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Friendly competition found at Derby Days



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FUN IN THE SUN At Sigma Chi Derby Days, an annual event filled with friendly competition between sororities, Houston sophomore Rachel Lopez competes in a relay by riding a tricycle around Rosenbalm Fountain.

Debate aims for excellence

KELSEA WILLENBROCK

Reporter

There is a group of students on campus who spend hours upon hours preparing for competition, travel across the country to tournaments and devote their college careers to their activity. These students are not student-athletes, but rather the Baylor debate team.

The debate team is the oldest co-curricular activity on Baylor's campus and has a long-standing tradition of success maintained to this day by the work the team puts into

research and competition.

"[The students] work bare minimum 30-40 hours a week doing research, practice speeches, practice debates," said Dr. Matt Gerber, debate coach and associate professor as well as the Glenn R. Capp chair of forensics. "If we're not at a tournament, they are here all weekend doing work."

The team consists of eight debaters and eight coaches. The debaters are paired into smaller teams that compete together. While there are

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ART OF ARGUMENT The 2016 Baylor debate team, pictured above after last year's national debate tournament, comprises eight debaters and eight coaches.

Baylor works to improve sustainability

KENDRA PELL

Reporter

Just by walking through campus, one can spot the many recycling bins placed around each building. These are just the beginning of Baylor Sustainability's

efforts to encourage students, faculty and staff to recycle and conserve energy on and off campus.

Anything to do with energy and water conservation, recycling on campus and the green movement is initiated by Baylor Sustainability, said Smith Getterman, director of sustainability and special projects.



"Right now, we have four goals that we hope to achieve by 2020 that we call the Sustainable 2020," Getterman said. "The first is we hope to achieve 20 percent locally-sourced foods in all of our residence hall cafeterias. The second is we want to get a 30 percent diversion rate for wastes. Thirdly, reduce our greenhouse gas emissions by 15 percent. Lastly, reduce our water use by 17 percent."

According to Getterman, water consumption on campus has already been reduced by 20 percent, which exceeds the goal much sooner than expected.

In order to record these improvements, Baylor Sustainability and their partners track the data over the course of the year and compare it. Getterman is confident that the Baylor Sustainability is on track to reach these goals, but he said the biggest challenge will be the reduction of waste, mostly because of the growing population of the university.

Despite this challenge, Baylor is still at the top of its class in regard to sustainability.

"For a university this size, we are one of the most environmentally conscious in the country," Getterman

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University Scholars struggle to find their place

CLARISSA ANDERSON Reporter

The freedom of being a University Scholar may hurt some of the program's students. The University Scholar Program has relatively few requirements for Baylor coursework. However, for some students, being a University Scholar can make it hard to get involved in the departments their concentrations are in.

University Scholars cannot have any minor or major other than Bachelor of Arts in University Scholars. Instead, they concentrate in areas of study, taking some courses in departments they are interested in.

"It's like this mystical program that is for a bunch of kids that don't know what they want to do, but they know they want to do it really well," Rowlett junior



and University Scholar Rebecca Voth said. "So you don't ever have to choose a major. In fact, you can't. You're not allowed to have a major or

minor or anything like that."

Since University Scholars are only concentrating in certain subjects, they may have trouble being included in departments as much as they would

Voth said students may not be included on departmental email lists, which prevents them from being aware of opportunities they could be interested in.

Even though departments want to include students, they may not be aware that University Scholars are in their department because the students do not appear on department lists.

"I talked to a friend the other day,

and she was like, 'Yeah, they had some sort of event with this scholar I really wanted to meet, but I didn't get the email so I didn't get to go,"

Voth said. Dr. Jennifer Good, director of the University Scholar Program and associate professor of German, said the program does not automatically send departments lists of which students have a concentration in the department because students state their concentration only to the program, and their information may be outdated or change quickly.

"If [departments] want to get that information from us, we're very open with the information we have," Good said. "We just say that we can't guarantee its accuracy because we're relying on students to self-report as

well." Since University Scholars are only concentrating in subjects, they may not be considered eligible for certain departmental scholarships or study abroad opportunities that require students to be a specific major – even if students have the equivalent number of hours as a major.

"There's this really cool program in the Spanish department where

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Library symposium celebrates Thomas Paine

ISABELLA MASO

Reporter

Today and Friday, Baylor Libraries is hosting its annual symposium to celebrate the 225 anniversary of Thomas Paine's 'Rights of Man.'

"Every year, Baylor libraries has a symposium that recognizes the anniversary of a major published work," said Dr. Christine Chan-Park, chair of the organizing board for the event.

Paine, writing response to the French Revolution, examined the innate rights of mankind and the responsibility of



RIGHT OF MAN A display case located in Moody Library exhibits the work of Thomas Paine, who will be featured at the Baylor Libraries symposium today and Friday.

government to recognize those rights, according to the Baylor Libraries website.

"For the past four years, we have picked a different

Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

public work, with this year focusing more on history and political science," Chan-Park said.

There will be panels

on both days given by Baylor staff as well as two undergraduate students. There will also be a keynote speaker each day discussing various attributes of Paine's

"Dr. Gregory Claeys from Royal Holloway, University of London, will be giving more of the context of Thomas Paine's work, and Dr. Carlos Juarez, who is a Baylor alumni, is going to be the closing speaker on Friday, and he will give a modern spin on what human rights are today," Chan-Park

The event will mostly be held on the second floor of Jones library and students are encouraged to attend.

Today, attendees will have the opportunity to use a printing press to create a souvenir postcard.

"Its very timely in many ways," said Sinai Wood, associate professor and documents librarian at Baylor.

"The traditional way Thomas Paine thought of rights, and the way we have articulated them for the symposium, the sort of new ways we think about rights in our society today, impacts all disciplines across campus," Wood said.

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EDITORIAL

GoFundMe users need reality check

One of the greatest advantages of technology is the ability to bring communities together, regardless of how spatially separated the individuals may be. This allows members of cyber communities to share in each other's lives, both the good and bad parts, and contribute to one another when

GoFundMe is an online platform that is perfect for this. The site touts itself as being the No. 1 resource for online fundraising and crowdfunding. Just about anyone with a Facebook account has seen how a GoFundMe campaign can help those online rally around a member of a community who needs support, especially when the campaign is promoted via social media.

These online fundraising campaigns have been started to support people experiencing things like medical emergencies, loss of a home and unexpected funeral expenses. GoFundMe and similar sites have become hubs for aiding members of communities who really need it.

There is, however, a downside to online crowdfunding. Most fundraising sites don't have a system set up to monitor what the campaigns are raising money for.

Sometimes people create campaigns for really stupid things, and sometimes others actually

A quick Google search turns up too many ridiculous GoFundMe campaigns, including a



Joshua Kim | Cartoonist

woman asking for people to help pay for a \$362 Uber ride and a silly, albeit humorous, 2015 campaign to help rapper Meek Mills pay for a diss track against fellow musician Drake.

The open nature of GoFundMe allows for campaigns that are funny and can make bold

statements, but they aren't necessarily always responsible things to encourage people to spend money on. Rather than spending money on people with very real needs, GoFundMe users can get distracted with humor and frivolous ways to waste money.

On a more personal scale, Facebook feeds are ripe with requests to help people pay for new smartphones, laptops, trips and other things that can be purchased with careful financial planning. These are also things that people don't necessarily need. GoFundMe has created a way for people to take the easy way out and ask others for money, rather than doing the hard thing and saving up or going without.

The top three uses of GoFundMe are medical, educational and volunteerism, according to the organization's website. This shows that the site is a great tool for meeting people's needs and has the capacity to bring people together.

Just last month, 185 people contributed to GoFundMe to help an Olympian's single mother and disabled brother afford plane tickets to watch her run in the Rio Olympics. They understood the power of a community to support individuals with real needs.

Although GoFundMe is an open platform for people to raise money for whatever they want, users should really

think about whether they're just adding clutter to the already full news feeds of their peers. The site is a useful tool for raising money for good purposes, but there's a fine line between being in need and being lazy.

COLUMN

Addressing the plight of female sports fans

TALIYAH CLARK Reporter

I have been a sports fan since before I

could read a book. Every weekend consisted of watching Dallas Cowboys football and hearing my dad talk about Dallas Cowboys football. Where I'm from, "Faith,

Family, Football" is more than just a slogan, it's a way of life. And I'm not the only girl who lives this way.

According Nielsen, which is a site that measures what people watch and buy, about a

third of the 14 million people who tune in to major sporting events, including the NBA Finals, World Series, Daytona 500 and Stanley Cup, are women. And in 2011, roughly 46 percent of Super Bowl viewers were women.

These statistics may be surprising, especially considering the stereotypes that have existed for decades about women and sports, such as the concept that they only watch to look how hot the guys are or to impress a guy they like. But times are slowly changing, and a lot of women are tuning in to sporting events not to see how hot the quarterback or the point guard is, but to actually watch and analyze the game.

I think female sports fans can analyze and understand the game better than some men can. For example, tune in to ESPN's afternoon show "Around the Horn." This debate-style $show\,features\,sports casters\,Jackie\,MacMullan,$ Sarah Spain and Kate Fagan going against sports experts like J.A. Adande, Bill Plaschke and Woody Paige. These women hold their own and, in some instances, destroy the men with their wit and deep knowledge of sports.

As female sports fans, we've all been in situations where we have had to prove our sports smarts. Imagine you're with your guy friends and they are discussing the latest reason why LeBron James will never be as good as Michael Jordan. You hear, "Well Jordan has six rings, and LeBron has lost four times in the finals" or "Jordan didn't choke in a finals like LeBron did in 2011 against the Mavericks," and finally decide that it's time to

You explain that while Jordan did win six NBA finals. he had help from hall of fame players Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman, while LeBron took a bunch of no-names to the last seven NBA finals.

> "They can't accept the truth of the matter ... women love sports.'

At once, the group turns and looks at you like you just discovered the cure for cancer. The reaction ranges from, "Wow you really know your sports," to, "Wow you must watch Sportscenter," because they can't accept the truth of the matter: Contrary to popular belief, women love sports just as much as

So the next time you are sitting at Buffalo Wild Wings watching Aaron Rodgers throw the game-winning touchdown or watching Steph Curry hit ridiculous circus-shots, talk to the women sitting around you. Odds are they may actually know what is going on.

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COLUMN

Gender inequality extends to appreciating athletics

KELSEA WILLENBROCK Reporter



"What, do you think he's hot, too?" my professor asked hand. The journalism class was discussing the suspension New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady and as I raised my hand to add something to the conversation, my

professor posed this embarrassing question. Sure, some of the other girls in the class

mentioned that they found him attractive and my professor meant the comment as a joke, but I didn't take it as one.

I felt as if what I had to say didn't matter. It was the first time I noticed someone make a verbal assumption about what I was thinking. Instead of listening to me, my professor decided to make her own conclusion about what I have to say. I couldn't help but think that if I was one of the guys in the class, my professor would never had made that joke.

As a kid, I grew up on the sidelines of football games. My dad was a high school and college football coach; I loved going to games and still do. From a young age, I learned the different positions and rules, and as I got older and more interested, I began to learn the types of plays and strategies.

I feel most comfortable on a football field, watching a game on television or even talking about a team to whomever will listen. Just like some people feel at home when they make their grandma's apple pie, I feel at home when I hear the ref's whistle blow.

However, whenever I bring up the fact

that I love sports, specifically football, I typically get an eyebrow raise or a response of "Oh really? That's cool." This is often followed by some sort of question about the statistics of a certain team or player, as if it is necessary to legitimize my interest in such a maledominated world. I would be lying if I said I wasn't a little put off by it.

In the same way, I'm sure that if a guy expressed his interest in a typically femaledominated realm, he would get a similar response. It is as if there are cultural interests that are supposed to appeal to one gender or

Gender equality has come a long way, but it still has a long way to go. Maybe we just need a wake-up call to see that all people should be taken seriously, even if their involvement in the conversation is not in agreement with what typical gender norms say it should be.

> "...If I was one of the guys in the class, my professor would never have made that joke."

In retrospect, I should have said something to my professor when she called on me that day. I wish I would have made the point that I intended to make, making her comment inaccurate and irrelevant. It takes courage to stand up for yourself in situations where you feel small.

I don't think I will forget what my professor said to me. It opened my eyes to the fact that there is still gender inequality that needs to be worked on.

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Congress overrides presidential veto



Associated Press

OVERWHELMING OPPOSITION This frame grab from video provided by C-SPAN2 shows the floor of the Senate on Capitol Hill on Wednesday as the Senate acted decisively to override President Barack Obama's veto of Sept. 11 legislation.

RICHARD LARDNER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a resounding rebuke, Democrats joined with Republicans Wednesday to hand Barack Obama the first veto override of his presidency, voting overwhelmingly to allow families of Sept. 11 victims to sue Saudi Arabia in U.S. courts for its alleged backing of the attackers.

Both the House and Senate voted decisively to reverse Obama's decision to scuttle the legislation.

Democrats in both chambers abandoned the president in large numbers despite warnings from Obama and top national security officials that flaws in the bill could put U.S. interests, troops and intelligence personnel at risk.

The Senate vote was 97-1, with only

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., backing the president. The House vote a few hours later was 348-77, with 123 Democrats rebuffing the president and voting to override. Obama said during a CNN interview that overriding his veto was a mistake that may set a "dangerous precedent."

Lawmakers said their priority wasn't Saudi Arabia, but the 9/11 victims and their families who continue to demand justice 15 years after attackers killed nearly 3,000 people in New York, the Washington, D.C., area, and Pennsylvania. Fifteen of the 19 Sept. 11 hijackers were Saudis.

"Overriding a presidential veto is something we don't take lightly, but it was important in this case that the families of the victims of 9/11 be allowed to pursue justice, even if that pursuit causes some

diplomatic discomforts," said Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., a chief sponsor of the bill.

Speaking at a forum in Washington, CIA Director John Brennan said he was concerned about how Saudi Arabia, a key U.S. ally in the Middle East, would interpret the bill. He said the Saudis provide significant amounts of information to the U.S. to help foil extremist plots.

"It would be an absolute shame if this legislation, in any way, influenced the Saudi willingness to continue to be among our best counterterrorism partners," Brennan said

On CNN, Obama said that a few lawmakers who backed the bill weren't aware of its potential impact. He didn't name them. "And, frankly, I wish Congress here had done what's hard," he said. "It was, you know, basically a political vote."

EPA plans cleanup of toxic waste in Houston

DAVID WARREN

Associated Press

DALLAS — About \$97 million will be spent to remove material in waste pits along the San Jacinto River east of Houston that is contaminated with toxic chemicals from a former paper mill, the Environmental Protection Agency announced Wednesday.

The remediation of the Superfund site will include hauling away soil, sediment and other material from the disposal sites that were built in the 1960s and contain material contaminated with dioxins, which in people can cause cancer, reproductive problems, skin disease and changes in hormone levels.

The mill was in the Houston suburb of Pasadena, and pulp and paper waste was placed on barges and then dumped along the San Jacinto. The area was deemed a Superfund site in 2008, a designation used for the nation's most contaminated land. Signs in the area caution people not to eat fish or crabs caught there.

Most of the \$97 million will go to efforts to clean up 14 acres just north of Interstate 10, the EPA said in a statement. Another \$10 million will be spent on removals from about 20 acres south of the interstate. An estimated 152,000 cubic yards of material will be hauled away from the area north of the interstate, a volume that amounts to 140,000 tons.

The EPA will accept public comments on the cleanup plan for the next two months, and Rock Owens, who heads the environmental compliance division for the Harris County attorney's office, said contractors could begin removing contaminated material in the next year or

"It's been moving forward rather quickly, I think," Owens said of the effort since the land was given Superfund status. "Our office has been putting pressure on the EPA since Day 1 to get the stuff out of there."

Harris County Attorney Vince Ryan said in a statement that the waste pits weren't discovered by government inspectors until 2005 and that they had become partially submerged in the river water.

A protective cap was put in place in 2011, but not before dioxins for years had leaked into the water and riverbank, Ryan said. Problems have been found with the cap, such as a hole found in it last year that may have allowed additional dioxins to seep away.

What's : Happening on Campus?

Hang out with friends and get connected at these fun and free* events

Thursday, Sept. 29 | Men for Change

5:30 p.m. Join Men for Change every Thursday in the Bobo Spiritual Life Center Chapel to meet and discuss ideas of spirituality and masculinity in a brave space.

Thursday, Sept. 29 | Harry Potter Trivia Night

7 p.m. Test your Potter knowledge! Union Board hosts Harry Potter Trivia in the Bill Daniel Student Center Den.

Friday, Sept. 30 - Saturday, Oct. 1 | Hermanas on the Move

All day. Join the Department of Multicultural Affairs for the Hispanic women's retreat, Hermanas on the Move, as part of National Hispanic Heritage Month. For more information or to register for the retreat, email Sierra_Valdivia@baylor.edu.

Monday, Oct. 3 | Movie Mondays at the Hippodrome: Lo and Behold

7 p.m. In *Lo and Behold, Reveries of the Connected World*, Oscar-nominated Werner Herzog leads viewers on a journey through a series of provocative conversations that reveal ways in which the online world has transformed how virtually everything in the real world works—from business to education, space travel to healthcare, and our personal relationships.

Monday, Oct. 3 | Vertical

9 p.m. Join Vertical Ministries every Monday night for musical worship at Clyde Hart Track and Field Stadium.

Tuesday, Oct. 4 | Dr. Pepper Hour

3 p.m. Take part in the Baylor tradition and enjoy a refreshing Dr Pepper float in Barfield Drawing Room, Bill Daniel Student Center.

Tuesday, Oct. 4 | National Night Out

7 p.m. Baylor's First Annual National Night Out is a chance for the campus to come together to promote police-community partnerships and make campus a better place. Take part in a residence hall contests, a sorority bake off, an impaired obstacle course, a dunking booth and more. Free food, T-shirts and prizes will be available.

Wednesday, Oct. 5 | MGC Cook-Out

5:30 p.m. The Baylor Community is invited to meet members of the Multicultural Greek Council and participate in an evening of free food and games in Bear Park.



Trump's nuclear restraint stance ambiguous

ROBERT BURNS

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Donald Trump's ambiguous answer to a debate question on nuclear restraint raised doubts about his understanding of the issue. On the other hand, his words - by design or coincidence mirror the nub of a policy argument the administration is wrestling with in the final months of Barack Obama's

Asked at this week's debate whether he supports the decadesold U.S. policy of refusing to rule out being the first to use nuclear weapons, Trump at first said, "I would certainly not do first strike." That would seem to indicate he does not support the current policy of keeping it indefinite. But then he said, "I can't take anything off the table." And that would suggest just the opposite: that he would not rule out a nuclear first strike.

It was difficult to tell whether Trump has considered this aspect of nuclear weapons policy. Or some

During a Republican primary debate he was asked his view on modernizing the three main elements of the U.S. nuclear arsenal, known as the "triad," and he couldn't name all three: missiles launched from the air, underground silos and submarines.

In his answer Monday, he tossed in a mention of the B-52 bomber. which is part of the airborne leg of the nuclear triad. He correctly said the B-52 is extraordinarily old by weapons standards, and he said this shows the U.S. is "not keeping up" with other nuclear powers. The U.S. actually is planning to build a newgeneration bomber and to replace all other elements of its nuclear arsenal.

Questions about the circumstances in which the United States might use a nuclear weapon have resurfaced in recent months, as Trump opponents have openly expressed fear that he would use them unwisely, unleashing nuclear hell.

"A man you can bait with a tweet is not a man we can trust with nuclear weapons," Hillary Clinton said in her speech accepting the Democratic presidential nomination.

Two Democratic lawmakers, Rep. Ted W. Lieu of California and Sen. Edward J. Markey of Massachusetts, said Tuesday they had introduced a bill that would prohibit the president from launching a nuclear first strike without a declaration of war by

But Thomas Mahnken, president of the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, said he hopes Obama does not choose to adopt a "no first use" policy.

"Potentially it would be a president in the waning months of his administration seeking to tie the hands of his successor," he said.

The administration in 2010

"I can't take anything off the table."

Donald Trump | Republican Presidential Candidate



AMBIGUITY Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump speaks Wednesday at the Polish National Alliance in Chicago. Trump's ambiguous response about nuclear weapons raises questions about his understanding of the issue.

considered but rejected adopting a "no first use" rule on nuclear weapons, which in some respects would align with Obama's pledge to reduce the role of nuclear weapons in U.S. security policy. In recent months the administration has returned to the question but has announced no decision vet.

The issue is complicated, but it boils down to this: What is to be gained by declaring in advance that the U.S. would not be the first to use a nuclear weapon?

This was not an issue in August 1945 when the U.S. hit Japan with two atomic bombs, because no one else had the bomb.

Those who favor a "no first use" policy say the prospect of first-use encourages Russia and possibly China

to field a large portion of their nuclear forces on hair-trigger alert in order to avoid a disarming U.S. nuclear strike. That in turn increases the chances of nuclear war by accident or design.

The counterargument is that "no first use" would undermine the confidence of U.S. allies in Europe and Asia that the U.S. would fulfill its treaty commitment to defend them.

Clinton raised that point when she followed Trump's response at the debate. She did not say whether she favors a "no first use" policy but suggested she does not. After Trump's answer, she seemed to feel it necessary to reassure U.S. allies.

The fact that it made her look more presidential perhaps played into her thinking as well.

"Words matter when you run for

president. And they really matter when you are president," she said. "And I want to reassure our allies in Japan and South Korea and elsewhere that we have mutual defense treaties and we will honor them."

Asked at a news conference Tuesday whether he favors a "no first use" policy, Defense Secretary Ash Carter made a similar point about alliance commitments, but not in the context of the political debate.

"It has been the policy of the United States to extend its nuclear umbrella to friends and allies, and thereby to contribute to the deterrence of conflict and the deterrence of war," he said. "Many of our friends and allies have benefited from that over time," and that should endure, he added.

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they'll pay for you to study abroad for the whole semester and do mission work as well in Spain, and it was specifically for Spanish majors," Voth said. "I was like, 'I take the equivalent hours to be a Spanish major,. If you look at my hours, I'm basically a Spanish major,' and I applied for it, and they were like, 'Nope, you're not a Spanish major; you don't get to even be eligible."

National Merit Finalists are automatically accepted into the program, according to the University Scholar Handbook.

National Merit Finalists full-tuition a academic scholarship if they select Baylor as their firstchoice college.

However, around twothirds of University Scholars are not National Merit Finalists and may find it hard to receive assistance through departmental scholarships because they are not eligible.

"A lot of times, the

assumption is that the U Schols don't need any more assistance, but not all of us are National Merit [Finalists]," Voth said.

Good said departments decide who their scholarships will be made available to, which depends on factors such as who and how many students are part of the department.

While some departments limit scholarship availability to majors, in her department, University

Scholars have the same opportunities other students.

"University Scholars who are concentrating in German do have access to the same amount of money that German majors and minors have access to," Good said.

Good encourages students to speak with the faculty mentors of the department if they would like to be more involved in the department.

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said. "The Sierra Club just named us to their 2016 'Cool Schools' list, meaning we are one of the greenest schools in the country, and it's the third time we have made it on that

According to the Office of Sustainability 2014 Annual Report, Baylor finished first overall in the Big 12, and third in the state of Texas in Recyclemania, an annual national recycling competition among college students.

Los Altos, Calif., junior

Shelley Noreen, Baylor Sustainability intern, said much progress has been made just over the past couple years in efforts to promote conservation all over campus.

"Since my freshman year, I've seen more people on campus actually recycling, so having all of the recycling bins everywhere has made a big difference," Noreen said. "And then with Move-In Days, people have become more aware that there is recycling on campus."

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several different types of debates, the Baylor team focuses on public policy to discuss social issues.

According to the debate team's webpage, Public policy is the preferred form of debate as it offers participants an opportunity to talk about pertinent issues.

The recently team returned from its first tournament of the year, held at the University of Missouri at Kansas City, where it was one of five teams from across the nation

All four Baylor subteams advanced past the first round. Four of the debate team members also received top 20 speaker awards at the tournament.

Des Moines, Iowa, senior Simon Sheaff said he enjoys the camaraderie and support he finds from fellow debate teammates.

"Even though people on the team have different ways of approaching debate, we are all able to help each other out in our individual ways," Sheaff said. "Nobody sits back and says, 'The way you're doing debate is

Most of the recruiting

for the debate team happens at the high school level. Gerber travels to high school competitions to seek out the "best and brightest" for the Baylor team. It is possible for a Baylor student to walk on, but chances of making the traveling team are slim, Gerber said.

Last year, at the national debate tournament, the team achieved success that they have not had in over a decade.

"The most teams you can qualify to the [National Debate Tournament] is three, and we did that, so that's a pretty cool thing," Gerber

said. "That had not happened for us since 1997."

The goal this year is to qualify three teams again and uphold Baylor's reputable name in the collegiate debate community.

Most of the tournaments the debate team competes in require travel but at 7 p.m. on Wed. Oct. 12 in 101 Marrs McLean Science Building, two debate team members will participate in a public debate against the British national team about concealed handguns. The debate is open to the public.

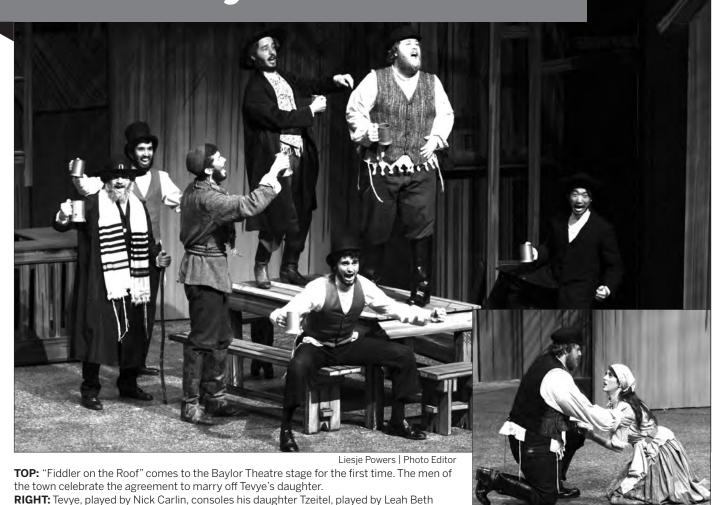




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A Family of Fiddlers



Lead actor follows family legacy to play role of Tevye

SETH JONES

Reporter

As Baylor Theatre begins its string of performances of "Fiddler on the Roof," Nicholas Carlin has reasons for excitement besides playing the lead role of Tevye.

Friendswood junior Nicholas Carlin developed his love for theater early in life, and it was this passion that led him to Baylor.

Throughout his childhood, Carlin's parents ran a community theater that he frequently participated in. He remembers being involved in "Fiddler on the Roof," from a young age.

"I don't know if the first show I ever did was 'Fiddler,' but it was either the first or second," Carlin said. "There's footage of me at 5 years old in the chorus of 'Fiddler on the Roof.'

Carlin watched his father play the role of Tevye and said he remembers seeing how passionate his father was, which gives Carlin motivation

to bring that same energy now. "It really is [my dad's] favorite thing he's ever done," Carlin said. "It is kind of the legacy of the Carlin

Ethredge, when she is distraught by the news of her marriage.

Carlin called his father as soon as he found out that Baylor Theatre would be producing the musical, knowing his father would be thrilled.



FIDDLE ALL THE WAY TO JONES Nick Carlin, starring as Tevye, cries out to the Lord and asks why he was given a life with no money.

"I could hear his smile through the phone," Carlin said.

Shortly after tickets went on sale, Carlin received a call from his mother. He said he was surprised and excited to hear that she had bought tickets for many of the performers he used to work with in the community theater. Carlin said that added extra motivation for him.

"She said, 'Everyone's coming," Carlin said. "It's a big deal for me. I want to make this the best performance I could possibly make

Charleston senior Mitch Winkler, helped build the set for "Fiddler on the Roof." He said he looks forward to seeing Carlin perform the show live after preparing for months.

"This will be his first main-stage production that he's a lead role in, so I'm very excited to see that," Winkler said. "I know that he works really hard."

"Fiddler on the Roof" is focused on a small Jewish village in which a man, Tevye, allows his daughters to choose their own husbands, a custom that was not customary at the time due to their cultural standards. While the musical has been performed with different adaptations all over the world, it has never been performed at Baylor until now.

Carlin said he believes this production will please audiences because of the hours the cast has put into preparation, as well as its renown around the world.

"This is honestly probably the largest cast we've had for a musical, at least since I've been here," Carlin said. "We're really proud of this show. It's turning out to be really good."

Steven Pounders, director of "Fiddler on the Roof" and Theatre Arts professor at Baylor, wrote in an email to the Lariat, that he believes "Fiddler on the Roof" is a production that an audience can relate to no matter where they are from or what their background is.

"Though "Fiddler on the Roof" is the particular story of a Jewish village in Tsarist Russia, the themes of the play are universal," Pounders wrote. "An institute of faith like Baylor will find connection with the traditions and community-living of the village in the story and challenge in seeing the humanity in a people driven to become refugees."

"Fiddler on the Roof" will be playing at 7:30 p.m. from Sept. 29 Oct. 1 and at 8 p.m. from Oct. 5 - Oct., as well as at 2 p.m. on Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 at Jones Theatre.

This week in Waco:

>> Today

6 p.m.— Waco Salvation Army's RePurpose for a Purpose fundraiser. The Phoenix Ballroom

6 p.m. — Dancing with the Waco Stars fundraiser. Waco Hippodrome Theatre

8 p.m.—Jack Thweatt performs. Common Grounds

>>Saturday

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. — Waco Cultural Arts Fair. Indian Spring

6-7 p.m. — Baylor National Pan-Hellenic Council hosts Greek 101 seminar. Den of Bill **Daniel Student Center**

7 p.m. —The Blackwood Quartet performs "The Gospel Side of Elvis." Bosque Arts Center

>> Sunday

All Day —Waco Cultural Arts Fair. Indian Spring Park

>>Monday

3 p.m. — Baylor School of Music String Chamber Music Recital. Meadows Recital Hall in the Glennis McCrary Music Building

7 p.m. — "Lo and Behold" plays at Movie Mondays at the Hippodrome

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18 Hasbro soldier

20 Lake Michigan port

24 TriBeCa neighbor

31 Jedi Council VIP

34 Brief meeting?

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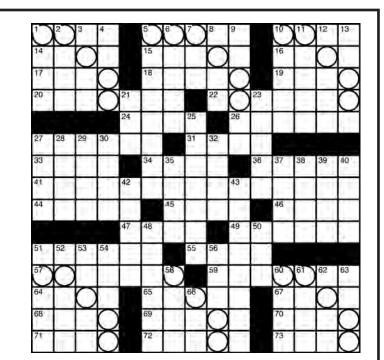
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Breakfast with the Bears

Bear Foundation members treated to meal with Baylor athletes

MEGHAN MITCHELL

Sports Editor

Members of the Baylor Bear Foundation were treated Wednesday morning to Breakfast with the Bears, an event that allows them get to know a few students athletes better. The annual Donor Appreciation Week, which honors those who give to provide experiences and educational resources and opportunities to student-athletes, kicked off Monday and continues through

Athletes attending the event were football's Lynx Hawthorne, soccer's Reagan Padgett, volleyball's Katie Staiger and cross country athletes Matthew Parham and Peyton Thomas.

While many have seen these athletes perform in their respective sports, John Morris, the Voice of the Bears, kicked off the event with a Q&A in order for the Bear Foundation members to get an up close and personal view of these athletes.

Staiger, who has made her name known on the volleyball court, said the support she has pushes her to perform at her best both on and off the court.

"Being a student-athlete here at Baylor has been truly so incredible. Just the way everyone in the athletic department and everyone in the Bear Foundation pour into you has truly just been incredible," Staiger said. "They care about you more than just athletics. They care about you academically, spiritually, and just investing in you as a person."

Judith and George Staples, Waco residents and members of the Bear Foundation, said Baylor runs in their blood. They have been a part of the Bears Foundation for as long as they can remember.

"We moved here to retire in Waco eight years ago from New York. George graduated from Baylor, and we also have had three sons graduate from here. This is a great place for retirement," Judith said. "We love RG3, we have followed him for quite some time, and the women's basketball players. We feel like we can get a little closer to



TIME FOR ALL (From left) Voice of the Bears John Morris, football's Lynx Hawthorne, soccer's Reagan Padgett, volleyball's Katie Staiger, and cross country athletes Peyton Thomas and Matthew Parham take part in a Q&A session with Morris on Wednesday at the annual Breakfast with the Bears event at McLane Stadium.

them through the Tip Off Club, but every year, we can't wait for football season to start, and immediately after that women's basketball. It's just a great thing for us, and we actually plan vacations around the games. It's just a family. We are big supporters of the Bear Foundation, and we just love everything about Baylor."

The Staples' have gone above just supporting the athletes. They have taken in international

students to be their family away from home. "We love watching the students and supporting them. We get all into it, cheering and buying all the gear and going places," Judith said. "We have also adopted some international students at Baylor just to give them a family, so they can be in a home and do some things with us around here."

Hawthorne said because of the kindness of the Baylor community and Baylor Bear Foundation members such as the Staples', his experience at Baylor has been amazing.

"It means the world to me to be a studentathlete. Everyone is pouring into you with tremendous family support," Hawthorne said. "Just coming here, watching Waco grow and feeling at home. I would say it has impacted my life tremendously."

On Saturday Baylor Bear Foundation members and their families are encouraged to come out to McLane Stadium to watch the Bears' road game against West Virginia, which will be broadcast on the big screen.

In addition to watching the game at this private event, members will be treated to inflatables, free food and t-shirts while supplies

Lights out for Watt

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HOUSTON — J.J. Watt is out until at least December and could miss the rest of the season with an injured back, leaving the Texans searching for ways to deal with the loss of the NFL's best defensive player.

Watt was placed on injured reserve on Wednesday, which means he'll be out for a minimum of eight weeks.

'You can never replace the best player in the NFL," said coach Bill O'Brien. "When someone like that goes down, it's a tough thing obviously, but at the same time this is a team, a team made up of some really good veteran leaders, some really good young players. We're looking forward to the challenges that are ahead,"

Watt had re-injured his back and putting him on IR was the best thing for his long-term health.

The team was still exploring the injury and it's unclear if it will require surgery.

Watt, who has won the Defensive Player of the Year for the past two seasons, missed training camp and Houston's four preseason

games after surgery in July to repair a herniated disk in his back. The defensive end started each of the team's three regular-season games and got hurt again Thursday against the Patriots. Some have wondered if Watt's latest setback

came because he returned too quickly from surgery in July. O'Brien dismissed that suggestion.

"J.J. did absolutely everything he could do to get back on the field after surgery this summer," O'Brien said. "He followed his doctor's orders, he played it smart. He passed every test before being cleared to play."

Watt is the latest star player to suffer a significant injury this season after Dallas quarterback Tony Romo, Minnesota running back Adrian Peterson and Cleveland Browns quarterback Robert Griffin III have all been placed on injured reserve in recent weeks.

Watt tweeted a statement that did not provide details on his injury.

"Everybody deals with adversity in their lives, many much worse than what I'm going through," Watt said. "I have great people around me and I appreciate the thoughts and well wishes from all of you."



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