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flavored like bubble gum. Some say Big Red is unique because there is nothing like it. Royce said, "We were beyond excited to drink a soda that we had never tasted before. It was a perfect balance of sweetness and tartness."

Majors said one of her favorite features of the shop is the京个 (cup) size. "Hey Sugar offers 30 different flavors of ice cream, including some really unique and flavor combinations. I am an ice cream lover. Every time I go in, I pick a new and different flavor of ice cream. I think that makes it fun for a chocoholic," Majors said.

Majors, a Waco native, said one of Hey Sugar’s favorite items that make it unique is the soda carriers and fill them with soda, "I think they are also a unique feature of the shop and their parents. We make the puddles with soda carriers and fill them with their favorite candy," Majors said. "Parents can even order them through the phone to deliver to their children at school!"

"When I walked in, it was like an oasis," Royce said. "I heard about a cool new coffee shop in Waco. I was expecting something small, but it was actually really big and they had a ton of variety when it comes to the coffee!" "It was really cool to see something like that in Waco!"

"Hey Sugar is bringing to the Waco community a fun place to relax," Majors said. "My favorite part is the environment, the energy on everyone’s face when they walk inside and just all of the joy in the environment," Majors said.

In addition to having a friendly customer atmosphere, Pineview said, "Our mission is to have a birdhouse kind of feel. We want you to feel like you can talk to your barista about anything!

"The main thing about one coffee bar is that they are masters first and then baristas. We are different compared to other coffee shops in Waco because we are connected with the coffee throughout its entire journey until it reaches you."

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Owners of Grae Apparel talk about their back to school hot spot pg. B3

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Grae Apparel graces Waco

Bradi Murphy

Leben Riebe and Brittany Barker are moving up the ladder one step at a time with their successful business, Grae Apparel.

Riebe and Barker envisioned owning a business from a young age. The two were always close growing up and pretended to have a business of their own while at their grandmother’s house. Originally they began Grae as a hobby. Both were still in school pursuing their majors and had their own jobs. In 2007, when they first walked up the stairs of Spice Village, they were amazed at how unique it was. They loved the idea of opening a shop of their own and the fun challenges it would bring.

“The most difficult part for us, because we really put in a lot of effort and personal time. Every dollar that we made, we reinvested into the business and that allowed us to grow,” Riebe said. They began selling women’s home décor in 2008 at Spice Village. Western home décor was nearly their niche, but they enjoyed it as a starting point. In 2010, one of the clothing vendors moved out, and Grae Apparel was able to take over.

“I get a lot of my clothes from Grae, because the items really stand out and are always in style. They have a lot of iconic pieces, for example, when stripes came back in, they had a big variety of it. I also love that they’re such a good price,” Nacogdoches junior Allison Epps said.

Riebe emphasized that he just wanted people to feel good when they put on clothes, or buy any of the items.

Today, Grae is continuing to bring in revenue with its trendy apparel and accessories. Riebe and Barker plan to add more home décor and create a website again. The location of Grae has also helped its success. From the beginning there was a steady flow of customers shopping at Spice Village. However, the unique environment of Spice also brought a few obstacles.

“One of the things that’s difficult about owning a business is not having your own store,” Barker said. “But I do think we are overcoming some of that.”

Riebe and Barker emphasized that they love Spice and the unique atmosphere it brings. They also emphasized that they love coming to work each day and figuring out what sells. They look forward to seeing what the new school year and football season will bring.

“I miss the atmosphere of Baylor being here [(during the summer)],” Riebe said. “Fall is my favorite, and back to school is the best, because everybody comes back to town. I love how busy the store gets, and it’s just a fun thing.”
Welcome back, Bears

Rachel Mower  Staff Writer

Incoming Baylor freshman and transfer students often do not arrive with pushed bags on Move In Day; they also come with many worries and fears about the upcoming school year. Baylor hosts Welcome Week every year to help diminish these fears while allowing new students to form friendships and become acquainted with the campus.

Troy Purks, assistant director of New Student Programs, said he is excited about a new event happening during Welcome Week this year.

"It’s called Festival at the Fountain," Purks said. "It’s going to be really exciting for parents and students. It’s the first big event before small-group readings."

The new event will bring students and their families together with music, photo booths and an array of vendors serving desserts up and down Fifth Street.

"It’s never been done before, and we’re never had this beautiful fountain to work with, so we’re hopeful that we can gather students and their families," Purks said.

Purks emphasized his eagerness for the new event and said he was "pumped."

Purks said one of the most memorable moments of Welcome Week is the spirit rally at Ferrell Center. New students gather together and participate in chants, cheers and sic ‘ems.

"I always look forward to the spirit rally on Friday night," Purks said. "There are not a lot of opportunities for all the students to have an event with the whole class just participating together and all in one place at the same time. It’s a really cool moment."

Purks said he believes the small groups the students are placed in during Welcome Week are the most important part of the program. They were created to help students transition to college life with more ease, providing them with a group of people they can build relationships with before classes begin.

The small groups range from 12-18 people, depending on how many worries and fears about the upcoming school year.

"Especially when we train our Welcome Week leaders, we really try our hardest to equip them to understand how to build relationships with all types of students," Purks said. "We know when students come to college it’s a really crazy time — lots of nerves, hopes and fears swirling around for every student, no matter new they may ever look for college."

Lott junior Elaina Graybill and a 2015 Welcome Week leader said she took measures to make sure that the students in her group felt comfortable.

"I gave them my phone number and email address and told them they could call or text me if they needed anything or if they had any questions," Prue said. "It’s all stockbreaker games, and the new students enjoyed finding out more about the other students in their group. It helped each student realize that they were not the only one feeling disoriented in college life."

Almost everything within the Welcome Week program is designed to give new students a chance to connect with others and form lasting relationships. A student can start college with a great group of friends, especially at Baylor, then they are going to be really ready to hit the ground running our first year," Purks said. "In the way, we do things relationally, we really deploy a lot of stock in how we do that. The leaders serve as pillars for what we believe success in college looks like for students."

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Fiddling, dancing, and... amishing?

Baylor Theatre gears up for 2016-17 productions

Bradly Murphy
Arts & Life Editor

Baylor Theatre has a very unique and exciting lineup. Students can look forward to seeing some classic plays that are making their way to the Baylor stage for the first time this year.

Fiddler on the Roof

"Fiddler on the Roof" is a classic musical that's being performed for the first time at Baylor Theatre. The play's setting is in 1905 Russia at the time of a political upheaval while the town is changing its social norms. It's believed that the Jewish settlement is losing its culture on the idea of being an alien in your own land. You can expect to see the joys and tragedies that happen in this small Jewish settlement, particularly following one family: Tevye and his five daughters.

"It just had a revival on Broadway that got great reviews and was reimagined for a Tony, so it's not like this revival, you know. As auditions, it will be the first time we've distanced, even though it's a classic musical," said Lisa Denman, senior lecturer and undergraduate program director.

"Fiddler on the Roof" will be held in Baylor's Jones Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 28 - Oct. 2, and Oct. 9.

Dancing at Laughnasa

"Dancing at Laughnasa" is a memory play narrated by a boy from Ballybeg, Ireland, who was brought up by his mother and aunt in an all-female household. It shows a lot of the memories of the present and nostalgic of 1899 and his childhood.

"It has this really lovely poetic language without being poetry, and I really liked that the sound of the words is so nice and flowing that even in reading it. It's a really lovely and put together language," director Bradly Sorensen said.

"In many cases, with contemporary plays, we have very plain language, and then you're trying to add it with all of the production values, but I feel like with this, we get to work with the script and just do what Brian Friel (the playwright) has already given it."

On top of the poetic language, there's a wonderful way there's been an opportunity for science and ethics clash.

"This big challenge on that one will be making sure we actually just get back from Fiddler and take 22 students on stage as a study abroad trip, and one of the things we did was we had a workshop in the Aronstark Lab in Dublin where we all worked on our Irish accents. So hopefully some of those students get cast, and if they don't, then there will be a lot of people in the department who just had that workshop," Denman said.

"Dancing at Laughnasa" will be held in the Studio Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 31 - Feb. 4 and at 2 p.m. Feb. 4 and 5.

The Amish Project

The "Amish Project" is based on the 2006 shootings of 10 Amish school girls ages 6-13 in a one-room school house in Pennsylvania. "The Amish Project" focuses on the horrors of the shootings, and the uncomfortable forground that came out of it from the Amish community. It also explores the path taken to forgiveness and the amazing kindness and grace surrounding such a tragic event.

"I think whenever you're dealing with really emotional content it's always difficult, but I think the students will find it really satisfying and rewarding to be working with that material," Denman said.

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Tickets can be purchased as early as the beginning of the season for $15, which includes special event entertainments, prompter performances, the best seats and exclusive admission privileges. You can also choose the seat, day and time. Individual tickets will go on sale two weeks before the season, and all students will be offered $17 for each ticket. Group tickets as well as group discounts are also available, and student discounts are also available for educational groups that can go on sale two weeks before the students with a valid ID. Group tickets can be obtained by visiting the theatre at 1035 University Park Drive or by calling 800-226-9405. Tickets can be ordered online at the phone at 8 a.m. on the day of the show, or at the theatre box office. The box office is open from Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Food trucks drive into Waco

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As an education major, Carrtheros plans to use her communication skills to be a middle school math teacher. She has always known she wanted to be in the classroom, and wanted to teach children to be able to make an impact on their futures.

“I want them to instill at an early age, that they can be great at math and overcome those struggles,” Carrtheros said, “but at an older age, making the material relatable is the most important thing, when you compare to things (students are) going to use in their everyday lives, math suddenly has more of an attraction.”

Her platform as Miss Texas is an initiative that was launched by Amazon Educations, a department under-Amazon-North America in large, called “Why Math? It can change students’ mindset of, ’I can’t’ and I likely want to, and instills the growth mindset of, ’I will overcome and get better.’”

“I really wanted to focus on math, because that is something I love, but I realize that a lot of people don’t,” Carrtheros said.

Carrtheros has also recently been named the national ambassador for the organization, Teaching for the Less, by Savan of Susan G. Comet, that raises awareness and funding for breast cancer. The Baylor twinner have helped raised over $4,000 and have made hair pieces and pink ribbons for the Golden Girls to wear during October.

“They say that juggling is a metaphor for life, we’re always juggling something, school, work, family, friends, deadlines and priorities. Juggling is a result of balance and gravity, like math and physics, while coming together to create a vision, like poetry. You must know the catch and simultaneously releasing your next Paton. You must also trust yourself and your preparation. The Paton will always come down, only you can change it,” Carrtheros said in her Miss Waco 2015 video.
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