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## **Baylor** mourns loss of student

#### **KALYN STORY** Staff Writer

Fergus Falls, Minn., sophomore David Grotberg died Thursday night in a hit-and-run bicycle accident on Franklin Avenue.

Grotberg was a University Scholar, a member of the Honors Residential College community and a participant in the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core. He played trumpet in the Baylor Golden Wave Marching Band, served as president of the Ballroom Dance Society and was involved in Alliance Bible Church in Waco.

"We are devastated by the news of David's passing," said Odajima, Isaiah D.M.A., associate professor and associate director of bands in the School of Music, in an press release. "David was a bright, shining star



within the Golden Wave Band. He was a selfless young man, a giver of enormous positivity and energy. He was a servant leader within our band family. He loved the band, he loved Baylor, and above all else, he loved the Lord. He will be dearly missed."

Patrick Sgt. W. Swanton. spokesperson for Waco Police



VIRTUAL NIGHTMARE In this Sept. 27 photo released by Universal Orlando, an unidentified woman, left, experiences the new immersive interactive experience, "The Repository," at Universal Orlando Resort in Orlando, Fla. The Baylor film and digital media department is exploring the opportunities to use this technology in the future.

# **Exploring virtual reality**

### Baylor film and digital media studies new technology

#### **KELSEA WILLENBROCK** Reporter

Until recently, virtual reality technology was just a "what if" question. Baylor University graduate students and professors are exploring "what if" possibilities with different virtual reality technologies and are researching their potential applications.

Baylor's film and digital media department, along with the computer science department, has created a major where students explore how virtual reality video games change the gaming experience.

"We combine the strengths of faculty in both departments to produce some really excellent future game designers," said Dan Shafer, associate professor in the department of film and digital media.

The major, called game development, focuses on learning about the software that goes into gaming and the technology associated with it. Students coming out of this major acquire knowledge in both areas.

"My experience is that students in computer science who have some media background go out of school and start at higher

salaries than their peers," said Dr. Michael Korpi, a professor in the film and digital media department.

In addition to the partnership with the computer science department, graduate students studying film and digital media have the opportunity to interact with the virtual reality technology and software as they learn how it works.

"We are always looking for what the next technology changes are going to be," Korpi said.

## **Central Texas Food Bank receives funding**



Lariat File Photo

FOOD PANTRY Ross resident Lois Anderson helps distribute food at the Shepherd's Heart Pantry in Waco on Sept. 26, 2013. Shepherd's Heart will be one of several organizations in McLennan County to receive support from a new grant given to Central Texas Food Bank.

### **MEGAN RULE**

Staff Writer

The Central Texas Food Bank received a \$15,907 investment from the Caterpillar Foundation, a philanthropic organization. These funds will be used to provide food to individuals facing hunger in McLennan County.

"Hunger is an issue in every community," said Hank Perret, president and CEO of the Central Texas Food Bank. "We are thankful to the Caterpillar Foundation for its commitment to fighting hunger and supporting children and families in need in McLennan County."

The Central Texas Food Bank provides food and groceries to almost 46,000 people each week with the

help of nearly 300 partner agencies, according to an information sheet from the food bank.

This grant will provide more than 63,000 meals, Perret said. The Central Texas Food Bank serves 21 counties in Central Texas and is based in Austin.

"Central Texans face impossible choices and make painful sacrifices that prevent them from accessing healthy, nutritious food," said a fact sheet from the Central Food Bank of Texas. "As a result, many turn to the food bank for help in emergencies or as part of their regular meal planning."

Mark Jackson, chief development officer of the Central Texas Food Bank, has been working toward nourishing hungry people for more than six years. Jackson said the

Central Texas Food Bank submitted a proposal to the Caterpillar Foundation about how the funds would be used. The Caterpillar Foundation, as a part of Feeding America, provides grants to food banks across the country, and the Central Texas Food Bank was one of the organizations to receive funding.

"This is a really important relationship for us because we are located physically in Austin, but we are the food bank for McLennan country and the other 20 counties in Central Texas," Jackson said. "We certainly struggle with awareness in McLennan County."

The Caterpillar Foundation is the philanthropic foundation of

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### **RAE JEFFERSON** News Editor

Baylor named Doug Welch as the university's chief compliance officer on Friday morning.

Since 2006, Welch has served as associate general counsel at Baylor. Now, as chief compliance officer, Welch will report to the office of the president and ensure the university adheres to federal law and university policies. This position was one of 105 recommendations made by Pepper Hamilton following its investigation of Baylor's mishandlings of sexual assault cases.

"I am honored to accept the role of chief compliance officer and humbled by the trust the senior administration has placed in me," Welch said in a statement from the university. "I look

**Baylor appoints chief compliance officer** 

forward to this new challenge, which will allow me to continue fostering solid working relationships already in place across campus, well as new building ones in the effort

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to carry out the university's mission."

Welch will focus on forming a compliance center to help Baylor continue its work in research, athletics, Equal Employment Opportunity, Title IX and Clery compliance, according to the statement. He will also lead compliance training for faculty, staff and students at Baylor.

"Doug Welch is a highly qualified attorney with an expertise in the areas of compliance and higher education," said Baylor Interim President David E. Garland in the statement. "His leadership will enable the university to continue to make rapid progress on the recommendations and foster a culture of compliance throughout the university."

The role of chief compliance officer was created following the conclusion of the independent Pepper Hamilton investigation last school year, which criticized the university's handling of sexual assault cases.

On May 26, the university formally announced the creation of the full-time chief compliance officer position in a press release in response to Pepper Hamilton's recommendations.

"Baylor failed to consistently support complainants through the provision of interim measures; and in some cases, the 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 a May press release, referring to Pepper Hamilton's findings.

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### EDITORIAL Lifetime fitness classes take too much time

If you look on the Major Academic Planner (MAP) for a B.A. in journalism, it lists of four required courses under the category of lifetime fitness. According to Baylor University's department of Health, Human Performance and Recreation, "The purpose of the Division of Lifetime Fitness for non-major students is to provide health education, physical fitness education, and recreation education activities that will provide mental, physical, social, and leisure time preparation for lifetime fitness for all students."

However, while lifetime fitness is meant to be an outlet for students to de-stress and take some time to focus on being healthy, for most of us it just adds unnecessary stress to an already hectic schedule.

First, it takes up several schedule blocks that students may need to complete their major in a reasonable amount of time. Four classes of lifetime fitness spread out over eight semesters may seem fairly reasonable, but let's look at the math. The average

bachelor of arts major must take a minimum of 124 credit hours, which adds up to roughly 40 general education and major specific classes, not counting the lifetime fitness courses. While this may seem like a reasonable number, many students also carry a minor, or are in an advanced or intensive track for their major. Adding extra classes into our schedule, ones that are not immediately connected to our



degree plan, seems like an added burden.

If lifetime fitnesses were purely based off of class attendance and participation, perhaps it would not be so intrusive to students' schedules. However, many lifetime fitnesses are not focused on mental, physical or social relaxation for students because the classes themselves have required assignments, lectures and even tests. For a pre-med student who is already spending hours studying for biology, organic chemistry and anatomy, taking valuable time to study for a relaxation test seems utterly ridiculous. These superfluous tests not only waste students' time, but they can also impact students' transcripts negatively if they do not do well. If Baylor wants to keep lifetime fitnesses as a part of their basic course load, at least take out required examinations.

For some programs such as BIC, students get credits for lifetime fitness courses. However, if a

student is a double major, many times they are still required to take the courses, even though they are taking just as many classes (if not more) than BIC students. Allowing for alternative courses that align with the majors to replace lifetime fitness credits would be a viable alternative for students on a time crunch.

Not only that, but many students are involved in club sports or athletics, and they are still required to take lifetime fitnesses. Students on the Baylor Crew team wake up at 5 a.m. and practice for two hours. This doesn't include the time they spend competing, which can last for up to two days. Students who are staying this active shouldn't be required to take extra classes just to fulfill a requirement.

Baylor is full of active, involved and committed students. Requiring them to take lifetime fitnesses purely because it is supposed to encourage healthy lifestyles seems like a good idea, but it can end up doing more harm than good for students who are trying to graduate with difficult and time-intensive degrees. Offering

alternative credit hours to students who need the time for their majors, or accepting club sports as fulfillment of the standard, would allow students to de-stress and actually enjoy their activities.

For students that find lifetime fitnesses useful, continue to encourage their participation, but don't deny others the ability to make our four years as productive as possible.

### COLUMN

### Perfectionism isn't all that

KARYN SIMPSON Copy Desk Chief



I've never been one to take the easy way out. Give me the black diamond slopes, the late-night shifts that bleed into early morning alarms and the questions with no simple answers. I thrive on challenges, high expectations may be (read: pathway), and I can't very well trek towards perfection if I don't at least attempt to perfect all aspects of my life (read: lifestyle). The problem with this view? Perfectionism isn't a way of life, it's a way of avoiding life.

Perfectionism allows us to be singular in our mindsets, but it also isolates us in our minds. It gives us the willpower to push forward despite the setbacks, to face challenges head on and with fists

### **COLUMN**

### Trump tape isn't surprising

**GAVIN PUGH** Digital Managing Editor



I wanted to be shocked to read Donald Trump's lewd comments from 2005 when they were leaked on Friday. I wanted to be horrified to find "It is clear Trump's lack of character is deeply rooted, and it is made clearer by the leaked tape."

Trump's belittling and bullying stretches back as far as he has been in

and the pursuit of goals, and I've shaped my mind around a Latin word I stumbled across in high school and haven't forgotten since: meliora — ever better.

Like the adage that reads, "Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars," I shoot for perfection in hopes of landing somewhere between the thresholds of "good" and "great." No breaks are allowed in my pursuit. No backwards steps. No grace.

And I know I'm not the only one.

This goal of perfection is a carrot on a string before the noses of so many college students, enticing us to keep running, stumbling, clawing our way forward. With every minor success, we tell ourselves we are almost there, that we are nearing the finish line, that perfection is just a heartbeat, a step, a breath away. We see perfection as the route to the life we hope to one day have, and we equate contentment with settling for less than the best. We tell ourselves we'd be bored without this constant trek, and maybe that's true, but I refuse to believe that life is nothing more than an insatiable discontentment with our present circumstances, our present selves.

For so long, I have regarded perfectionism as both a lifestyle and a pathway. Only by aiming for perfection can I achieve my true goals, whatever they raised, to continue placing one foot in front of the other towards our goals, but it simultaneously blinds us to our successes, allowing us to only see our failures and where we could possibly improve. The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines perfectionism as "a disposition to regard anything short of perfection as unacceptable." This disposition helps us hold ourselves accountable to our goals and aspirations but also keeps us from ever truly being good enough.

In simpler terms: perfectionism is a lens through which we can see only how far we have to go and not how far we've come. It's the coattails of a shadow, tempting us forward just to dance out of our grasp again and again. It's smoke, visible only long enough to keep us chasing after it.

Please don't misunderstand me: I am not saying not to set goals. We are students, and accomplishing goals — both large and small — is how we progress through college and into adult life. So by all means, aim for the moon and land among the stars, but don't allow the constant, looming desire to be ever better overshadow what matters most in the present. We deserve an inch of slack. We deserve a breath and the chance to admire how far we've come. We deserve grace. Perfection is a myth, and wasting our lives in its pursuit will only leave us exhausted long before the end.

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that the Republican presidential nominee would speak about groping women and

kissing them without their consent in such a coarse, degrading way. However, this is the type of behavior I've come to expect from Trump ever since he announced his campaign last summer, and I am certain I am not alone in this sentiment.

His words prove his misogyny, like when he suggested in graphic detail that Megan Kelly was menstruating during the first GOP debate. His words also prove his unprofessionalism, like when he repeatedly interrupted Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in both presidential debates. His words prove he lacks a filter, like when he said he could "stand in the middle of Fifth Avenue and shoot somebody" and still not lose voters.

Trump has repeatedly referred to the leaked tape as "locker room banter." This statement is accurate; I can only imagine those types of conversations being had in a locker room of teenage boys – clamoring to impress each other with their vulgarity. He said it was a conversation had in private, and that it doesn't reflect upon his character. Yet aren't those conversations held behind closed doors the ones where we truly reveal ourselves? He said Bill Clinton has said worse to him before. This is hardly a defense, as Clinton's lewdness made him go down in infamy and proves that the population doesn't condone such behavior. the public spotlight. He called former Miss Universe Alicia Machado "Miss Housekeeping" and "Miss Piggy" in the '90s and has since defended his slurs. He mocked the appearance of Serge Kovaleski, a disabled reporter for the New York Times. He brushed off Sen. John McCain's time as a prisoner of war, where he was tortured.

It is clear Trump's lack of character is deeply rooted, and it is made clearer by the leaked tape. What Trump said about how he treats women describes sexual assault. Despite Trump's excuses, sexual assault and his degrading comments about women are nothing to joke about. Such words don't belong in the locker room. Such words don't belong on the golf course. And such words certainly don't belong in the Oval Office.

Judging from the electorate's reaction to Trump's previous behavior, those who have decided to vote for him probably won't change their mind after reading about the leaked tape. But those who don't intend to vote, I urge you to reconsider. You don't have to vote for Clinton, as there are still third party candidates. You can also write in a name if you don't like any of those options. Don't think of it as throwing away your vote, but think of it as a statement that you don't condone such mistreatment of women. It's time to move away from a culture of violence and gender inequality - one that Baylor and universities across the nation are too familiar with.

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Associated Press

**LOCKER ROOM LANGUAGE** Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump speaks during a campaign rally on Monday in Ambridge, Pa. After a video of Trump making predatory sexual comments surfaced, many GOP leaders are withdrawing their support.

# Ryan withdraws support for Trump

JULIE PACE, ERICA WERNER AND STEVE PEOPLES Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Paul Ryan, the nation's top elected Republican, effectively abandoned Donald Trump on Monday, telling anxious fellow lawmakers he will not campaign for or defend the floundering businessman in the election's closing weeks. Pro-Trump members rebelled in anger, accusing Ryan of conceding the election to Hillary Clinton.

Indeed, Ryan said he would devote his energy to ensuring Clinton doesn't get a "blank check" as president with a Democratic-controlled Congress, according to people on his private conference call with GOP House members. While the Wisconsin Republican did not formally rescind his own tepid endorsement of Trump, he told lawmakers they were free to do just that and fight for their own re-election.

Trump fired back on Twitter, saying Ryan "should spend more time on balancing the budget, jobs and illegal immigration and not waste his time on fighting Republican nominee."

Trump retained the backing of the Republican National Committee, which has overseen crucial field efforts for the candidate in battleground states. On a conference call with RNC members, chairman Reince Priebus said the party remains in complete coordination with Trump.

"Everything is on course," Priebus said, according to a participant in the call.

Still, Ryan's announcement

underscored the perilous predicament Republicans find themselves in one month from Election Day. Recent revelations of Trump's predatory sexual comments about women deepened the worries among GOP officials who fear he'll drag down their own electoral prospects in November. But others look at Trump's loyal bands of supporters and see no way for Republicans in other races to win without their support.

Trump himself made no reference to Ryan and the GOP defections at a Pennsylvania rally, except perhaps one line that could apply to fleeing Republicans as well as the Democrats.

"The last 72 hours has framed what this election is all about. It's about the American people fighting back against corrupt politicians who don't care about anything except for staying in power," he said.

# California, Texas failed to report all shootings

#### **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

HOUSTON — Hundreds of police departments in Texas and California failed to report officer-involved shooting deaths as required by law in the past decade, a recent study found.

Research by Texas State University in San Marcos found registries created by the two states to report all in-custody deaths did not list about 220 use-of-force fatalities in Texas and 440 in California from 2005-2015, the Houston Chronicle reported Monday.

The Texas and California attorney general's offices and police officials in both states confirmed to the newspaper that many cases were missing.

"We're not really blaming anyone — this is an incredibly complex problem," said Howard Williams, one of the Texas State University professors who conducted the study. But he said it's hard to change policy, improve training or purchase new equipment "when you simply lack the data to even know what's going on."

Texas and California are the only states to require reporting of all in-custody deaths, including jail deaths and officer-involved shootings, according to the newspaper. In each state, the attorney general's office collect reports. Failing to report a death at the hands of a police officer is a misdemeanor in Texas; there is no penalty in California.

Brenda Gonzalez, a spokeswoman for the California Attorney General's Office, said in an email that her office already has been asking police agencies to file missing reports but added California's custodial death reporting law has "no explicit enforcement mechanism."

In addition to requiring reports on use-of-force and incustody deaths, both California and Texas also recently passed new laws requiring departments to report all shooting incidents, whether those shot survive or die. In Texas, the new police shooting law took effect in 2015 and the attorney general's office has contacted all departments and tried to boost compliance with both laws, said Kayleigh Lovvorn, an office spokeswoman. But enforcement falls to individual district attorney's offices.

The Houston Police Department had the most unreported cases of any Texas department, with 16 fatalities missing from its custodial death registry. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Fresno Police Department failed to report the most officer-involved shooting deaths in California.



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Dr. Corey Carbonara, professor of film and digital media and senior research fellow, works with the students and the various virtual reality technologies that the department has available.

"We have some experiences where you can go to a real roller coaster and put that [virtual reality] experience on and experience it yourself," Carbonara said. "You have this added dimension where you feel all the timing of what you are moving through, and it will bring you into another world, so that's an interesting mixed reality."

While students are intrigued by the technology and the potential it has to affect daily life, Shafer is not sure it will affect much more than gaming in the long run.

The virtual reality research that Carbonara and Shafer work on has also had an influence beyond Baylor's campus. Other professors at the university, including Korpi, take the research and share it with technology, gaming and film companies across the nation.

While studying at Baylor, students have the opportunity to work with professionals and innovative technology that will help them in their own professional careers.

"The new frontier is really exciting, but we're really excited about the fact that there is an acknowledgement from the industry that we actually are a place of research that they want to partner with," Carbonara said.

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Department, said Friday that investigators are looking for the vehicle that struck Grotberg, but have made no arrests.

### **Minor Accident Near Campus**



Liesje Powers| Photo Editor

WACO WRECK A car accident on Third Street and Dutton Avenue around 3:10 p.m. left one woman injured and the intersection closed for a short period of time. A Baylor student was turning left off of Third Street onto Dutton Avenue when he hit a vehicle that was traveling northeast on Dutton Avenue. The woman sitting in the passenger seat of the vehicle that was struck was taken to a hospital in an ambulance. No one else was injured.

### **School of Social Work to host preview day**

### **TALIYAH CLARK**

Reporter

Baylor's Diana R. Garland School of Social Work will hold its annual Master's Preview Day for prospective students at 10 a.m. Oct. 28 at its building in downtown Waco.

This year, students will tour the social work building as well as downtown Waco. Prospective students will also participate in three breakout sessions that include presentations from current master's of social work students, information about the advanced placement track and a mock classroom experience with faculty, said Dr. Crystal Diaz-Espinoza, director of enrollment and alumni services for the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work.

Diaz-Espinoza said preview day is open to everyone.

"A student can major in any field and apply," Diaz-Espinoza said. "What we're looking for in [prospective students] is an understanding about what social work is and a commitment to learning about the field."

Plano resident Lizzie Davis, dual master of social work and master of divinity graduate student, said her experience in the School of Social Work has been phenomenal.



Liesje Powers | Photo Editor

SOCIAL EVENT The Master's Preview Day will take place at 10 a.m. Oct. 28 at the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work building in downtown Waco.

gender and globalization and other topics that influence the community that we work with," Davis said.

Fort Worth resident Zeke Morgan, who is getting his dual master's degree in business administration and social

"The dual program was perfect for me because I really care about real estate development, especially in downtown areas, and this program allows me to get the economic and relational skills I need to work in students who are interested in the master's program to apply by Feb. 1.

Students who apply by this deadline are automatically eligible for a graduate assistantship and are also eligible for the program's most

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As of press time Monday, Waco police had not responded to a call inquiring updates on the case.

Police were sent around 10 p.m. Thursday to the 3100 block of Franklin Avenue after a caller reported that a vehicle struck a bicycle.

According to KWTX, investigators learned that Grotberg had been riding his bicycle eastbound along Franklin with his girlfriend when he was struck by a vehicle.

"Witnesses told officers that a white vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed eastbound and struck the male on his bike causing fatal injuries," KWTX quoted Swanton saying in an early Friday morning press release.

Swanton said the vehicle never stopped and continued eastbound on Franklin Avenue.

Tribune-The Waco Herald reported that shortly after 10 p.m., Grotberg was taken to Baylor Scott & White Hillcrest Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

"We mourn this profound loss," Baylor University Golden Wave Band's page Facebook posted Friday afternoon. "We offer our prayers to his family and friends and we ask for your thoughts and prayers as we proceed through this difficult time. David, we love you and we will miss you dearly."

The Honors Residential College held a gathering for support and prayer for fellow students, faculty and staff who knew Grotberg at 4 p.m. Friday in the Alexander Reading Room.

"I have really enjoyed my [class of students] and diving deep into hard conversations on things like race,

work, chose the social work program because he is passionate about real estate development in the inner city.

downtown development," Morgan competitive financial aid packages. said.

Diaz-Espinoza encourages

### **FOOD BANK** from Page 1

construction company, Caterpillar Inc., and was created to make a positive impact in local communities. The grant will only be used in McLennan County. Jackson said gifts like these have a huge impact on the food bank, and he and his organization are grateful for the Caterpillar Foundation.

"The Caterpillar Foundation is committed to

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alleviating poverty in the communities in which we live and work," said Michele Sullivan, president of the Caterpillar Foundation. "We are proud to partner with the Central Texas Food Bank to support our neighbors in McLennan County who may not know where their next meal will come from."

The grant that the Central Texas Food Bank received is specific to the mobile pantry program, where the food bank directly distributes to the clients themselves. This fills in the gaps that the partner agencies are unable to cover. The food distribution is set up in a parking lot and is an essential program for the food bank because it is a way for them to make sure that they can do more and make sure to get food on the table if there

are areas that aren't receiving food.

Moving forward, the Central Texas Food Bank is looking to have more awareness events, but the geographic divide between Austin and McLennan County makes this difficult. However, according to Jackson, the food bank wants the McLennan community to know that it is committed to

working to ensure everyone in Central Texas has enough food on the table.

"One of our organizational goals is to increase awareness and increase support from McLennan County, so a gift of this size for that area means so much to us and allows us to draw attention to the great work we're doing there," Jackson said.





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# Silobrate a fun weekend

#### **CHRISTINA SOTO** Broadcast Reporter

Magnolia hosted its second annual "Silobration" Thursday through Saturday. The weekend was full of fun family events including lawn games, street vendors and food trucks.

The vendor fair served as a way for local businesses in Waco to promote their stores, sell their products and tell their stories. The businesses ranged from antique shops to boutiques and arts shops.

Among the vendors was the pottery store Black Oak Art. One of their potters, Chad Pessarra, made cups and vases at the event. Pessarra considers pottery a passion rather than work.

"I met art, and it kind of changed my life from then," Pessarra said. "I played football in high school. I messed up my hands really bad. I started doing art ... and I actually got a lot of feeling back in my fingers ... I really saw this as an avenue for a lot of people."

The Silobration not only united several local Waco businesses, but also attracted people from across the country. Chip and Joanna Gaines build their fans from their show on HGTV, Fixer Upper. Attendees traveled from Wisconsin, California and many other states.

"We came last year in the pouring rain when they first opened, but it was so much fun," Cedarburg, Wis., resident Trena Bloomquist said. "My husband and I and my daughter are just very big fans of the show. We love it ... and that's why we came."

Chip and Joanna Gaines began the Silobration with trivia games



LET'S SILOBRATE (Left) The winner of the game show poses on his prize motorcycle with the donors and Chip and Joanna. (Right) Lead singers of Johnnyswim perform Friday at the Silobration. The concert was sold out online, which was illustrated through the big crowd at the Silos as Wacoans and people from out of town joined to celebrate.

and an eating contest. Only die-hard Fixer Upper fans knew the answers to questions like, "What is the name of our dog?" The winner left with a Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

The couple then shared their story and mission. They said it was not easy to get to where they are today. Chip shared their goal for Magnolia: for it to be a place where families can come to have fun and relax.

"The tough moments are what makes us who were are. Fight through them. There is something on the other side, there is hope just around the corner. If anyone can relate to that, keep your head up, You're going to make it," Chip said.

Chip also said that people have asked if they were going to fix houses in places other than Waco. He said he and Joanna made a promise to keep family first and not let their business determine their life. Therefore, they will not be flipping houses throughout the country, he said.

However, Joanna announced that they will be releasing a book soon.

"Every time you come back, we want something new to tie you back. We want you to feel connected, and we want you to have fun," Chip said.

**ONLINE EXTRAS** 

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### **This week** in Waco:

### >> Today

5 p.m. – Mental Wellness Break with snacks, puzzles and encouraging words. Baines Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center

**7:30 p.m.** — A Capella Choir in Jones Concert Hall

### >> Wednesday

7 p.m. – Baylor Volleyball vs. Texas. Free T-shirt and candy bar given to the first 1,000 Baylor students. Ferrell Center

### >> Thursday

7:30 p.m. - Baylor School of Music's Jazz Ensemble, Jones Concert Hall

# Ben Rector fills Waco Hall with energy

#### **SETH JONES** Reporter

Ben Rector and Jacob Whitesides performed Saturday at Waco Hall as a part of Rector's tour, "The Biggest Tour I've Done So Far." Waco Hall was almost full, with

Baylor students and non-Baylor students alike gathering to see the headline artist, Ben Rector.

### CONCERT REVIEW

most of the crowd was there to see Rector, Whitesides showed that he has the legs to make it big in the music industry by getting the crowd to react positively to his performance.

Whitesides and his band played as the openers with fewer than 10 songs, but they still managed to get the crowd involved by the end of their set. The crowd was on its feet from start to finish, and at intermission, many audience members rushed to the merchandise table to purchase his music and shirts.

Whitesides put on a show with his energetic performance of upbeat songs that share similar undertones with Rector's music. As Whitesides builds a fan base throughout the tour, the 18-year-old will grow as an artist and a performer by seeing how Rector interacts with crowds.

When Rector took the stage, the audience responded with the same energy that they bring when the Baylor football team scores a touchdown. The entire room erupted with applause. While most big-name performers can illicit that reaction initially, few can keep that level of energy consistent throughout the concert, and that is precisely what Rector did.

made it as high as 82 on Billboard's "The Hot 100" list. The crowd expected him to play his popular hit, but it's what they didn't expect that made the concert so fun.

At many points throughout the show, the multitalented Rector switched instruments for certain songs. The most noteworthy change he made was a cowbell. That's right, a cowbell. And if that wasn't already strange enough, he was doing so during a cover of the Jackson 5's No. 1 hit song from 1970, "ABC." Rector goes outside of normal concert expectations, and that is the kind of thing that makes people want to go to one of his performances.

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Rector's charisma set the tone for the show. Every time he spoke, when he wasn't singing, it was to make a joke or to say something to make the audience laugh.

"He's very personable and down to earth when he talks. You can tell that he's very humble, and I think that's really cool," Bartonville sophomore Courtney Bishop said. "You really feel like you're getting to know him as you listen to his music." Rector makes sure his shows are more than just music by turning them into experiences. By adding humor and his trademark personality to Saturday night's show, he gave fans in attendance a memorable night and another reason to keep coming to his shows.

Even before he took the stage, Rector's quirky nature and charismatic style were evident as he tweeted at a fan from backstage, announcing that he was busy watching football. That sort of humor and personality is what crowds love about Rector.

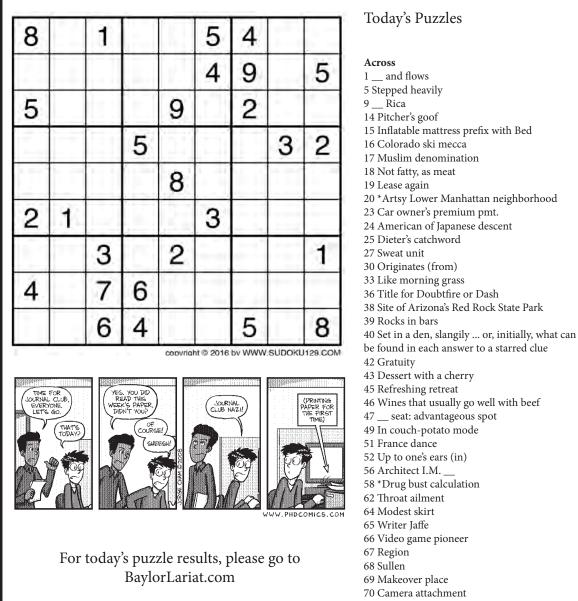
"He's just himself up there on stage, which is really admirable," Boerne freshman Mack Vaught said.

Although it's safe to assume that

"I'd never heard of him before, but I was pleasantly surprised when I listened to his music, and I really enjoyed it a lot," North Little Rock sophomore Alysha Martinez said.

As expected, he played many of his most popular songs, including his newest hit song "Brand New," which

In the middle of a song, Rector broke into the "Cha-Cha Slide" and led the entire audience through the dance, reminding the college students



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# **OSU** marching band pays its respects

### **MEGHAN MITCHELL**

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The Oklahoma State University Marching Band paid respect Saturday to Baylor Fergus Falls, Minn. sophomore David Grotberg who died Thursday after a hit-and-run bicycle accident.

Although Grotberg, 19, had no direct ties to Oklahoma State, the Cowboys were one of several teams who reached out to pay their respects. Oklahoma University and the University of Texas also reached out.

"Our band director came into our rehearsal on Saturday and told us that several different schools reached out and asked how they could honor David, and they asked if it would be OK if they played the Baylor Alma Mater," said McKinney senior and Golden Wave band member Brianna Taeuber. "He was crying as he told us. I think it warmed everyone's heart to know that the greater band community is reaching out and showing their respect for what happened even though we go through different schools."

On Sept. 24, the Bears hosted the Cowboys, and although the Bears took the football game 35-24, the Cowboys' band said on its Facebook page that they were grateful for the way the Golden Wave Band treated them and hearts ached for the Baylor community when they heard of Grotberg death.

"The Cowboy Marching Band is deeply saddened at the loss of David Grotberg, a trumpet player in the Baylor Golden Wave Band. Our hearts go out to his family, as well as our friends in the Golden Wave Band. They treated our band so wonderfully when we were in Waco a couple of weeks ago, and our CMB [Cowboy Marching Band] members had the opportunity to socialize with Golden Wave Band members during our combined meal time," Cowboy's marching band wrote on Facebook.

Grotberg was a University Scholar, and trumpet player in the Baylor University Golden Wave Band.

In the wake of Grotberg's death, the Cowboy Marching Band paid its respects during its game day rehearsal Saturday by learning to play the



Courtesy of Oklahoma State University Cowboy Marching Band

**MUSIC HAS NO BOUNDARIES** The Oklahoma State University Marching Band's trumpet section wears green and gold bandanas Saturday in OSU's home game against lowa State to honor late Baylor Golden Wave Band member David Grotberg who passed away Thursday in a hit-and-run accident while riding his bicycle.

Baylor Alma Mater, "That Good Old Baylor Line." The Cowboy Marching Band trumpet section also wore green and gold bandanas throughout the game against Iowa State.

David's father, Clark Grotberg, spoke on his family's behalf of his appreciation toward Oklahoma State's gestures.

"You have touched us deeply. We are so humbled by the love and support shown by so many," Clark Grotberg wrote on Facebook. "David Grotberg's favorite color is orange even though he wore green and gold with fierce pride. You have showed him great honor in a way that is truly 'David.' Thank you so much!"

Although David is no longer here, Taeuber said he will forever be remembered in the Golden Wave Marching Band.

"We are certainly not going to be forgetting

him anytime soon. Even though I didn't personally know him, you couldn't miss him because of that big smile he always had on his face," Taeuber said. "We are a family. His death has affected all of us, and we are going to have to get through it the way we always get through ittogether. We are going to have to move on the way he would want us to- by never giving up."



