only charitable caravan cruising through Waco, however. Veggie Van, a food truck that brings fresh, homegrown vegetables to the citizens of Waco, is part of a larger movement to end world hunger.

World Hunger Relief is a Christian organization dedicated to eradicating world hunger. Its mission is to aid those who struggle

to meet their everyday, basic needs for survival. World Hunger Relief has utilized the Veggie Van to provide the people of Waco who live in food deserts with wholesome but inexpensive food, a combination which can be hard to find due to rising produce costs.

The USDA defines a food desert as a geographic region, usually in an impoverished area, with limited or no access to fresh fruit and vegetables. Large sections of Waco, mainly in the northern areas of the city, are characterized as food deserts, areas which are lacking in whole foods but rich in gas stations and convenience stores.

The Veggie Van is sent into the heart of these food deserts to offer a respite from the inexpensive, processed foods that are almost exclusively available there. The food truck provides a wide variety of vegetables grown just eight miles north of Waco as well as quality ingredients to make a meal with all for an affordable price.

"We are really trying to promote healthy eating and healthy food access," said Darcy Bloom, the Veggie Van coordinator. "The Veggie Van is the way we felt we could contribute to this issue."

The Veggie Van caters to those who are in dire need of fresh food. Discounts are offered to senior citizens as well as to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) users. SNAP is a government program that offers qualifying users with benefits that can be accessed on an electronic card. Veggie Van gives a 50 percent discount to SNAP members.

Waco certainly has plenty to offer in the way of unique food truck cuisine, but these two street eateries are setting themselves apart.

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Today's Puzzles

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 - Actor Beatty
 - Give in
 - Out for the night
 - Australian bird
 - *Of-minced bulb
 - Came in first
 - Woman in a Beethoven piano title
 - Oscar night rides
 - Classic sports cars
 - Absorbed
 - *Laura Hillenbrand best-seller about a racehorse
 - Honest prez
 - Math comparison
 - Sally Ride, e.g.
 - Diarist Frank
 - Island wreath
 - Recipe direction ... and a literal hint to what you can do to the starts of the answers to starred clues
 - "Dig in!"
 - Celebrity
 - Statues, often
 - *Now you ___ ...
 - Fist-up call
 - *Dry-climate landscape option
 - Palms-down call
 - Photo lab abbr.
 - Dubai bigwig
 - "MASH" setting
 - ___ juice: milk
 - *Olympic sport with a hollow ball
 - Company abbr.
 - Sheep's cry
 - Candy heart message
 - Shatner's "___War"
 - Backwoods possessive
 - Rains ice pellets
- Down**
- Cell alternative



For today's puzzle results, please go to BaylorLariat.com.

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- Florida horse-breeding city
- Doc's order to a pharmacist
- Put into operation
- Scottish cap
- Falco of "The Sopranos"
- TiVo button
- Actress Shire
- Manhattan Project creation
- "Au ___": "Bye, Pierre"
- Texas or Ukraine city
- World's second largest island
- Showing strong feelings
- Kirsten of "Spider-Man"
- The Browns, on sports tickers
- Pop in the mail
- Windy City commuter org.
- ___ constrictor
- Landon who ran against FDR
- Opening set of TV series episodes
- Hourly worker's device
- Fleet VIP
- Sci-fi staples
- Diving lake bird
- Capote nickname
- It's a scream
- Picking-up-the-tab words
- Song words before "with a little help from my friends"
- Husk-wrapped Mexican food
- Pay
- Concrete-reinforcing rod
- Shoulder muscles, briefly
- Before, before
- Golfer with an "army"
- Deceptive move
- Makes more bearable
- Capsize, with "over"
- Superstation initials

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Road trip

Men travel to K-State; women face two-game away stretch

MEGHAN MITCHELL
Sports Writer

The Baylor men's basketball team is trying to get back on track in the Big 12 conference, while the Lady Bears look to extend their dominance in conference play.

MEN

Looking to snap a two-game losing streak, the No. 21 men's basketball team will take on Kansas State at 7:15 p.m. today at the Bramlage Coliseum in Manhattan, Kan.

"It's the depth of the league. Coaches know how hard it is to win against quality teams like Kansas State, let alone do it on the road," said head coach Scott Drew.

It will be a re-match for the two teams, after the Bears were able to claw their way to a victory in double-overtime at home earlier this season.

With the Bears (17-6, 6-4) coming off two losses against Texas and West Virginia, the hope to bounce back looms in the air for the team.

"We are past West Virginia. As far as going on the road, any Big 12 team is tough," said senior forward Taurean Prince. "We've talked about a lot of things as a team, no coaches, getting a lot of things off our chest and making sure everybody is good with everybody and just worried about the next game."

Although Kansas State (14-9, 3-7) is ranked under the Bears in the Big 12 rankings, they have the momentum going their way after coming off a win against the former No. 1 Oklahoma team.

"A lot of times, fans see that after you get a win against Oklahoma and say, 'How did that happen?' Coaches aren't surprised

at all," Drew said. "Again, that's why our league is so good. Top to bottom it's very good, it's not just one or two teams."

Prince said he realizes how good Kansas State is defensively, and if his team wants to pull out a win they will need to find ways to break them down.

"They take away the three really well. They are good defensively," Prince said. "So we have to get easy shots and do what we can on defense to stop them and get out of transition."

The Bears will need to stop Wildcat junior guard Wesley Iwundu who has averaged 12.8 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.

"We are focused on us just trying to get wins," Prince said. "We are not focused on if we lose because we don't expect to."

"After we lost our first one versus Kansas we won five straight. We are still definitely a team capable of doing so. I believe in us just as much as I did at the beginning of the season and I expect a win out of us."

WOMEN

The No. 4 ranked women's basketball team will be in action 7 p.m. today against Texas Christian University at the Schollmaier Arena in Fort Worth.

The Bears (23-1, 10-1) have won 10-straight, with their most recent victory coming at home against Kansas, 81-49.

"We took care of business at home these past two games and now we go and play two on the road," said head coach Kim Mulkey.

The Horned Frogs (12-10, 4-7), who lost five of their last six games, are coming off a close loss to No. 20 Oklahoma and will be determined to take the win home.

It will be a battle of the three's for the Bears and Horned Frogs as they go into the game being the top two teams in 3-point field goal percentages.

"The challenge is to shoot the perimeter shot, and we can make the perimeter shot," Mulkey said. "I don't have a three player that can't shoot the perimeter shots, you just have to step up and make them on the road."

While the outside shot is important, junior forward Nina Davis said it is valuable to get the ball in the paint because of the size advantage they have over other teams.

"When we have our post players who are much bigger than me, they are 6-5 and 6-7, I just try to tell them that contact shouldn't affect their shot that much and that's what you want, you want the and-one," Davis said. "We just stress that to them, that if they are going to miss, get the the rebound and go back up strong."

With the Bears averaging 71.5 points and 43.9 rebounds per game in conference play, the Horned Frogs are going to have their hands full matching up to the tough Bears lineup.

The Horned Frogs are being led by senior guard Zahna Medley who is averaging 15.5 points a game, and sophomore guard AJ Alix, who is averaging 11.1 points per game.

Although losing early on in conference play, Mulkey said her team is determined to win a championship.

"We've been on a mission since that game to go and win a championship," Mulkey said. "We have to win 17 straight. We have been able to do how many now? Ten now. We have seven more that we have to get."



Photos by Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

OVER THE TOP Sophomore forward Terry Maston shoots over a Texas payer to score two points for Baylor. The Bears lost to the Longhorns 67-59. The Bears face Kansas State at 7:15 p.m. in Manhattan, Kan.



SCANNING THE AREA Junior guard Alexis Jones analyzes the defense during the Lady Bears' game against Texas Tech on Jan. 27 at the Ferrell Center. Jones and the Bears take on the TCU Horned Frogs today at 7 p.m. in Fort Worth.

FINLAND BOUND



Sarah Pyo | Web & Social Media Editor

Senior midfielder Bri Campos signed with Finnish professional soccer club Aland United on Tuesday. Campos is the second player under coaches Marci and Paul Jobson to sign with a European club after playing for Baylor.

"I am very happy to represent Aland United this coming season," Campos said. "Gary [Williams] is a great coach and I think I will be able to grow as a player in this environment, and I hope to be a positive influence with this club."

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