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HOPE FOR THE FUTURE A group of groundskeepers and workers from the Arlington National Cemetery gather to strike in hopes of better contracts and pay increases.

Arlington National Cemetery workers continue to strike

JESSICA BABB

Lariat Washington News Bureau

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Paying bills and taking care of a family are often common stressors for many individuals, but they take on a whole new meaning for Victor Ramos, a groundskeeper at the Arlington National Cemetery. Ramos lost his job after going on strike.

“We’ve been on strike for three weeks and it’s been a little rough,” Ramos said.

Groundskeepers in charge of maintaining the burial grounds at the Arlington National Cemetery went on strike after almost a year of labor disputes about wage increases and paid sick leave with the contracting companies Davey Tree Expert Co. and Greenleaf Services Inc.

“Many of the guys have been working for the company for five, 10, and even 20 years and have not gotten any raise,” said Jose Gonzalez, the organizer of the strike from the Laborer’s International Union of North America. “They demand something, and the company is just not willing to do it.”

Currently, the workers make about \$13 an hour, and while they have some vacation time, they do not receive any paid sick leave. Many of them said they couldn’t afford to even go to the doctor to get a doctor’s note to prove they were sick in order to avoid getting fired for missing work. The workers have been asking for a 4 percent raise, which would increase their hourly wage by roughly 50 cents.

“It’s just not fair,” Gonzalez said. “These guys are just asking for a small change.”

Another groundskeeper at the cemetery, Jose Irving, said the labor disputes over the past year have contributed to a poor work environment.

“The only thing that has changed is that we have been getting more work,” Irving said. “It’s gotten to the point where I can’t come up to my supervisors with problems or else they will do their little punishments like give you more work.”

In addition, Ramos said that occasionally the companies send workers home early, causing many of them to fall short of working full 40-hour weeks.

“They don’t see you as people,” Irving

said. “They see you as profitable.”

Greenleaf Services Inc. responded to the worker’s strike in a statement released on July 19 when the strike began, saying, “We are disappointed that our employees serving the landscaping needs of Arlington National Cemetery have decided to strike. This action by the union will in no way interrupt the important services we provide to the cemetery. Maintaining the pristine condition of these sacred grounds remains our top priority.”

The statement continued by saying “Our employees are paid between \$17.37 and \$18.93 per hour for work at the cemetery. These rates and their paid time off benefits are established by the Federal Government in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act and reflect the prevailing rates for the region for this work. We have and will continue to negotiate in good faith with their union representatives in the hope of reaching a collectively bargained resolution. In the interim, we have arranged for all required groundskeeping positions to be staffed with

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Q&A

The Lariat sits down with Baylor Regent Kim Stevens

GAVIN PUGH
Digital Managing Editor

CEO of Blue Scout Media and Baylor Regent Kim Stevens sat down with the Baylor Lariat for a Q & A. Stevens was elected onto the board in May 2015.

Most students hear about the board of regents and they think about an entity – you know, it’s just the board of regents. How would you describe a day in the life of a regent so that we can better understand what you guys do on a daily basis?

On a daily basis, we’re like a lot of other people you know. You know, we go to work every day, we have families; I do laundry and shop at H-E-B. So you take us out of that, and you kind of blend in the role of a regent. We get a lot of emails from Baylor, just keeping us up to date with things that might be in the news or achievements that students are doing or “here’s a list of activities going on this week,” ... so that we can be aware of what happens on campus.



KIM STEVENS

We have emails within the board that might be discussions of “here’s something we need to talk about,” or a conference call that might get woven in. And then we have our quarterly meetings, and on those weeks ... you just kind of go off the radar. It consumes those two or three days depending on how long the meetings are.

Being a Baylor parent, you’ve probably seen Baylor through the years. And now, on the board of regents, you have a little bit of a behind-the-scenes view. What have you seen improving in Baylor, and what would you like to see improving more?

Even just to go back further when I was a student here, which was ages ago, but I think there is much more of an emphasis on student engagement and the whole process. And so from the beginning, you know, everybody from the president to all of your professors are giving you their cell phone numbers, making themselves very available, inviting you into their homes. And so there’s much more openness between students and faculty and administration.

But I think there’s also a real desire to have students involved at every level of the things that are going on on campus. You have, I feel like, more of an opportunity to have a direct impact and have input on things that you care about.

Other than focusing on campus activities and the student body, how do you work with the city whenever, say, you’re wanting to purchase a new plot of land to build a new facility? How does that work, and also — outreach towards the city — if Baylor is involved at all with it?

As far as outreach to the community, I think there’s an active effort to engage the community with Baylor. When I was a student, I-35 was a little bit of a dividing line, and it was Baylor and it was Waco, but I’ve really seen that the city and Baylor have started to really partner together, and there’s more of a community support of the university, athletics and all the things that go on here. So that’s been really great to see.

At the end of the day, Baylor is still a university. Despite the fallout that happened over the summer, do you think that the student body is aware of the board’s efforts to continue improving Baylor as an institution?

It’s hard to know on student body, you know how they feel – how they are perceiving things. But I will say that we, I – and I think I can speak for the board as well – there are a few people that did some things that impacted

Yemeni children may be forced to carry arms, fight in civil war

AHMED AL-HAJ

Associated Press

SANAA, Yemen — A Yemeni minister with the internationally recognized government on Tuesday accused the country’s Shiite rebels of forcing children to fight in Yemen’s civil war, saying the rebels have recruited as many as 4,800 boys over the past six months.

Human Rights Minister Ezz Eddin al-Asbahi also said the rebels known as Houthis have killed about 1,000 civilians in the two-year conflict, and that more than 300 children have died — either because of gunfire or rockets.

International rights groups have accused the Saudi-led coalition, which is backing the government, of causing most of the casualties in

Yemen’s conflict through airstrikes.

Speaking from Cairo, al-Asbahi said an estimated number of 3,000 people have been detained by the rebels in areas under their control and that there are some 70 cases of torture inside Houthi-controlled prisons.

His accounts and figures could not be independently verified in the war-torn country, the Arab world’s poorest, but both the Houthis and to a lesser extent, the pro-government southern fighters, have been known to recruit children to their cause.

Houthi media official Abdel-Rahman al-Ahnoumi denied the accusations and told The Associated Press that al-Asbahi’s statement was an attempt to “mislead” the international public opinion.



Associated Press

Mourners carry the body of Youssef al-Salmi, 10, who was killed when a bomb exploded while he was playing with it near his family’s house in Hasn Faj Attan village, in the mountainous outskirts of Sanaa, Yemen.

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EDITORIAL

Gameday parking: Something's got to give

It is safe to say that the parking changes implemented for students prior to last Friday's football game against Northwestern State were disastrous.

When Baylor decided to transition from the off-campus, decidedly inconvenient Floyd Casey Stadium to the beautiful, brand-new McLane Stadium right across the river, the students rejoiced. When Saturday games began and signs appeared instructing students and faculty to vacate certain parking garages by 6 p.m. Friday night, students were disgruntled, but flexible. But for Friday's game, Baylor required students to move their cars out of the Dutton Parking Garage by 6 p.m. Thursday and prohibited them from parking in the garage all day Friday, despite the fact that most students had to be on campus for Friday classes.

In return for taking away the Dutton Avenue Parking Garage, students were allowed to park in faculty and visitor spots beginning at 3 p.m. Thursday through Friday.

Because Friday's game was the first weekday home game since the stadium's opening, it hadn't previously occurred to the student body exactly how we would be expected to accommodate, but prohibiting students from parking in one of the most accessible, multi-level, primarily student-used parking garages can't be the only solution.

In the words of Taylor Swift: "Band-Aids don't fix bullet holes." Translation: Baylor commandeered an entire parking garage (read: bullet hole), and gave us, in turn, a chance to battle it out with faculty in the already severely limited faculty and visitor



Joshua Kim | Cartoonist

parking areas (read: Band-Aid.)

Once emptied of students, the Dutton Avenue Parking Garage was reserved for game attendees holding season-long parking passes.

We all understand that parking at Baylor is limited by new regulations that take away lots from students, even more so this

year than previously, and eliminating a possible parking garage on Thursday evening and Friday only exacerbated an already controversial issue. Limiting student parking when classes are still going on makes it more difficult for students to get to class on time. Furthermore, reallocating student parking during the week to clear space for gameday parking seems to only promote the image that Baylor cares more about athletics than academics, about athletes and making money than the rest of its student population.

Baylor expects students to adapt to gameday parking constrictions by carpooling, taking the bus or walking to school on the one day we were affected, but for many students with hectic or varied schedules, these simply aren't options. Oftentimes, schedules don't coincide closely enough for students to be able to carpool, buses don't reach every apartment complex and much off-campus housing is too far away to reasonably walk to and from.

It seems as though Baylor simply didn't plan appropriately when building McLane. Several simple solutions would make it much easier for students to plan for the games. For future Friday games, Baylor should consider canceling class altogether to avoid parking problems, further extending the hours that the buses run to campus and possibly opening even more lots to students than were offered this game.

Are we incredibly grateful for the beautiful stadium that earns us respect and admiration across the board? Yes. But do we need a more permanent parking solution that does not consist of kicking students, faculty and staff out of their parking spots? Yes, we really do.

COLUMN

How to power through the first weeks of school

CLARISSA ANDERSON
Reporter

Finding the perfect place in your classes during the first few weeks of school can be difficult, whether you're a freshman or senior. Maybe your physical seat in class is just what you wanted, close enough for you to see the board but not in the front row where it's too close to the professor.



Perhaps you're already struggling to keep up with the homework your professors have assigned, or perhaps you're daunted by the tidal wave of work heading your way. The first few weeks of school are trying times for all of us, but it's important to remember that it's OK to fail a few times before you get it right.

If you're a freshman, getting acclimated to Baylor may seem impossible. The professors expect a very different type of work from you than your teachers did in high school. Finding a niche in such a new environment involves getting used to not only the academic differences, but also the social differences from what you were used to.

At the beginning of my first semester at Baylor, I studied all the time. It was the only way I could get all my assignments done. I never had any free time, I didn't hang out with anyone and I struggled to make friends, even when it seemed like all the other students made them quickly. At a certain point, I had to tell myself that I needed some time to relax, and I had to plan out when I was going to do homework so that I was able to have some fun. It took a while, but I was finally able to find time to make friends, so even if you are feeling isolated at this point, it does get better.

However, adjusting to the new semester is not only a problem freshmen face. Every semester, I face the adjusting period where I struggle to balance my obligations and

classwork. It doesn't go away, but it does get easier once you know what works and doesn't, which is different for everyone.

Here are some simple suggestions to help students get through the first few weeks of classes:

Buy a planner and write down all of your school work. This helps you to stay organized and to think ahead to when you're going to start working on those long essays.

When you're studying, take short breaks. The Success Center recommends 10 minute breaks for every 50 minutes of studying. Short breaks can re-energize you, help you be less stressed and improve your retention of material. Be careful not to get distracted during breaks and say that you'll just watch one TV episode because I know from experience that doing so breaks your concentration and sometimes turns into binge-watching.

Take advantage of the Success Center resources. There's walk-in tutoring, mentoring by graduate students and even a walk-in Learning Lab for help with stress, note-taking, etc.

Plan for a little fun. During the first few weeks, you must find the balance between staying in your room all the time and taking every spontaneous offer to go out. My time at Baylor was changed because I decided to not study one Friday evening and to watch a movie with some classmates. Friday night soon became movie night for me, and now those classmates are my best friends because I took a chance to do something different.

Go listen to an interesting speaker, see a Baylor Theatre production or watch a film in the World Cinema series. Attending on-campus events can make you feel more cultured, smarter and less stressed, which boosts your self-esteem when it may be low because of your progress in class.

The beginning of the semester is hard to manage for everyone, but the best suggestion I have is if you're struggling to keep up or to not slack off, consider what is going wrong and how you can prevent it. Have fun, experience something new and ask for help when you need it.

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COLUMN

Keeping up with friends is hard to do

MOLLY ATCHISON
Opinion Editor

Living in a dorm last year was the most social experience I have ever had. I was constantly surrounded by people, and I could hang out with friends any time I wanted because they were just down the hall. Group gatherings in the dining hall, late-night movie marathons and study sessions were the defining memories of my freshman year in college. This year, I'm living in an apartment with my three best friends, but while we were eager to escape the communal bathrooms and close quarters that dorm life provided, communicating with people outside of my own home has become incredibly difficult to manage.

Last week, I meant to have coffee with a friend, and I unintentionally stood him up. Having slept in too late, I was instead frantically running around trying to get my school books and homework together. A simple reminder on my phone or an extra alarm would have saved me from the awkward text I sent him apologizing for leaving him hanging.

My life has become a whirlwind of tight scheduling and scrambling to stay on top of my schoolwork. Unfortunately, that means my friendships could suffer due to my business, so making a conscious effort to spend time with my friends has gone to the top of my to-do list. To avoid missing out on chances to catch up with people I love, I plan to share some dinners and lunches with them each week.

“Making time for interpersonal relationships can make a difference in the outcome for your day.”

Some people may wonder why I am so focused on social engagements instead of simply pushing them to the side and focusing

on school, which is what we're expected to do. For me, the only times I feel truly relaxed and comfortable are when I'm spending time with people I care about, laughing and talking about life. I can blow off steam exercising or watching Netflix, but at the end of the day my mind always wanders back to work and my responsibilities. Friends and loved ones completely distract me from whatever is happening in my life, and so to me, keeping up with friends is the most important part of my life.



Whether it is taking a few moments out of a day to grab lunch and catch up with a friend or planning a time when the whole squad can get together and hang, making time for interpersonal relationships can make a difference

in the outcome of your day.

It's all about finding that elusive balance in daily life, and for each person, the balance is different. I am an inherently social being, I thrive in situations when I'm surrounded by other people. My roommate is the complete opposite. As much as she likes hanging with friends, she feels most calm when she's alone in her room. Everyone needs a certain level of social interaction to make them whole. The threshold for each person varies, but the basic need is still there.

The way I look at it is like baking cookies: you need proper measurements of each ingredient in order for the recipe to turn out the way it's supposed to. If you don't have enough of any ingredient, your cookies don't taste right. Think of friends as the sugar in your life, a small part of the whole recipe, but without them, your life won't be as sweet as it's supposed to be.

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Death penalty rates slow

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Is the death penalty in America gradually dying?

There have been just two executions since May 1 and the total for 2016 probably will hit a 25-year low.

Execution drug shortages, sometimes grotesque errors in death chambers and legal challenges to sentences imposed by judges have contributed to a dramatic decline in the number of states that are carrying out executions.

Just three states, Texas, Georgia and Missouri, are using the death penalty with any regularity, though Texas has not executed anyone since April. Four executions are scheduled in the state before the end of the year.

The reduction in executions and in the number of states that are enforcing death sentences led Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg to conclude recently, "I think the death penalty is fading away." There is not enough support on the court to abolish capital punishment, Ginsburg said, but added that may not be necessary.

"Most states don't have any executions. The executions that we have are very heavily concentrated in a few states and even a few counties within those states," she said in an interview with The Associated Press in July. Ginsburg joined a lengthy dissenting opinion by Justice Stephen Breyer last year that highlighted problems with the death penalty that led the two justices to conclude that it probably is unconstitutional.



Lariat File Photo

Local vendor Happy Stuff works hard trying to sell their product at the weekly Waco Downtown Farmers Market.

Farmers Market a hit with locals

MORGAN PETTIS
Staff Writer

Every Saturday morning, farmers and artisans from all around Waco come together and set up their tables in order to provide local Waco residents with the true farm-to-market experience. The Waco Downtown Farmers Market supplies the Waco area with an array of homegrown produce ranging from fresh peaches to organic black bean tamales to even locally brewed kombucha.

Many of the vendors view the farmers market as a way to connect with the surrounding area.

"We came to sell our goods, and now it has evolved into more of a community experience," said Toby Tall of Homegrown Farms.

The Waco Downtown Farmer's Market gives local farmers the opportunity to bring their homegrown produce to sell at a reasonable price, which creates a very tight-knit and welcoming community. Beyond the vendors, the farmers market allows opportunities for the community to connect through scheduled programs such as cooking demonstrations and dance jams. Occasionally, they hold a weekend in which Baylor students are offered a discount at most vendor stands to get them out of their dorm rooms and into the Waco community.

One may question why, after a long week, these people still find the

energy to get up early every Saturday morning and sit outside from 9 in the morning until 1 in the afternoon?

The answer is that many vendors are proud to bring their goods as a way to give local residents and students a chance to enjoy what Waco has to offer.

"We had a lot of eggs, and this is the best place in town to sell homegrown goods," said Shannon Benson of Heart of Texas Farms.

The Waco Downtown Farmers Market offers not only fresh produce, but also a great place for students and residents alike to come together as a community. Many vendors offer students employment along with a welcoming environment.

"I love the people here," said Fort Worth senior Katherine Burr, who works for one of the local vendors. "It's awesome and everyone is super comfortable. It's like a salad of people."

Since November 2011, the Waco Downtown Farmers Market has been supporting local farmers and allowing the Waco culture to thrive within the community year-round. When you need to shop locally, you can find the market down University Parks drive from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The market provides a wonderful environment to bring your friends, children and even dogs as a way to relax after a long week. With live music and local vendors, how could one say no to such a homegrown and humble experience?

Stanford swimmer released, registers as sexual offender

ASSOCIATED PRESS

XENIA, Ohio — A former Stanford University swimmer whose six-month jail sentence for sexually assaulting an unconscious woman sparked a national outcry registered as a sex offender on Tuesday in Ohio, where he's living with his parents.

Brock Turner registered at the Greene County sheriff's office four days after he was released from a California jail for good behavior after serving half his term.

His mother tried to shield him from media cameras as he registered under his family's Dayton-area address in Sugarcreek Township, where about a dozen people had protested Friday as police watched.

Sheriff Gene Fischer said Turner is being treated the same as any other sex offender under his office's supervision.

Turner, 21, must register as a sex offender for life, checking in every three months, and he faces three years of supervised probation. Deputies will check on him without warning to make sure he hasn't moved without permission.

Police took a complaint Monday about cars passing in front of Turner's home and pictures being taken, according to copies of incident reports associated with the Turners' address. The Associated Press obtained the records through a public records request.

Another report indicates an officer checking on the home Monday night found several

broken eggs and an egg carton on the sidewalk and driveway.

Turner was convicted of assaulting the woman near a trash bin after they drank heavily at a fraternity party in January 2015. The woman passed out, and Turner was on top of her when confronted by two graduate students passing by on bicycles. The graduate students chased and tackled him when he tried to flee, holding him on the ground until police arrived.

A jury convicted Turner of sexual assault. Santa Clara County Judge Aaron Persky sentenced him to six months in jail, citing the "extraordinary circumstances" of his youth, clean criminal record and other considerations in departing from the minimum sentence of two years in prison. Prosecutors had argued for six years.

Turner plans to appeal.

His case exploded on social media and ignited a debate about campus rape and the criminal justice system after a letter the accuser read at his sentencing was published online.

"I want to show people that one night of drinking can ruin two lives," she wrote. "You and me. You are the cause, I am the effect."

The furor grew after letters surfaced that Turner's family and friends wrote urging the judge to be lenient. Turner's father lamented that his son's life was ruined by "20 minutes of action," and his grandparents complained that "Brock is the only person being held accountable for the actions of other irresponsible adults."



Associated Press

HOME AGAIN Brock Turner, the Stanford swimmer who was sentenced to six months for sexually assaulting an unconscious woman, is seen leaving the Santa Clara County Main Jail in San Jose, Calif., in this Sept. 2 photo. Turner was released from jail after serving three months of his sentence and has since registered as a sex offender and returned to live with his parents.

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Baylor students attend 5th Quarter

Union Board kicks off 5th Quarter with Disney classic on Fountain Mall

TALIYAH CLARK
Reporter

Friday night was the first night of the annual 5th Quarter hosted by Union Board. 5th Quarter is a series of extended gameday activities designed to bring students together for fun, food and fellowship as a community after each home football game.

Starting in the fall of 2014 after the Bears' first game in McLane Stadium, 5th Quarter held a "Frozen" movie sing-along in the SUB Bowl and offered Common Grounds and ice cream to all who attended. Throughout the past two football seasons, 5th Quarter events have featured inflatable bounce houses, bubble soccer, blacklight mini-golf and rollerblading in Barfield Drawing Room.

"We found out about 5th Quarter from a guy yelling 'Free food and drinks!' as we were walking back from the game, so we took him up on his offer and came over," said Columbus, Ga. freshman Claire Costanza.

During Friday's 5th Quarter, students were treated to popcorn, soda and the Disney classic "Aladdin" on Fountain Mall. San Angelo freshman Cheyenne Elliot said some of the students even decided to take a dip in the



Lariat File Photo

FIVE TIMES THE FUN A crowd of Baylor students cheers at a football game. After the four quarters of game time conclude, all students are invited to continue the fun at 5th Quarter.

fountain as a way to have fun and meet new friends.

Events like 5th Quarter are important to students, especially incoming freshmen who are still trying to find friends and their place in the Baylor community.

"As a student, it's important that you feel welcome and know that you have a place here, and our job as the Union Board is to make the SUB feel like home. There are some students

who maybe have not found a place yet in a certain organization, so 5th Quarter is just an opportunity to come together as a community and to meet new people and have a good time," said Richmond master's candidate Stephanie Harrison, a co-advisor for Union Board.

The next 5th quarter event will take place Sept. 10, after the Bears take on SMU, in the SUB gameroom for blacklight bowling and all-you-can-eat pizza.

5th Quarter Events

9/20
Baylor vs. SMU

9/24
Baylor vs Oklahoma State

10/15
Baylor vs Kansas

11/5
Baylor vs TCU

11/19
Baylor vs Kansas State

Hawk on patrol wages war against grackles

J.B. SMITH
Associated Press

WACO, Texas — Fair warning to the squawking, trash-scavenging, car-splattering hordes along Austin Avenue in Waco: Tiberius is watching.

Tiberius is a Harris's hawk with a fearsome hooked beak and talons, and if he can't eat all the grackles in downtown Waco, his handlers say he can strike terror in their little avian hearts.

Mark Smith of Blackjack Bird Abatement has been taking Tiberius on his night patrols downtown last week as part of a contract with the city of Waco to move the nuisance birds away.

"What normally happens is that he will fly straight up into a tree, then I'll take off walking down the street, and he'll fly from tree to tree," Smith told the Waco Tribune-Herald last week near City Hall as Tiberius perched on his leather glove.

"All the grackles know, 'I've got a hawk after me.' If one gets caught, the whole roost know about it, and it sends them all into a panic. Luckily, we don't have to take out too many of them. Just his presence is enough."

Since 2013, the Fort Worth firm has had a seasonal contract with the city parks and recreation department to

control bird populations from October to May. The cost is \$1,750 per month.

Parks superintendent John Rose said the firm has been successful in reducing bird populations around River Square Center. But now Austin Avenue and the City Hall area are seeing more grackles, and the problem has started earlier in the year than usual.

The city is paying Blackjack to bring out its hawks every weeknight this September and is bidding to contract for a longer season next year as part of a downtown cleanup effort.

Rose said he saw several thousand grackles along Austin Avenue when he went out with the Blackjack falconer last week.

"There was one tree he flushed out that probably had at least 500," he said. "Wherever we can get them away is a place where we don't have to spend so much time getting rid of the smell and power-washing the sidewalks."

Blackjack Bird Abatement also uses other methods, including green laser pointers, to disrupt the roosting birds and pressure them to move somewhere else.

Jeff Cattoor, owner of Blackjack Bird Abatement, said hitting the roosts regularly will eventually cause them to relocate long-term.

"The secret sauce is going

out consecutive nights," Cattoor said. "If you just do it a couple of nights, these grackles and starlings will put up with that, but when you're consistently reintroducing a predator ... they decide this is no longer a safe place to roost."

Cattoor said he has had long-term success with moving nuisance birds in downtown Fort Worth and on the San Antonio Riverwalk area. Centro San Antonio, which maintains that city's downtown, contracted with the company from 2009 to 2013 but now uses another firm that uses alternative methods, said Jimmy Richards, the group's public improvement district director.

But he said the raptor program was a success in keeping grackles away from downtown visitors and keeping bird feces out of the river.

"Jeff did a great job for us," Richards said. "Year after year, it does reduce the numbers. ... It's one of those small things that people don't notice, but it's an improvement for downtown visitors' experience."

Tiberius, a 1-year-old Harris's hawk raised in captivity, lives with Smith, said hitting the roosts regularly will eventually cause them to relocate long-term.

Harris's hawks, a common raptor in the Southwest



Associated Press

GUARDIAN Tiberius, a Harris's hawk, sits on falconer Mark Smith hand in Waco. Tiberius is a Harris's hawk with a fearsome hooked beak and talons, and if he can't eat all the grackles in downtown Waco, his handlers say he can strike terror in their little avian hearts.

and Mexico, tend to hunt in groups, unlike red-tailed hawks, which means they are more social birds.

"They've got such a good nature," Smith said. "They're very adaptable."

Like most hawks, Harris's hawks are daytime birds, but their training and their exposure to the artificial lighting of cities has allowed them to adjust to hunting grackles at night. Still, they face on-the-job hazards, including electrical

transformers and larger owls, which can feed on hawks.

With proper care, a Harris's hawk can remain in service more than 20 years.

"In the wild, they live a considerably shorter amount of time," he said. "They have a 70 percent mortality rate in their first year."

Smith has three raptors at his home southwest of Fort Worth but only uses Tiberius for grackle hunting. He said working together gives them a bond, though he still has to

be careful with a partner with half-inch-long talons.

Asked about the scratches around his left wrist, he laughed.

"He got me while ago," Smith said. "I keep him on a perch in my truck. I was turning the air conditioner and he nailed me. I joked that he was already cold and didn't want me to turn the air conditioner on. They get moody, just like anyone else."

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well-qualified individuals."

Now, three weeks into the strike, the workers and the companies have not yet been able to reach a resolution to this lengthy labor dispute.

"I'm prepared to be out here for as long as it takes," Irving said. "I'm just trying to fight for our rights."

In the meantime, the cemetery

this point we have been working with the contracting company to ensure there is no degradation or lapse in service," said Stephen Smith, the media relations coordinator for the Arlington National Cemetery. "We need to make sure we are putting to rest the nation's heroes in the highest regard we possibly can everyday."

"I hope they hear us out, give us a better contract, give me my job back and take care of their employees."

Victor Ramos | Groundskeeper at Arlington National Cemetery

is still being properly maintained in order to ensure the service men and women who are buried there can still be properly honored.

"We obviously hope for a reasonable resolution for everyone involved, but quite honestly, our concern needs to be strictly on the operations of the cemetery, and to

As for Ramos, he continues this fight undeterred with uncertainty about his next job, how he will take care of his family and the obstacles he will face in the coming weeks.

"I hope they hear us out, give us a better contract, give me my job back and take care of their employees," Ramos said.

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Baylor's image. I'm constantly saying to others, "Baylor has thousands of amazing students, hundreds of amazing student athletes doing really phenomenal things in the classroom and graduating and doing great things in the world. We have an incredible faculty and administration; you know, we can't lose sight of that. Baylor is still an incredible place. I have a high school daughter, and I would send her here tomorrow. I'm not worried about campus safety. I think the core culture here is very strong and remains unchanged. We can't lose sight of that.

**Some questions were modified for the sake of clarity in writing*

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>> Thursday

5:30-7 p.m. — Texas Fine Arts presents, An Evening of Art. Hewitt Public Library

7-9 p.m.—The Union Revival performs at Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits

7:30-8:30 p.m.—Baylor School of Music performs Jazz Ensemble Swing Concert. Jones Concert Hall in the Glennis McCrary Music Building

>> Friday

8 p.m.—Dueling Pianos perform. Patio of The Waco Hippodrome Theatre

8-10 p.m.—Ben Stalets performs. Dichotomy Coffee & Spirits

>> Saturday

9-10 a.m. — Waco Downtown Farmers Market

11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. — Chicago Pizza & Taproom fundraiser for Humane Society of Central Texas. Old Chicago Pizza & Taproom

2:30 p.m. — Baylor v. Southern Methodist University. McLane Stadium

Elevating Waco's coffee game

Brû Artisanal Coffee Works offers organic Arabica coffee in unique location

LINDSEY MCLEMORE
Reporter

There is an old freight elevator in downtown Waco's even older Praetorian Building that's found a new use — coffee.

Brû Artisanal Coffee Works is Waco's latest downtown coffee shop and roaster.

Using 100 percent fair-trade, organic Arabica coffee, Brû owner and Baylor alumnus Peter Ellis makes fresh, classic coffee entirely in-house.

Using a 400-year-old roaster and a custom-made espresso machine, Brû serves traditional espresso drinks to customers in the unique atmosphere of the modern Interior Glow and historic Praetorian Building.

Built in 1915, the building was originally home to Praetorian Insurance Co. but is now used for upscale loft apartments, a home furnishings store, Anthem Studios and Brû.

Ellis has only been roasting his own coffee for four years, but he has been surrounded by traditional coffee culture for most of his life.

"Growing up in the New Orleans area, we had a lot of local coffee shops, and I grew

up going to those places," Ellis said. "And then after my time at Baylor, my wife, Summer, and I lived in France and northern Morocco, and there are espresso bars in the base of nearly every building." They hoped to incorporate this trend in the Downtown Waco area.

Before opening Brû, Ellis wanted to develop a roasting style and find the flavor of the shop.

"I wanted something that was roasted locally," Ellis said. "Something that would help us really bring the fullness of flavor that coffee can have to Waco, and at the time, there wasn't much of that happening here."

About a year ago, Ellis started selling his coffee at the Waco Downtown Farmers Market, but when customers started asking where Brû's regular location was, he decided it was time to focus on finding Brû's home in Waco.

"Originally, it was kind of a joke to have coffee service to some of the residents by using the older elevator, since it is still an up-to-code service elevator," Ellis said. But after Brû gained popularity at the farmers market, Ellis turned



Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

MOBILE COFFEE SHOP North Carolina junior Kody Kamphuis makes coffee at Brû Artisanal Coffee Works. The vintage espresso machine sits at the corner of redesigned service elevator.

that idea into reality. Brû officially opened to the public in its permanent (but mobile) location on July 1.

"We used to have a three-piece band that would play in the elevator on First Fridays, so we knew how much usable space the elevator had," Ellis said of what is now a fully functioning espresso bar.

A bright copper, vintage-looking, but custom-made espresso machine sits in the corner of the elevator next

to the grinders. A variety of freshly blended coffees and teas line the opposite wall behind the opened brass gate to the elevator.

No more than 10 feet wide, the small elevator that plays home to Brû Artisanal Coffee combines flavors and techniques from a large number of sources within the coffee community.

The name "Brû" itself is short for the French word "Brûlerie," meaning "roast,"

and was chosen as a nod to the large French influences in coffee culture and Ellis' life. The name also references a Latin term for bear in honor of Ellis' time at Baylor.

Brû serves traditional coffee and pastries downtown in the Praetorian Building seven days a week at 601 Franklin Ave. Brû is open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday to Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Portman's film 'beautifully depressing'

LAUREN CHVAL
Tribune News Service

MOVIE REVIEW

There's a tender moment in "A Tale of Love and Darkness" - the directorial debut of Natalie Portman - when a father tucks his young son into bed the night that Israel was declared an independent state in 1948. "You'll never be bullied because you're a Jew," the father promises, elated by his conviction that everything is about to change. It's one of many dreams in the film, based on the autobiographical novel by Amos Oz, that aren't fulfilled.

WHAT HAPPENS?

Amos (Amir Tessler) is a young Jewish boy living in Mandatory

Palestine just before the birth of independent Israel. He has a close relationship with his romantic, storytelling mother, Fania (Portman), who is very different from his academic father, Arieh (Gilad Kahana). As the situation in their country changes, Fania begins to experience severe depression, only held up by the love she feels for her son.

WHAT'S GOOD?

This project was a labor of love for Portman, who reportedly spent eight years adapting the screenplay and looking for funding. She insisted the film be entirely in Hebrew, and her commitment to getting it right is

obvious throughout the film. Shots are thoughtful, artistic, haunting.

Though much of the story is influenced by the political state of their country, it's ultimately the study of a family. Fania's obsession with stories and words opens up a world of parables for Amos, with lessons like "It's better to be sensitive than honest" or "It's better to live knowing nothing than to live in error." Coursing beneath everything is a theme of dreams left unfulfilled, whether it's the paradise of Israel or the romantic life Fania imagined she'd have as a girl.

WHAT'S BAD?

Perhaps Portman loved her source material so much that she lost the ability to take a step back from it.

At one point, Fania's mother-in-law accuses her of being "so dramatic, as if she deserves the moon," and sometimes it feels like Portman indulges Fania more than she should. While gorgeous and thoughtful, the film is dour and over-the-top. There's a scene between Amos and an Arabic girl - they play happily for a while until an accident occurs and the adults drag them apart in anger. OK, we get it.

FINAL VERDICT

Although "A Tale of Love and Darkness" is beautifully depressing and offers moments that linger, it plays on the surface rather than digging more deeply into the heart of its story.

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Today's Puzzles

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 - Rattled out the bad guys
 - Dept. store stock
 - Condor's condo?
 - Prefix with logical
 - Dry as a desert
 - Cold weather groundswell that can cause pavement damage
 - Go for the worm
 - Wind down or wind up
 - Name in Cold War news
 - Wright who wondered, "What's another word for 'thesaurus'?"
 - Ball catcher
 - Needing wheels
 - Ancient siege weapon
 - "Knock it off!"
 - Architectural curve
 - L.A. NFLer
 - Tax-free govt. bond
 - Good feller?
 - "One day only!" event
 - Boomer that no longer booms, briefly
 - ___ Valley: Reagan Library locale
 - Warring factions
 - Manufacturer's coming-out event
 - Woofer's partner
 - Landed
 - Film boxer Rocky
 - Black, to a bard
 - Syst. for the deaf
 - Islamic branch
 - Reversions ... or what 17-, 26- and 43-Across all have?
 - Bard
 - Capital of Belgium
 - Good-sized wedding band
 - Kind of spot or loser
 - Cong. meeting
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- Car's engine-to-wheels connector
- Surfers visit them
- Paradises
- Sub access
- ___-blue
- View from Molokai's south shore
- Lab rat's home
- Radiation units
- Taxing task
- New England capital
- Needing a skull-and-crossbones label
- Actor Baldwin
- Screen door material
- Russia-China border river
- X-rated stuff
- Explorer Hernando de ___
- Conceptualizes
- Permit
- Post-shower display
- Mail-in incentive
- They're off-limits
- Recipe armts.
- "Yippeee!"
- Gets an "I'm sorry" from Alex Trebek, say
- Entr'___
- Short agenda?
- Iwo Jima troop carriers: Abbr.
- Tint
- Blackjack component

Panel 1: Student: "Hi, Mom." Mom: "Hi, honey. How's school?"

Panel 2: Student: "How's school?" Mom: "Mom, you make it sound like I'm in grade school!"

Panel 3: Student: "I'm a Ph.D. candidate at a major university, not an elementary school student!"

Panel 4: Student: "Do you want me to send you some lunch money?" Mom: "Yes, please."

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Grobe lands first victory

JORDAN SMITH
Sports Writer

The Baylor Bears were spot-on in the match-up against Northwestern State on Sept. 2 at McLane Stadium, dominating the competition with a final score of 55-7.

This was Jim Grobe's first game as Baylor's head football coach. The last time he was on a sideline for a game was in 2013 when he was the head coach of the Wake Forest Demon Deacons.

The Bears who were coming off a bowl win against North Carolina, looked to continue with the momentum from last season although several changes were made.

With Grobe leading the way, the Bears came out of the gates strong to a commanding lead, one which they never let slip away.

Grobe said he was satisfied with the way the game went in the wake of all the events that have surrounded Baylor football. With players suspended and dismissed, and coaching staff fired, Grobe had big shoes to fill.

"It was refreshing, honestly, to get to football," Grobe said. "For me, it was a learning experience. I really felt good about our players, and I felt good about our coaching staff, but I wanted to see us put it together, and I wanted to see how we reacted as a team, and I was very pleased tonight."

Grobe said it was exciting

it was for his players to finally go against people who weren't their own teammates in practice.

"I thought that this was important to get to game night, the first game. But what I sensed was, when we first started practice, there was a great sense of energy, and you could just tell that the kids were having fun being back together and practicing again," Grobe said. "You know after a couple of weeks practice gets old, you know? I don't think we could have improved any more by practicing, and I thought our coaches did a good job keeping the guys healthy. I think, more than anything else, it's just a different feel."

Although all the drama off the field could have hindered the Bears from competing in the big moment, the players remained composed as Grobe led the way.

Senior Linebacker Aiavion Edwards was ready to get back out there and doing it against someone other than their teammates and showing that nothing could stop them from playing their game.

"It was exciting. We came in with a lot of energy. We felt like it had just been a really long offseason, and we were ready to get back on the field," Edwards said. "It was very exciting just to be able to go out there and play against someone else other than what we've been doing for the last few months."



Liesje Powers | Lariat Photo Editor

READY TO LEAD Head Coach Jim Grobe smiles as he crosses the field to speak with a referee. The Bears outlasted the Deacons 55-7 in the season opener at McLane Stadium.

Although the game was a priority and Grobe had much on his mind surrounding his team, he said he noticed all of the green and gold in the stands, and he acknowledged the fans' presence, especially

the student section.

"Seeing the student section, seeing the way the students turned out for our guys tonight, was really rewarding to me, and seeing the fans come and support our guys,"

Grobe said. "I can't imagine that our players don't feel really, really good right now about the crowd tonight."

Grobe is now 1-0 as a Baylor's head football coach and will look to keep that

record at perfection as the Bears play their next game at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at McLane Stadium against Southern Methodist University.

Baylor Bears come in clutch in final minutes

NATHAN KEIL
Sports Writer

Baylor soccer developed an appetite for the dramatic over the weekend, taking advantage of offensive opportunities late in regulation, scoring in the 88th minute of their 1-0 win over Northern Illinois University on Friday and in the 84th minute of a 1-0 win over the University of Illinois at Chicago on Sunday. The Bears improved to 5-1-0 on the season.

In both contests, the Bears relied heavily on their stout defense and ball control to wear down the Huskies and Flames before finally netting their lone goals in the waning minutes of the second half of both contests.

On Friday, the Bears battled the Huskies for 87 minutes before sophomore midfielder Julie James headed in the pass from fellow sophomore forward Lauren Piercy, last week's Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week, in the 88th minute, giving Baylor a 1-0 edge that would hold up in the end. Baylor's defense completely smothered the Huskies, completely preventing them from getting off a shot.

Baylor has been quick to adopt the habit of using ball control and aggressive defense to fend off their opponents, and opposing coaches and players are taking notice.

"Baylor is a very good team," said Huskies head coach John Ross, according to the NIU athletics website. "They're physical and aggressive."

Despite Baylor's aggressive approach both offensively and defensively, shots and goals

did not always come easy. The Bears have developed great patience and trust that is built into their team's DNA. This trust and comfort has helped to propel them to these late-game victories.

"I give credit to NIU — They had a great game plan," said head coach Paul Jobson in Baylor press release. "I felt like we kept our calm and played through it. We scored a great goal and got away with a great road win."

On Sunday, the result was the same. Baylor stymied the Flames and held them to a season-low six shots, as junior goalkeeper Sara Martinson stopped all three shots on goal she faced, notching her third shutout of the season. Baylor was aggressive on the offensive end, tallying 20 total shots, six on goal, with Piercy netting the game winner in the 84th minute of regulation.

"We did a better job of taking care of the ball and stayed patient until we were able to score," Jobson said. "I'm proud of our ability to not get frustrated and keep playing hard until we got the goal."

This marked Piercy's fifth goal of the season and her fourth game-winning or "go-ahead" goal of the season.

The Bears look to maintain their aggressive approach as they head to Alabama this weekend for matches against Samford at 7 p.m. Friday and Auburn at 2 p.m. Sunday. The Bears will look for offensive opportunities early on, but if they find themselves locked in a scoreless contest late in the game, they will just feel more at home.



Liesje Powers | Lariat Photo Editor

LEAGUE OF HER OWN Senior defender Lindsay Burns kicks one past the Purdue Boilermakers on Aug. 26 in route to a 5-1 victory.



Timothy Hong | Lariat Photographer

DIGGING AWAY Senior libero Alex Banister digs one to help lead the Bears to a win against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, 3-1 on Aug. 27 at the Ferrell Center.

Baylor volleyball struggles on the road

MEGHAN MITCHELL
Sports Editor

Baylor volleyball struggled on the road in the Thunderdome Classic in Santa Barbara, Calif., where the Bears went 1-2.

"Anytime you lose, you are going to learn something, but I definitely think for me what I saw is just how much potential we do have. Those were good teams we lost to, but definitely teams we could have beaten," said junior outside hitter Katie Staiger. "For me, it is just kind of knowing that those are teams we can beat, and it is a level we should be playing at."

They first faced no. 25 Colorado State, a team they faced last season and a team that head coach Ryan McGuyre looked forward to playing to see where his team was at.

"They are big and physical," McGuyre said. "They have a good system, and they dominated their previous three matches. It is definitely going to be a good match. We played them last year, so it is going to be a good test to see where we are this early in the season."

However, for McGuyre and the Bears, the outcome was not what they hoped for, and they lost 3-1.

Trying to bounce back, the Bears started off strong against University of California,

Santa Barbara, leading at one instance by six. However, the Bears were unable to keep the momentum going and eventually lost the first set 25-18.

In the second set, the Bears were unable to close out the set after not converting on two set points.

Although staying close to the Gauchos early in the third, the Bears would eventually lose the set and match 25-14.

Looking to redeem themselves in their third match against California State University, Bakersfield, the Bears were able to turn things around and dominate from the start to take a commanding lead and the first set, 25-13.

With the momentum now going their way, the Bears were able to stay focused, and although the Roadrunners stayed close through the next two sets, the Bears were able to close them out, 29-27, 26-24.

Although not coming home with a tournament title, Staiger said the ending of the weekend was good for her team.

"I think it left us with some good momentum going into this upcoming weekend," Staiger said.

The Bears look to stay with the momentum as they go back on the road to Tallahassee, Fla., to take part in the Seminole Tournament.