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Crawford lashes out against BU

KALYN STORY Staff Writer

Former Title IX coordinator Patty Crawford said Baylor "set me up from the beginning." On "CBS This Morning" Wednesday morning, Crawford talked about her resignation for the first time.

Crawford claimed that she increased reports of sexual assault by over 700 percent during her time at Baylor, but that it became clear to her that that was not what Baylor wanted.

"I continued to work hard, and the harder I worked, the more resistance I received from senior leadership. That became clear that that was not something the university wanted, and in July, I made it clear and ready that I had concerns



RESIGNATION In this screen-grab from Wednesday's "CBS this Morning" broadcast, Patty Crawford speaks out about her time as Title IX coordinator at Baylor. She said Baylor "set me up from the beginning."

and that the university was violating Title IX, and my environment got worse," Crawford said.

Crawford alleges Baylor did not allow her to fulfill her job as Title XI coordinator and retaliated against her. She said she filed a federal complaint to the Office of Civil Rights and human resources last week. "Was I going to remain part of the problem or be part of the problem, or was I going to resign?" Crawford said.

"I never had the authority, the resources or the independence to do the job appropriately,

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Title IX office gets new leader

KALYN STORY Staff Writer

Baylor's Interim President David Garland appointed Kristan Tucker as Baylor's new Title IX coordinator Wednesday night following the resignation of previous coordinator Patty Crawford.

"Kristan Tucker is a capable and experienced Title IX professional, and I have full confidence in her ability to lead our Title IX Office," Garland said in a press release. "Kristan has been an integral part of our efforts to build a strong and responsive Title IX Office, and she

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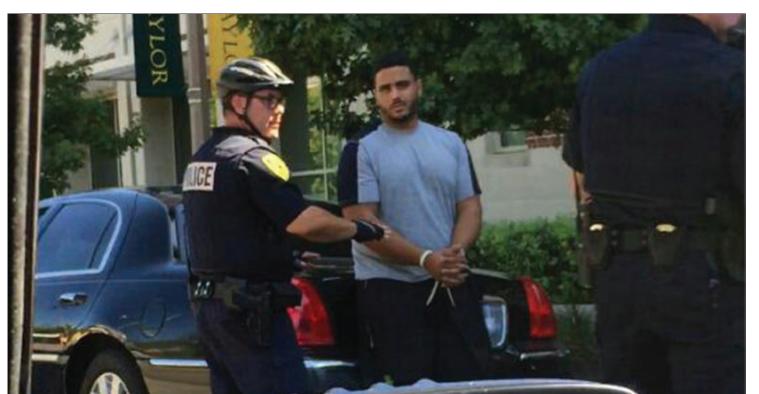
Waco faces clown threats

MCKENNA MIDDLETON

Page One Editor

Waco is the latest in a long list of towns around the country to report threats of "creepy clowns."

Waco ISD received death threats against two local high



school campuses via social media on Sept. 29. A 14-yearold Waco High School freshman confessed to creating a fake Facebook account to post the threat as a joke after being taken into custody for questioning on Wednesday afternoon, said Bruce Gietzen, Waco ISD director of communications, in a Facebook statement Wednesday.

"All along, we did not think the threat was a credible threat. We did have a few parents take their kids out of school that day," Gietzen told the Lariat. "The well-being of our students and staff is our number one concern. We have security in place, and we take every threat seriously. We want to make every campus safe for our employees and students. We will use every means necessary to alert parents if threats are credible."

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Katie Mahaffey | Broadcast Reporter

ARRESTED Baylor Police arrest Rami Hammad, former Baylor football player, on a criminal trespassing charge at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday on campus.

Former Baylor football player charged with criminal trespassing

GAVIN PUGH Digital Managing Editor

Baylor Police arrested former Baylor football player Rami Hammad on campus Wednesday on charges of criminal trespassing. He was arrested around 12:30 p.m. and booked into McLennan County Jail.

Hammad was an offensive linemen for Baylor's football team. He played a total of 13 games as a sophomore in 2015, according to a report by the Waco Tribune-Herald. He did not enroll in classes for the fall semester.

Hammad's bail will be set today when the judge returns to the courthouse, a representative from McLennan County Jail said.

Hammad was also arrested in August for a felony stalking charge against a Baylor student, the Tribune-Herald reported.

"The woman told Hammad, a 21-year-old junior from Irving, to leave before she went into the class, but he waited for her outside, according to the affidavit," the Tribune-Herald reported. "Seeing him waiting, the woman was afraid to leave alone and asked for the professor's help, the affidavit states."

After the two left together, Hammad followed them to the professor's office, the Tribune-Herald reported.

"After unsuccessful calls to

Baylor athletics, the professor and student decided to call police, saying they feared for their safety, according to the affidavit," the Tribune-Herald reported.

Hammad was also accused of sexual assault last fall against a different woman, according to ESPN's "Outside the Lines."

Baylor has not returned phone calls regarding Wednesday's arrest.

Conservative bake sale sparks controversy

MEGAN RULE Staff Writer

The Young Conservatives of Texas Baylor chapter held a controversial bake sale from 2 to 5 p.m. Wednesday on Fountain Mall.

According to a club email from YCT of Baylor, its plan was to hold an equal rights bake sale on campus. The announcement that came out Tuesday afternoon said the focus was to represent equality through pricing for the baked goods.

"Essentially, we will have a sign with all the different skin colors, and yet everyone will be charged the same price," the announcement said. "Our focus will be demonstrating how affirmative action is at odds

with equal rights."

However, this announcement received quite a bit of pushback when a screenshot of the email was posted on Facebook. As of Monday when the announcement was emailed, the event was not preapproved by Matt Burchett, director of student activities, creating some trouble for YCT of Baylor in the 24 hours leading up to the event. At 11 a.m. Monday, the group submitted a request for a bake sale, Burchett said.

"We were not notified of the extra content that was involved with the bake sale, which is why we engaged in further conversation," Burchett

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CONTROVERSIAL COOKIES The Young Conservatives of Texas at Baylor held a bake sale from 2 to 5 p.m. Wednesday on Fountain Mall.

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LARIAT LETTER Churches are an essential part of Waco life

Michael Incavo's letter run on Oct. 4 addresses an important problem - homelessness - but he ends up revealing a great deal of naivety on the subject of religion and the economy. His letter is one-sided, offering specific information on the benefits of working at a Church's Chicken while offering only his personal anecdotes about how local churches fail to address homelessness. Are Church's Chicken restaurants really directly dealing with the issue of homelessness? Doubtful. Are local churches really doing nothing? Also doubtful. Please provide evidence, Mr. Incavo, that local pastors (and more importantly, their congregations) are "nowhere to be found."

A further, and perhaps more important issue, is the author's failure to account for the economic and social value of religious congregations nationally and globally. Are they simply a "\$71 billion-dollar drain?" Literally hundreds, if not thousands of academic studies address the social and economic value of congregations. A scholarly journal on religion, spirituality and health says that consistent religious attendance boosts the immune system, decreases blood pressure, reduces all-cause mortality, provides social support, encourages healthy behaviors like reduced tobacco and alcohol consumption, decreases depression, promotes flourishing - I could go on with dozens of other outcomes. All of these have a direct economic impact in terms of health and productivity.

Not only that, but in his book "American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us," Harvard professor and scientist Robert

Give us more turkey time

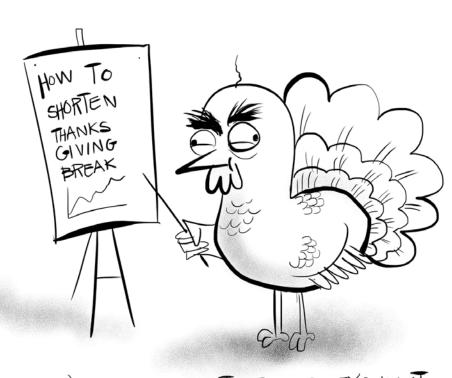
savor the days we are excused from classes. The same zeal with which we used to anticipate Christmas day as children is now applied to every benign holiday between the first day of classes and finals. We plan for these days and revel in them, whether we use them to sleep, catch up on homework or just to de-stress.

As students, we

That being said, Baylor's traditional fall break, a schoolinvented holiday that cancels classes on a seemingly random mid-semester Friday, is simply a one-day extension of a normal weekend thrown in to appease overworked students. Students, faculty and staff alike would be better

served if Fall Break was nixed in favor of a full-week break for the Thanksgiving holiday.

This year, fall break falls on Oct. 21, almost two months after Labor Day and almost a month before Thanksgiving break. In 2015, it fell on Oct. 30. While many of us have assumed that fall break is intended to give students a chance to regroup before midterms, this date is often after the typical midterm period, and even when it does fall closer to the traditional midterm dates, professors often attempt to



THAT'S PROBABLY WHAT THE TURKEY'S WANT. BUT WHAT DO STUDENTS WANT?

schedule tests before the break so that students can relax over the long weekend.

While we do appreciate the break, the three-day weekend is too short for students to really take advantage of the class-free day. For students who live out of state, fall break isn't long enough to be worth the money to fly home, and its place in the middle of the semester often means that students are feeling the pressure in their classes and will opt to spend the weekend studying instead of de-stressing.

Many students face some of the same challenges in regards to the Thanksgiving holiday. Traditionally, Baylor designates the preceding Wednesday Thanksgiving as the beginning of the break, giving students, faculty and staff five days of vacation, including the weekend. With airfare skyrocketing near holidays, the short break isn't always enough time to make the trip home worth it to out-of-state students. While some of these students simply spend Thanksgiving in Waco,

others skip Monday and Tuesday classes in order to spend time with their families before the end of the semester.

Instead of two awkwardly short holidays, Baylor should combine the days off, giving students a full week of break over Thanksgiving. This would enable to students to go home and enjoy time with their families over the holiday, as well as give us more time to study before the end-ofyear push.

Nixing fall break in favor of a full week at Thanksgiving would decrease the number of Tuesday/ Thursday classes by one, upsetting Baylor's schedule, but by adding an extra day of Tuesday classes at the end of the semester, pre-finals, would correct the issue. For example,

this year, Baylor ends classes on Monday, Dec. 5. By prolonging classes until Tuesday, Dec. 6, we could compensate for the extra day off over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Ioshua Kim | Cartoonist

We appreciate Baylor's attempts to give us reprieve in the middle of the semester, but it just isn't long enough to be utilized effectively by the student body. Giving up fall break for an extended Thanksgiving holiday would give more students the opportunity to truly enjoy and make use of the break.

COLUMN Why streaming services are better than TV

MCKENNA MIDDLETON Page One Editor

networks the opportunity to sell more expensive ads to a wider variety of companies.

"The possibilities

Putnam demonstrates the essential role religious congregations play in terms of establishing social trust, reducing corruption and increasing respect for laws, all of which in turn promote the kind of relationships necessary for economic transactions to occur. Historically, our own Charles North argues that private property protections established by the Church led to Catholic and Protestant nations providing protections for individual rights which are linked with incentive for individual success. On a global scale, UT sociologist Robert Woodberry has shown in his 2012 article "The Missionary Roots of Liberal Democracy" that missionary efforts spread literacy, technology and civic institutions, all of which have translated directly to the economic growth of host nations.

I applaud Mr. Incavo's interest in the issue of homelessness, and certainly local churches might become more involved, but his letter seems to be more about straw men and "churchy" puns than it is about how the social world actually works.

Blake Kent, Waco Ph.D candidate

I love television, but I never watch TV.

Like millions of Americans, I have switched from watching live-broadcast TV to consuming shows that are exclusively online through streaming services

like Netflix and Hulu.

Preference for streaming services has not only changed how we watch TV, but also what we watch. While network television is forced to keep viewers' attention for an entire week, often relying on cliffhangers and gimmicks, Netflix

originals foster a binge culture, resulting in series that resemble something like a 13-hourlong movie of quality cinematography.

According to a Time Magazine analysis of the 2015 Nielsen's Total Audience Report, 40 percent of Americans, which is more than ever before, are subscribed to these video streaming services. According to the report, 2.6 million households have dumped live TV all together.

From cheesy sitcoms to over-the-top dramas, networks marketed primetime television during the time and with the content that promised to garner the support of the largest audience possible. This diverse demographic gave Of course, there were more experimental shows that turned big successes, such as the original NYPD Blue, that pushed the boundaries of what could be shown on cable TV and still turn a profit for networks.

With the advent of streaming services, the future of TV has acquired the capacity to move away from this cookie cutter notion of television. The possibility for pinpointing demographic information and audience preferences is more exact than ever before. Besides using its data to provide recommendations to viewers, Netflix uses this information to produce its own content in a way that is universally relatable.

With shows like "Master of None," "Love," "Narcos," and "The Fundamentals of Caring," Netflix has been able to analyze viewer preferences to not only provide individual recommendations for consumers, but also produce relatable story lines as well as draw from popular trends to create original content.

"We've always believed there is a universality to great stories. The Internet allows us to share these stories with a global audience, and what we see from the data is how similar our members watch and respond," Cindy Holland, vice president of original content at Netflix said in a recent press release, "The hooked findings give us confidence that there is an appetite for original and unique content all over the world, which is why we're excited to deliver variety in stories to our members, whether they're political dramas from France or musical dramas from the Bronx."

Not limited by time slots or the need to

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appeal to a diverse audience, Netflix can produce content geared toward each individual.

The possibilities of Netflix research and original content development are limitless; the realities are beginning of a new era of television. This new era offers better content and more relatable content. Told more like a long movie than a series, shows such as "Easy" and "Master of None" provide a more realistic portrayal of life. Relatability rather than drama or over-thetop comedy lend to the popularity and ultimate binge culture of Netflix shows, particularly among millennials.

In a world tainted by social media perceptions and skewed versions of reality, there is something remarkably beautiful about the honest truth.

Is there any hope for network television to move in on this type of relatable, engaging, raw television content? A few shows like "Parenthood," "This is Us" and "Modern Family" offer similar types of content on a traditional TV platform. While I enjoy these and other network shows, I still usually watch them on a streaming platform rather than live TV.

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News

Seminar analyzes roots of Islamophobia

TALIYAH CLARK Reporter

Haroon Moghul, a spokesperson on Islamic issues and a voice for the Muslim community, spoke about the roots and longevity of Islamophobia in the first of three seminars over Islam at 6 p.m. Wednesday in 100 Morrison Hall. The series is hosted by the Baylor Indian Subcontinent

with the Ismaili Student Network. Moghul, who is also a writer and commentator for major news networks such as CNN, TIME and the Washington Post, spoke about his life a Muslim-American and how his religious identity became his full time job.

Student Association in partnership

"This is not something I asked for or even intended," Moghul said. "I went to college at NYU, and I got involved in the Muslim student association and I found myself really passionate about it."

Moghul said it is important to have these conversations about crossing racial and religious lines. Considering the state that our world is in now, it is important to him to break up set notions in people's minds.

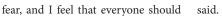
"I chose to come to Baylor, because I have never been here, and I thought it would be a cool opportunity to interact with new people, and right now in this political climate I think it's really important to have these conversations, especially with different people," Moghul said. Many of the audience members resonated with Moghul's personal accounts of the stereotypes he's faced, such as different political figures he's worked with making assumptions about how he would respond to certain issues because of his faith.

Plano junior Sahir Amlani said a lot of the stereotype are fueled by fear and that other faith communities and Muslims should interact more.

"I think the more people get to know each other, the more they learn that we are really not that different," Amlani said.

Dubai freshman Areesha Velani had the same takeaway from the seminar.

"A lot of times, Islamophobia is because of human instinct and



PERSPECTIVE Haroon Moghul, a Muslim-American writer, speaks on the

seminars on Islam at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Morrison Hall.

develop an open mindset of other

religions and other faiths," Velani

causes and effects of Islamophobia in the United States at the first of three

The next seminar on Islam will be held in February 2017.

Black Texas inmate looks to overturn death penalty

MARK SHERMAN Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court left little doubt Wednesday that it will side with a black Texas prison inmate who argues improper testimony about his race tainted his death sentence.

The justices often are divided on death penalty cases, but conservatives and liberals alike agreed that inmate Duane Buck is entitled to a new court hearing.

The only issue in arguments at the high court appeared to be whether to throw out Buck's sentence altogether and order a new hearing. The court also could merely instruct lower courts to decide whether the death sentence can stand.

Buck has been trying for years to get federal courts to look at his claim that his rights were violated when jurors

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😵 Thursday, Oct. 6 | Graduate School Open House

10 a.m. Wondering what's next for your academic or professional career? Visit the **Baylor University Graduate School Open House** to learn more about master's and doctoral programs, meet faculty and current graduate students, learn more about the admissions process and the many resources available to graduate students. Events will be held at various locations. For more information, please email GraduateAdmissions@baylor.edu or visit baylor.edu/graduate.

Thursday, Oct. 6 | 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.

🕃 Friday, Oct. 7 | UBreak

10 a.m. Take a break from your busy schedule for a free breakfast, a cup of coffee and community in the Bill Daniel Student Center, UB Room. Be sure to B.Y.O.M. (bring your own mug) and we'll store it for you for the year!



were tolated when jurois were told by a defense expert witness that Buck was more likely to be dangerous in the future because he is black.

In Texas death penalty trials, one of the "special issues" jurors must consider when deciding punishment is whether the defendant they've convicted would be a future danger.

"What occurred at the penalty phase is indefensible," Justice Samuel Alito said in a comment that was widely shared by the six other justices who asked questions Wednesday. Justice Clarence Thomas asked no questions, as is his custom.

The high court appeal is not a broad challenge to the death penalty in Texas, the nation's leader by far in carrying out 537 executions since the Supreme Court in 1976 allowed capital punishment to resume. Rather, it shows the justices' heightened attention to the process in capital cases, from sentencing to execution. This is especially true in older cases, like Buck's, in which the quality of defense lawyers is at issue.

The New Orleans-based 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals refused attempts by Buck's attorneys to reopen the case, blocking them from moving forward with an appeal contending Buck's constitutional right to a competent lawyer was violated.

Buck's case was among six in 2000 that then-Texas Attorney General John Cornyn in a news release said needed to be reopened because statements by the expert witness, Dr. Walter Quijano, were racially charged. In the other five cases, new punishment hearings were held and each convict again was sentenced to death. Cornyn, a Republican, is now the state's senior U.S. senator.

Saturday, Oct. 8 | Ben Rector concert

7 p.m. Singer-songwriter Ben Rector is performing at Waco Hall, featuring Jacob Whitesides. This is a special, one-night-only concert for students, faculty, staff and alumni. Tickets are \$22-\$30 and can be purchased at the BDSC ticket office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at baylor.edu/tickets or by calling 710-3210.

Monday, Oct. 10 | Better Together BU

4 p.m. Join Better Together BU, a campus group that is part of a national network of people who are passionate about religious and interfaith literacy, sharing stories, working together to solve global issues and becoming better leaders and citizens, in the Ed Crenshaw Student Foundation Center.

Monday, Oct. 10 | Movie Mondays at the Hippodrome: At the Fork Film

7 p.m. In *At the Fork Film*, filmmaker and omnivore John Papola and his vegetarian wife Lisa, offer up a timely and unbiased look at how farm animals are raised for our consumption. Papola asks the tough questions behind every hamburger, glass of milk and baby-back rib. What he discovers are not heartless industrialists, but America's farmers—real people who, along with him, are grappling with the moral dimensions of farming animals for food.

Tuesday, Oct. 11 | Dr Pepper Hour

3 p.m. A Baylor tradition since 1953, enjoy a Dr Pepper float and catch up with friends in the Barfield Drawing Room or at Robinson Tower on the 6th floor.



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According to Waco ISD Police Chief Ken Boatman, the student was charged with making a terrorist threat. Boatman also said both the student and his mother are cooperating with officers.

"I am so proud of the Waco ISD police force for finding the person who caused such a disruption last Friday," Waco ISD superintendent Dr. Bonny Cain said in Wednesday's Facebook statement. "I am grateful to District Attorney Abel Reyna's office for providing subpoenas and to Facebook quickly responding to those legal requests to help determine the identity of that young man."

While there have been dozens of similar "creepy clown" threats made around the country, most of these have turned out to be online pranks.

Sgt. W. Patrick Swanton, Waco Police Department spokesperson, declined to comment, expressing belief that the "creepy clowns" situation is a hoax and a "non-issue."

The first instance of creepy clown sightings originated in late August in Greenville County, S.C., with reports of clowns luring children into the woods by offering them money and lurking around town to scare residents, according to the New York Times. Since then, reports have popped up around the nation in towns and on college campuses.

"In recent weeks, steady police work



Associated Press

CLOWN HOAX After hearing a report that a clown was sighted at Pennsylvania State University, students started rushing towards Penn State's Old Main lawn in search of the clown on Monday

has turned the news around, with 12 people facing charges of making false reports or threats, or chasing people," reported the New York Times. "Other cases seem attributable to children with overactive imaginations, teenagers pulling pranks and others with their own reasons for adding to the hysteria. At least one death has been linked to a clown hoax."

Rumors of residents catching a glimpse of creepy clowns around Waco have circulated social media, but they have yet to be confirmed.

"We take every threat against our schools and students very seriously, and even though we have no indication that this one was credible, our officers went on alert status and increased presence and patrols today at [University High School and Waco High School] and in nearby areas," Gietzen wrote in a Sept. 30 Facebook statement in response to the inital threat. "This is a prime example of the power of social media, and that power is not always used in a good way and can create fear and uncertainty."

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said

When word spread about the bake sale Monday and Tuesday, students took to social media in an uproar. Questions of what it meant to discuss affirmative action and the idea of equality versus equity came into play, as some students felt that this idea was being misconstrued.

According to Petaluma, Calif., junior Brittany Gamlen, vice-chairman of YCT of Baylor, this bake sale has been done across the state of Texas as well as at Baylor before. just not in a while.

The purpose of the bake sale was to raise money for the organization, but in a way that brings awareness to an issue YCT of Baylor thought was important, Gamlen said. Money raised would go toward events such as bringing speakers to campus.

"Basically, we just want to promote the idea of equal rights, and so we believe that affirmative action privileges some people over others based on things such as race," Gamlen said.

The purpose of YCT of Baylor is to bring conservative activism to campus. In this particular case, the club aimed to show that affirmative action gives privileges to individuals based on race in applying for positions in college and the workplace, which they consider to be at odds with the idea of equal rights.

"We agreed that those activities would be reviewed at a later time for another event and would not be included in today's backlash," Burchett said.

The bake sale went on almost as planned Tuesday afternoon. The elements that

were drawing attention on social media were removed from the event once the Student Activities office was made aware of it. According to Burchett, there is a protocol that organizations have to go through when doing fundraisers and on-campus events such as bake sales.

"It is our belief that such preferential treatment [as the potential is detrimental to the development of a free and a colorblind society," Gamlen said. "That concerns us because it is a form of discrimination."

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you cannot comment on

what took place at the

mediation," Dunn said.

"In a desperate attempt

to smear Patty, what

they've done is violated

Texas law. Believe me,

there's nothing I would

rather tell you than what

went on in that mediation

because it's in favor of

Patty, but the law says

that you can't do that

,and we choose to follow

the law, unlike Baylor

their process of handling

sexual assaults is not

perfect but maintains

that they are working to

better their system and

Baylor community, fully

engaged in our ongoing

efforts, to ensure the

university has in place

the processes, policies,

personnel and training

to prevent acts of sexual

violence and respond

compassion to those who

suffer from such acts,"

Baylor's statement said.

"We recognize that our

work on this front will

never be complete, and

we will continue to seek

ways to improve our

response and to actively

support survivors."

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which the Department of Education writes in its guidance for Title IX coordinators in universities," Crawford said.

Baylor released a statement in response to Crawford's comments.

"Baylor University was surprised by the action taken by Patty Crawford given her public comments in August about the strong support she felt from across the University. Her demands in advance of mediation for one million dollars and book and movie rights were troubling," Baylor said in the statement.

In an August interview with the Waco Tribune-Herald, Crawford said the university had an "excellent board that listens and is very supportive," and that she had a "good partnership" with the athletics department.

Crawford was asked about this interview on "CBS This Morning," and she acknowledged good members of the board and good leaders at Baylor but also said there are "a group of seniors that made sure that they were protecting the brand ... instead of our students."

Crawford claimed she was disconnected from meetings and conversations and that Baylor was "making decisions only a Title IX coordinator should make based on protection for the brand."

Crawford's attorney,

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serves, alongside her staff members, on implementation teams focused on the recommendations from Pepper Hamilton."

When Pepper Hamilton conducted a nine-month investigation into Baylor's handling of sexual assault reports by students, it found that Baylor failed to implement Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA).

university failed to take action to identify and eliminate a potential hostile environment, prevent its recurrence or address its effects," Baylor Media Communications said in May of Pepper Hamilton's findings.

Pepper Hamilton Baylor provided with recommendations. 105 As of August, 76 of the recommendations had been completed or are ongoing, according to Tonya Lewis, assistant director of Baylor Media Communications.

processes and systems to ensure we respond effectively and compassionately when students report incidents of sexual violence and seek our help," Garland said in a press release. "We are resolutely committed to continuing our support for Kristan and her team in serving and caring for our students," Garland said.

In the press release, Tucker said the priority for the Title IX Office is educating and serving the Baylor community.

vital that our systems support a fair and equitable Title IX process," Tucker said. "Although I may serve as the Title IX coordinator, this is truly a team effort. We are a unified team, committed to the common goal of addressing the important issues of gender discrimination and interpersonal impacting the Baylor

"Baylor failed to consistently support complainants through the provision of interim measures: and in some cases, the

"We have made rapid progress on these recommendations, which have improved the university's

"The Title IX Office's focus is on our students and the entire Baylor community, ensuring that we provide the resources, support and assistance they need. It is

We community. remain committed to making progress and working with integrity to show leadership through our efforts."

Tucker previously served as senior deputy Title IX coordinator.



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Celebrate the Silobration

MEGAN RULE Staff Writer

The Magnolia Silos will be hosting the three-day Silobration event from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today through Saturday, Silobration celebrates the one year anniversary of moving Magnolias to the Silos. Special after-hour features will also be included in the event full of family fun and sweet treats.

"For us, it's so important to have Texas brands come together and collaborate to support small Texas businesses," said Katherine Couron, owner and maker of Boyd's Farm, a vendor that will be featured at the event.

The Silobration event is something that employees at Magnolia have been preparing for since July. Once Magnolia decided to add vendors, coordination with the city was required in order to shut down a city block and work with nearby residents.

"The experience is super fun from the employee side," said Houston sophomore, Carson Bouckley an employee at Magnolia Market, Carson Bouckley. "We get to meet people from all over the world; recently, we have had lots of customers come from Australia."

Bouckley has been an employee at Magnolia for about a year, as she was hired the first day they were open, Oct. 13, 2015. She began as a sales associate and is now a visual sales associate, working on implementing merchandising presentations. In addition to the vendors that will be there, there will be concerts tonight and Friday night. Johnnyswim will be performing at 6 p.m. both nights and doors will open at 5 p.m.

This concert is the only event that will require a ticket; otherwise; visitors are welcome to come and go. There will also be music featuring Thomas Cscorba and Honest Men at 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. respectively, Saturday on the garden lawn.

Tickets for todays Silobration event and concert can be purchased for \$65 on the Magnolia Market website. Tickets for Friday's event and concert are sold out.

Chip and Joanna Gaines, owners of Magnolia Market and stars of HGTV show, "Fixer Upper," will be making an appearance during the Silobration, as they will be part of the production up on stage at the Johnnyswim concert. However, there will not be an official meet and greet.

This is the second year of the Silobration, which formed last year. Silobration began as a way to celebrate the grand opening for Magnolia, and their move from the Little Shop on Boulevard to the downtown. Within the past year, the grounds of Magnolia have changed completely, including the additions to the store and the newly added bakery, as well as the expansion of the garden. Bouckley is anticipating the event being even better this vear.



Dayday Wynn | Lariat Photographer

CELEBRATE WITH SILOBRATION Families enjoy a sunny day at the Magnolia Silos. The Silobration will be held at the Silos in downtown today through Saturday.

"I am really looking forward to Johnnyswim," said Bouckley. "Their new album is so good, and they're amazing live. Also, Chip repelled down the Silos last year, so it should be fun to see how he tops that."

The event brings not only excitement from seeing the famous couple, but also the exposure for artists and vendors.

Tabitha Paige Schmitt, owner and artist of Fox Hollow Design Co., has been a part of the wholesale at Magnolia for about a year and is excited about more of her artwork being presented this weekend. Schmitt's artwork features a lot of white space and is very light and airy with a clean feel. "I'm excited to be a part of

what Chip and Jo represent with their brand and what their goal is. It works well with my mission as well," Schmitt said. "My goal is to bring beautiful artwork in its most simplistic form into your home."

Both Schmitt and Couron are excited about the nonlocal crowd that will be visiting, as it allows for more exposure of their products.

"My husband and I started the business in April of 2016, and we knew we wanted to support other Texas businesses and provide a good to the San Antonio Community and Texas at large," Couron said.

A full overview and list of all the featured vendors can be found on the Magnolia website. Vendors will be set up along Sixth Street, and all the regular food trucks plus a few new trucks will be supplying food and beverages.

The event will go on rain or shine unless the weather is considered dangerous. Magnolia's store hours will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and Friday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, with after-hours events for concert ticket holders only.

This week in Waco:

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>>Today

9 a.m. — Store opens for Magnolia Silobration event. Magnolia Market Silos

5 p.m. —Student Foundation First-Year Follies: Paint War. Fountain Mall

7:30 p.m. —Baylor Theatre presents Opera Scenes, performing excerpts from famous classical operas such as Mozart and Rossini. The Waco Hippodrome Theater

5:30-7 p.m. —

Opening of TPS:25 The International Competition. Martin Museum of Art

>>Friday

10 a.m. — First Friday in downtown Waco

10 a.m. — UBreak. Bill Daniel Student Center

Follies revamps target audience >>Saturday 8 a.m. – Waco Wild

Reporter

As midterms approach, first-year students can take time to have fun and make a mess from 5 to 6 p.m. today on Fountain Mall.

are campus promotions co-chairs for the Student Foundation. Gentzel and Worsham talked with Lariat TV News about changes made to this Baylor tradition for 2016 international exchange students and any other Baylor students in their first year.

"We really wanted to include all Baylor students in their first year," Worsham said. "There are a lot who come to Baylor as transfer students and still don't feel like they're at home yet, and we want them to feel like they're welcome at these events and that they're a part of the Baylor family." shaving cream and other substances, but this year Student Foundation is revamping the event.

"This year, we've chosen a paint theme," Genzel said. "So first-year students will be split into two teams, each with different colored paints," Gentzel said. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.-Waco Downtown

West 100 Bicycle Tour

First Year Follies, sponsored by the Student Foundation, is an annual tradition in which first-year students blow off some steam by participating in a large paint war after a few weeks of adjusting to life at Baylor.

Kaufman senior Stephen Gentzel and Joaquin senior Olivia Worsham

frudition 101 2010.

"Last year, we found out there were some first-year transfer students who would have enjoyed going to the event," Gentzel said. "They're new to Baylor, just like the freshmen are, but the follies weren't marketed toward them, so we changed the name from Freshman Follies to First Year Follies."

This year, the event is open to freshmen, first-year transfers,

The event has existed in various forms for 38 years, and previous Follies exclusively targeted the freshman class. Some follies incorporated food, He said, students on both teams will be given cups of paint and will then run to the middle to throw paint at the opposing team.

The paints being used are washable, and students are encouraged to wear white to show more color. Farmers Market

8 p.m. — Ben Rector performs featuring Jacob Whitesides. Waco Hall.



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Baylor volleyball sweeps TCU

NATHAN KEIL Sports Writer

Baylor volleyball, in its first nationally televised game of the season, hosted in-state conference rival TCU in a match that paid tribute and brought awareness to those who have fought various forms of cancer. The Bears paid homage to cancer awareness by sharing on the big screen how they have personally been affected by cancer. Then they got down to business, taking care of TCU in straight sets, 25-19, 25-20, 25-19, and getting rid of the sour feeling left by Kansas on Saturday.

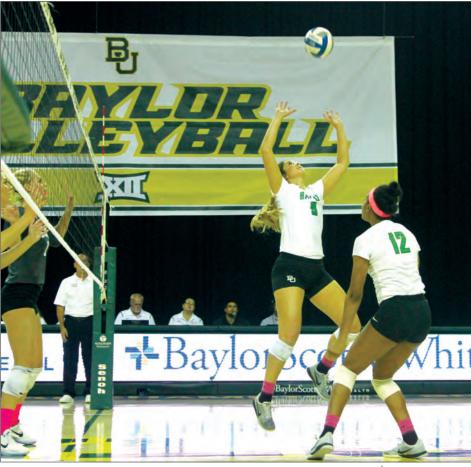
"I think we were all really focused during practice and knew how important this win was in working towards a Big 12 championship," said freshman middle hitter Nicole Thomas. "It was great coming out here and getting it done."

The Bears showed no signs of doubt from the Kansas defeat as they gained and held the momentum from the opening point. Early on in the first set, after going back and forth, Baylor used a 6-1 run to gain a healthy margin against the Horned Frogs. TCU did not go away quietly, answering with a 5-2 run of their own to close the gap and keep it competitive. Despite being undersized compared to their opponents, the Bears managed great success in the first set, tallying 13 kills and hitting at a 28 percent clip. Baylor also managed five blocks in the opening set, including their final two points, and closing out the first set 25-19.

Baylor benefited greatly from the enthusiastic crowd at the Ferrell Center. As the moments got bigger and the match got tighter, the atmosphere helped propel the Bears to key points needed to stop TCU's momentum and ultimately put away the Horned Frogs.

"We love the opportunity to have a lot of fans," redshirt junior outside hitter Katie Staiger said. "We love being on ESPN. Our goal is to shine and show that we're playing for something bigger than ourselves, so we love having a lot of people out here."

Baylor grabbed the lead in the second set,



Jessica Hubble | Lariat Photographer

UPSET-MINDED Senior setter Morgan Reeds sets the ball to her teammates Wednesday at the Ferrell Center. The Bears swept TCU, 25-19, 25-20, 25-19.

never relinquishing it on their way to a 25-20 win in the second. The Bears continued to find success at the net, both on the defensive end with the emergence of freshman middle hitter Nicole Thomas as the lead blocker against TCU and the relentless attacking from Staiger.

"How can you not be overjoyed and excited about a great athlete with such great humility in Katie? 23 kills to one error when she is the focal point that everyone is keying on," head coach Ryan McGuyre said. "She is mastering the game beautifully and finding ways to score for us. She has been the difference for us getting into all these tight sets."

Baylor led from start to finish in the third set, once again relying on perfectly timed attacks from Staiger and big plays at the net by both Thomas and senior setter Morgan Reed. Staiger, despite finishing with 23 kills and attacking at almost 50%, is quick to pass the credit on to her teammates.

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"Morgan is doing a great job putting the ball where I want it. We have good chemistry," Staiger said. "We've been playing together for a while, so we have that connection, and it all starts with the pass. Morgan is making good decisions and setting the ball well."

The Bears were able to control the net play and keep balls alive off the Horned Frogs' attacks which created opportunities for Staiger and sophomore outside hitter Aniah Philo, who finished with 10 kills. TCU came in with a distinct height advantage, however the Bears rose to the challenge.

"Our team has been very attentive. We've overachieved in blocking," McGuyre said. "We've made a mentality. We're not huge; we're not big; we're not very physical, but we're relentless. We're trying to get after it and make it happen. We're blocking in a way that is having an impact on what they're doing."

Thomas, as a result of injuries, has had the opportunity to step in and make big plays for Baylor at the net. Tonight against TCU, her ability to rise to the challenge of the bigger attackers and dictate play was on full display.

"We're having a special season. It's been a beautiful thing," McGuyre said. "In order to have a special season, you need special athletes, and Nicole is one of those special athletes. As a freshman, she makes good things happen. She's hungry to learn, and she's intuitive. We are very impressed with her."

Baylor volleyball now has a week to rest and begin preparation for the University of Texas, as the Longhorns will make the trip to the Ferrell Center next Wednesday. The Bears will look to keep their momentum going and avenge a pair of losses to the Longhorns in 2015. After their win tonight, Baylor improves to 15-5, 3-1 and 9-1 at the Ferrell Center. Texas is 12-2 and currently ranks No. 4 in the country. The match is set to begin at 7 p.m.

QB Trevor Siemian sidelined at practice



ARNIE STAPLETON

Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. – Trevor Siemian got the day off, but only as a precaution.

Rookie quarterback Paxton Lynch ran the Denver Broncos' offense at practice Wednesday with Austin Davis also getting some work in while Siemian watched from the sideline, and gave his bruised left shoulder another day to heal.

"With what we did today, I think the other guy needed all of the reps," said coach Gary Kubiak. "Trevor didn't need those reps."

Siemian said he hopes to practice Thursday and certainly plans to be under center Sunday when the Broncos (4-0) host the Atlanta Falcons (3-1).

"I'll see how I feel in the morning," Siemian said.

Kubiak is prepared to give Lynch his first NFL start if he has to, although he's said he would be OK with giving Siemian the nod even if he isn't able to practice during the week.

"I'd take it all the way to game day. I trust Trevor," Kubiak said. "He knows exactly what we're doing and he's very bright. He's on top of everything today. He's a part of the walkthroughs and everything that we're doing so he's on top of everything. We'll just see where he's at physically."

Lynch was impressive in relief Sunday, throwing for 170 yards and a touchdown in sealing Denver's 27-7 win at Tampa after Siemian got hurt.

Siemian, the 250th overall draft pick in 2015, has outdueled top overall picks Cam Newton, Andrew Luck and Jameis Winston along with Andy Dalton, a second-round pick, in his first month as Peyton Manning's successor.



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