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## BU to Bench

### Alumnus talks about political career in Texas, Washington

**SAWYER SMITH**  
Reporter

Texas Supreme Court Justice Don Willett graduated Baylor in the late 1980s as a triple major. In the time leading up to today, Willett earned a law degree from Duke University and worked at some of the highest levels of federal government. From Waco to the White House, the Texas judge gained experiences that later led him to secure a position on one of the highest benches in state. He has now been a Texas Supreme Court Justice for a solid decade. Judge Willett also serves as the official "Twitter Laureate of Texas" and a board member for the Honors College at Baylor University.

### Q&A

**Judge Willett, what made you choose Baylor and what did you study here? What's your current relationship with the university?**

I grew up in Texas, in a

Baptist church and I visited Baylor occasionally. It was actually the first college campus I ever stepped foot on. I applied all over the country, and was fortunate to have a range of options, but I knew in my deepest heart that I was destined for Baylor. I had a triple major in economics, finance and public administration. I'm back on campus quite a bit, actually. I'm a member of the board for the Honors College, and every year I take my law clerks — we make a pilgrimage up to Waco to see Judge Ken Starr. I was at the Baylor Law School just recently with the court a few weeks ago.

**After graduation you chose to attend Duke Law School, what inspired your legal studies and move to North Carolina?**

I did, and Baylor recruited me pretty intensely to stay. But I had never lived more than two hours away from home and I had never spent much

time around people who saw the world differently. I knew I would eventually return to Texas to live, work and raise a family, but law school was my last window and opportunity to live in a different part of the nation. I thrived at Baylor and loved every nanosecond, but I wanted to venture off and expand my horizons. Duke was a top-tier school and had a joint-degree program that interested me a lot.

**What are some of the highlights of your professional experience?**

I am the beneficiary of abundant blessings in my career. One day, I received an offer to be a lawyer and policy advisor in Governor George W. Bush's office. I did this for four years and then moved to his first presidential campaign. My wife and I transitioned to Washington, D.C., after the victory. Both of us spent two years working in the White House for President Bush. We were there during

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Sawyer Smith | Reporter

**ON THE COURT** Texas Supreme Court Justice Don Willett graduated from Baylor University with a triple-degree in finance, economics and public administration. He has since worked under George W. Bush and was appointed as a Supreme Court Justice by former Gov. Rick Perry.



Trey Honeycutt | Lariat Photographer

**GLOBAL DISCUSSION** On Thursday, a panel consisting of Baylor President and Chancellor Ken Starr, Rep. Frank Wolf, Pastor Jalil Dawood and Jason Peters discussed religious persecution abroad.

## Panel discusses persecution, religious freedom abroad

**ERIC VINING**  
Reporter

Since the Islamic State began seizing territory in Syria in early 2013, Western governments and people alike have found it difficult to find a way to help those affected by the crisis.

Baylor President and Chancellor Ken Starr, alongside former U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf, Pastor Jalil Dawood and Jason Peters participated in an evening panel on Thursday discussing the difficulties of addressing the persecution of Christians in the

Middle East, northern Africa and other areas of the world occupied by extremist terrorist organizations.

"The question is, 'What can we do?'" said Dr. David Corey, associate professor in the department of political science. "We all want to know what we can do. I've been to many panels with many different speakers and they have little to say what you can do. This panel is different."

The discussion began with a series of short presentations by each member of the panel and a brief opening by Starr.

"My dear friends, regardless of your politics — this has nothing to do with politics, it has everything to do with freedoms and who we are as human beings — resist that siren song of curtailing the freedom of religion to simply mean where you can go to church or synagogue, or mosque, or not, as you will," Starr said.

Starr's presentation was followed by former Wolf, who is known for his longtime advocacy of the issue of religious freedom in Washington.

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## Justice group to hold awareness event

**JESSICA HUBBLE**  
Staff Writer

The Baylor chapter of International Justice Mission is holding its first Stand for Freedom event this weekend.

Stand for Freedom will be a 24-hour event held on Fountain Mall. The event will start at 8 a.m. today and end at 8 a.m. Saturday.

IJM chapters have been holding Stand for Freedom events on campuses all over the United States for the past two weeks.

The event includes a justice market, volleyball tournament, documentary screening, candlelight worship led by The Union Revival sunrise yoga and breakfast. The documentary being shown is "Call and Response" and the justice market will feature vendors that sell fair trade goods.

The event is for people to stand for those who are oppressed, face violence and injustice around the world. There will also be the opportunity for people to learn more about modern-day slavery and how to help end it.

"Modern day slavery is an issue that will define our generation," said Baylor's IJM vice president, Annie Pirrello. "It is important that people are aware of this. There will be parts of this event that will open people's minds and maybe their hearts. Maybe we will get more fighters for the cause. That would be awesome."

Robert Callahan and Frank Wolf will be speaking at the event.

Callahan is a Baylor Law School alumnus and local defense attorney. Callahan will be speaking about his work with UnBound, a nonprofit organization that helps impoverished children, and defends survivors of human trafficking. Callahan and the Baylor IJM have a strong relationship, and he has spoken for them a number of times.



Callahan

Callahan works with local human trafficking victims and local police to help educate them on the signs of human trafficking victims. He will be speaking at 2 p.m. Friday in the Beckman room in the Bill

Daniels Student Center.

Wolf is a former congressman and Baylor's religious freedom chair. He will be speaking about his work in advocating human rights during his time as a congressman. He will speak at 4:30 p.m. today on Fountain Mall.

"Wolf has worked diligently in Congress in passing human trafficking laws," said Baylor's IJM president Loren Aguirre. "Which is so important because you can have the heart to help, but unless you do something preventative, the problem just grows."

IJM is divided into three subcommittees. These committees include events, Waco outreach and stand for freedom.

"We follow the mission of seeking justice across the world

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## EDITORIAL

# Are nominations rigged or just confusing?

There has been an onslaught of static regarding the presidential nomination process, particularly on the Republican side. The current frontrunner of the Republican race, Donald Trump, has been the catalyst for the complaints of an apparently "rigged" system and an unfair nomination process, in his words.

Now before we continue any further, let it be clear that this is not an editorial designed to bring down Trump and promote any of the other candidates in the race. As Americans, working for a fair nomination process should be a concern for all of us involved in the election.

However, Trump and his surrogates in the media have ulterior motives when they accuse certain states, such as Colorado, of being rigged in favor of another candidate.

It is not completely out of bounds to consider changes to the nomination process, so Trump, or anyone else for that matter, shouldn't be discredited if they express legitimate concern for the system being unfair.

The issue with these complaints is that they are categorically false, and if the system actually is rigged, the only person for which it's rigged is the frontrunner, which just happens to be Donald Trump in this case.

NBC News' Ari Mebler reported a striking statistic after the Colorado election and Trump's whining came to the forefront of mainstream campaign coverage. She writes: "Taken together, the data show Trump has been awarded 8 percent more delegates than Cruz for the same rate of voter support."

The hard details of her findings can be found online and are quite remarkable, but the excerpt shown above is enough to give you the thesis of Mebler's findings.

To further discredit the Trump campaign's



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complaints with Colorado, and the few other states that choose to use the convention nomination system, is that their election is "voteless." Again, not true.

Colorado awards its delegates as follows.

About a month before the Colorado Republican party's state convention, voters gather in their congressional precincts and vote for who they want to represent them at the state convention. They vote their fellow, regular, every-day citizens

to represent them at the conventions.

This year, Colorado reported over 60,000 people that showed up to vote in these precincts. Furthermore, 40 percent of turnout were voters that had never done the process before. The precinct vote is similar to those of caucus primary states.

So if there were over 60,000 voters in Colorado that did, in fact, participate in Colorado, why did Trump say it was a "voterless" election in Colorado? Trump did not even step foot in Colorado. Could it be that he's whining about the results in Colorado because he lost, and lost resoundingly?

And if there is such worry of corruption and rigging of the system, then why weren't there any complaints when Trump received about 45 percent of the popular vote of Florida and was awarded 100 percent of the delegates due to Florida's "winner-takes-all" rules. Trump was perfectly fine with the alleged "rigged" system when it benefited him.

At the end of the day, the states are given the power to choose how they organize and run primaries, caucuses or whatever they choose to do for selecting a candidate. The presidential primary process is a state-by-state process, unlike the general election this fall.

So, do the research on your state's election rules and judge for yourself whether it's in need of change or not next time around.

These deceptive claims, poorly masked as righteous protestation of the nomination system and its urgent need for revision, are not really concerned with fairness at all. If you want real change to the primary process, pay no attention to these propaganda efforts from the Trump campaign or any of his surrogates.

## GUEST COLUMN

# Bricks can destroy or build communities

**JONATHON S. PLATT**  
Contributor

On the morning of May 2, 1963, thousands poured out of 16th Street Baptist Church and onto the streets of Birmingham, Ala. Their goal was to integrate the downtown businesses regardless of segregation laws, Commissioner of Public Safety Eugene "Bull" Connor or his jails.

"The only thing that we did wrong was waiting in the wilderness too long," a lone voice began.

Then, thousands joined: "Keep your eyes on the prize. Hold on. Hold on."

Birmingham was such a nasty place in the mid-century its nickname was "Bombing-ham." It's said Jesus told a black man to get up, leave his home in Chicago and go to Birmingham. His wife was concerned.

"Is he going with you?" she cried.

"Jesus said he'd go as far as Memphis," the husband replied.

Despite this, Birmingham is where scales tipped for the civil rights movement. May 2 was important, but May 3 is what actually caused the crescendo.



to go before joining. All the way until a threshold of 99 -- a person who will only join if everybody else is throwing bricks.

In mid-August of 2014, we saw this unfold in Ferguson, Mo. People gathered in a peaceful vigil for a slain teenager. The group, unfortunately, soon turned into a riot, with destruction, looting and grand arson.

Weeks later, I saw the wreckage firsthand and asked, "How did this happen?"

"I don't know how it got that out of hand so quickly," said one resident, who had been in the streets during the riot.

The threshold model had unfolded. One person threw the first brick and, the next thing anyone knew, an entire community was scarred.

This crowd was not made of bad people. It was just made of a lot of people.

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Malcolm Gladwell says threshold theory is very likely the cause of an increase in school shootings.

Columbine was the tipping point of school shootings, Gladwell said. It was hyped by media and talked about for days on end. Ultimately, it raised the threshold. That increase promoted more "copycat" shooters to follow.

Just like the crowd in Ferguson, shooters are following the expected pattern. Brick after brick is thrown, until the necessary threshold is reached.

There's another unfortunate social phenomenon growing that directly relates to threshold theory.

Acts of rape on college campus are close to a tipping point. Enough bricks have been thrown and enough news coverage has been dedicated to these despicable acts that it's now following the expected threshold model.

But does it really just come down to the fact that "enough" bricks have been thrown? Is the growing culture of rape really just a result of threshold theory?

Regardless, and fortunately, evil is not the only outcome crowds can affect.

While crowds can dole out damage in horrible acts of violence, all hope is not lost. Understanding threshold theory allows us to fight "crowds" with

crowds.

Here at Baylor, back at home, across the world, if we unite to silence and stop those who commit evil acts, such as rape, social theory dictates we can accomplish that.

If indeed, as the theorists suggest, rapists are the result of thresholds dominoing, I suggest we use that very idea to change the course ahead. I say we change the tides. We should unite a crowd bent on providing healing. We should unite to protect.

If we want to keep from seeing the tipping point of rape culture that Columbine brought to school shootings, we must do something. And we must do it now.

But we need everyone. We need a full threshold of 99 to unite anytime even a single act of rape is committed. The vigils we held were our first bricks. Who's ready to throw the next?

Individually, we can be heard. Together, we can be effective.

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Back in Birmingham, on May 3, thousands more gathered. The jails were already full from the day before. What was Bull Connor to do?

Connor chose to sic police dogs on protesters. A photo of high school student Walter Gadsden being attacked by these dogs ran prominently on the front page of the "New York Times."

That photo and the national emotions it incited caused the tipping point for modern civil rights. Things changed because of that photo. That photo was possible because a crowd came together to stop injustice.

Crowds and the social phenomena that follow can be good. They can also lead to an exponential growth of evil. It all comes down to how we use them.

Baylor, let's form a crowd that leads to good. A crowd that puts a stop to pain and injustice.

"The only thing that we did right," goes the song, "was the day we begun to fight. Keep your eyes on the prize. Hold on."

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# Day of the Advisor recognizes excellent staff

**KALYN STORY**  
Staff Writer

Baylor's advisors gathered to celebrate the Day of the Advisor on Wednesday to recognize the importance of academic advising and to show appreciation for the individuals who serve Baylor students as academic advisors. This year marked the 10th anniversary of the annual Day of the Advisor celebration.

This year, the Day of the Advisor added a new element to the celebration by giving Academic Advising Excellence Awards to recognize the achievements of members of Baylor's advising community.

They gave awards for Contributions to the Academic Advising Profession, Contributions to Advising Excellence at Baylor and the 2016 Outstanding Professional Academic Advisor of the Year.

Linda Johnson served as the chair for the Academic Advising Reward and Recognition Work Group to help select the award winners from the nominations.

"Every single person we looked at was amazing and works so hard," Johnson said. "These awards help us set a standard for what we should all strive for. These award winners open our eyes to all the things advisors should be doing."

Ida Jamshidi, winner of the 2016 Outstanding Professional Academic Advisor of the Year award, had no intentions of becoming an advisor and even says she accidentally fell

into the career.

"I fell in love with advising and have a passion for this profession and want to pursue it as a career, not just my first job," Jamshidi said.

Jamshidi has been working as an advisor for five years. While she was at Baylor working on her master's in higher education, she took an internship at Baylor working at a summer camp for juniors in high school interested in computer science.

"I found myself putting everything I had into these high school students," Jamshidi said. "I was so fulfilled helping these students find what they're passionate about. When I heard about an advising position open, I knew I had to apply."

Jamshidi knew she was nominated for the award but was still surprised when they called her name at the luncheon.

"The whole advising community works so hard and care so deeply about the students, so to be honored and acknowledged in front of such an amazing group is a huge honor," Jamshidi said.

Laura Scott, who recently received a lifetime achievement award from the Texas Academic Advising Network, was awarded for Contributions to the Academic Advising Profession.

"Laura has done amazing work for the advising department at Baylor," Johnson said. "A few years ago she brought the Texas Advising Association to Waco for the first time ever. That was huge for us."

Margaret Lemon and Donna Kennedy



Photo courtesy of Linda Johnson

**RECOGNITION** From left to right, Wes Null, professor and Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education; Laura Scott, Manager of Professional Development in University Advisement; Donna Kennedy, Senior Systems Analyst; Ida Jamshidi, Director of Advising; and Sinda Vanderpool, Associate Vice Provost for Academic Enrollment Management, pose for a photo after the Day of the Advisor celebration recognizing outstanding staff at Baylor.

were recognized for their aid to the advising community through the Contributions to Advising Excellence at Baylor.

Lemon and Kennedy developed a unified advising system back in 2008 to help advisors link their information.

"It is so exciting to be able to play a part in what advisors do and how they help students,"

Lemon said.

The system they created eight years ago is still used today and was described by Johnson as significantly affecting all advisors in their day-to-day lives.

"I love that we can help students and advisors, and this award means so much to us," Kennedy said.

# Prince dead after being found unresponsive in elevator

**AMY FORLITI  
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Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Prince was unresponsive in an elevator when the musician was found by sheriff's deputies who had been called to his suburban Minneapolis compound, a Minnesota sheriff said Thursday.

Carver County Sheriff Jim Olson said deputies responded to a medical call about 9:43 a.m. Medical personnel tried CPR, but couldn't revive the 57-year-old Prince, who was pronounced dead at 10:07 a.m.

A cause of death wasn't immediately determined. An autopsy was scheduled for Friday.

The singer's death came two weeks after he canceled concerts in Atlanta because he wasn't feeling well. He performed April



Prince

14 in Atlanta, apologizing to the crowd shortly after coming on stage.

Later on, while talking to the crowd between songs, he joked about having been "under the weather," giving a slight smile. His voice seemed a bit weak at times when he spoke, but he sounded fine when singing during his 80-minute show.

Following news reports that he had fallen ill while returning from Atlanta to Minneapolis, Prince hosted a dance party on April 16 at his Paisley Park compound in Minnesota.

Jeremiah Freed, who runs the website drfunkenberry.com and has gotten to know Prince after writing about his events over the years, said he last saw Prince at the dance party. Freed said he

believed Prince held the party to show everyone he was fine.

Freed didn't have one-on-one time with Prince that night, but Prince made a brief appearance. Freed said the artist showed off a new purple piano he received as a gift, as well as a purple guitar, but seemed upset about the reports of an illness.

"When he had to talk about the stories going on, he didn't seem too pleased. It was kind of like, 'I'm here. I'm good,'" Freed said, adding that Prince told the crowd: "Just wait a few days before saying your prayers."

Lars Larson, a 37-year-old Minneapolis man who had worked security for Prince and at Paisley Park events for about six years on and off, said he was at the same party. Larson said the singer was on stage briefly and spoke to the crowd before standing by the sound board for 20 minutes before disappearing for the night.

"He seemed great. He looked like Prince," he said. "The whole point of the show on Saturday was to show he was doing all right."

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## ENGINEERING SUCCESS



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Pleasanton junior William Post (left), League City junior Heather Foskit (center) and Omaha, Neb., senior T.J. Kotouc (right) monitor an engineering design while Brian Thomas, senior lecturer and assistant chair of the department of electrical and computer engineering, judges the trial. Engineering students are required to take two design classes with the junior design class culminating in a competition. This semester's challenge required students to move 10 ping pong balls across a table in under two minutes without touching them.

## 'Pastor G' launches street ministry through short film

**RACHEL LELAND**  
Staff Writer

As a teenager, Waco native Gabriel Dominguez sold drugs and went in and out of the juvenile detention center.

At 23, a conviction of machine gun possession landed him in federal prison, according to his biography on the Life Church Waco website.

After his release Dominguez experienced difficulty readjusting to life as a free man. It was not until he discovered the love of God that he learned that faith in Jesus could transform his life for the better, Dominguez said.

Now 'Pastor G,' Dominguez leads Life Church Waco, which emphasizes ministry on the streets.

'Hope Through Everything' is a discipleship program coordinated by the church where 'Hope Boyz' and 'Hope Girlz' participate in workshops designed to teach good work ethic, conflict resolution skills,

people skills and a healthy outlook on finances.

Many of the men and women who go to the workshops have never held a job. The program recognizes that short-term job training is often not enough to introduce them to the workforce.

"We came up this concept of job creation," Dominguez said. "They are trying to work their butts off, and they need to work three jobs. They've got issues, but they want dignity."

On Thursday, the church launched its ministry with a movie screening of "The Ripple Effect" at the Waco Hippodrome.

"The Ripple Effect" was the result of a creative collaboration between Dominguez and director David Urabe.

The short-film told the story of a young boy who was killed in a drive-by shooting. The film showed the role of prayer and faith as a way of finding comfort in difficult circumstances.

"We mobilized 50 people and 90 different companies,



Rachel Leland | Staff Writer

**FILM SHOWING** Gabriel Dominguez, who is known as 'Pastor G,' presents "The Ripple Effect" on Thursday at Waco Hippodrome. The short film centers around the aftermath of a young boy's death.

and rounded up 50,000 worth of products and services," Urabe said. "We spent five days and hauled everyone here to Waco, which we called Wacko before."

Originally, the short film was intended to be a music video, which would promote the other branch of Hope Through Everything, a music ministry called 'Hope

Through Muzik."

"This is not your typical church film. There is substance, there is content in here that is a little on the edge, but it's real and it involves things that are real and in the community where pastor Gabriel is serving," Urabe said.

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for those affected by modern day slavery and other injustices by supporting the work of IJM," said IJM's website. "We do this by raising awareness on our campuses and in our communities and by raising funds which we donate to IJM global."

The Baylor chapter of IJM welcomes new members year-round. They have weekly meetings on Mondays at 8 p.m. in the Lipscomb room of the SUB. There is an official new member application that can be found on the group's website at [www.ijmbaylor.com](http://www.ijmbaylor.com). To become a member, one can fill out an application and bring \$20 for dues to a chapter meeting at earliest convenience.

If there are weather problems, the event will be moved into the Baines room of the SUB. IJM Baylor will be updating their Facebook page to let people know about any changes due to weather.

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consequential times, but we had fun as well. Then Greg Abbott invited me back to Austin to work in his Attorney General's office. That was a ball for two and a half years until I joined the Supreme Court by appointment of Gov. Rick Perry.

**What can you tell us about your Twitter account, @JusticeWillett?**

A state House member persuaded his colleagues to pass a pretty light-hearted proclamation declaring me the Twitter Laureate of Texas. It's fairly hysterical, but it was thankfully passed unanimously and even received attention nationally. I think people are astonished a judge can step out from behind the bench and come across as engaging and somewhat interesting. I've come to really enjoy it and speak frequently across the country about judicial use of social media.

**What advice do you have for Baylor students who want to pursue a similar career to yours?**

It's a magic combination to love what you do and believe that it matters. I would urge students to prayerfully seek out ways to cultivate what they are passionate about. I want people to find fulfillment. Do whatever you do with gladness, gusto and gratitude. Be a professional in the true sense.

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"I personally believe that religious freedom is the modern-day human rights issue of our time, both domestic and international," Wolf said.

Wolf further discussed how serious the issue of Christian persecution is in the Middle East.

"Today, genocide is taking place in Iraq and Syria," Wolf said. "And, with some exceptions, the church in the West has been silent."

At the conclusion of his speech, Wolf explained how the Christian community and even individuals can act to help solve this growing problem.

"I believe people of faith play a vital role in informing their friends and neighbors and congregations to help save Christians and Christianity in the Cradle of Christendom. I believe that we must act," Wolf said.

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## Waco Weekend:

### >> Today

**Starting at 8 a.m.** — International Justice Mission's Stand for Freedom at Fountain Mall.

**6:30 p.m.** — "The (ALMOST) Totally True Story of Hansel and Gretel" at Jubilee Theatre. \$10.

**7:30 p.m.** — Symphonic Band at Jones Concert Hall. Free.

**8 p.m.** — One of These Nights: The Eagles Tribute Concert at The Backyard Bar, Stage and Grill. \$15.

### >> Saturday

**9 a.m.** — Waco Downtown Farmers Market

### >> Sunday

**3 p.m.** — Women's Choir and Bella Voce at Seventh and James Baptist Church. Free.

# Put on your Black Glasses

## Students show off their work in annual film fest

**REBECCA FEDORKO**  
Reporter

The Baylor film and digital media department will show off the best of its students' short films at the 17th annual Black Glasses Film Festival next week. The show starts at 7 p.m. Monday at the Waco Hippodrome and will feature 19 original films written, directed and produced by Baylor students.

"This year we got an overwhelming and record-breaking amount of submissions, so we're going to have a really wide variety of really awesome films that I think people are going to really like," said Maverick Moore, a lecturer of film and digital media who is overseeing the festival. "There's going to be something for everyone."

Moore said each year's festival is consistently bigger than the year before. Last year the festival was completely sold out, and Moore said he expects the same for this year. Tickets can be purchased at the Hippodrome's website and are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

Moore said the experience and exposure to wider audiences that the festival gives Baylor students is often a kickstart for bigger and better things.

"The cool thing is that we usually premiere student films that later go on to achieve pretty remarkable worldwide attention," Moore said.

Moore himself is a Baylor graduate whose film "Shotgun" won Best Picture at the Black Glasses Film Festival. It went on to be shown at the Cannes Film Festival in France. That showing led to its acceptance into several other film festivals.

The Black Glasses festival is split into two parts, one for creative submissions and one for submissions to the 10 Below Short Film Contest. While there are not any parameters for the creative submissions, the 10 Below submissions must be based on a biblical parable and run under 10 minutes.

Corpus Christi sophomore Christina Gray is entering the 10 Below contest with a film titled "Bridegroom," a retelling of the parable of the 10 virgins. Drawing themes from the show "Bachelorette," Gray said she tried to find a new perspective on the story while keeping the overall tone comedic.

"I tend to stick to lighthearted films that are very fun," Gray said. "One of my favorite quotes is from Ashley Tisdale, and she said her goal in life is to make people laugh and be happy. That's what



Penelope Shirey | Lariat Photographer

**THAT'S A WRAP** Corpus Christi sophomore Christina Gray submitted two films, "Recipe for Love" and "Bridegroom," to the Black Glasses Film Festival, which takes place at 7 p.m. Monday at the Waco Hippodrome. Tickets for the festival are \$3 for students and \$5 for general audiences.

I'm trying to do."

Austin junior Trey Dickerson is also submitting a film to the 10 Below festival. His work, "Between the Light and Dark," is based on the parable of the candle that shouldn't be hidden away.

While his 10 Below submission may be about shining a light, Dickerson's second submission to the Black Glasses Film Festival, "Completionist," entertains much darker themes.

"['Completionist'] is a rather dark film," Dickerson said. "It's about a game of wits between the hunter and the hunted. Often the line between hunter and hunted is very blurred."

Gray's second submission for Black Glasses, "Recipe for Love," on the other hand, is a much lighter story about the intricacies of love and relationships shown through a lens of humor.

"The premise behind 'Recipe for Love' is that a way to a man's heart is through his stomach. You see a woman manipulating the man she loves through food," Gray said.

For both Gray and Dickerson, the filmmaking process was extremely collaborative, involving

whole crews of their friends and fellow Baylor students.

"Casting usually consists of me calling my theater friends and saying, 'Hey, want to add to your reel?'" Gray said.

Dickerson said his films would not have been possible without the incredible work put in by the people who helped him film and edit his movies.

"I really hope my crew gets awards, honestly. If they get awards for all the work they put in that would be incredible," Dickerson said.

The festival gives out awards for Best Picture, Best Editing, Best Cinematography and an Audience Award. There are also cash prizes for the winners.

Aside from the opportunity to earn some money, however, both Gray and Dickerson said having their submissions accepted to the film festival was important to them because it showed them that what they were doing was worthwhile.

"It's kind of affirming because I always wonder, 'Should I be doing film?' Then something gets accepted into the festival, and I think, 'Oh, maybe I'm not so bad at this,'" Dickerson said.

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For today's puzzle results, please go to [BaylorLariat.com](http://BaylorLariat.com)

### Today's Puzzles

#### Across

1 "For \_\_\_ had eyes, and chose me":

- Othello
- 4 Utterly failed at
- 8 With great urgency
- 14 Gobbler
- 15 Blue-skinned deity
- 16 Ferrous sulfate target
- 17 Fed. financial agency
- 18 "Metamorphoses" poet
- 19 How pooches' smooches are delivered
- 20 Model T contemporary
- 21 "The Iliad" subject
- 22 Goes with
- 23 Ancient theater props
- 25 Added result
- 27 Bellicose deity
- 28 Pitcher of milk?
- 29 It may include a model, briefly
- 30 Pumped item
- 31 "Now!"
- 32 Storm consequence
- 34 French possessive pronoun
- 37 Priceline options
- 38 Have a special place for
- 39 \_\_\_ work: menial labor
- 40 Batt. terminal
- 41 Plastered
- 42 Amos with eight Grammy nominations
- 43 "Castle" producer
- 45 Yuma : Yours :: Toulouse : à \_\_\_
- 46 Ruination
- 47 \_\_\_-dieu
- 48 Take responsibility for
- 49 Hair care brand since 1930
- 50 Pun, sometimes
- 52 Motor Trend's 1968 Car of the Year
- 54 Eggs on toast, perhaps
- 55 Diverted
- 56 Dutch export
- 57 Desired result
- 58 Swiss city, to most locals

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- 59 The Taj Mahal, e.g.
- 60 African bovine
- 61 Turns out to be
- 62 Elements in vital statistics
- 63 Dubious communication method

#### Down

- 1 Entered angrily
- 2 Huge holiday film
- 3 Lining with raised decorations?
- 4 Window-shop
- 5 Kilauea sight
- 6 Mideast leader's personal CPA?
- 7 Singles group, e.g.?
- 8 June honorees
- 9 Visiting the vet, maybe
- 10 Suckerfish
- 11 Insurance for royalty?
- 12 Light melodies
- 13 Appreciative shouts
- 22 Snoopy starting a trip?
- 24 They encourage modeling
- 26 As yet
- 32 Word with meal or cake
- 33 Bygone small car
- 35 Change overseas, maybe
- 36 Robber's demand ... or what to do to solve four long puzzle answers?
- 39 George Clooney, for one
- 41 When in Act I Duncan arrives at Macbeth's castle
- 44 Slants
- 46 Cold War threats
- 47 Spin docs
- 50 "Eleni" author Nicholas
- 51 Perfect place
- 53 Not that exciting
- 56 H-like letter

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Richard Hirst | Photo Editor

**ALL WOUND UP** Junior pitcher Nick Lewis throws a pitch during the Bears' mid-week game against Wofford University on April 5 at Baylor Ballpark. The Bears won 9-5.

## Baseball travels to KSU

**BEN EVERETT**  
Sports Writer

Baylor baseball takes on Kansas State this weekend in a three-game Big 12 Conference road series.

The Bears (17-20, 4-8) are in the midst of a four-game losing streak after being swept by Oklahoma and then dropping a midweek game to Sam Houston State.

"I know we haven't won our games, but we've been playing really well," head coach Steve Rodriguez said. "There's been a lot of good things happening from an offensive standpoint and from a pitching standpoint. The biggest focus this week has been trying to eliminate some of the smaller mistakes that are costing us these games."

Many of the Bears' recent losses have come in close games and have been a result of defensive lapses rather than a lack of offense or bad pitching.

"It's frustrating because it's really one of the things we like to pride ourselves on," Rodriguez said, "making sure we're able to pick the ball up and throw it across the diamond. We've made some mistakes. That's what's frustrating and our guys know it."

The Big 12 is close in standings, with only two teams, Texas Tech and TCU, having less than five losses. Places three through 10 in the standings are separated by only a few wins.

In Baylor's conference games, though their record mnever been out of the contest, losing in the last few innings due to a few mistakes here and there.

"Those are the things we're talking about with our guys is just making sure that we're finding a way to win those games," Rodriguez said, "because literally

within our conference we're one hit away from beating Texas Tech and we could have swept Oklahoma but we didn't and we had a couple games against Oklahoma State where we were one hit away from doing some pretty good damage."

The Wildcats (16-21, 3-9), meanwhile, sit at last place in the conference, but have split their last six conference games with three wins and three losses.

"They've been playing really well," Rodriguez said, "so we just have to go up there and do what we're supposed to do."

K-State is led by senior outfielder Clayton Dalrymple, who leads the team in runs, hits and batting average, and senior pitcher Levi MaVorhis who holds a team-best 3.91 era and boasts a 4-3 record.

The Wildcats have picked up the majority of their wins on their home field while they only have five wins on the road.

"They're going to be aggressive," Rodriguez said. "Their starting pitching has been pretty good. We know offensively, especially at their ballpark, they're going to be attacking."

The Bears will send out their cemented starting pitching rotation this weekend as junior Daniel Castano will start Friday with junior Drew Tolson and freshman Kyle Hill starting on Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

"These guys have done what they're supposed to do," Rodriguez said of the weekend starting rotation. "Those are the things that have led to some of our success and allow us to get deep into games with a chance to win is just that starting pitching."

After the series against K-State, the Bears return home to face Incarnate Word in a midweek game before hitting the road to take on West Virginia over the weekend.

# Home turf on the line

## No. 21 softball hosts KU in series with postseason implications

**MEGHAN MITCHELL**  
Sports Writer

The No. 21 Lady Bears take on Kansas in their last home regular season series starting at 6:30 p.m. today at Getteman Stadium, a series that could possibly decide if the Lady Bears play any postseason games at home.

"It's a big series. They are good; they have good hitting, good pitching. This will be a huge series for us, and last-time series for us seniors forever. It will be a big deal for us this weekend," said senior pitcher Heather Stearns. "These four years have been great. We have a chance at hosting, but it might be the last chance to play on this field and it's a bit emotional, a bit sad."

The Lady Bears (36-12, 7-4) are coming off a solid mid-week win against Texas State and will need to continue with their A-game if they want to end senior weekend on a high note.

"I think Big 12 play always prepares you for tournament play. One of the top conferences year in and year out, and we have not only quality opponents in the Big 12, but we have quality opponents to play mid-week," said head coach Glenn Moore. "We just played a strong Texas

State team, but I think we are doing the things necessary to make us as competitive in postseason as possible."

The Jayhawks (27-13, 4-2) have also had the momentum going for them after their Oklahoma matchup, winning seven straight games and outscoring opponents 60-6 since then.

"Coach [Megan] Smith has his team playing really well and as for the last few years, we were fortunate to do well against them last year, but they beat a lot of people last year and they are beating a lot of people this year," Moore said. "They are certainly moving in the right direction. They are definitely going to be a tough opponent for us this weekend and we are going to really have to be prepared."

With four seniors playing in what could be their final series at home, everyone is determined to play their best to give the seniors who have done so much for the program the proper way to go out.

"Four seniors who aren't just wearing a uniform, they are contributors," Moore said. "They are contributors to Baylor's reputation off the field, great ambassadors for this school. Very blessed to have student-athletes like these

four. Bittersweet obviously, but to see them go is going to be sad.

"To have the opportunity to have our paths cross at a certain time in our lives is a blessing. They are certainly four that we are going to miss."

With Stearns in the lineup to pitch, she knows how valuable it will be to hit her marks and adjust quickly if her team wants any chance to take home the series.

"I think we are just going to need to execute in every aspect. We need to pitch great and play great defense. They have a great pitcher, so our hitters will just need to really study their pitcher and make adjustments as the week goes on," Stearns said. "I think they are just a team that just isn't going to give up."

The Lady Bears will also take on the Jayhawks at 5 p.m. Saturday followed by a noon game on Sunday.

"We just want to go out each day and play good ball. We haven't played up until just recently as well as we thought we were capable of, and I think we are going in the right direction right now," Moore said. "We need to focus on the small things, and I think the big things will take care of themselves."

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