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Nobel Laureate visits Baylor campus, discusses journey of scientific discovery

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Broadcast Managing Editor

Nobel Laureate Dr. Bruce Beutler spoke to students Wednesday about his journey to winning the Nobel Prize for Baylor's Undergraduate Research and Scholarly Achievement week.

In 2011, Beutler won the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine with his colleague Jules Hoffman for their discoveries concerning the activation of innate immunity. They identified key proteins that can activate parts of the immune system and act as a defense against potentially harmful pathogens.

Beutler is a regental professor and director of the Center for Genetics of Host Defense at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. Where, he has continued his research, developing faster ways to find mutations in genes.

At a young age Beutler had a fascination with plants and animals in nature and was inspired by several family members to pursue a career in research early on. After he graduated from college in 1977, he went on to medical school at the University of Chicago.

"I learned about how an organism worked, but I really missed working in the lab," Beutler said. "In some sense, it felt like a diversion from what I really wanted to do."

After graduating from medical school, Beutler immersed himself back into research by working in several labs throughout the years. In 1993 he became fascinated with an LPS cloning project that attempted to identify the specific location of a gene. This lasted for about five years.

It became an obsession of mine to the extent I would dream about the gene at night and would do very little else during the day other than work on trying to tack down the gene." Beutler said.

Almost two decades of intense research later, on Oct. 3, 2011, Beutler received an email saying he won a Nobel Prize.

"I looked at my cell phone at 2:30 p.m. in the morning, and the subject line when I checked my email was 'Nobel Prize.' And I thought, 'That's very interesting. This year they are telling members of the National Academy who won the Nobel Prize in a mass email" Beutler said. "I thought it was maybe a joke, but it didn't turn out to be."

Beutler now travels the world

speaking about his research and some of the obstacles he faced throughout his career.

"Everybody always wants to know how to win a Nobel Prize and what you attribute to your success," Beutler said.

Beutler's advice to students hoping to pursue a career in research after college was to choose an undervalued but important question, attack a single problem by being relentless, be confident and not prepared for failure and believe something can be achieved beyond being deterred from pursing it.

"I really enjoyed it," Denton senior Brittany Ladd said. "He touched on some things that I am interested in in medicine, and to hear somebody actually apply what I want to do, knowing that it's possible, is really inspiring."

Similarly to Beutler, Ladd plans to one day conduct research in addition to becoming a pediatric doctor.

Ladd said she was impacted by Beutler's constant persistence through his research because there are many opportunities to make breakthroughs in medical research.



Charlene Lee | Lariat Photographer

VISITING AWARD RECIPIENT Dr. Bruce Beutler, winner of the 2011 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, spoke to Baylor students and faculty on Wednesday.

Chapel speaker talks personality test, God

ASHLYN THOMPSON

Reporter

Suzanne Stabile shares stories of life, faith and what to do when God doesn't feel real

"I'm fond of thinking God is all-knowing and all-benevolent." Stabile said. "I can't be in love with a God I'm afraid of, and I kind of want to be in love with God."

Stabile, expert on the Enneagram Personality Test and co-founder of Life in the Trinity Ministry, is has known vulnerability as a speaker. She has spent more than 20 plus years teaching young people about the Enneagram Test, a personality test meant to help people realize one's personal strengths and weaknesses. She visited Baylor on Tuesday and Wednesday to lead workshops on the Enneagram in Bobo Spiritual Life Center, and spoke with Chapel students Wednesday.

At 65 years old, Stabile has held many roles. From small town Floydada, she dreamed of becoming a basketball coach. After college, she coached at several high schools before returning to her alma mater and serving as SMU's first women's basketball coach after Title IX . Title IX ensures that students are not discriminated based on sex. She realized she had a passion for spiritual teaching, and for the past 20 years has served as an inspirational lecturer — traveling the world to share her story, and the importance of the Enneagram test.

Chapel leader Ryan Richardson introduced Stabile as a "professional encourager." The two

shared laughs as they sat on the Waco Hall stage answering questions tweeted at Stabile by the audience. Topics ranged from her personal faith to advice she could give to college students.

Students laughed at Stabile's charismatic and honest answers, especially when she said the word "sexy" multiple times just to make Richardson uncomfortable. A brief anecdote about her Catholic-priest turned pastorhusband had students roaring.

"It's an odd thing to go on a date with a 40 year old man when it's his first date ever," Stabile said. "He took me to Chili's. He asked if I wanted to share a hamburger."

A question of the trials she has faced within her spiritual journey led Stabile to open up about family matters. The audience grew silent as she shared how her faith had been shaken when her 31-year-old son had tried to commit suicide last July.

"I didn't feel like God wasn't real," Stabile said. "I felt like the connection that I thought I had with him wasn't real. It felt like a breach... that I as a mother didn't know that this was going on."

When asked how she would explain her faith to someone who didn't understand it, Stabile answered simply, "I am trying to serve a God so perfect that no matter what I do I can't mess it up."

Perhaps the greatest piece of encouragement that came from the conversation was when

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Poetry festival starts with awards

KALLI DAMSCHEN Reporter

Students were awarded cash prizes for their entries in poetry and fiction yesterday at the Annual Student Literary Awards, which kicked off the 22nd annual Beall Poetry Festival.

The Festival is a free, three-day celebration of contemporary poetry consisting of poetry readings, panel discussion, a lecture and the Annual Student Literary Awards.

"It's one of the top poetry events in the United States," said professor of the department of English Dr. Richard Russell, who has organized the Beall Poetry Festival for the last six years. The Student Literary Awards

honor the winners of the annual Student Literary Contest. The awards were sponsored by the English department and the Beall Poetry Festival. The contest is open



Charlene Lee | Lariat Photographer

AND THE WINNER IS... Student Literary award winners for the 22nd Annual Bealls Poetry Festival were announced on Wednesday at 101 Carroll Science Hall.

to both undergraduate and graduate students of all majors and includes a category in poetry and in fiction.

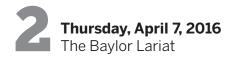
Award-winning poet Chloe Honum, who will be teaching as an English professor in the fall, was the judge of the poetry entries. Honum is the author of "The Tulip-Flame," which won Foreword Review's Book of the Year Award, the Eric Hoffer Book Award and several other awards.

The judge of the fiction category was fiction author, critic and essayist Carmen Maria Machado, whose work has appeared in The New Yorker, Paris Review, NPR and the Los Angeles Review of Books.

"Showing up for the Student Literary Awards ceremony is really cool," said assistant professor of the department of English Arna Hemenway. "It's the kick-off of the festival, but also each of the winners read a little bit of their work and it's a chance to feel like you're a part of it and that it's something you might achieve as a student."

In the poetry category, Bryan senior Landon McGee was awarded first place and \$200, Waco senior Tirzah Reilly placed second and was awarded \$100, as was the second runner-up, Bloomington,

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COLUMN

Be responsible; do ample research before voting

HEATHER TROTTER Reporter

As we all know, a very important presidential election is coming up this November. This election will decide whether America will continue down the path of liberalism or take a step in the opposite direction toward a more conservative

philosophy.

With that being said, it is of the utmost importance that people, especially young people of college age, should go out and vote. It is a constitutional right that we are all given

and it is the responsibility of the people to voice their opinions and vote for the leaders of our great nation.

Given that we have the ability to choose our leaders, it is also our responsibility to be informed voters. Too many people go to the polls and don't know what they're voting for, or are single-issue voters, meaning they choose a candidate based on one common belief or value.

This is not the way to go about voting. Voting is something that every American, especially young people, should take seriously. Young voters who are in college or who are recent graduates are the future of our country. We are the ones who will be joining the work force and paying bills and taxes. Therefore, it is our job to know who and what we're voting for.

I know too many people my age who know almost nothing about our political system or who know very little about any of the candidates running for president. People my age are also uninformed about what the candidates' plans are for running our country, so I've had many of them tell me that they just aren't going to vote. It is unacceptable to not be informed about elections.

Many other young people simply say they don't care about politics or who wins an election. This is also unacceptable. How can you not care about who is running our country? When you leave high school or college and are living in the real world with real responsibilities, don't you care about where your tax money is going or how your healthcare is being affected?

With such an important election coming up, I encourage everyone learn about the candidates who are running and see what they stand for. Don't simply find one issue that you agree with and vote for them because of that, but take your time and do your research. Find a candidate who best aligns with your personal beliefs and values and who you believe has an effective plan for running our country come next January. I would hate for you to end up on Jesse Watters' segment "Watters' World" on Fox News where they make fun of people who are uninformed about American politics.

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EDITORIAL



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Don't (tire) tread on me Parking garage etiquette needs work

It's time we talk about something, Baylor. Something that threatens the precious lives of us students on a daily basis. Something that plagues the campus every day.

It's time we talk about parking garages. No, this is not another whine-fest about the lack of parking on campus. This is about the danger that lurks around every parking garage corner.

For far too long, students have mistaken these structures for NASCAR racetracks. They are not, in fact, NASCAR racetracks. They are parking garages, where cars park and pedestrians walk. Just so we're clear: parking garage ≠ NASCAR racetrack. It's no secret that college students are not regarded as the best drivers to begin with. But it seems the automotive-challenged qualities of Baylor students are exacerbated by the confines of parking garages. Maybe it's the dim lighting that confuses us. Maybe it's the concrete. Either way, speeding, texting while driving and failing to drive on the appropriate half of the lane make campus parking garages deadly. The peak time for parking garage danger is the 15 minutes between each class. Students, obviously in a rush to get to class on time, often forget that other cars are also speeding to class. On a daily basis, students narrowly avoid car accidents while carelessly making fast, wide turns around corners. This kind of driving also poses a threat to pedestrians traversing the parking garage warzone. Speeding and texting while driving aren't a fun combination for people walking

to and from their cars. There's really no way to feel fully confident that you won't be run over.

The good news is we're all pretty bright people. We go to Baylor, for goodness' sake. This means we can all take practical steps to make parking garages safer for all who use them:

1. Drive the speed limit. Yes, there are speed limit signs posted in the parking garages. No, they are not set for 60 mph.

2. Keep an eye out for pedestrians. We know it's tempting to turn people into human speed bumps when you're five minutes late for class for the third time this week, but don't do

DIDI MARTINEZ

News editor

Latin dances sometimes get a bad reputation for being too passionate or sexual. to overcome this assumptive notion. There has to be a certain trust between you and your partner.

I will not deny that some dances can be more sensual than others. Even among well-

All too often music of this genre is used to express romance in a movie. Take for example, the moment when two characters are dining at a restaurant. The lights get dimmer and just as

the characters make eye contact, a slow, rhythmic song in Spanish comes on — the realization of their attraction to each other becoming evident with every sway. The association is not only manifested in movies, though. As

COLUMN



Closeness isn't always sexual,

especially in Latin dances

a culture we have a hard time breaking the contact barrier. It's as if there is an unspoken rule against touching people you do not know. While this is generally good advice, it can be an obstacle when learning dances that demand closer contact.

If you search for professionals dancing bachata, merengue or salsa you will notice that the movements can be dramatic. The dips are lower, the hip movements smoother and little space is given between the two dancers.

As a member of the Baylor Latin Dance Society, I see new people who have never danced before struggle with these very things. More than technique, the hardest part for these individuals is getting past their own embarrassment. Sure, being close to another person can be a very vulnerable position to be in and even more so when we have been repeatedly taught that physical proximity correlates to sexual interest. But in order to dance any type of Latin music, you must learn known dancers, stylistic differences vary. Various duos are well-known for their more suggestive movements while others keep a fair balance. But even for those who do decide to go the more controversial, one should not be so quick to judge the intentions of the dancers. To put it another way, the song is the story but the interpretation of the story is left up to the dancers. They are merely characters in a public show. For those who dance as a hobby or professionally, it is rarely ever personal.

The assumption that Latin dances are purposely promiscuous can linger in people who dance regularly as well. You can see this first-hand at social dances. These events offer an opportunity for people to practice dancing with others who share their interests. Anyone from professional to beginner level go to these. The routine is pretty formal, too: a song comes on, you ask someone to dance, show off your moves for a dance or two, the song ends, you say thank you and move on to the next person. However, and for whatever reason, there is always that one individual who, despite knowing the straightforward nature of these events, has a hard time distinguishing passion (which can be a good thing) from emotion. This disconnect can be troubling when for one person a dance is an outlet for artistic expression and for another, a way of showing attraction.

Dancing can be a good way of beginning to disassociate closeness with sensuality. This is an important skill to have in everyday life, really.

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it. It's not nice.3. Don't hit parked cars.4. If you can't manage No. 3, at least leave

a note with your insurance information. Personal responsibility and owning up to our mistakes are something we should probably learn early on in life.

5. Drive on the right side of the lane at all times. The parking garage is not a runway for your car. Get out of the middle of the street.

6. Take corners slowly. More than likely, another car will be turning from the opposite direction at the same time as you. Let's not have any kissing headlights.

Students who own vehicles on campus have a responsibility to keep themselves and those around them safe. Adopting safe driving habits, particularly in parking garages, can help accomplish this. We want to keep our cars and pedestrians as intact as possible. Let's take steps to see this through.

If all else fails, just remember: you are not a NASCAR driver.

CORRECTION

Wednesday, April 6, News, pg. 5

In photos, Amye Dickerson and Montgomery Miller are titled as internal vice president candidates. They are both running for external vice president.

Joel Polvado is labled as an external vice president candidate. He is running for internal vice president.

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News



LEAKED People hold banners and protest Tuesday in front of the Parliament building in Reykjavik, Iceland. The leak of millions of records on offshore accounts has brought a number of foreign public figures into the spotlight.

Panama **Papers** highlight offshore accounts

FRANK JORDANS & KEN MORITSUGU Associated Press

BERLIN — The fallout from a massive leak of records on offshore accounts dragged a growing number of leaders and celebrities into the spotlight Wednesday, with a Bollywood actor, a race car driver and Ukraine's president among those denying they evaded taxes.

The reports center on millions of documents detailing how the rich and powerful use shell companies in low-tax states like Panama or the Cayman Islands, sometimes giving them fanciful names like "Goldfinger" or "SkyFall."

The suspicion that such accounts are used to skirt taxes prompted a rush of denials, statements and, in some cases, media blackouts.

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko was the latest high-profile politician to face scrutiny over the issue, denying he had meant to evade taxes by putting his candy

Clinton sharpens verbal attacks

LISA LERER AND KEN THOMAS Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Armed with a blistering tabloid cover, Hillary Clinton is pitting Bernie Sanders against the parents of children murdered in Sandy Hook, part of an effort to punch her way into the critical New York primary.

The inflammatory rhetoric underscores the importance of the April 19 New York contest to her campaign and the mounting frustration of Clinton and her husband, former President Bill Clinton, with the lingering primary battle.

That irritation spilled out into the public arena Wednesday, when Clinton released a flurry of attacks on Sanders, questioning his truthfulness, preparedness for the presidency and loyalty to Democratic party principles.

During an appearance on MSNBC Wednesday

morning, Clinton pointed to a New York Daily News cover criticizing Sanders for saying he did not think victims of a gun crime should be able to sue the manufacturer. His comments came when the newspaper's editorial board asked him about a wrongful death lawsuit against a rifle maker over the 2012 massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut.

"That he would place gun manufacturers' rights and immunity from liability against the parents of the children killed at Sandy Hook is just unimaginable to me," said Clinton, who has long sought to highlight the candidates' differences on guns.

In the interview with the Daily News editorial board, Sanders said he did not think gun crime victims should be able to sue gun manufacturers. But he did say people should be able to sue dealers and manufacturers who sell when they know "guns are going to the hands of wrong people."

He also said he supported a ban on assault

weapons.

Clinton's campaign - which seized on a number of statements in the interview - organized a phone call for reporters with elected officials and gun control advocates, including Jillian Soto, whose sister was a teacher killed at Sandy Hook, called Sanders' comments "offensive."

"He doesn't know the pain my family has been going through since December 14, 2012," she said.

Sanders responded Wednesday by criticizing Clinton's 2002 Senate vote in favor of the Iraq war. "Maybe Secretary Clinton might want to apologize to the families who lost their loved ones in Iraq," he told CBS News.

In a separate interview with Politico published Wednesday, Clinton said she tries to explain things in a more "open and truthful way than my opponent."

Later, in Philadelphia, Clinton said people should know what she would do if she's elected president, "not just lots of arm-waving and hot rhetoric."

Whats ? Hang out with your friends and get connected by attending these fun and free* events

*Unless otherwise noted.



Thursday-Saturday, April 7-9 | **Free Bowling Weekend**

8 p.m. Enjoy free bowling and billiards in the basement of the Bill Daniel Student Center until close.

Friday, April 8 | StompFest

7 p.m. Enjoy choreographed stomp routines performed by student groups at the annual StompFest in Waco Hall. Tickets are available online for \$8 through the student ticket portal or at the door for \$12.

company offshore.

Poroshenko had promised voters he would sell his business when he ran for office in 2014. But according to the reports, he merely moved it secretively offshore.

On Wednesday, he said he had done nothing illegal when he created the offshore holding company to put his business in a blind trust when he became president.

"This is absolutely normal procedure," Poroshenko said during a visit to Tokyo. "If we have anything to be investigated, I am happy to do that. But this is absolutely transparent from the very beginning. No hidden account, no associated management, no nothing."

Ukrainian opposition groups maintained the move could have cost the war-torn country millions of dollars in desperately needed tax revenues. But analysts said the Ukrainian leader does not appear to have broken the law - just suffered a blow to his image.

"You can believe the explanations of Poroshenko or not believe them, but from a formal point of view, he did not violate the law," said Volodymyr Fesenko of the Penta think-tank in Kiev.

The data leaked from the Panama-based law firm Mossack Fonseca was reported on this week by an international group of media companies with the coordination of Washington-based the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists.

The leak has revived a global debate over the use of offshore accounts and companies.

Because offshore accounts can obscure the identity of the owner, they are often used illegally to hide money from the taxman or launder illgotten gains.



Saturday, April 9 | Steppin' Out

11 a.m. Participate in one of the largest collegiate community service projects in the nation by volunteering to serve through Steppin' Out. Register online through Baylor Connect.



Monday, April 11 | **Dia Del Rio**

4 p.m. Bring your friends to the Baylor Marina to enjoy sand volleyball, a cookout, kayaks, and more in celebration of Diadeloso.



Monday, April 11 | Nochedeloso and Movie Night at McLane

5:30 p.m. Crawfish Boil on Fountain Mall (Free to first 500 students)

7:00 p.m. Michael Ray in concert on Dia Stage

9 p.m. Enjoy a free screening of Star Wars: The Force Awakens on the field at McLane Stadium.



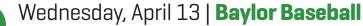
Tuesday, April 12 | **Diadeloso Tournaments**

All day. Register to compete in a tug-of-war or flag football tournament. Winning teams will receive a cash prize and intramural points. An entry fee is required and registration is available online at baylor.edu/diadeloso.



Tuesday, April 12 | **Kids Club Garden Volunteers**

3:30 p.m. Volunteer at the Baylor Community Garden, located at 9th and James, with the Baylor Campus Kitchen. Help facilitate a garden program with snacks, crafts, garden lessons and nutritional education.



4:05 p.m. Support Baylor Baseball, alongside The Bullpen, as the Bears compete against Lamar at the Baylor Ballpark.

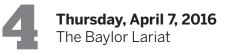


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STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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Charlene Lee | Lariat Photographer

HIGH HONOR Student Literary award winners for the 22nd Annual Bealls Poetry Festival were announced on Wednesday at 101 Carroll Science Hall.

Mn., senior Mackenzie Peery and reshman Morgan Stewart won fourth place and was awarded \$50.

Ouilla senior William Temple came in first place for his entry in fiction and was awarded \$100. Secondplace winner Houston ,senior Madeline Sneed won \$50, and Sonoita, Ariz., senior Helena Hunt was awarded an honorable mention.

Two graduate students also received awards. Waco graduate student Amy Schroeder was awarded \$100 for her poetry entry, and Waco graduate student Nathan Roberts was awarded \$75 for his entry in fiction.

Hemenwav also announced a new award this year: the Robert E. Hemenway Award honoring a student writer from an underrepresented community, which Hemenway described as any community whose voices have not historically been championed by the literary establishment,

such as writers of color, female authors and non-heteronormative identifying authors. Katy senior Jamila Dohvoma received this award, along with \$150.

After each prize was announced, the winning writer read a short selection from their work.

"I really enjoyed hearing all the other poems and excerpts that were read," said Tirzah Reilly. "It's a great way to get together and celebrate that."

The Beall Poetry Festival continues today and Friday, with the Virginia Beall Ball Lecture on Contemporary Poetry by critic Ernest Suarez at 3:30 in 101 Carroll Science Hall, a poetry reading by contemporary American poet Nicole Cooley at 7 p.m. in Bennett Auditorium, a panel discussion 3:30 p.m. in 101 Carroll Science Hall on Friday and a final poetry reading by Kevin Young at 7 p.m, in Bennett Auditorium.

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she enjoys speaking with college students.

"I believe in you," Stabile said. "I want to be

Stabile explained why in the world that y'all create for my grandchildren, and I'm ready for you to lead because I'm tired of leading."

Adviser receives state award

KALYN STORY Staff Writer

Laura Scott graduated from Baylor in 1964 but never left. Shortly after graduating with her degree in journalism and French, she decided to apply for a job as a Baylor recruiter and admissions counselor, and she eventually became an academic adviser

Scott has been advising students for over 15 years, and in February was recognized for all her hard work by the Texas Academic Advising Network (TEXAAN) with a lifetime achievement award.

According to their website, TEXAAN "serves as a professional representation of academic advising excellence in Texas by providing professional development, networking, recognition and dissemination of information."

TEXAAN holds a conference every year and this year, Scott was honored at their 23rd conference in Austin. TEXAAN gives awards every year, but the lifetime achievement award is not annual and is only given out every few years.

"It was a wonderful surprise to receive such an a award," Scott said. "I am so honored and thankful to all my students and colleagues."

Scott is extremely involved in the advising community at Baylor. In addition to advising a full load of students, she is the manager of professional development in University Advisement, and she is the chair of the planning committee for Day of the Advisor, which is April 20th.

Scott advises undecided majors and pre-major students. Scott said working at the university has been a dream come true ,and she could not do what she does if it were not for the amazing staff and students surrounding her.

"I love advising because I love Baylor, and I love the students," Scott said. "I love learning, and to be a good adviser, you have to be open to constantly learning new things."

When she was considering applying for the advising position, Scott was apprehensive because she feared advising students all day every day would get boring.

"I was so wrong thinking I would get bored as an adviser," Scott said. "It's been 15 years, and I am anything but bored. Each student is completely different from the next, and they are all so wonderful."

Yazoo City, Miss., freshman Ariel White is a pre-business student Scott advised this year.

"I wanted to do a bunch of different things when I came to



Richard Hirst | Photo Edito

RECOGNITION Laura Scott, a Baylor academic adviser for the past 15 years was awarded a lifetime achievement award by the Texas Academic Advising Network.

Baylor, and Laura helped me find what's right for me and what concentrations inside the business school go best with what I want to do," White said. "I can't think of anyone who deserves this award more than her."

Her favorite thing about being an advisor is getting to know the students and being able to help them make important decisions about their life, Scott said

"She really cares about how I'm doing in and outside of my classes. She doesn't just ask questions out of routine, she asks because she really cares about the answers," White said.

Though White has only known Scott for a year, she said she already feels connected to her.

"Laura is so nice, and it's obvious that she loves life. You can tell she really cares about us and she loves Baylor. She treats all her students like family," White said. "After my first meeting with Laura I was excited to see that she was my advisor for second semester too because I know she is great at her job and will help me pick the right classes."

Political parties join in Israeli issues

LIESJE POWERS Staff Writer

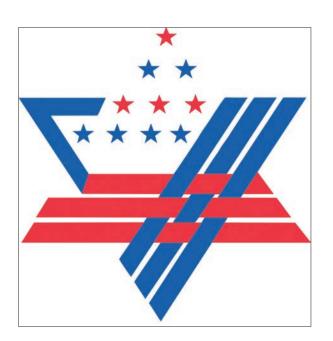
The Baylor Democrats and Baylor College Republicans attended the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) Policy Convention in late March and experienced sessions geared toward bipartisanship and an effort to stand by Israel.

Each session was led by a member of both political parties in order to blur party lines, something that is very important to Rachael Oury, president of the Baylor College Republicans. "We definitely want to advocate toward bipartisanship and the strength that comes from working together and blurring party lines for one very important purpose," Oury said. "In this case, it was Israel, but that is not to say there aren't more bipartisan issues that can be furthered with this push."

think the only way towards peace is if both parts are able to live peacefully and that requires a two state solution."

The two Bavlor representatives attended different sessions and both felt that the convention was a learning experience.

"By going to these sessions and by zeroing in on the different challenges that Israel faces and the U.S. faces with Israel, we were able to sort of formulate what we wanted to lobby for in order to help Israel," Oury said. "It truly was about educating ourselves so that we can educate others." In an effort to educate students, the two plan to continue to work together on Israeli issues.



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Trey Honeycutt | Lariat Photographer

Spokane, Wash., junior MacArthur Peterson participates in the Ride-a-Thon, a 24-hour bike ride, on Tuesday in Fountain Mall. The event lasted Tuesday to Wednesday. Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity hosts the War of the Roses as a part of their Ability of Experience philanthropy to benefit those with mental and physical disabilities.

Baylor Democrat president and AIPAC's campus liaison, Medfor Ore., senior Micah Furlong said he believes that having both parties present is a necessity in situations abroad and at home.

"It's very important to me that we have both people from both sides of the aisle coming together," Furlong said. "I

"We are hoping to continue to work together in a bipartisan fashion to insure that the Pro-Israel community is strong and that students understand why they need to support Israel, not just that they need to," Furlong said.

Oury feels that issues like these effects the student body more than students think, and she hopes to reach more students about important issues.

"I think it's an issue that may go unnoticed regularly; our relationship with Israel and how much our country is impacted by these relations,"

ONE TRUE CHAMP Senior quarterback Collin Brence, quarterback Bryce Petty and receiver Clay Fuller pose with the

Oury said. "It's something that the student body should become more aware of. By educating a few, hopefully we can educate more."

Due to their involvement in the conference, the leaders feel more experienced in political relations, rather than political debates.

"They do train you in a lot of ways - on how to communicate and to realize that we don't need to be having an argument for this sort of thing, we need to be having a conversation," Furlong said.

Student involvement in Israeli issues has a chance to grow through AIPAC, according to Furlong, who is invited to conventions regularly and is given spaces for more representatives.

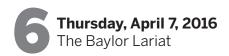
The parties are hosting bipartisan dance this а Thursday with the Swing Dance Society, where candidates for student body positions will be speaking to the group. Both organizations also hold regular meetings to discuss political issues and stances





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Week in Waco:

>> Today

7 p.m. — Beall Poetry Festival: Nicole Cooley poetry reading at Bennett Auditorium. Free.

7:30 p.m. — Cabearet presents "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" at Jones Theatre. Free, donations accepted.

8 p.m. — Pat Green at The Backyard Bar, Stage and Grill. \$15.

>> Friday

7 p.m. — Zeta Phi Beta presents StompFest at Waco Hall. \$8 for students and \$10 for general audiences in advance. \$12 at the door.

7 p.m. — Beall Poetry Festival: Kevin Young poetry reading at Bennett Auditorium.

8 p.m. — Jenny and Tyler at Common Grounds. \$12 in advance, \$15 day of.

Dream on Elm Avenue

Art on Elm Avenue kicks off this weekend with paintings, crafts, music and food

SEEING RED Essex Junction, Vt., senior Travis Tarver will exhibit his painting "Sleep Painting 2 (Red)" this Saturday at Art on Elm.

REBECCA FEDORKO Reporter

Reporter

A day of music, food and art awaits Waco at the Art on Elm pop-up art exhibition Friday and Saturday. The event is kicking off at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Brazos Event Center on Elm Avenue with Splash on the Color, a preview of the artists and their work. The full event begins at 10 a.m. Saturday and will take place along Elm Avenue. Tickets for Splash on the Color are \$15, but the Saturday event is free to the public.

The majority of the festival will be held outside, with street vendors and exhibits set up along the road. However, there will be an artists exhibition in the Brazos Event Center and a small indoor open mic event with the Waco Poets Society at 418 Elm Ave. There is also an indoor youth art exhibit at 713 Elm Ave.

"The original idea for Art on Elm was to bring attention to it and bring people to Elm Avenue," said Claire Sexton, the artist coordinator for Art on Elm Avenue. "We want to tell people there's nothing scary about East Waco. It's just a little main street. Come have a submitting to galleries that don't know me or teach me. There isn't that connection. I had to make the contacts. It's really exciting, but also an experience to encourage me to keep pursuing that end of things."

Doreen Ravenscroft, president of the Waco Cultural Arts Fest and overseer of the Art on Elm Avenue exhibition, said 30 artists, including Tarver, will be showing their work during Art on Elm.



Courtesy of Waco Cultural Arts Fest

Sexton said the exhibits will mostly be of

Courtesy of Travis Tarver

In addition to the sights and smells, Art on Elm will cater some local sounds for art-goers. Waco-based cover band Venus Envy will play at the event for the fourth year in a row. DJ Batman, who has mixed for KLMT in Marlin, as well as with Power 94.5 in Hearne, will also perform. The music stage will be in the center of Peach Street, right at the heart of the festival.

"The music is all outside," Ravenscroft said. "We hope to have some street dancing, some pop-up dancing and some other pop-up art things happening."

Art on Elm Avenue was started five years ago by NeighborWorks Waco, a nonprofit organization focused on helping first-time home buyers become responsible homeowners. The nonprofit's goal was building and revitalizing neighborhoods, and hosting an art exhibition seemed like a great way to do that. The event is now managed by the Waco Cultural Arts Fest in collaboration with the local community. The event is meant to further development in urban areas, as well as display the rich diversity of art that Waco has to offer.

In addition to art exhibits, there will be vendors to browse through and free activities

8 and 10 p.m. — Guerrilla Troupe at Jones Theatre. \$3.

look and visit other times as well."

The artists are mostly from the Waco area, although there are some who come from as far as Pflugerville. Among the artists exhibiting is Essex Junction, Vt., senior Travis Tarver, who is an art student.

"I really love the opportunity that Baylor provides, giving student on-campus things, but it's really encouraging to get outside of the educational sphere," Tarver said. "As an artist, that is what I will physically be doing: acrylic and oil paintings, but there will also be glasswork, drawings and some sculpture.

There will be several food trucks at Art on Elm, including Luna Juice Bar, but the focus will be on vendors who will cook and serve food on the street.

"There will be pork rib and possibly brisket," Ravenscroft said. "Rufi's Cocina is going to cook out on the street. We are trying to create the smell of food on the street and show the cooking of food on the street." for the public. Ravenscroft said signature wooden houses made from recycled wood will be available for painting. The festival will also have a station for making musical instruments out of cardboard tubes and pebbles or beans.

"A lot of these artists are able to exhibit here and there, but to bring it all to one place and get a variety of things lets you see what is local or if there is anything that you like," Sexton said. "I think it's just a nice way to bring everything to one place."

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PUCKER UP Junior right-handed pitcher Nick Lewis throws a pitch during the Bears' game against Wofford University on Tuesday at Baylor Ballpark. The Bears won 9-4 and completed the two-game series win on Wednesday with a 4-0 victory.



BU wallops Wofford for fourth straight win

HUNTER HEWELL Reporter

The Baylor Bears baseball team walked away with a 4-0 shutout victory over the Wofford Terriers on Wednesday at Baylor Ballpark. The Bears are now 15-14 overall.

outfielder Richard Cunningham to make the score 4-0.

With the score at 3-0, the Bears continued to play well on defense, with McInvale finding his rhythm. After six innings pitched, he allowed only three hits and zero runs.

In the seventh inning, the Bears

felt that it helped his confidence.

"I had been struggling for the first part of the year, and to come out and get six scoreless really helped my confidence," said McInvale. "That puts me on a good track for the rest of the year."

Baylor head coach Steve Rodriguez was pleased with his team's victory, but he knows there is still a lot of baseball left to play

Viewpoint: BU righting the ship

BEN EVERETT Sports Writer

Baylor baseball has won three games in a row and seven of their last eight, putting them at a 15-14 winning record for the season.

The Bears took two of three games from both Dallas Baptist and Kansas, and also picked up wins

SPORTS TAKE

over UTSA and Wofford. After struggling early in the season, including five straight losses in March, the Bears seem to be hitting their stride as they get deeper into conference play.

Baylor's improved play on the field can't be tied down to just one player, stat or performance, but rather the team as whole has shown significant improvement over the last couple of weeks.

The pitching has seen a steady progression since the start of the season towards a unit a that can be relied upon to win games.

Junior pitchers Daniel Castano and Drew Tolson have been solid all season long for the starting rotation, throwing 73 strikeouts in 14 games.

The rest of the starting rotation, though shaky at times, has begun to pick up the slack in recent games.

Junior starting pitcher Nick Lewis, for example, struggled early on but picked up his first win Tuesday night against throwing a Wofford season-high five strikeouts.

Starter Kyle Hill gave the team a lift on Sunday, picking up his first win of the season while pitching seven strong innings and giving the Bears a series win over Kansas.

Meanwhile, relief pitcher Drew Robertson has emerged as the premier bullpen player for the Bears, holding a team-high 0.93 ERA.

After switching the lineups around, head coach Steve Rodriguez has found his go-to hitters.

Juniors Darryn Sheppard and Kameron Esthay have both spent time in the designated hitter slot, and both are proving worthy of the position.

Sheppard leads the team with a .353 batting average, 22 runs, 39 hits, 27 RBI and three home runs. Esthay is fourth on the team with a .321 average and second in hits at 29.

Young players have contributed during the winning streak as well.

Freshman infielder Josh Bissonette was named Big 12 Newcomer of the Week during the week of March 28 after posting two home runs and five RBI.

The Bears can rest assured that they have all the pieces necessary to win games.

If Baylor wants to make the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2012, they will have to rely heavily on their depth.





The Bears started the day strong on defense with freshman starting pitcher Andrew McInvale forcing four strikeouts in the first three innings and allowing no runs.

Although the Bears managed to get men on base in the first inning, it wasn't until the second that they began to score.

After a bunt by sophomore outfielder Levi Gilcrease, the Terriers committed an error on the throw, allowing freshman outfielder T.J. Raguse to run home for the Bears' first score.

The scoring continued in the second inning when senior infielder Justin Arrington and sophomore infielder Steven McLean each hit a single RBI to bring home freshman infielder Josh Bissonette and Gilcrease, respectively.

The Bears were able to score again for the final time in the fifth inning on a single RBI from sophomore first baseman Kameron Esthay to bring home freshman

made a pitching change to senior Kody Hessemer.

Despite the fact that the Terriers were able to get bases loaded in the top of the seventh, Hessemer remained calm and allowed zero runs.

Once again in the eighth inning, the Bears found themselves in a tight spot with three Terriers on base.

This time, however, it was sophomore pitcher Joe Heineman who kept his composure and got two strikeouts in a row to end the inning and keep the Terriers off the board.

In the ninth inning, the Bears made one more pitching change to sophomore Troy Montemayor.

Montemayor recorded two strikeouts in the final inning to allow the Bears to post the shutout victory.

On the day, the Bears had zero errors to the Wofford Terriers' 2 errors.

McInvale was happy with the win and

"I just think that everybody is starting to realize and find a role on this team, and the expectation is that everybody knows that they could be called on at anytime," Rodriguez said.

"The way I look at it, it's just about the next game. It's nice that we won six out of seven, but those are in the past. We need to make sure that we are continuing to get better, continuing to put good swings on the ball, keep pitching down in the bottom of the zone. If we continue to do that then the wins will come, but if we don't do that then what happened in the six of (the last) seven is irrelevant," Rodriguez said.

The Bears will look next to get a road series conference win against the University of Oklahoma this weekend in Norman, Okla.

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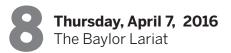
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Stroke of brilliance

Men's tennis picks up crucial win, hopes to regain form for Big 12 play

MEGHAN MITCHELL Sports Writer

Starting the season off slow due to young players and injury, the Baylor men's tennis team could have caved in.

Instead, through adversity, they have been able to keep themselves in the running for the NCAA tournament.

"Everyone who follows our results knows how many times we have lost to good teams and have had really close ones," senior Julian Lenz said. "We never gave up. We kept practicing, trying to hold and get that one big W to try and push us into the NCAA tournament."

At 12-9 and 1-1 in the Big 12, head coach Matt Knoll said the Bears will have to stay focused and continue to push themselves.

"We have had some adversity. Some guys have had to step into different roles. But the thing is, we just played hard," Knoll said. "As a coach, you want to be on them. But when you step back, they are just playing so hard. The guys were really giving all they had, and you feel like if you keep doing that, some of these close matches are going to go your way?

Junior Vince Schneider, was a key player in doubles for the Bears in the previous season, but was out immediately from the start this season due to injury.

With Schneider out, the Bears turned to red shirt freshman Will Little to step up, but he quickly found himself out of the loop when injury came his way.



Penelope Shirey | Lariat Photographer

DYNAMIC DUO Senior Felipe Rios and Jimmy Bendeck celebrate a point with a high-five during the Bears' match against Texas on Tuesday at Hurd Tennis Center. The Bears beat the Longhorns 4-2 in their last home Big 12 match of the season.

With a roster of 11 players in the 2014-2015 season, the Bears were immediately taken back when the roster was cut to eight in the 2015-2016 season. It ended up becoming even smaller due to injury.

With such a small squad, Knoll and his team immediately had to find players and turned to the club team where they picked up junior Tyler Stayer.

With new players in the

midst, the Bears struggled early on to capture the victory over top teams, but are slowly adjusting finding way and lineups to come on top.

"We've lost four of these matches against teams that are top 20," Knoll said.

Although never lacking energy, the Bears had a chance to upset now No. 18 Tulsa, but fell short 4-3, after losing the doubles point right off the back.

"The goal was to come out and have positive energy throughout the match on every court regardless of how the scores were, and I think the team did a really good job of doing that. I'm really proud of the team," said freshman Jimmy Bendeck.

Although taking the doubles point against No. 11 Texas Tech in conference play, they were unable to get the edge in singles. With junior Max Tchoutakian locked in a three-set battle to decide the outcome of the night, he was unable to come up clutch, giving the Bears their first conference loss, 4-3.

"The loss to Texas Tech was just terrible, and our other match losing in a tiebreak was pretty painful, but no one gave up and it was nice," Lenz said.

Looking to turn things around, the Bears were able to regain momentum against No.

17 Texas, where, after a shaky start to doubles, were able to battle back and take the quick point.

"We need every point we can get, and we got that [doubles point]. It was an amazing comeback for Max and Tommy, who got down right off the back and played a poor first game. For them to come back and beat another ranked team is a great effort from them. I'm really proud of those guys," Knoll said.

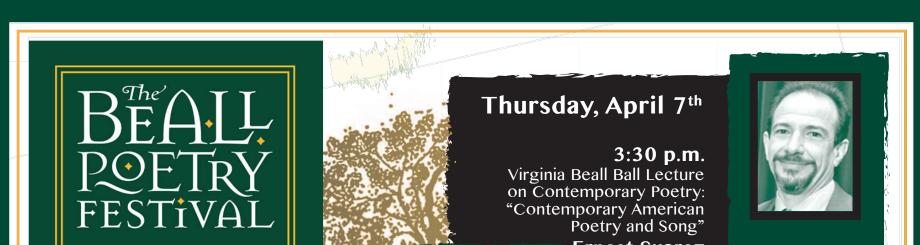
With Lenz not playing at his best this season, the Bears are relying heavily on the doubles point and clutch third sets to get the wins.

However, it is not a oneteam show and the Bears will need to continue working together and improving as a team.

At No. 1 doubles, Tchoutakian and freshman Tommy Podvinski have found chemistry together but need to continue with the spark as they go into singles action.

In singles, the Bears lineup seems to be on track, but Knoll said the players need to improve on a pivotal third set rallies if they want to stand a chance against the best teams in the conference.

"We need every win we can get. The great thing is it builds a little momentum for us," Knoll said. "Gives us some time off before we get back into conference. We have some really tough matches on the road against OU and at O-State, two great teams, but just a little belief that we can win these close matches."



Ernest Suarez

7:00 p.m. Poetry Reading by **Nicole Cooley**

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