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Students safe amid attacks

GAVIN PUGH
Assistant City Editor

All Baylor students studying in Europe have been accounted for after the attacks in the Belgian capital Tuesday morning, according to Exchange Program and Study Abroad Advisor Bobby Leis.

The attacks consisted of three explosions: two at the Brussels airport just before 8 a.m. and one at a metro station at around 9:20 a.m., Brussels time.

Colleyville junior Ashton Smyth, who is studying with Baylor in Maastricht, woke up to the sound of alerts going off on her phone from a European transportation email service.

She said they were "reports of explosions at first," but progressed to reveal it was a potential terrorist attack. Smyth, along with the other students in the program, was in Maastricht Tuesday for classes — about a two hour train ride from Brussels.

The attacks took place just four days after the capturing of Paris terror attack suspect Salah Abdeslam, who is a Belgian-born French citizen. ISIS, also referred to as ISIL, claimed responsibility for the attacks that left at least 34 dead and multiple injured.

No students are studying in Brussels this semester, but many travel through the area to access other parts of Europe, according to Leis. The attacks are particularly damaging in that they clogged the epicenter of travel for the entire European Union.

"I definitely think that was a very strong motivator," Smyth said in reference to how the attacks will affect European travel.

Smyth was advised by the program coordinators not to travel to Brussels in the ensuing days, and that it would also be wise to refrain for the rest of the program.

Smyth said she was in Brussels with the program just 11 days before the attack.

Leis said the Center for Global Engagement is tied in with international travel organizations Mercer and ISOS in regards to safety concerns in other countries.

Leis assures students that "Baylor is fairly conservative" in how it approaches selecting countries as travel destinations.

Maxey Parrish, senior lecturer in the department of Journalism, Public Relations and New Media, has directed the Maastricht program three times before, and said he

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Facing Attack



Photos by Associated Press

DEALING WITH LOSS People mourn for the victims at Place de la Bourse on Tuesday in the center of Brussels. Bombs exploded at the Brussels airport and one of the city's metro stations Tuesday, killing and wounding scores of people, as a European capital was again locked down amid heightened security threats.



CALLING HELP Injured women are seen Tuesday in Brussels Airport in Brussels, Belgium, after explosions were heard.



ACTING FAST Emergency services evacuate a woman after an explosion in a main metro station Tuesday in Brussels.

Belgium deals with aftermath of bombing

RAF CASERT AND RAPHAEL SATTER
Associated Press

BRUSSELS — Islamic extremists struck Tuesday in the heart of Europe, killing at least 34 people and wounding scores of others in back-to-back bombings of the Brussels airport and subway that again laid bare the continent's vulnerability to suicide squads.

Bloodied and dazed travelers staggered from the airport after two explosions — at least one blamed on a suicide attacker and another apparently on a suitcase bomb — tore through crowds checking in for morning flights. About 40 minutes later, another rush-hour blast ripped through a subway car in

central Brussels as it left the Maelbeek station, in the heart of the European Union's capital city.

Authorities released a photo taken from closed-circuit TV footage of three men pushing luggage carts in the airport, saying two of them apparently were suicide bombers and that the third — dressed in a light-colored coat, black hat and glasses — was at large. They urged the public to reach out to police if they recognized him. The two men believed to be the suicide attackers apparently were wearing dark gloves on their left hands, possibly to hide detonators.

In police raids Tuesday across Belgium, authorities later found a nail-filled bomb, chemical products and an Islamic State flag in

a house in the Schaerbeek neighborhood, the state prosecutors' office said in a statement.

In its claim of responsibility, the Islamic State group said its members detonated suicide vests both at the airport and in the subway, where many passengers fled to safety down dark tunnels filled with hazy smoke from the explosion. A small child wailed, and commuters used cell phones to light their way out.

European security officials have been bracing for a major attack for weeks and warned that IS was actively preparing to strike. The arrest Friday of Salah Abdeslam, a key suspect in the Nov. 13 attacks in Paris,

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Baylor announces Title IX expansion

KAYLN STORY
Staff Writer

President and Chancellor Ken Starr announced the university's most recent plans to address sexual assault on campus via an email sent to the Baylor community Tuesday.

The \$5 million plan includes expansions to the Baylor Title IX Office, Counseling Center, Department of Public Safety and the establishment of an executive level task force to act on the impending results of an independent Pepper Hamilton investigation.

"The topic of interpersonal violence on college campuses is of great concern nationally and to us at Baylor," said Tonya Lewis, assistant director of Baylor Media Communications. "We are proud of the continuing focus and improvements we're making to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our students."



Starr

The Title IX Office will receive immediate funding for more full-time staff and enhanced case management systems, which help students get connected to resources and shares information among the Title IX team.

Improvements will be made to the Counseling Center as well. Out of the \$5 million, approximately \$900,000 will be allocated to the Counseling Center to fund changes, including adding licensed staff, offering weekly sexual assault support programs and expanding training for the current staff.

The Baylor Police Department will supervise security officers on campus "to both strengthen coordination and broaden security coverage," according to the statement. Baylor police will also

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Student robbed at gunpoint

GAVIN PUGH
Assistant City Editor

A Baylor student was robbed at gunpoint Tuesday evening after a Craigslist deal got heated.

Waco senior Daniel Ranger said he tried to sell an old phone to two men when they both brandished handguns. They demanded from him his wallet, as well as other electronics Ranger had in the trunk of his car. After complying and handing over a broken PlayStation 2 and the phone he was trying to sell, Ranger pulled out his own handgun he had stored in the trunk.

Ranger said the men fled, and as they rounded the corner of a house, one of the men fired at him.

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EDITORIAL

Line between artistic, racist lies at intent

The Internet has made it easier to share images and ideas across the world. Publications that were once limited by the location of print products can now be distributed digitally for everyone to see. With easier accessibility comes the ability to be criticized on a global level. W Magazine recently learned this the hard way with their April issue. The magazine featured Zendaya, Willow Smith and Kiernan Shipka. Critics said the young women appeared to be whitewashed. A closer look at the cover would beg the question, however, just how far artistic license can go without being shut down by public scrutiny.

While there is no doubt that photo manipulation is an issue magazines have been engaged in, not every altered image has malicious intent. In the case of W Magazine, for example, the faces of all three celebrities were visibly paler. It was not a racially charged choice, though. It is clear that the whiter appearances are a product of high contrast to bring out the blue undertones in the portrait.

Despite this, critics took to social media to accuse the magazine of deliberately editing the skin tones of Zendaya and Smith in a way that is racially motivated. Conversely, the two stars both shared the cover image on their Instagrams. In fact, they expressed no discontent about the way they were portrayed in the issue.

Considering creative approaches is essential to keeping an open mind and ensuring that art is free from suppression. Publications like magazines are known to be largely visual and

design-heavy. If it were a newspaper, then the altered images would be in violation of journalism ethics. These ethics still apply to magazines, but in a way that attempts to balance audience perception, intent and artistic license.

This not to say that all cases of photo alteration are valid. In one instance, Time Magazine infamously darkened O.J. Simpson's mugshot during his trial in 1994. Although James R. Gaines, who was the managing editor at the time, stated that no racial implications were intended by the magazine or its artist, the damage was done. What made this case different, though, was the nature of the image editing and where it was originally used. The photo was not taken for entertainment purposes, but during a court proceeding. News outlets used it to cover the case. The darkening of the photo implied an effort by Time to make Simpson look sinister. Associating evil with darker skin was highly unethical. More consideration and sensitivity toward public perception should have been taken into account.

Just like media outlets have a responsibility to their readers, people should use good judgment in measuring controversy. Not everything is intentionally offensive and the benefit of the doubt should be given to creative projects. Art is, after all, a form of speech, and to discourage creativity is to discourage the voice of the person creating it. Instances of unfair media portrayal do occur, but being selective in calling out injustice is essential to presenting a valid claim when the time arises.



COLUMN

Definition of politics is changing for worse

KARYN SIMPSON
Reporter

I hate Politics.

Before the politically overactive and civically empowered take up arms against me, let me explain: I have little issue with what the Merriam-Webster defines as "activities that relate to influencing the actions and policies of a government or getting and keeping power in a government."

My distaste lies with Politics, not politics. While, alphabetically, the two words are identical, in meaning they bear an important difference. The latter is a seemingly integral part of our modern governmental system. The former is spoken about in whispers through grimaced lips and gritted teeth.

In the equestrian industry, capital-P Politics is the word used to describe unfair judging — most commonly when it is suspected that a supposedly impartial competition judge has been bought off by a horse trainer with enough clients to afford the act and enough standing in the industry to be able to get away with it. In other words, it is the term used to encompass the unearned advantages gifted only to those with money and power.

In the equine world, Politics is despised not simply because it is unfair, but because it is internal sabotage to an already fragile industry. I used to think this definition did not extend beyond the equestrian arena, but as our current political race progresses, it occurs to me that I might have been

wrong.

A 2015 study by the Pew Research Center revealed that only approximately 19 percent of Americans trust the federal government always or most of the time, down from 77 percent in 1958. A similar study conducted by Gallup found that 81 percent trust the government only some of the time or never, up from only 39 percent in 2002. Furthermore, the Pew Research Center study found that 74 percent of Americans believe the majority of elected officials are considering their own interests ahead of their country's.

According to these polls, fewer people trust the government today than at any previous moment in our relatively short history. In our modern-day political system, where candidates build themselves up by tearing each other down and seem to care more about themselves than the issues at stake, it does not seem improbable that the rest of America already knows what I am only just now realizing: Our definition of politics — the governmental system we use to elect officials to run our country — is degrading into Politics—a power struggle in which only the advantaged compete and win, while those with unknown names or empty bank accounts receive only a nominal opportunity.

I would like to think that our political system still fits only the definition found in the dictionary — but what if I'm wrong?

As I professed earlier, I hate Politics. In the equestrian industry, it leads to short-term, individual triumph but long-term, universal sabotage, and I fear the day that national politics as defined by the dictionary evolves into Politics as it is known in the equestrian world: a loaded gun aimed at our own head.

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COLUMN

Lack of political awareness in millennial generation is scary

SAWYER SMITH
Reporter

My generation needs to get it together. The problems we face as a country are many, and serious. This is no time to be obsessed with professional sports or reality TV. Absence of mind and understanding applies to all generations to a degree, but the millennial generation controls the future. We are in this mess together, but the perseverance of America rests on individual discipline, responsibility, action and awareness.

Don't take it from me that millennials, generally speaking, are inept and brain dead without basic understandings about U.S. civics, politics, American history and heritage. Just see an easy-make "gotcha" video on a college campus. Not so long ago at Texas Tech University, college students were asked to name which side won the Civil War. Crickets. Many of them didn't know the two sides, and they certainly didn't know which years the war was fought, even worse, which century. Of course, when asked what show Snooki appears on, everyone knew "Jersey Shore." And when questioned who Brad Pitt is married to, all answered Angelina Jolie. You can see this tragic video on Salon.com

In another example, George Mason University students were asked on videotape to identify a photo of the 40th president of the United States, Ronald Reagan. Almost everyone struck out, but when shown a picture of Kim Kardashian, almost everybody hit a home run. Naturally, these clips went viral via TheDailySignal.com. Being "politically correct" is a bad problem if you ask me, but being "politically challenged" at such rudimentary levels is utterly terrifying.

The above points of reference are just two of countless cases where young people prove themselves to be clueless about things that matter. It should be noted, though, that the idiocy is never exclusive to any race or gender. And evidently, the

ignorance applies the same to seniors as it does freshmen.

In all fairness, it can be argued that full blame cannot be pinned on the backs of the individuals who know little and close to nothing about related matters of real substance. The federal government is definitely at fault with public education. Dissenters typically have trouble defending current literacy and dropout rates. K-12 learning is a failure, so much so that neither political party or president has been able to make it better in the twenty-first century. From the George W. Bush No Child Left Behind disaster, to President Barack Obama's Common Core nightmare. The facts support the Founders' belief to leave education to private entities, not central government. After all, states and local communities, parents, guardians and others with vested interests in their kids, know better how to educate them than bureaucrats in Washington, D.C., do. I digress. Making the case against the Department of Education is simple to do, but young adults should be responsible enough to teach themselves what they consciously haven't learned already.

No passes should be given to millennials who can't explain the causes leading to American independence, or the economic circumstances that enabled the Industrial Revolution. Used to, these were questions asked on elementary exams, of which, many degree holders and professional graduates couldn't pass today. Keeping informed and remaining vigilant are essential requirements for We The People to sustain freedom, prosperity, and democratic government. Formal edification alone is not enough in this regard. When the majority of citizens are more wise about entertainment news and social trends than real affairs and background lessons of our own country, we're faced with an unacceptable, yet inevitable catastrophe. From reading this, briefly forget your own political persuasion and contemporary beliefs. Recognize that unless our peers wake up to real life and start studying what has already been overlooked, we can expect the future of our nation to continue in one direction: downward.

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Wells Project informs of water crisis

JESSICA BABB

Broadcast Managing Editor

Students involved with the Wells Project at Baylor raised awareness about the need for clean drinking water around the world through World Water Day on Tuesday.

World Water Day is a day of international observance designed to bring awareness to different countries around the world that still lack clean drinking water. In addition, the day is also designed to celebrate the progress that has been made in providing greater access to clean water.

"World Water Day is a day where we can take time to pause and reflect on the progress that's been made toward clean water and encourage others to take the next steps to get involved," said Denver senior Marie Smith.

Student volunteers set up a booth by the Rosenbalm Fountain packed with cookies decorated like the world to attract more attention for the cause. When students stopped by the booth, they were given fliers with information about World Water Day and how college students can make a difference.

"There have been a lot of people who care about the water crisis but just need to know how they can help," Smith said. "The best thing is to be informed. We want people to know there is a problem in the world and want to do something about it, and if you're informed, you're likely to be inspired to make those actions in your community."

Loomis, Calif., freshman Gracie Edwards said she wasn't aware of World Water Day at first, but after speaking with members from the Wells Project, she felt more informed on the crisis.

"It's cool they are doing this to raise awareness because people don't really know how big of a problem it is that many people don't have clean water," Edwards said.

Smith said college students can get involved in many ways, whether that is just staying informed, keeping the Brazos River clean or even donating money to areas in need.

"We just want college students to know they can make a difference and that more people have clean water because of the actions students have made," Smith said.

The Wells Project is a national organization made up of students advocating for clean water, and students involved in the Baylor chapter are doing just that.

Each year The Wells Project hosts a campaign called "10 Days," where they encourage students to give up all drinks other than water for 10 days and donate the money they would have spent buying drinks to the Wells Project. The money raised goes toward funding clean water wells in Rwanda.

The Wells Project is currently looking for students interested in helping out with the upcoming "10 Days" campaign, being team leaders and spreading awareness.

Students interested in volunteering should email Marie_Smith@baylor.edu for more information.

"We are just trying to get the word out about clean water and encourage others to be thankful for what we have and think about those who don't have it," Smith said.

Some organizations, such as Charity Water, are reallocating the resources they would have used to observe World Water Day to help those affected by the recent terror attacks in Brussels.



Penelope Shirey | Lariat Photographer

LIGHTS, CAMERA, SPOOF San Antonio freshman John Abiassi dances in Zeta Zigga Zamma's Zing, a rendition of Sing, performed Tuesday night at the Hippodrome.

ZZZ performs annual Zing

LIESJE POWERS
Staff Writer

Members of Zeta Zigga Zamma performed in the third annual Zing, a comical rendition of Sing, at 7 and 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Hippodrome — just two in a series of performances that began Sunday night.

The acts were co-hosted by ZZZ president Corinth senior Mitchell Heffington and Conroe junior Lucas McCutchen.

The show sailed through several antics, including a Guerrilla Troupe, a dancing segment with bath towels and a chubby bunny contest. Leading up to the final act, there were several videos made up of a spoof DJ Khaled snapchat story, a

dramatic fight between roommates and a version of mean tweets where professors read mean reviews.

Additionally, the co-hosts acted as one person, with the taller of the two reaching through sleeves to serve as the arms of the other.

"My absolute favorite [act] was probably the hands thing. It was close to the final act, but, of all those acts, it was probably my favorite," said New Mexico sophomore Evan Cross.

The final act of the night consisted of a new rendition of "The Lion King," where Mufasa met an abrupt end due to gunshots rather than a stampede, and the kingdom was won from evil by a basketball game rather than a fight to the death.

Those in the final act were recently initiated ZZZ members. They were given a theme and ground rules before being given the freedom to plan and choreograph.

The members began practicing in early February and held two-hour practices three days a week. Houston freshman David Deulofeu said the hard work was worth it.

"Rain or shine, we were there at the business garage," Deulofeu said. "The hours, the sacrifice we made — because some days, we had tests the next day or the day of and we still made it, and we still gave it our all. When I look back at it, and I look back at the performance and the happy faces and the people, honestly, I do think it was worth it."

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*Unless otherwise noted.



Now through Friday, April 17 | Student Art Exhibition

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Enjoy featured artwork at The Martin Museum of Art. Entries, completed by students in studio art classes, have been selected by a guest juror, and some pieces will be available for purchase.



Thursday, March 24 | Maundy Thursday Concert

Noon. Enjoy a performance by the Chamber Singers and Baylor Strings and listen to a message by Rev. Erin Conaway, pastor of Seventh and James Baptist Church, in the Armstrong Browning Library.



Thursday, March 24 | Campus Kitchen Garden Shift

1 p.m. Volunteer at the Baylor Community Garden, located at 9th and James, with Baylor Campus Kitchen. Water, harvest, plant and prune vegetables that will be used to make meals for individuals in need at Mission Waco, the Family Abuse Center and Salvation Army.



Thursday, March 24 | Campus Kitchen Food Delivery Shift

5:45 p.m. Volunteer with Baylor Campus Kitchen. Pick up prepared food and deliver it to Mission Waco or the Family Abuse Center.



Thursday, March 24 | Baylor Baseball

6:35 p.m. Support Baylor Baseball alongside The Bullpen, a new student support organization, as the Bears take on Dallas Baptist University at the Baylor Ballpark.



Friday & Saturday, March 25 – 26 | Baylor Softball

6:30 p.m. Friday and **8 p.m.** Saturday. Support Baylor Softball as they compete against The University of Texas at Gettman Softball Stadium.



Monday, March 28 | Movie Mondays at the Hippodrome

7 p.m. Join the campus community at the Hippodrome to watch a screening of "First Generation," a documentary about four high school students who set out to break the cycle of poverty by pursuing a college education. Admission is free; tickets are required and can be picked up at the Bill Daniel Student Center.

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has been through the Brussels airport multiple times.

"The fact that our Maastricht students are fine shows how far Baylor goes to keep our students safe," wrote Parrish in an email to the Lariat.

Tuesday's attacks brought up similar feelings from the Paris attacks over four months ago. Smyth said she received emails and calls from friends and family making sure she was OK.

She made a post on Facebook to inform everyone on her well-being.

"All of my Baylor friends and other Baylor in Maastricht colleagues are safe and accounted for in the Netherlands today because we have class," her post said.

Smyth recalled the tense atmosphere during her last trip to Brussels. She remembered seeing military trucks parked outside of train stations, and military personnel patrolling the streets.

"You could tell there was the sense that it could have happened [then]," Smyth said.

But Professor Parrish urged students to not let the attacks keep them from traveling.

"You can take every precaution, plan for even the most unlikely scenarios, and continue to live life. That's what I chose to do," he said.

To show for it, Parrish is taking a group of Journalism students to Budapest this summer, undeterred. He suggests students to do the same.

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heightened those fears, as investigators said many more people were involved than originally thought and that some are still on the loose.

"In this time of tragedy, this black moment for our country, I appeal to everyone to remain calm but also to show solidarity," said Belgian Prime Minister Charles Michel, who announced three days of mourning in his country's deadliest terror strike.

"Last year it was Paris. Today it is Brussels. It's the same attacks," said French President Francois Hollande.

Shockwaves from the attacks crossed Europe and the Atlantic, prompting heightened security at airports and other sites.

Belgium raised its terror alert to the highest level, shut the airport through Wednesday and ordered a city-wide lockdown, deploying about 500 soldiers onto Brussels' largely empty streets to bolster police checkpoints. France and Belgium both reinforced border security.

Justice ministers and interior ministers from across the 28-nation EU planned an emergency meeting, possibly Thursday morning, to assess the fallout. The subway blast hit beneath buildings that normally host EU meetings and house the union's top leadership.

Medical officials treating the wounded said some victims lost limbs, while others suffered burns or deep gashes from shattered glass or suspected nails packed in with the explosives. Among the most seriously wounded were several children.

The bombings came barely four months after suicide attackers based in Brussels' heavily Muslim Molenbeek district slaughtered 130 people at a Paris nightspot, and intelligence agencies had warned for months a follow-up strike was inevitable. Paris fugitive Abdeslam was arrested in Molenbeek.

A high-level Belgian judicial official said a connection by Abdeslam to Tuesday's attacks is "a lead to pursue."

Security escort program offers safety

JESSICA HUBBLE
Staff Writer

Baylor University has a security escort program to help enhance student, faculty and staff safety on campus.

The security escort program will pick up any student, faculty or staff who do not want to or do not feel safe traversing the campus at night. The escort will take the student, faculty or staff to their desired location on campus or within the Baylor police department's patrol response area. The patrol response area extends to 18th Street and La Salle Ave. This includes the apartment complexes on La Salle such as Oso Verde, The Domain, The Loft and several others.

"There are several programs that we have implemented over the years to help enhance the safety on campus and this is just one of several programs," said Baylor Police Chief Brad Wigtil.

Wigtil said a scenario in which to use the escort would be that a student is at the library studying or working on a paper and needs to get back to their

car across campus or to their home just off campus. Wigtil said if the student 'has a sense of personal safety' and doesn't want to walk in the dark they can call the Baylor Department of Public Safety (DPS) and they will send a police officer to escort the student.

"Based on availability, a Baylor police officer will provide an escort whose destination begins on campus and does not extend beyond our patrol response area," says the Baylor DPS's website.

Austin freshman Brittany Wetmore has used the security escort from Baylor DPS many times. Wetmore used the escort because she didn't want to walk across campus at night by herself. She said the escort only took about five minutes to get there and that she felt completely safe.

"I would advise students to use the escort service because it's a safe way to travel across campus when it's dark outside," Wetmore said. "It's a way to make all the students feel safe on campus."

To request an escort call the Baylor DPS at 254-710-2222

Another option for a secure escort is for students



Lariat File Photo

SAFE RIDE The Baylor Police Department offers rides to any student, staff or faculty on campus.

to contact the Safety and Security Education Officer (SSEO) on call. SSEOs are Baylor staff that are part of Campus Living and Learning. SSEOs work seven days a week from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. and monitor the safety and security of the residence halls. The number to contact the SSEO on call is 254-265-0690. The SSEOs are limited to only escorting people from places on campus to other places on campus.

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increase patrols in neighborhoods around campus Thursday through Saturday to increase student safety during these times.

Finally, the new plan will create an executive-level task force to oversee the implementation of recommendations made at the end of Pepper Hamilton's independent review. The law firm was contacted by the Board of Regents last fall to analyze the university's handling of sexual assault allegations in recent years.

Last month, the Baylor Board of Regents approved the \$5 million plan to "prevent acts of sexual violence on campus and to improve treatment and services for all those impacted by interpersonal violence," according to a statement released by the board on Feb. 12.

"The improvements are part of an on-going effort and are an extension of the Feb. 12 board announcement," Lewis said. "These improvements involve concrete, near-term opportunities we've identified where we can enact immediate change. On-going assessments of our offerings and resources, along with the Pepper Hamilton report, will identify areas for longer-term improvements."

The statement included plans of mandating Title IX training for all upperclassmen and graduate students, as well as expanding the training currently given to incoming students.

"We know we can and must do a better job to confront interpersonal violence in our campus community," President Starr said in the Feb. 12 statement.

Today's statement was released following mandatory Title IX training for all Greek life members at Baylor that took place Sunday for fraternities and Monday for sororities. The Lariat attempted to speak with Baylor's Title IX Coordinator Patty Crawford, but she was unavailable.

Last fall Baylor's Board of Regents initiated an external review of Baylor's previous responses to handling sexual violence allegations.

"As we await the results of the Pepper Hamilton review, we will continue to address areas where improvements will lead to a safer campus culture," President Starr said in a statement released Tuesday. "Our mission calls upon us to prepare leaders and servants for the entire world within a caring Christian community. We will continue diligently to pursue a supportive environment where care for one another is paramount in the pursuit of that mission."

Starr and Richard Willis, the chair of the Baylor Board of Regents, will create a task force with disciplinary power to act on the recommendations of Pepper Hamilton once their investigation is complete.

"We feel a deeply personal responsibility to our students to evaluate and improve continuously our educational efforts, processes and support resources around the response to interpersonal violence," Starr said in his statement. "I have called upon and worked closely with University leadership and the Baylor Board of Regents to identify and operationalize improvements focused on our commitment to care for the needs of students and ensure their safety."

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Nobody was injured, but the bullet did find its way into the passenger door of Ranger's car.

"I didn't want to pull the trigger," Ranger said — hoping to only ward the men off.

Ranger and the men originally agreed to meet up at Oakwood Park. The men said they would need Ranger to drive them to their house on Ewing Ave. for them to get more money. It was upon arrival when the guns were pulled.

The men also took an iPad that was in the back of Ranger's car, which was not for sale.

Waco Police have not identified the suspects.

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ROUNDUP

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Week in Waco:

>> Today

6:30 p.m. — Women's History Panel at the Bobo Spiritual Life Center.

8 p.m. — Saving Abel at The Backyard Bar, Stage and Grill. \$20.

8 p.m. — Open Mic Night at Common Grounds.

>> Thursday

Noon — Maundy Thursday Concert with the Chamber Singers at Armstrong Browning Library. Free.

7 p.m. — Dave Wild with Byron Swann play jazz at Dichotomy. Free.

>> (Good) Friday

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

8 p.m. — Billy Holt Band at The Backyard bar, Stage and Grill. \$5.

THE ART OF VICTORY



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ALL SHOOK UP Plano senior Sheridan Ellis shakes juror Clint Willour's hand after receiving the top prize in the painting category for her piece "Once at Sea."

STATE OF THE ART Winners of the Baylor Art Student Exhibition were announced Tuesday. The selected pieces will be displayed in the Martin Museum of Art until April 17.

Winners of 2016 Baylor Art Student Exhibition announced

JACQUELYN KELLAR
Reporter

The Martin Museum of Art is displaying the work of art students completed within the past year. The show opened at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday with a reception in the Martin Museum, and it will run through April 17. Guest juror Clint Willour, curator of the Galveston Art Center, presented awards and monetary prizes to the selected students.

Willour chose about 80 pieces of the 200 works submitted, with top prize winners from eight categories. Since many submitted pieces were projects for the same courses and could look similar, Willour said choosing the winner of each category could be difficult. Upon revealing his choices, Willour divulged the secrets of his selection process.

"It was like choosing which of your babies is the best," Willour said. "But it was about the

quality of the work, the inventiveness of the work, the craft in the work and the way it was presented."

There were eight categories, with one winner for each medium of studio art. The winners were Cypress junior Kayleigh McKenzie's fiber arts piece "I Don't Eat Sushi"; Coppell sophomore Joshua Martin's drawing "No Body Nose"; Plano senior Sheridan Ellis's painting "Once at Sea"; Tomball junior Kyle Stewart's photograph "Through"; Leander senior Jillian Shaw's woodcut "Celebration of the Mundane" and graphic design piece "Black Glasses"; Waco senior Alice Fry's ceramics piece "Looking Glass"; and Austin sophomore Reid Sullivan's sculpture "Temple."

Students were encouraged to submit up to four pieces to enter into the art show. Although Shaw only hoped to have one of her pieces in the exhibit, all four of her submissions were selected.

Two of them, "Black Glasses" and "Celebration of the Mundane," won the top prizes in their categories.

"I really wasn't expecting it at all," Shaw said. "It was so overwhelming. I had to go and sit down."

Willour had a very special bucket list item: to judge art shows at all four Big 12 schools in Texas. The Baylor Student Art Exhibition was the final stop. Having achieved this goal at the end of an illustrious career as an art curator and frequent exhibition jurist, Willour has wrapped up his work in the field with the Baylor Art Department.

"It was a great way to end a career in the art world and with a great result," Willour said.

A variety of student artwork is available for purchase but can be viewed free of charge in the Martin Museum of Art, located in the Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Building, until April 17.

Chamber Singers to give Maundy Thursday concert

HELENA HUNT
Arts and Life Editor

Washing feet and Johann Sebastian Bach may not seem to have much in common. But this Maundy Thursday, the Chamber Singers are serving fellow students with Bach in the same spirit that Jesus served his disciples by washing their feet.

The Chamber Singers, accompanied by a string ensemble and organist Jillian Gardner, will celebrate Maundy Thursday this week with a concert at noon on Thursday in Armstrong Browning Library. The student ensemble, which usually performs Renaissance and

contemporary compositions, will be singing Johann Sebastian Bach's Cantata No. 4, "Christ lag in Todes Banden," or "Christ Lay in Death's Bonds."

Maundy Thursday, which falls the day before Good Friday in the church calendar, is the anniversary of Christ's Last Supper. "Maundy" is derived from the Latin "mandatum," or "commandment." In the Christian tradition, Christ's commandment during this last meal with his disciples was to remember his sacrifice and to serve one another—as he did by washing their feet.

Tempe, Ariz., graduate student Brennan Michaels, who is working toward his master's in conducting, will direct the ensemble. Michaels

said the Chamber Singers aim to turn the performance into an act of Christ-like service for the campus.

"Ultimately, we do it for people. This isn't just a performance for the School of Music," Michaels said. "It's a spiritual time for people to come and reflect on what is the most foundational week of the Christian tradition."

Kerrville freshman Rachel McCormick, a member of the Chamber Singers, said the choral ensemble's small size makes it appropriate for the intimate and somber tone of the cantata.

"The piece is very fitting for this time of year because it's very serious and solemn," McCormick said. "It's a piece that you can really get lost in because there are duets, solos and

two-part pieces."

Bach's cantata was originally composed for an Easter celebration in Germany in 1707. The words and music of the choral composition are based on a hymn by Martin Luther of the same name, which celebrates the sacrifice and resurrection of Christ.

Rev. Erin Conaway, the pastor of Seventh and James Baptist Church, will provide a Lenten Meditation to accompany the concert.

"The music is going to be incredible," Conaway said. "We all nurture our souls in different ways. Not everyone is going to hear God speak through music, but for those of us who do, this is a great opportunity to focus on guided meditation during Holy Week."

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Today's Puzzles

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- 11 Keystone bumbler
- 14 Running by itself
- 15 Drought-ridden
- 16 Suffix with infant
- 17 *Freebie with fries
- 19 Woodworking tool
- 20 Kosher deli offering
- 21 Sipped sherry, say
- 23 Nails, as a test
- 24 Baptism receptacle
- 25 How some Bibles present Jesus' words
- 28 Secure with a seat belt
- 30 Stool pigeon
- 32 Barrister's topper
- 33 Playing card symbol
- 34 Chief Valhalla god
- 35 Whiskey barrel wood
- 38 *Spicy Chinese dish with chicken and peanuts
- 41 Big name in ice cream
- 42 It may be gray
- 44 In medias _
- 45 Dr. Mom's forte
- 47 Source of early clothing?
- 49 With 56-Across, blamed for
- 53 Antique photo
- 54 Heavy hauler
- 56 See 49-Across
- 57 Recognition
- 59 Fund
- 60 Part of dpi
- 62 *Of its species, only the emperor is larger
- 64 747, e.g.
- 65 Cyberzine
- 66 Inner strength
- 67 Willy
- 68 Very best
- 69 Verne __, Mini-Me portrayer in Austin Powers films

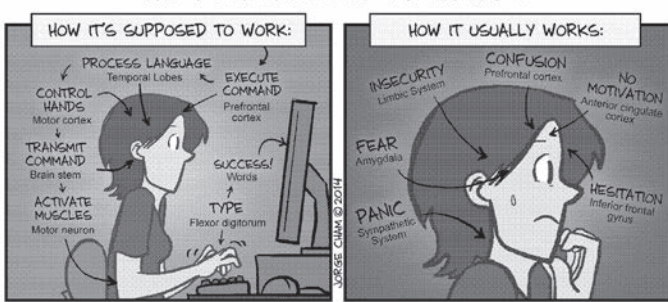
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- 5 Will-wisp link
- 6 Thou, now
- 7 Political channel
- 8 Intellectually stimulating experience
- 9 Conquistador's chest
- 10 Weave anew
- 11 *South Korean subcompact
- 12 Antique
- 13 Brick-shaped candy
- 18 Unit of loudness
- 22 It may be supplied at a booth, briefly
- 24 Work (out)
- 26 Writer Bagnold
- 27 Seventh Avenue fashion initials
- 29 Water __: oral irrigator
- 31 "So what?" feeling
- 33 Family-friendly ratings
- 35 Big galoots
- 36 Grammy winner India. __
- 37 *Beer pong venue
- 39 "Ready for forty winks?"
- 40 Portuguese hi
- 43 Symptom ending
- 46 Held fast
- 48 Dishonest activity
- 49 Kid's summer spot
- 50 Mil. grunt work, and a hint to the answers to starred clues
- 51 French star
- 52 Real drag
- 55 Gibson's "Lethal Weapon" role
- 58 Stretch __
- 59 Cabinet dept.
- 60 Nightcap complement
- 61 Sushi fish
- 63 CPR pro

THE NEUROBIOLOGY OF WRITING



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

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What could have been

Season review: Potential remains for talented Bears in 2016-17

BEN EVERETT
Sports Writer

Baylor men's basketball ended the season on a sour note with a loss to Yale in the round of 64, but the Bears had a successful season on many levels and have much to look forward to.

The Bears (22-12) won 20 or more games for the fifth consecutive season and made the NCAA Tournament for a program record third straight season.

Senior forward Rico Gathers became the leading rebounder in Baylor men's basketball history this season after recording 287 rebounds on the season for a career total of 1,184.

Senior forward Taurean Prince was named to All-Big 12 first team, while Gathers and sophomore forward Johnathan Motley were selected to the third team.

Senior point guard Lester Medford was given an honorable mention.

The Bears were ranked in the AP Top 25 poll for 17 of the 19 possible weeks, reaching as high as No. 13 in Week 11.

Baylor never had a losing streak longer than two games and cultivated a seven-game win streak early in the season that included a win over No. 16 Vanderbilt.

While the Bears struggled at times to win home games, they were impressively consistent on the road in a brutal Big 12 conference.

Baylor put together a 6-3 road record in conference play, tied for best with Kansas and West Virginia.

The Bears will graduate senior starters Medford, Prince and Gathers, along with walk-ons John Heard and Austin Mills.

However, guard Manu Lecomte and forward Jo Acuil are eligible to play next season after redshirting



Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

OUT OF REACH Senior forward Rico Gathers jostles under the rim with Texas center Prince Ibeh during the Bears' game against the Longhorns on Feb. 1 at the Ferrell Center. The Bears lost 67-59 to the Longhorns.

this year to satisfy NCAA transfer requirements.

Baylor also brings in freshman guard/forward Mark Vital, an ESPN 100 recruit, and junior college transfer forward Nuni Omot.

Lecomte and freshman Jake Lindsey are the only point guards on the roster, so they will compete for the

starting spot.

Meanwhile, the Bears return starters Al Freeman and Ish Wainright on the perimeter while freshmen King McClure and Wendell Mitchell will provide depth along with Vital.

In the front court, Motley returns after having a breakout second half of the season.

Sophomore Terry Maston will receive increased minutes in the post as Acuil and Omot will compete for playing time in the front court.

As many of the great players in the Big 12 graduate and leave, look for the Bears to be right in the mix as one of the more solid teams in the league.

With all these returning players,

incoming freshmen and eligible transfers, Baylor looks to be able to secure a fourth straight NCAA Tournament appearance and potentially redeem themselves after back to back disappointing upsets.

Viewpoint: Final Four or bust for Lady Bears

MEGHAN MITCHELL
Sports Writer

The Lady Bears impressed this season as they finished undefeated at home and only lost one game on the road, while continuing to believe in their motto that "eight is not enough."

While watching from the outside, I have started to believe them when they bring up that motto.

SPORTS TAKE

Doubts crept in when they lost their first conference game to Oklahoma State on the road 52-45, but looking back at it now, that loss seemed to have made them a stronger team.

Since the loss, the Lady Bears seem to have become more focused and have set their eyes on one goal, making it to the Final Four, while taking each game one at a time.

Statistics show that the Lady Bears have dominated in the paint this season, which could very well be the key for them moving forward.

However, Lady Bears have yet to play a team who can match up to their size in the paint, and their true potential will be tested when they face a team that does.

At 6-foot-7, freshman forward Kalani Brown has come up big for the Lady Bears in the paint as she has averaged 9.4 points and 4.4 rebounds per game. However, her maturity as a player will show when she faces someone of a similar stature and skill.

With the way the Lady Bears have been playing thus far this year, they should be able to get through to the Final Four without a mishap, but the real challenge would come against the No. 1 overall team, Connecticut (34-0), who appear to have a defensive answer to Baylor's size in the paint and guards on the perimeter.

Although the Lady Bears have a strong

shooting team from the perimeter, sophomore guard Kristy Wallace and junior guard Alexis Jones will need to be shooting lights out if they want to make it past the semifinals.

Connecticut has done nothing but impress this season. Even head coach Kim Mulkey has said that they are the team to beat, and until someone does that, they are the best.

"Connecticut is by far the best team until somebody can beat them. I've watched some South Carolina, certainly. We've played Notre Dame and watched them this year and I think we are one of the top teams in the country. We've been able to stay away from injury," Mulkey said. "If you can stay away from injuries and you can keep getting production from a lot of people, this team could get to a Final Four. I can't guarantee we will. It's who's playing good at the right time, and as you go further along in the NCAAs, teams get better. I know I have senior leadership, and junior leadership and freshmen who are not afraid anymore."

Husky senior forward Breanna Stewart has dominated women's basketball throughout her career, and has continued to do so in the NCAA tournament. Stewart is the only player in the history of the NCAA tournament to be honored as Final Four Most Outstanding Player three years in a row, and looks to make it a fourth.

If the Lady Bears want any chance at all to get past the Huskies, they will have to find a way to shut down Stewart or their party will be put to a halt, and they will be packing their bags to come back to Waco.

All in all, with a top point guard like senior Niya Johnson leading the way, the Lady Bears seem to be in good hands as they continue to move forward.

While a Final Four appearance remains likely, getting any farther than that would be nothing short of a miracle.

But when you look back at it, all they kept saying was that "eight is not enough," so perhaps just making it to a Final Four will be satisfying enough.

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