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I-35 bridge to be demolished

ADAM GIBSON

Assistant News Editor

This weekend, Waco's I-35 traffic will be diverted to frontage roads while construction crews demolish the Forrest Street Bridge north of Martin Luther King Boulevard from 4 p.m. Saturday through 10 a.m. Sunday.

The Texas Department of Transportation construction crews and police will be assisting with traffic control in the closure areas. According to Jodi Wheatley, spokeswoman for Texas Department of Transportation in Waco, the demolition of the bridge will take place in several different stages throughout this weekend, beginning with the closing of ramps at 4 p.m.

"At 7 p.m. they are going to close the main lanes [of I-35] from both directions and that is when the full section will be completely closed down," Wheatley said.

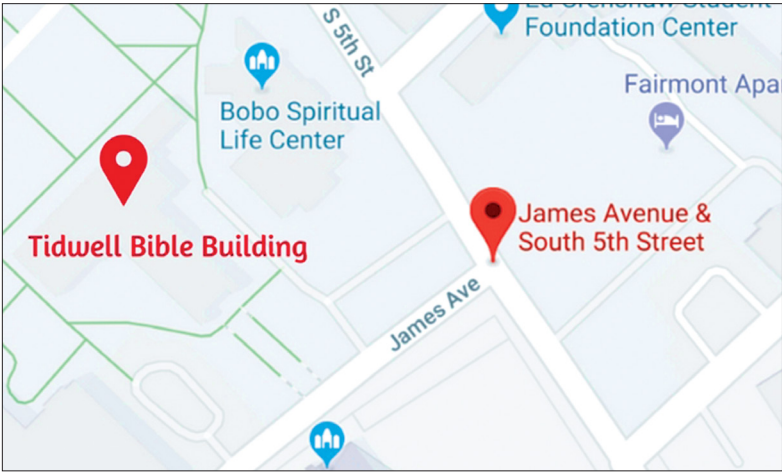
"They're expecting that to be finished and to get all of the construction barrels and all the traffic control elements picked up by 10 a.m. Sunday morning."

Because the bridge spans a section of road under construction to widen I-35, the bridge must be demolished and must be moved out as well. This demolition is just a small part of the overall project to replace all of I-35 through Waco, Wheatley said.

Beginning next year, construction will take place to rebuild I-35 to put down new pavement and repair any damage to the highway.

"The project for all of I-35 through Waco is to remove everything," Wheatley said. "Nobody ever thought that this kind of traffic was going to be coming along — neither this much of it nor the increase of the weight. Trucks back then were nowhere near as

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CLOSE CALL At approximately 12:10 a.m. Thursday in the South Fifth Street and James Avenue area, a male assailant grabbed a woman's waist from behind.

Search in progress

Police investigating assault reported near campus

KALYN STORY

News Editor

Baylor police are actively investigating the report of an assault on campus early Thursday morning and are asking for help from the Baylor community identifying the suspect.

At approximately 12:10 a.m., a male assailant came up behind a woman and grabbed her around her waist, according to the "Baylor Timely Warning" email. The victim reported breaking away and running from the assailant before calling the Baylor Police Department.

According to the victim, the assailant fled the area, running south on South Fifth Street away from campus. Baylor's police department conducted a thorough search of the area. There were no weapons involved, and the complainant was not injured.

In Baylor's email to students, faculty and staff the assailant is described as a male, 5 feet, 7 inches, 150 pounds and wearing a gray hoodie and black or dark pants with light colored shoes. His race is unknown.

The police are asking anyone who witnessed suspicious activity or suspicious individuals around the time and location of the attack to contact the

police department at 254-710-2222.

In direct response to the incident, Baylor police are increasing patrols on campus.

Police are encouraging all faculty staff and students to walk around campus in pairs, not to use headphones when walking around campus at night and to always be alert and cautious of your surroundings.

Baylor reminds students, faculty and staff to utilize Baylor's Security Escort Program, in which a Baylor security officer or police officer will escort individuals to destinations on and around Baylor's campus. Those wishing to request an escort can call 254-710-2211.

The Baylor Alert email also mentioned the "BU Campus Guardian Mobile Safety App," encouraging students to utilize the security app, which includes features such as texting the police department, emergency call buttons and a safety timer for the app to virtually walk you home.

"If you see suspicious activity or feel threatened in any way, immediately call the Baylor University Police Department at 254-710-2222 or 9-1-1," Baylor said in a "Baylor Alert" email following the incident. "(If you See Something, Say Something)."

Interim Provost resigns

KALYN STORY

News Editor

Interim Provost Dr. Michael McLendon announced his resignation because of personal and health matters.

McLendon, a Baylor alum and former dean of Baylor's School of Education, took on the role of interim provost last July.

"I am announcing my resignation as Interim Provost of Baylor University, a beloved institution at which I spent my undergraduate years and the past three seasons of my academic career, due to personal and medical concerns that will no longer allow me to fulfill the responsibilities and requirements of this important academic leadership position in a manner I believe this role demands," McLendon said in an email to students, faculty and staff.

President Dr. Linda Livingstone appointed Gary C. Mortenson, dean of the School of Music, to oversee the Provost's Office. Livingstone also asked Gary Carini, vice provost of graduate professional education, to take over the responsibility of completing "Illuminate," the university's strategic academic

plan, before the Board of Regents meeting in May.



McLendon

"I am confident in the leadership of both Drs. Mortenson and Carini in managing the Provost's Office during this short time of transition, as we near the end of the spring semester and the conclusion of the search for Baylor's next Provost," Livingstone said in an email. "[T]hanks to the many contributions and ongoing feedback from the deans, faculty and our entire University community, I have no reservations regarding the direction, content, timeline and ultimate launch of Illuminate next month."

Livingstone and McLendon spoke at a panel in November

about their commitment to making Baylor a tier one research institution and furthering their strategic academic plan.

"We can simultaneously commit ourselves to growing academic programs the highest level, we can also remain committed to our faith and our Christian commitment and we can remain committed to our undergraduate education and transformational experience," McLendon said in November. "The notion that we can only do one of those things or maybe two, but not all of them together — we need to suspend that kind of thinking because we can in fact do all of those things. We need to be bold and aspirational in order to elevate ourselves into that top tier of research institutions."

Livingstone said they are in the interview stage with several candidates for provost, who they are hoping to bring to campus for open forums over the next few weeks.

"I look forward to soon completing our University's leadership team as we commit to Baylor reaching its greatest potential as a preeminent Christian research university," Livingstone said.

Baylor dorm evacuated following smoke alarms

KALYN STORY

News Editor

Students living in Texana House were evacuated late Wednesday night after a student set off the smoke alarms while cooking.

According to a Baylor University spokeswoman Lori Fog a Baylor Police officer discovered that boiled-over food

on a stove had generated a lot of smoke and set off the fire alarm, although there was never a fire.

Austin freshman and Texana resident Emmy Frigo said she was in her dorm when the alarm went off. She said once she exited her room she could smell the smoke. Once sitting outside the dorm waiting for the firetrucks to arrive, many other second-floor residents

said they could see the smoke in the hallway.

The Waco Fire Department was called to the scene, and they used large exhaust fans to remove the smoke.

The spokeswoman said that one student was checked by emergency personnel but found to be OK. Students were allowed back in the building at 12:30 a.m.

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EDITORIAL



Rewon Shimray | Cartoonist

Facebook data mining shows need for privacy

Two billion Facebook users are questioning whether or not to follow the trend of #DeleteFacebook as the corporation shared information on 50 million users that was later reappropriated to influence political advertising for Donald Trump’s presidential campaign.

In the midst of this data-privacy crisis, we demand that Facebook makes quick, comprehensive changes and that legislation enacts protective reform. In the meantime, and even with these added protections, we can start taking the initiative to protect ourselves with the options currently in place.

Facebook has traditionally been an “open platform,” which has allowed Facebook users to log into other apps and allow information sharing about themselves and their friends since 2007, The New York Times reported. In 2013, Cambridge researcher Aleksandr Kogan created a personality quiz app called “This is Your Digital Life,” downloaded by 50 million users. The information gathered from the app was used to target voters with personalized political advertisements, according to a former Cambridge Analytica algorithm-builder and contractor interviewed by the The Guardian. Cambridge Analytica is a U.K.-based political data firm.

Facebook has been aware of the data breach by Cambridge Analytica since 2015. It was not until March 2018, however, that Facebook banned the app and required Cambridge Analytica delete all collected data.

Users who have taken action to permanently delete their accounts were offered a downloaded copy of their information from Facebook. Some have found logs of their phone calls, text messages, as well as information from their contacts and calendars, indicating a broader and more comprehensive instance of data mining than what was seen with Cambridge Analytica alone.

Facebook has had limits on the amount of data apps could access since 2014, but clearly the site needs to put limits on itself.

Site Regulation

The action plan Facebook has announced on its webpage includes pre-screening identities and locations, as well as publicly labeling ad sponsors. Pages created by the Internet Research Agency, a Russia-based company accused of influencing the 2016 U.S. election, have been deleted. Users can check to see if they liked or followed a page created by the Internet Research Agency.

Facebook chief executive Mark Zuckerberg plans to make updates within the next few weeks to include an “Access Your Information” section that allows more profile control and shows the information the company uses to strategically advertise.

In addition to these changes, Facebook should create more opportunities for users to be actively engaged in cultivating a public profile they fully understand and give consent to.

Legal Protections

The European Union plans to enact legislation, going into effect in May, that will enforce a financial penalty and require an

“intelligible and easily accessible” consent form, among providing other rights for data subjects.

Within the U.S., there has been discussion of legislative control on data harvesting, but no action.

In 2009, the Federal Trade Commission held discussions “to determine how best to protect consumer privacy while supporting beneficial uses of the information and technological innovation.”

In 2012, President Barack Obama proposed the Consumer Privacy Bill of Rights, which included many ideas for giving people more control over their information, making data collection more transparent and putting limits on what businesses can do with the information they collect. Ninety percent of advertising networks, such as Google and Yahoo, agreed to comply with Do Not Track technology, which allows users to turn off tracking. These industries also agreed to withhold from releasing browsing data for any purposes other than advertising. The bill never passed.

The Internet-enabled security breaches by Cambridge Analytica and Internet Research Agency highlight the need for tougher legislation on user privacy rights.

However, before legislators are able to make change, they need to understand the issue in its technological context. The questions Zuckerberg was asked at the congressional hearing on April 11 revealed a lack of understanding.

Sen. Lindsay Graham, R-S.C., showed a clear lack of understanding of social media site functions, asking, “Is Twitter the same as what you do?” Sen. Brian Schatz, D-Hawaii, perceived the messaging application WhatsApp, purchased by Facebook in 2014, as an email network. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, wondered, “How do you sustain a business model in which users don’t pay for your service,” displaying a lack of understanding of how websites make money through selling advertising space. Sen. Deb Fischer, R-Neb., had trouble identifying the means through which Facebook collects user data, referring to ambiguous “categories.”

Legislators should be educated on the areas they seek to reform. A tutorial on the basic website function and practices would help bring greater understanding to the situation and the issues within it before legal change is possible.

Self-Guarding

There are currently options within the site to control what information Facebook has access to.

Contact uploading is used to help users find friends and determine prioritization in algorithms. While this feature may enhance your social media experience, it is optional. Turning off the continuous upload setting in the Messenger app will stop instant contact updating as well as delete all previously added contacts.

Taking thought before linking accounts on different websites or giving applications permission to your mobile data can help modify privacy settings. While there are ways to protect ourselves, it should ultimately be the website that changes, not us.

COLUMN

How Title IX works at Baylor

THE TITLE IX TEAM

Contributor

You responded. We heard you.

Last spring, we asked students to take a survey that focused on the campus environment and their experiences with harassment, stalking and sexual violence. Most (73 percent) of the respondents strongly agreed or agreed with the statement: “If a friend or I experienced sexual misconduct, I know where to go to get help on campus.”

However, of those who did report an act of sexual misconduct, only 7 percent went directly to the Title IX office. In light of national Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we would like to clarify our role on campus so students feel confident receiving help should they experience sexual harassment or interpersonal violence.

Why should I report to the Title IX Office? What can they do for me?

The decision to report sexual misconduct is incredibly personal and can be difficult. Fear of being blamed or not believed, concerns of retaliation and not wanting others to know are a few of the reasons sexual assault and harassment are among the most underreported crimes across the country. This is not unique to our campus; the U.S. Department of Justice estimates that only 15 to 35 percent of sexual assaults are reported to law enforcement.

For students seeking legal recourse, such as a criminal investigation or a restraining order, consider reporting to law enforcement. Local reporting options include the Waco Police Department and the Baylor University Police Department.

If sexual or gender-based harassment or assault is interfering with a student’s participation in school activities, she or he should consider reporting to the Title IX office. We help students access accommodations, support and other resources that uphold the right to an education in an environment free from discrimination.

It is your choice whether to report to the university, to law enforcement, neither or both. Campus Title IX processes and law enforcement investigations operate independently of one another, although the university will coordinate information with the police department when possible.

For students seeking spiritual and/or emotional support, consider reporting to a confidential source. They are not required to report the information to law enforcement or university officials. At Baylor, confidential sources include the Counseling Center, Health Services Center and university chaplain Burt Burleson.

What happens after a report is shared with the Title IX office?

Another reason some students may be hesitant to report to our office is due to uncertainty about the process after a report is made. Upon receiving a report of prohibited conduct, we provide support and assistance in obtaining university and community resources, such as counseling and academic support as preserving evidence. We also provide information about interim measures, obtaining medical treatment and contacting police if needed and desired.

We then determine whether we have jurisdiction over the report. Title IX is a university process, and the remedies we can provide are related to a student’s education at Baylor.

The person who makes the report can request a university resolution process, anonymity, no university action or to not participate in the university process. We seek to honor these requests if possible, while also protecting the safety of individuals and the university community. When proceeding with a resolution process, the person who is said to have committed an act(s) of sexual misconduct is notified and given the option to participate or not participate. Our office is committed to a fair and equitable process for all parties involved.

University resolution can take one of two forms. Disciplinary resolution involves an investigation and hearing with possible sanctions. Alternative resolution includes informal options for resolving reports.

The Title IX office exists to ensure that harassment based on gender does not interfere with the right to an education. For more information on our process, procedures or to access resources and reporting options, visit www.baylor.edu/titleix.

The Title IX Team consists of Maureen Holland, interim Title IX coordinator; Alexandra Fulcher, deputy Title IX coordinator; Carolyn Hughes, Title IX investigator; Michael Noble, Title IX investigator; Christina Jeong, coordinator of student support; Elizabeth Wellinghoff, training and prevention specialist; and Brianna Gilbreath, administrative manager.

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First female religion professor leads through the Lord

REWON SHIMRAY
Cartoonist

Dr. Rosalie Beck was the first female professor in the religion department. She started teaching in the fall of 1984, and there was not another woman in the department for 17 years. As she plans to retire in May of next year, colleagues and students reflect on her legacy and impact.

Being the First
“I got tired of hearing ‘gentlemen ... and lady,’” Beck said.

While she was often aware of the fact that she was the only woman in the department, Beck said she received “active support” from the majority of her colleagues and “benign and neglect from the rest.”

Marilyn McKinney was the office manager in the department of religion for 16 years starting 1987. When Beck entered the department, “It was pretty much still a man’s world,” McKinney said. “She handled herself well. She wasn’t afraid to interject her opinion and her thoughts, but at the same time, she was always agreeable to what the department decided to do.”

Dr. David Moseman, senior lecturer in the religion department, said younger generations and even men like himself could not understand what it would be like to be the first woman in an area. He said not having a colleague of her gender in the department meant that there was not someone who could relate to her “in a way that the other gender can not.”

“She’s not going to be the person in there, arguing and shaking her fists, trying to get her way. She’s going to be the person that when something like that happens, she’s going to keep doing what she does. And I will say that’s such a powerful testimony,” Moseman said. “Who she is has won the day, and that has been affirmed over and over by students.”

Over the years, Beck said she has gotten more pushback about being a woman teaching religion from students than from colleagues. She said she had students come to her office at the end of the year to confess they were glad they gave her a chance, because they almost walked out on the first day when they realized she was a woman.

“I had students that wouldn’t take me because I was a woman, and women weren’t supposed to teach Bible to men,” Beck said. “When I first started teaching, that was a real issue for students, both male and female.”

Beck said now students make professor choices based on rating, rather than gender. She said the change in attitudes came from “time, pressure from the academy, lawsuits, and the courage of a few men to appoint some outstanding women to leadership positions.”

“I don’t want someone denied a position because of their gender, nor do I want someone given a position because of their gender,” Moseman said. “I think we would all encourage [critics] to look at the gifts. Rosalie’s gifts have won that out wonderfully. She’s a phenomenal teacher. Her department was able to support her in that.”

Beck said the academic world has been able to more quickly accept gender equality because academic publications require gender inclusive language, which “became habit, and that became morality.” In other words, neutral language brought in an inclusive atmosphere into the scholarly world.

Contrastly, Beck said she has not seen any major shift in the attitudes of the student body toward women. She said there are still students who will not take a woman professor for Bible classes.

“The majority of Baylor students are still very conservative, still believe in stereotypes as far as family structure and family

responsibility,” Beck said.

She said even if a student comes to realize they disagree with conservative views of women in the church, “their external actions will be determined by the crowd they run with.”

“If you are a part of a group that doesn’t value what you think, or doesn’t value difference in thought, then you’re not going to voice it if you make a change. How can you solidify that change, how can you grow that change, without nurturing it?” Beck said. “If your ties to the original group are so powerful that you can’t conceive or believe in a new group, you put stuff on the backburner or get very angry.”

Bringing Women In
While teaching at Baylor, Beck said she underwent a personal journey to realizing the gravity of gender

inequality in both the society she was living in and the area of scholarship she was studying.

She said she met two feminist professors in the psychology and Spanish departments. They would meet for breakfast once a week and discuss gender issues.

Beck said she began to notice “real discrepancies.” She reflected on her seminary experience, in which she was one of 50 women earning their master’s degree class of 2,000 students. She said she had to personally explain to the dean why she was pursuing a Master’s of Divinity degree, whereas none of her male counterparts did.

Beck said she began to recognize an absence of women in high positions at Baylor as well. She said at the time, there were no women department chairs and the only female dean was in

the nursing school.

“When you saw women on campus, they were almost always administrative staff,” Beck said.

Beck said she began to have the desire to make strides for more gender inclusivity in her classroom. Teaching Old Testament, one of the two required religion courses at Baylor at the time, Beck said she would “deliberately include narratives about women as persons of faith, as persons empowered by God to do God’s will.”

“Then after a few years, I decided that Women in Christian History and Women in American Religion were two classes that I could teach. I had to study for a while, but they were two classes I could do. They have been in the catalog for a long time, and they will stay in the catalog,” Beck said.

Beck said when she proposed

Women in Christian History as a topic for a graduate seminar, there were initially doubts that there would be enough content within the subject. There was a lack of scholarly work done on women until the last 20 to 30 years, according to Beck.

“On women’s issues, there was a time it was cutting edge, so people were having to write on it. Rosalie has been through that time. There were times where she would have trouble finding stuff, simply because it hadn’t been written yet,” Moseman said. “They, both men and women, have had a lot of work to do there — in the writing, in how we deal with and appropriate things, how we think about things, how we use gender inclusive language in our writing and our teaching, how we use gender inclusive examples in our classrooms.”

What’s Happening on Campus?

Sundown Weekend

Friday, April 13
UBreak Pop Up Brunch Bar
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Come by the Union Board Office on the first floor of the Bill Daniel Student Center for free brunch and a cup of coffee, on us!

Sundown Sessions:
Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle, Blacklight Bowling
9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Head to Barfield Drawing Room for showings of *Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle* at 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Enjoy Blacklight Bowling all evening in the Baylor Gameroom.

Saturday, April 14
Sundown Sessions:
Trivia Night, Blacklight Bowling
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Challenge yourself to four rounds of trivia during Trivia Night in Barfield Drawing Room. Rounds include general, *The Office* and *Harry Potter* trivia. Blacklight Bowling available all evening in the Baylor Gameroom.

Friday, April 13
CaBEARet
7:30 p.m. Make your way to Jones Theatre in Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center for a musical revue performance of CaBEARet. General admission seating is free and available through the theatre box office at baylor.edu/theatre. Monetary donations are appreciated.

Friday, April 13
CASPER Seminar:
Dr. Razieyeh Yousefi
2:30 p.m. CASPER welcomes postdoctoral fellow Razieyeh Yousefi, PhD, University of Texas Medical Branch, for a presentation on “What Can We Learn from Computer Simulations of DNA Replication,” in Baylor Sciences Building, Room E125.

Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14
Baylor Opera Theatre
7:30 p.m. The Baylor Opera Theatre presents George Frideric Handel’s chamber opera *Oreste*, a rare work performed only once in the U.S., in Roxy Grove Hall, Waco Hall Complex. Admission is free.

Saturday, April 14
Garden-to-Table Dinner
5:30 p.m. Help fight hunger by attending Campus Kitchen’s first ever Garden-to-Table Dinner and benefit concert, a four-course meal featuring produce grown in the Campus Kitchen Community Garden. Purchase tickets in the Martin House [near 8th St. and Bayor Ave.] between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Sunday, April 15
Chamber Singers
3 p.m. Enjoy the chamber choir of mixed voices led by associate professor of choral music, Brian A. Schmidt, PhD, in Jones Concert Hall, Glennis McCrary Music Building.

Monday, April 16
Dia Del Rio
4 p.m. Head to Pullin Family Marina for Dia Del Rio. Enjoy live music, snacks, kayaking, canoeing, beach games and more. Free tanks while they last. Visit baylor.edu/diadeloso for event schedule.

Monday, April 16
Noche Del Oso
5 p.m. Join Interfraternity Council for an evening of food, fun and friends including a carnival, crawfish dinner, free throw contest with President Livingstone and the First Gent and a showing of *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* all at McLane Stadium. Bring a canned food item as payment for the crawfish dinner. Go to baylor.edu/diadeloso for details.

Tuesday, April 17
Diadeloso
All Day From goat yoga to games and performances, enjoy Baylor’s historic celebration by participating in one of many fun events throughout the day. Visit baylor.edu/diadeloso for a full schedule of events.

Wednesday, April 18
Puritans, Baptists and the Powers of Darkness
2 p.m. Baylor Institute for Studies of Religion host leading scholars Philip Jenkins and Crawford Gribben for a discussion on the history of Puritanism, evangelical origins and witches in seventeenth century Britain in Cox Lecture Hall, Armstrong Browning Library.

Mark Your Calendar!
GREEN & GOLD WEEKEND
Friday, April 20 – Sunday, April 22
Celebrate Baylor’s newest spring tradition with fun events scheduled all weekend long. There is something for everyone!
Delta Night Live featuring Drew Holcomb & The Neighbors, 8 p.m. at McLane Stadium Plaza
Gut Pack Run, 10:30 a.m. at McLane Stadium, South Plaza
Green & Gold Football Game, noon at McLane Stadium
Visit baylor.edu/greenandgold for a full list of events. Tickets required for select events.



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Penthouse of mice

Restricted access level of BSB contains animals used for student research

BROOKE HILL
Copy Editor

On the fifth floor of the Baylor Sciences Building, officially known as the penthouse level, lie labs full of animals used for Baylor students’ research.

As attending veterinarian and animal program director, Dr. Ryan Stoffel oversees the animals. Federal regulations require both positions to run a research lab.

Long hallways filled with big metal doors are in place to keep the animals from getting sick, according to Stoffel.

The laboratory was renovated in a \$5 million project about a year and a half ago, said Dr. Deborah Holland, assistant vice provost for research and director of compliance.

Stoffel said the lab is home to around 1,800 mice, 60 rats and around 1,500 fish. He said the numbers fluctuate when they intentionally breed the animals.

Stoffel said despite the more popular idea that albino mice are more likely to be tested, the most popular type of testing mice are a strand of black mice. He said mice are typically preferred for research because they’re easy to genetically modify.

The mice are also grouped socially when possible. This means that instead of living



Josh Aguirre | Multimedia Journalist

MICE AND MEN Mice are kept in laboratories in the penthouse level of the BSB. Students use mice, rats and fish to conduct research projects.

in individual cages, they are often placed in groups of four to five mice per cage. Stoffel said they try to make the spaces the mice are kept in as hospitable as possible, even in a laboratory setting.

Baylor’s department of psychology and neuroscience does behavioral testing on the animals, including topics such as anxiety, memory, learning, seizures and autism. There are also researchers studying breast cancer and hearing and deafness.

Both graduate and undergraduate students take part in the research, said

Stoffel.

“They can do some of the behavioral testing, things like a T maze, and then depending where the mouse goes, that’s relevant to the study,” Stoffel said. “Certain mice, if they’re anxious, or if the autism mice behave differently than a normal mouse would, those situations are of importance.”

When a student wants to begin research, they must first talk to Stoffel about whether there is room, both physically in the labs and in the program, and if there is available equipment to fulfill their idea and to explain their thoughts.

Once they have their idea clearly identified, they submit it to the Institutional Animal Use and Care Committee board, which reviews the proposal for certain criteria. The board may request modifications or clarifications.

If the protocol is approved, there are lots of trainings, Stoffel said. Some are computer-based trainings about what regulations researches need to be aware of, while others are hands-on, to get students used to routine procedures such as injections or blood collection.

There are two full-time

animal care staff workers whose job is to do daily health checks. All animals undergo daily wellbeing checks per federal regulations. The veterinary staff, animal care staff and research staff work closely with facility services to ensure the best possible living conditions for the animals, said Stoffel.

“Obviously with having live animals in the facility, if something goes wrong, we can remedy it quickly to make sure there’s not any adverse effects on the animals,” Stoffel said. “We have additional monitoring systems throughout the facility that alert us if any of these environmental parameters — temperature, humidity. For whatever reason if they go out of range, they notify us so even after work we can take care of those issues if they pop up.”

Stoffel said students’ research will typically be published in a scientific journal or will be used to apply for funding, which could lead to subsequent research once their study is completed. Most of the animals will end up being euthanized.

“Outside of research, there’s not much demand for mice and rats,” Stoffel said. “Most of the animals do end up getting euthanized. We try to limit the number of animals used in every project. When the committee reviews it, one of our goals is to make sure

they’re using an appropriate number of animals. You need to use enough animals to get significant data from it, but on the flip side, we don’t want researchers using too many.”

Holland said the 3 R’s — reduce, refine and replace — are three standards researchers live by in an effort to do the most good.

“Some projects do include painful procedures like surgery or things like that. So any time we can refine those projects to do something that’s not painful, obviously that’s one of the committee’s roles,” Stoffel said.

Holland said that whenever possible, they encourage researchers to use other types of testing that doesn’t involve animals.

Stoffel said humans and animals can develop adverse reactions to each other. He said it’s not unusual for animal workers to develop allergies, but humans can transport sicknesses to the animals, too.

“Biosecurity is a very important part of everything we do, so almost every practice that we have tries to limit the exposure of animals to something that could be in the environment,” Stoffel said. “Not just for animal welfare, but we don’t want to interrupt research. It’s very expensive if mice get sick. There’s a number of things that they can get, so we try to limit what gets in.”

Waco volunteers repair home for Day of Service

REWON SHIMRAY
Reporter

Homeowner and brain tumor survivor Florentina Gaston was selected to have her home repaired by NeighborWorks Waco, a nonprofit organization with a mission “to strengthen communities through home ownership and quality housing,” according to chief financial officer Karen Saucedo. Saucedo said the home was chosen out of 20 nominations “as one that could be done in a day that was in very desperate need.”

Gaston has lived in her home since Oct. 1, 2000, where she raised her three daughters who now have their own families. The repairs done by volunteers were the first major exterior repairs she has seen on her home. When she was recently given a notice to repair the paint by the city of Waco,

Gaston said she knew she would not be able to complete all of the home repairs in time. Hiring someone to do the work was challenging too, she said, because of the medical costs she was already paying.

Gaston has had three open-skull brain tumor removal surgeries since 2015. The most recent was on Jan. 4 and required six weeks of radiation. She said she was excited and thankful to God to have made it to 50 years old.

Gaston said she struggles with seizures, low motor function in her left arm, difficulty walking and some short-term memory loss; she has 13 to 14 medications she is required to take every month. At the end of March, Gaston resigned from work as the director of community programming at Economic Opportunities Advancement Corporation Of Planning Region XI, where she did

utility assistance and case management for low-income families.

Gaston said she “was in shock for a very long time” that her home was nominated by NeighborWorks Waco, and even called the office suspecting it was a scam.

“I’m not used to receiving help. I’m used to giving help. I used to be the one nominating people and doing all that,” Gaston said.

Gaston said she had to humble herself and accept the services that she formerly used to help provide to others.

“It’s tearful to have to ask for help, but I am feeling blessed,” Gaston said.

Saucedo said home repairs will likely take another two weeks to complete.

“It just teaches a value of being a human being helping your fellow human being. None of us have ever met the lady who lives here. The

good Lord says to help your neighbor; we’re helping our neighbors,” Patrick said.

Las Vegas junior Zach Jones heard about the service event through his father, Brent Jones, who is a member of Woodway First United Methodist Church. Jones invited seven of his friends from Baylor to work alongside members of his father’s church.

“It’s all about just helping someone else out, and that will make your day as much as their day,” Jones said. “I think everyone should do something like this every once a while. Just think about how great the world would be if we would all just go out every weekend and helped someone who needed it.”

Gaston said she hopes to eventually go back to work, hoping she can get a job “starting from the bottom and work up.” Gaston said she cared about her clients



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HELPING HANDS Church members Waitay Bodu and Sayladuh Bodu volunteer Sunday to help Florentina Gaston repaint her home.

and wants to continue to help others.

“I look at this as God letting this happen to me so I can learn things to be able to help other people. I don’t look

at it as a punishment. I look at it as a blessing, as something that makes me more humble and learn new things,” Gaston said.

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FOOD FROM THE HEART The Shepherd’s Heart mission is to feed, clothe, empower, and advocate for families in need in the Waco community, demonstrating to them the love of God.

Nonprofit fights Waco poverty

ADAM GIBSON
Assistant News Editor

Poverty can affect every aspect of a person’s life; it can hinder people’s ability to put food on the table or find a place to stay every night. The Shepherd’s Heart is a nonprofit working to end poverty, not only in Central Texas, but on Baylor’s campus as well.

The Shepherd’s Heart’s mission is “to feed, clothe, empower, and advocate for families in need in our community, demonstrating to them the love of God.”

The Shepherd’s Heart started as a pantry eight years ago. Carrie Greenley, operations manager, said that despite still being one of the largest food pantries in Central Texas, The Shepherd’s Heart is much more than just a pantry now.

“We also have an empowerment center that we started this past year, and that’s offering classes,” Greenley said. “For example, we offer cooking classes, and we use the food that you can get in the pantry to cook those items to teach people how to cook and use those things because there may be something they haven’t heard of before, like a rutabaga or a turnip or something. They

don’t know what to do with them.”

Other than classes dealing with food or food donations, Greenley also said they work to teach other skills that most people will need.

“We teach computer classes and are also getting ready to start our financial class so that people can learn to manage finances, learn how to open a bank account and just various things like that, that you think most people would know but not everyone does,” Greenley said.

As far as the pantry goes, The Shepherd’s Heart has a distribution day every Thursday which people are allowed to participate in once a month. While there, people are receive the food and groceries they need. Greenley said last year over 29,000 families were served from the pantry and they help close to anywhere between 500 and 1,000 people a week.

On Baylor’s campus, there is a food pantry called The Store, which is open twice a week in the Sid Richardson building. Robert Gager, executive director of The Shepherd’s Heart, said he is glad there is finally a food pantry on campus that Baylor students have access to, and he wants to continue to support students and provide

food for them whenever they need it.

“They [students] would call me or email me to see if they could get some help. They would call me when the pantry wasn’t open and needed food and there were times when the students didn’t have transportation,” Gager said. “I would go there and pick them up, get them to the pantry, give them some food, take them home, and we have been doing that for a while. I’m really glad that you have a pantry there on campus because that is really right where you need it. I’ll continue doing whatever I can. If they contact me, I’m going to help them.”

Several organizations from Baylor visit The Shepherd’s Heart Pantry to volunteer and help out with whatever Gager or Greenley need.

Gager said he is glad the groups come to volunteer and are able to witness something they may not be used to seeing.

“They see something in the community that is different than what they are familiar with and their normal environment, and what happens is you see that servant’s heart come out of them because they keep coming back to serve,” Gager said.

Greenley added that poverty is a major issue in the Waco Independent School District.

“For the school system, for Waco ISD alone, over 95 percent of the kids are on free lunch or reduced lunches and some schools are at 100 percent for that,” Greenley said. “There are a lot of homeless, 1,100 to 1,300 children or kids and students in Waco ISD are considered homeless as well, which means they may be couch surfing, parents that are absent, they may be living with a grandparent or friend, but they actually do not have a home address or a place to call home. It is a staggering statistic. It’s a staggering number.”

The Shepherd’s Heart is continually working to provide for kids who don’t know where their next meal is coming from. Their funds come from churches, volunteers and others who donate to the organization. Gager said it is important to serve the community so they can view the poverty crisis with their own eyes.

“It’s a tremendous opportunity to see what is going on in our community and to do something about it,” Gager said.

Undergraduate contributes to sleep lab research

VIVIAN KWOK
Reporter

When spring graduation and commitment dates approach, many faculty and staff commemorate their students’ achievements. Keller senior Stacy Nguyen started in the Sleep Neuroscience & Cognition Laboratory in August 2015. Nguyen has worn several hats both in the lab and as an undergraduate student.

“I got connected with it by luck actually,” Nguyen said. “A poster at Undergraduate Research and Scholarly Achievement (URSA) in Spring 2015 caught my eye, and I noticed the logo on top and was intrigued that there was a sleep lab at Baylor.”

Nguyen said the lab was brand new at the time she applied, and she joined the team later that fall. She started in the Sleep Neuroscience & Cognition Laboratory as a research assistant.

“As research assistant, I just helped out with the lab and worked on our main project that we were running at the time, as well as several side projects,” Nguyen said.

Dr. Michael Scullin, assistant professor of psychology and neuroscience, is one of Nguyen’s mentors in the Sleep Neuroscience & Cognition Laboratory. After being promoted from research assistant to research coordinator, Nguyen said she now helps schedule people for the main studies and ensures that the lab runs smoothly. However, Scullin commends her for much more.

“It’s a position of leadership. Other research assistants look to you for help, answer questions,” Scullin said. “You’ve got to be really organized and trustworthy for this position.”

Scullin said Nguyen has been involved in over half a dozen projects since joining the lab in August 2015.

“Some of these studies are in our sleep laboratory where she applies electrodes to people’s scalp to monitor what their brain is doing while they sleep,” Scullin said. “Other projects involve sleep restriction, memory functioning in patient groups, how students best learn educational concepts and how gender biases emerge.”

Nguyen is also a University Scholars major, which is a major and a program within the Honors College.

“I love USchol for giving me a more well-rounded education and for challenging me with less science and more humanities and philosophy,” Nguyen said.

According to the degree requirements for University Scholars, Nguyen must propose, research, write and

defend an undergraduate thesis project to complete the program.

“My thesis is about sleep and discrimination,” Nguyen said. “We tried to look at whether sleep restriction could affect the cognitive resources that moderate behavior in terms of racial, gender, weight discrimination [and other factors.]”



Stacy Nguyen

Scullin said some of her best work combines several interests of the lab in her thesis.

“She conceptualized a project whereby sleep restriction might affect rates of prejudice and discrimination,” Scullin said. “She did the literature review and funded the project by writing and being awarded two grants, one from URSA, the other from the Honors College.”

Scullin said Nguyen worked with a discrimination scientist from Rice University and himself to develop an appropriate research design.

“She collected, analyzed and interpreted all the data,” Scullin said. “Eventually, her work will be published in a peer-reviewed journal.”

Nguyen said her main undergraduate achievement was winning second place at URSA in 2016. Nguyen is also on the pre-med track, and she said she will be attending medical school in the fall.

“I currently hold a seat at UTMB Galveston, so I will likely go there,” Nguyen said.

However, she is still keeping her options open. Nguyen said she is waiting to hear back from other medical schools to which she applied.

“I definitely think Baylor has prepared me in the pre-medical sense,” Nguyen said. “And working in the SNaC lab has been such a fantastic and influential experience on every aspect of my life.”

Scullin said Nguyen has worked in the SNaC Lab for “three full years” and has coordinated all their sleep studies over the last 10 months. He said the team is ecstatic to see what Nguyen does in her career after Baylor.

“It will be bittersweet to see her graduate,” Scullin said. “She’s been so important to our work, and so we will miss her.”

Bear Briefs

Sundown Sessions bring entertainment on campus

The Baylor Union Board will present its late night event Sundown Sessions at 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Student Union Building. This weekend’s events include a pop up brunch bar from 10 a.m. - noon Friday, a screening of Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Friday and a trivia night with blacklight bowling from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday.

Farm Day features free petting zoo

The Waco community and World Hunger Relief, Inc. will have its annual 2018 Farm Day 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday at 356 Spring Lake Rd, Waco. The event is free and will have live music, a petting zoo, children’s activities and a hayride. World Hunger Relief, Inc. is a Christian organization committed to alleviating hunger strifes around the world.

“Gateway to India” supports literacy

The Baylor Indian Subcontinent Student Association is hosting its annual “Gateway to India” event this Saturday from 6 - 9 p.m. in Waco Hall. The event will feature authentic Indian music, art and dance. Immediately following is “Taste of India” where attendees can receive a free meal. The event will also feature this ISSA philanthropy, Developments on Literacy, with information on how to get involved.

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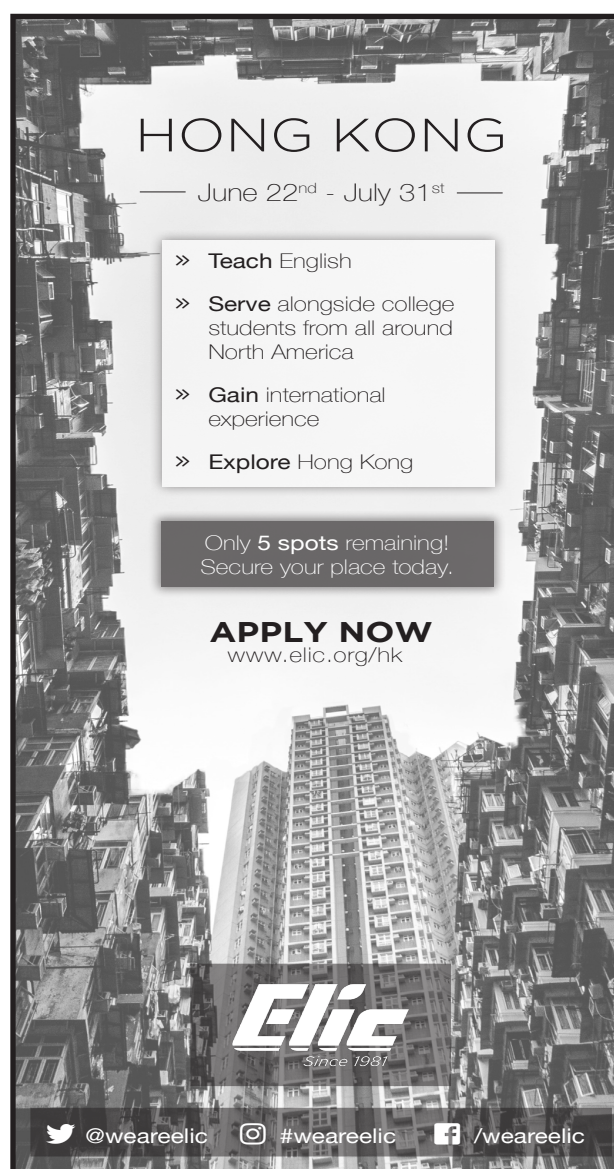
“We expect to invest over \$5 billion in construction and grow this second headquarters to include as many as 50,000 high-paying jobs,” says Amazon’s HQ2 homepage.

"I think we wouldn't have been in the running had it not been for how much our innovation ecosystem has expanded in the last 10 years," she said.

"I definitely feel that if we compete at our best, we have a good chance to win," Kelley said. "The goal is to win. It's going to be tough. All of the teams are really good here."

"If they have any problems along the way, they may have to extend that but that we don't know. We hope that is not going to be required but when you're knocking down a bridge, you just have to keep going until you're done," Wheatley said.

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JOKE'S ON YOU Vladimir Tsarkov keeps the audience laughing, but his juggling and mine feats are no joke. Tsarkov, a member of the Cirque de la Symphonie, performed with the Waco Symphony Orchestra on Thursday evening in Waco Hall.



Baylee VerSteege | Multimedia Journalist

FLYING OVER THE CROWD Vitalii Buza awes a breathless crowd as he performs on the straps to John Williams' Main Title from Superman.

DIDI MARTINEZ
Digital Managing Editor

Waco Hall transformed into a space of wonders Thursday evening as performers shimmied between aerial fabric strips and contortionists hoisted themselves up to the sound of familiar cinematic melodies.

In its last concert of the 2017-2018 season, the Waco Symphony Orchestra partnered with the Cirque de la Symphonie, a group of aerial gymnasts, jugglers, balancers, acrobats and contortionists who choreograph stunts to music.

The "pops," or contemporary concerts, are traditionally among the most popular types of performances that the symphony offers, adding an element of familiarity to concert-goers before they even step foot into the performance hall. This year, symphony concert director and conductor Stephen Heyde said he had a feeling people would enjoy the show.

"People are intrigued by the cinema element and the chance to see cirque

with music," Heyde said. "[These are] themes that everybody has heard and and here we are going to really put it to the forefront."

Heyde is also the Mary Franks Thompson Professor of Orchestral Studies and the conductor-in-residence at Baylor University.

The crowd was mesmerized by the first act performed by seven-time National Champion acrobatic gymnast Christina Van Loo, who weaved in and out between purple aerial fabric strips to the sounds of Michael Legrand's "The Summer Knows." The performer climbed high above the stage and executed carefully calculated drops as the audience gasped with every fall. Van Loo, of course, had practiced this many times before, but this didn't stop the woman next to me from exclaiming, "Oh, my!" with every dip.

Before the concert, the audience was notified that they would be able to clap throughout the event if they liked what they were seeing -- and hearing.

And clap they did, especially during the symphony's rendition of Celine

Dion's "My Heart Will Go On." At this point in the performance, contortionist Alexandra Pivaral lifted her body between metal beams with two hands, then one, to the musical build of the "Titanic" theme.

This performance was indeed a crowd-pleaser as concert-goer Linda Ferrell said it had been a memorable act for her.

"I'm loving it," Ferrell said. "It's the first time I've been to the symphony in, I don't know, maybe 20 years."

Instant costume changes to selections from "Chicago" and juggling acts to the "Devil's Dance" from the "Witches of Eastwick" were among the many other acts that inspired laughs as the concert finally came to a close with a John Kander reprise of the song, "New York, New York."

While the Waco Orchestra Symphony may be done for the season, the Cirque de la Symphonie will be making one final Texas stop in Irving on Saturday before heading Winnipeg, Canada and then across the ocean to perform in Lampur, Malaysia.

Confessions of an Entrepreneur series ends with focus on fashion

MOLLY ATCHISON
Print Managing Editor

The last part of the "Confessions of an Entrepreneur" lecture series ended Thursday, rounding out the series with a talk by Baylor professor and entrepreneur Andie Day in Foster 143. Day's clothing boutique, Mary Claret, was put center stage as she explained to eager business and design students how she's taken her passion for clothing design and created her own "side hustle."

Day's lecture focused on several aspects of her business endeavor, mixing information about textile design and merchandise management with savvy tips on how to get a side business off the ground while balancing a full-time career. Day, who teaches apparel merchandising and design at Baylor, is an Austin resident whose extensive background in costume design gave her a unique view on fashion in the public market.

Day explained that she found a unique gap in the merchandise being sold, specifically in combining modern design and popular silhouette with Eileen Fisher-style minimalist, airy fabric. Once she identified the issue, she set on her way to creating her own designs that could be customized to fit the buyer's personal needs. "I'll bring a measuring tape with me and I'll take the customer's measurements on site," Day said. "We'll talk about what length is good for their height, and my background in apparel has really helped me relate to the customer."

While Day described in detail how her designs are created and manufactured, she also had a broader message for business majors looking to start their own company. "Only in the time of Instagram can you do this process. I decided to design a product ... I took pictures of my friend wearing it and sold it on Instagram to my friends," Day said.

One of the biggest takeaways for Day from following a more nontraditional process was that social media is one of the best ways to begin branding a company. Day



Lariat File Photo

CULTURAL SHOWCASE As a part of last year's Fiesta!, members of the Baylor and Waco communities came together to celebrate Latin American culture and heritage on the Vera Martin Daniel Plaza.

Festival Latino celebrates culture

MCKENNA MIDDLETON
Opinion Editor

Festival Latino devotes Thursday through Saturday to events celebrating the vibrant Latin American culture present in the Baylor community and beyond.

Each day of Festival Latino will focus on a different area of student development, said Dallas junior Pablo Gonzales, marketing coordinator for the event. Thursday's event, "Catalistas," focused on career and professional growth, today's event, "¡Parranda!", will focus on culture and diversity and Saturday's event, "Raices," will focus on learning from those who came before you.

Festival Latino was born of a collaboration between the Hispanic Student Association, Hispanic sororities and fraternities and other Hispanic student organizations, and Hispanic students make up 15.5 percent

of Baylor's undergraduate population.

Los Angeles senior Josh Rizzo and Flower Mound senior Monica Luna came together last May with a vision to host a large-scale, multifaceted event to celebrate Latin American culture and include participation from the Waco community, students, faculty and alumni.

"It turned more into a community effort. We wanted a presence of Latino culture on campus," Rizzo said. "We wanted to create an environment where culture is accepted -- particularly Latin American culture."

This year's theme is The Pan American World, and encourages a collaboration "To preserve and highlight the cultures of those that are proud to call themselves Latinos."

The hashtag for the event is #momentosfl.

"Really what that's capturing is those moments when you really define who you are and you

figure out your identity," said Hispanic Student Association president Damian Moncada. "That's really our theme and the mission of the event."

Thursday's event, "Catalistas" highlighted diversity and professional development in Kayser Auditorium. The event welcomed keynote speaker David Benitez, founder and president of Dallas company Intelligent Mexican Marketing LLC. This was followed by a career fair for students.

From 6 to 8:30 p.m. today, the "¡Parranda!" event will offer a "cultural tunnel" for students to participate in a more inclusive Latin American experience. The Future Hall of Fame Room at McLane Stadium will host booths from each Latin American country, highlighting food, clothes and games from each country. The popular Mexican-American band out of Los Angeles, La Santa Cecilia, will perform at today's event.

"Because were having the cultural paseo latino, [students] are really going to be able to immerse themselves in the culture, rather than just showcasing the culture," Moncada said.

MARVELOUS

An in-depth look at some of your favorite flicks, Part V



MOLLY ATCHISON
Print Managing Editor

Following the recent release of Marvel's "Black Panther" and in anticipation of the upcoming "Avengers: Infinity War" release, it is the perfect time to revisit the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU). In the next 2 weeks, leading up to the April 27 release of the long-awaited "Infinity War," I will be breaking down a group of movies in the MCU based off Digg.com's "Best Way to Watch the Marvel Cinematic Universe" list. So sit back, grab your popcorn and your reading glasses, and prepare to have your Marvel-loving minds blown.

This week we're turning to brand new heroes, focusing on the movies "Ant-Man" and "Doctor Strange" and bringing it back to the very beginning with the final installment of Captain America's arc, "Captain America: Civil War." These Avengers are totally off the wall (or through the wall, in Doctor Strange's case), and although they don't have their own arc yet, "Ant Man" and "Doctor Strange" are definitely going to be major players in the upcoming Avengers movie "Infinity War."

"Ant Man" (2015)

One of the more ... creative ideas to come out of the Marvel Cinematic Universe, "Ant-Man," surprised many with its hilarity and well-placed ethos. Ant-Man (played convincingly by Paul Rudd) enamors viewers with its redemptive story of a criminal-turned-hero, giving us insight into the inner workings of the S.H.I.E.L.D. initiative.

Series Relevance: In "Ant-Man," we are privy to a crucial turning point in the construction and corruption of the S.H.I.E.L.D. initiative. Viewers are officially introduced to Peggy Carter, Captain America's wartime love and one of the S.H.I.E.L.D. founders, in addition to being reintroduced to Howard Stark, Iron Man's genius of a father. Over the course of several flashbacks, viewers discover that Hank Pym, the creator of the Ant-Man suit (which includes shrinking technology that allows the wearer to pull an "Alice in Wonderland" and shrink or grow to fit their needs), has hidden its technology in fear of it falling into the wrong hands. Throughout the movie, Pym guides ex-con Scott Lang through the process of becoming Ant-Man, and Lang not only fights (and teams up with) the Avengers, but also prevents Hydra, the evil sub-organization that corrupted S.H.I.E.L.D., from creating their own shrinking suit.

This sort of diversion is exactly what the

series needed. The introduction of a new hero and a new backstory allowed the creators to give a bit more insight into parts of the MCU that fans thought had been overlooked. The Ant-Man character fit in perfectly with the Avengers unit, and the director did a seamless job of introducing him into the mix. Along with the new "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." TV show, which premiered in 2014 and instigated a whole sub-universe of characters in the MCU, "Ant-Man" opened doors for Marvel creators to play with other dimensions of the Avengers' world, and to bring more relatable characters into the mix. Lang's story of redemption set a new tone for films to come, creating a more imperfect-human, relatable mentality in approaching superhero stories. TV characters such as Jessica Jones, Luke Cage and Daredevil have been spawned from these ideas.

Entertainment Value: I was incredibly skeptical of the "Ant-Man" premise. It didn't seem like a concept that would be interesting enough to add to the MCU in any way. However, I, like many Marvel fans, was pleasantly surprised with the way "Ant-Man" tied empathy to humor and outlandish ideas. The shrinking concept, unlike many of the other superhuman storylines, was easy enough to follow, and the fact that the storyline was focused on Lang's search for redemption in the eyes of his ex-wife and daughter diverted attention from the lack of technological explanation. Throw in some confusing, science-y sounding words and a hot love interest, and you've got every comic book geek hooked. The jump back in time to explain the corruption of S.H.I.E.L.D. was well-placed, helping to clear up some specifics people had been wondering about (such as how people like Peggy Carter and Howard Stark could have let S.H.I.E.L.D. go so wrong.)

"Doctor Strange" (2016)

In "Doctor Strange," MCU filmmakers definitely took a ride on the crazy train. One of the most visually intense, theoretically stimulating movies in the Marvel Universe, "Doctor Strange" plays with the threads of

reality, taking a famed neurosurgeon, breaking him and then creating a super-zen, mind-melding martial arts master capable of bending reality to his will.

Series Relevance: While this is an incredibly appealing movie in so many ways, it's difficult to see how the story of Dr. Steven Strange (played by Benedict Cumberbatch) ties into the rest of the MCU. Other than his interaction with magical and otherworldly relics in the Sanctum, and the presence of an infinity stone, Strange channels to bend time. "Doctor Strange" is much more of a standalone movie than any other film in the MCU. Unfortunately, this is one of the reasons the film was so difficult to grasp and the reason that many critics did not appreciate the film as part of the MCU. Claiming that the sorcerers in this film focus more on "mystical" threats is a weak way of justifying Strange's role in the Avengers unit. Perhaps it is too soon to see the way Dr. Strange will fit in with the Avengers team, or perhaps Marvel creators have taken on too much with this "Strange" arc.

Entertainment Value: Although the film did not appeal to Marvel die-hards who probably wanted a concrete connection, the introduction of the multiverse from a different, less technological angle than that of "Guardians of the Galaxy" or even "Thor," is refreshing. Focusing on ancient, mystical forms interacting with the universe, along with the introduction of eastern philosophies, made "Doctor

Strange" a much easier film to digest. While it is easy to get distracted by the fantastical, "Inception"-style effects (involving lots of inverted street scenes and magic portals appearing out of thin air), focusing on the biting sarcasm and surprisingly full explanations of fairly lofty concepts makes the film much easier to digest. Technically, this film stands out from even the most advanced MCU movies (like "Guardians of the Galaxy" and "Captain America"), but since the effects aren't tied as strongly to technical aspects such as weapons or spaceships, its much more difficult to follow the visual design of the film.



"Captain America: Civil War" (2016)

The last film we'll look at in this article is "Captain America: Civil War." This film follows several divergences and gives viewers time to regroup after the disasters that struck as a result of the Ultron fallout. However, the Earth that the characters return to is much more fractured than previously thought possible. Hydra is still working to defeat the Avengers, and now there is a rift between two originals: Captain America and Iron Man. Like Lincoln said, a country divided cannot stand, and thus the Avengers' world plunges into chaos.

Series Relevance: "Civil War" is perhaps the most significant film in the series leading up to "Avengers: Infinity War." It displays significant rifts in the Avengers team, and thus, the issues the team must overcome when they face Thanos in "Infinity." It also reveals more of the team leaders' character flaws, which are often overlooked in favor of heroism.

While this film does focus on Captain America, it definitely features more of the other characters in films from other arcs. The Avengers have been present in many of their teammates' films, but none have leaned as heavily on overlapping storylines as they do in this movie. However, the melding of these storylines signifies a shift in the filmmaking. While all of the arcs will feature one significant character, "Civil War" represents the unification of the Avengers in the MCU, despite the internal battle they experience during the movie.

Entertainment Value: Unpopular opinion: I really disliked "Civil War." Perhaps it's the stubborn positivity in me that refuses to enjoy my favorite heroes going head-to-head, or perhaps it was too dark for my taste, much like the third installments of other arcs. Either way, Civil War was tough for me to watch. However, personal opinions aside, there was plenty of entertainment value in this film. As with the other films, the visual effects are impeccable. The incredibly violent and fast-paced action scenes, the introduction of Black Panther into the mix and the follow-up with our beloved Bucky Barnes (the Winter Soldier) added some entertainment to the mix. Perhaps my favorite part was the more significant roles assigned to female characters in the series. Natasha Romanoff and Wanda Maximoff brought a less-than-feminine touch to the film, and bringing their talents to center stage was pure awesomeness.

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Gonzales said "¡Parranda!" was conceptualized as a revamp of Hispanic Student Association's Fiesta. While Fiesta had traditionally celebrated Mexican culture, "¡Parranda!" will incorporate a more well-rounded immersion into Latin American culture for attendees

"We just wanted to give it a little bit of a kick a little bit of a flair," Rizzo said. "Fiesta had a little bit of a stereotypical feel to it. We wanted to just get away from all the stereotypes and put into peoples minds that Latin America is more than Mexico. We just wanted to allow that diversity to be in place on Baylor's campus."

Gonzales said students of all backgrounds are encouraged to participate in Festival Latino. "At Baylor today, we are being led by a president who is a champion for diversity and a champion for inclusion," Gonzales said. "For students to really understand that, they should come to a space where that is being celebrated. It provides an opportunity for students to learn more about a culture that's not theirs."

The event will conclude on Saturday with "Raices," which will bring together Baylor alumni and students for the launch of the Baylor Latino Alumni Network. Saturday will feature two alumni panels, one to spotlight alumni

experiences at Baylor and beyond, and another to give context to the history of Latinos on Baylor's campus.

Gonzales said 100 alumni are expected to join students at Kayser Auditorium from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a time of fellowship, networking and reconnecting.

"It's kind of following in the footsteps of the Baylor Black Alumni Network, which has been very successful in raising scholarships," Gonzales said. "We grew from a Facebook group from about 40 people ... Now the group has about 500 people in it."

As a 1996 Baylor alumna, Macarena Hernandez, the Fred Hartman Distinguished Professor of Journalism and Hispanic Student Association advisor, felt inspired to invite fellow alumni to come back to Baylor.

"When I got to Baylor, I thought at some point I'd like to bring back people because they would be such a great resource for our students, and in turn, I think it's important for all alumni to feel like they can always come home," Hernandez said. "I think the way we can build bridges, especially in such divided times, is by creating spaces where people can fellowship and eat and laugh together."

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Brooke Hill | Copy Editor

BEAUTIFUL IN BLUE Scottsdale, Ariz., sophomore Lily Sandblom poses in a field of bluebonnets at Whitehall Park in Woodway.

Tips & tricks for taking photos with a beloved Texas flower

JESSICA HUBBLE
Multimedia Editor

It's springtime in Texas, which means one thing: Bluebonnets are blooming! The popular flower can be found in waves along Texas highways, and, as always, families are flocking to bluebonnet fields to take their annual portraits among the flowers' natural beauty. It's almost like a Texas rite of passage to have your photo taken with bluebonnets, whether you're a native Texan or an out-of-stater.

Jack Maguire, historian and former writer for the Daily Texan, once said, "The bluebonnet is to Texas what the shamrock is to Ireland, the cherry blossom to Japan, the lily to France, the rose to England and the tulip to Holland."

The bluebonnet has been the Texas state flower for 117 years. Lady Bird Johnson encouraged highway beautification across the United States by handing out Texas highway beautification awards in 1969. Thanks to Lady Bird's love of wildflowers, residents across Texas started planting bluebonnets along highways and in pastures. This tradition created the beloved Texas field blanketed in blue that many love and enjoy today.

In spirit of the return of bluebonnets throughout Texas, here are a few tips and tricks for finding and taking photos among the flowers.

Where to find bluebonnets in Waco

- Along Loop 340 near the Central Texas Marketplace
- In front of the Hyundai dealership located at 1501 TX-340 Loop, Waco, TX 76712
- White Hall park in Woodway located at 7600 Fresno Rd, Woodway, TX 76712
- Along I35 North going into Bellmead
- Along Highway 31 towards Corsicana

Tips for taking photographs with Bluebonnets

- Bluebonnets are not just a fan favorite of people, but also of wild animals such as snakes and bugs. Look before you decide to sit in a patch, and beware of other critters lurking through the fields!
- Avoid taking photos in the middle of the day. The harsh midday sun can be extremely unflattering through

the lens. The best times to take photos are at sunset and sunrise, also known as "golden hours."

- Try to take photos of your subject at eye level, and direct your subject to sit in the flowers rather than stand.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Avoid including buildings or poles in the background of your photos.
- Be safe. There are many stretches of highway with bluebonnets that are oh-so-tempting to enter and photograph, but a photo isn't worth risking your life. Pull all the way off the highway and be aware of passing traffic.
- Position your subject with the sun coming in from the side or slightly from behind your subject.
- Take some candid shots. Have people smelling the flowers and playing in them. Posed shots are nice, but candid photos are always well-liked.
- It is a myth that picking bluebonnets in the state of Texas is illegal. Nonetheless, it just isn't good karma or etiquette to pick them. Leave them be so they can bloom again next year and be enjoyed by all.

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explained that by using nontraditional methods of selling, going to fairs and being a solely online company, a business owner can avoid some of the high costs accompanying come with a "brick and mortar" storefront boutique.

This message of following a less run-of-the-mill path to business success seemed to resonate with the audience. Wichita Falls sophomore Taylor May was one of the students that took Day's message to heart. "For one thing, I'm a

business major, and so I'm still exploring a lot of the majors surrounding the business school," May said. "I liked hearing about how people have started at Baylor like me, and just gone through all these different experiences and pathways people go through and end up with these amazing businesses and opportunities."

Although Day rounded out the series for the semester, the Foster Business and Free Enterprise program is working to bring "Confessions of an Entrepreneur"

back to campus next fall, where they hope to feature more local business owners who can share their stories.

Baylor Business and Innovation LLC volunteer Luke Harvill explained that the series can benefit people who aren't even interested in entrepreneurship at the moment. "I'm a finance and econ major, but you never know when your path will go into entrepreneurship, so it's always good to learn something new," Harvill said.



Dia Del Rio: Monday

4 p.m.: Free food, beach games, canoeing, kayaking, live music and more at Pullin Family Marina.

Noche Del Oso: Monday

5-8 p.m.: Flag Football on McLane field
5:30-8 p.m.: Student Organization Activity Carnival at McLane Stadium
5:30-7:30 p.m.: Tejun the Texas Cajun Crawfish Dinner at McLane Stadium (bring canned goods as payment for food)
7-8 p.m.: Free Throw Contest with the Livingstone's at McLane Stadium
8-10 p.m.: Showing of "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" on McLane field

Diadeloso: Tuesday

ATTRACTIONS:

10 a.m. - 10 p.m.: Inflatables, Dunk Tank, Sling Shot and Zip Line
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Free burgers and hot dogs on Fountain Mall
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.: BDC Car Show on Morrison Parking Lot
11 a.m. - 10 p.m.: Carnival Rides
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.: Exotic Animal Photo-Op
11 a.m. - 8 p.m.: Photo Garden, Ninja Warrior Course and Mini Golf
Noon - 1 p.m.: Photo-Op with Miss Mei
1 - 4 p.m.: Archery Tag
2 - 10 p.m.: Food Trucks
3 - 4 p.m.: Dr Pepper Hour in Vara Martin Daniel Plaza
3 - 6 p.m.: Wild Things Zoofari and Giraffe
5 - 9 p.m.: Caricatures
9 - 10 p.m.: Baylor HQ Trivia Game

MAIN STAGE:

11 a.m. - Noon: VirtuOso: a capella group
Noon - 1 p.m.: Poppers, Lockers, and Breakers: Hip-Hop dance club
1 - 2 p.m.: Swing Dance Society
2 - 3 p.m.: Jonathan Yeager: comedy hypnotist
4 - 5 p.m.: Cameron Allmond: student performer
5 - 6 p.m.: Jacob Humber: Runner-up in Battle of the Bands
6 - 7 p.m.: The Thinking Caps: Winner of Battle of the Bands
8 p.m.: Honest Men

ATHLETICS:

9 - 11:45 a.m.: Goat Yoga in SUB Bowl
9 - 10 a.m.: Fun Run in McLane Stadium
10 - 11 a.m.: Zumba at Main Stage
1 - 5 p.m.: Smash Brothers in Barfield Den
1 - 5 p.m.: Tug of War in Morrison Lot
1 - 5 p.m.: Bubble Soccer on Russell Field

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Below Also featured on each issue of the Lariat is our weekly crossword puzzle. Answers can be found under "Puzzle Solutions" under the drop-down Arts & Life tab at baylorldariat.com.



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Going National

Volleyball’s Pressley earns spot on US National Team

NATHAN KEIL
Sports Editor

Pressley, who was the Big 12 Freshman of the Year, a unanimous First Team all Big 12 member and an American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Honorable Mention All-American selection, just earned a spot on the 2018 U.S. Women’s Collegiate National Team-Detroit roster.

Pressley earned her spot after participating in the U.S. Women’s National Team Tryouts March 2-4 at the U.S. Olympic Training center in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Pressley said she was excited to be selected and hopes that this opportunity will continue to develop her game.

“It is an honor to be selected to represent my country and bring my talents to the U.S. Collegiate National Team. I would like to thank my coaches and teammates for preparing me for this moment,” Pressley said in a statement. “I look to get better and have an opportunity to learn new things that could benefit me as a Baylor Bear. This allows me to show what great joy it is to play for God. I am beyond excited to have fun, play hard for the Lord and start the path to the podium. Sic ‘em!”

Pressley was a key player for the Baylor volleyball team last fall. She led the team with 391 kills, good for 3.62 per set and hit at a .243 clip. She helped lead the Lady Bears to a 24-7 record, including a 13-3 record in the Big 12, good for second in the conference behind Texas.

Baylor also hosted the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament for the first time in program history after earning the No. 12 national seed. The Bears then knocked off Miami, Oh. in three sets before losing to Colorado in straight sets.

Baylor head coach Ryan McGuyre said he was not at all surprised that Pressley was selected.

“It’s no surprise that our Big 12 Freshman



of the Year has made the Collegiate National Team,” McGuyre said. “Yossi has already made a huge jump this spring and will continue to improve. Her work ethic and ‘coachability’ will allow her to flourish and enjoy competing with other top athletes from around the country. We are proud of her and know she will represent Baylor well this summer.”

Pressley continues the strong Baylor pipeline into the women’s national team, as she is the fourth Bear selected in the last five years. Redshirt junior Shelly Fanning was the last to be selected back in 2016.

Pressley will join players from 19 other Division I Schools including Clemson, the University of San Diego, Loyola Marymount, Wisconsin, Arizona, Minnesota and Washington state.

Familiar Big 12 rivals, Oklahoma freshman outside hitter Sarah Sanders and Kansas State junior libero Reilly Killeen will also join Pressley on the Detroit roster.

Pressley will train with the CNT-Detroit team June 22-26 at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. After the tryouts, the 24-member team will be split into two 12 player rosters, who will play three exhibition matches against one another at the Cobo Center June 27, 28 and 30.

Baylor women’s volleyball will play in the Houston spring tournament this Saturday, followed by the Dallas spring tournament on April 21.



Jessica Hubble | Multimedia Editor

DETERMINATION Senior guard Kristy Wallace stops at nothing to get the ball during Baylor’s 77-64 win over Oklahoma State in Waco on January 31st.

Wallace gets 16th pick in WNBA Draft

NATHAN KEIL
Sports Editor

Baylor women’s basketball senior guard Kristy Wallace joined Lady Bear royalty Thursday night.

Wallace became the 14th player in program history to be selected in the WNBA draft. Wallace was the 16th overall pick and went to the Atlanta Dream.

“It’s a really exciting time,” Wallace said. “I’ve worked so hard to get to this moment and for it to happen is so awesome. I can’t wait to show them my game and learn from other professionals in the league. It’s so surreal that this happened.”

Wallace, who became the program’s first ever second-round pick, averaged 12.9 points per game her senior season and shot 38 percent from three-point distance for the Lady Bears. However, Wallace missed Baylor’s final six games due to a knee injury, including its 72-67 loss to Oregon State in the Sweet Sixteen.

Wallace said she’s just thankful for the

opportunity and that to be in this situation is a blessing.

“I am honestly speechless,” Wallace said. “I’m so thankful and blessed. This year has been really tough in a lot of ways, but for this to happen, it’s just really phenomenal.”

Wallace was recently named the team’s Co-Most Valuable Player and the Melissa Jones Hustle & Courage Award winner at the team’s end of year banquet.

Wallace earned spots on the All-Big 12 first team as well as the All-Big 12 defensive team. She earned WBCA All-America honorable mention recognition as well, becoming the 19th All-American in program history.

Wallace becomes the fourth player in the last three seasons to be drafted, as guard Alexis Jones was drafted by the Minnesota Lynx and guard Alexis Prince went to the Phoenix Mercury in the 2017 draft and guard Niya Johnson went to the Dream 28th overall in 2016.

Wallace said as she begins the next step in her career, she would never forget the support

she received from Baylor Nation.

“I just want to say thank you to everyone at Baylor for having my back through the ups and downs,” Wallace said. “Being there for me and for the support, especially through my ACL injury. I’m just so thankful and so blessed to have my support group at Baylor and in Waco.”

The Atlanta Dream did not have a pick in the first round, but acquired both the 15th and 16th picks via trade with the Connecticut Sun. The Dream gave up forward Bria Holmes in exchange for the two second-round picks.

The Dream drafted UCLA power forward Monique Billings with the 15th pick before nabbing Wallace at 16.

Atlanta added Georgia power forward Mackenzie Engram in the third round with the 27th overall pick.

Atlanta is coached by Nicki Collen and finished 12-22 in 2017. The Dream will play their first preseason game on Sunday, May 6 against the Chicago Sky in Wintrust Arena in Chicago.

Baseball looks to reset in Memphis

MAX CALDERONE
Sports Writer

For a team that won 15 of its first 17 games last season to go 31 games before picking up its 15th win of the 2018 season, it’s clear to see things haven’t gone necessarily to plan for the Baylor baseball team.

However, the Bears (15-16, 3-9) are looking to reset this weekend on the road with a three-game series against Memphis (11-23).

Sophomore catcher Shea Langeliers said his team is entering the upcoming matchup with a clear mindset and readiness to refocus.

“For us, it’s the second half of the season. We’re starting over,” Langeliers said. “We’re trying to get back to the mentality of being aggressive and getting out there playing to win, not playing not to

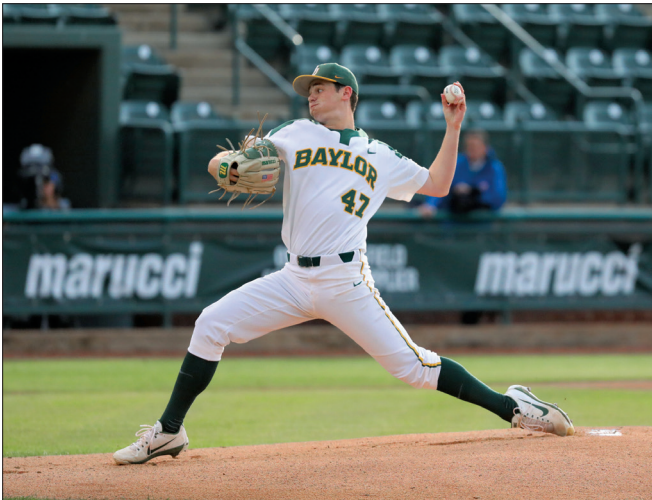
lose.”

The Bears were able to pull off a 12-inning victory over Sam Houston State Tuesday night and will now end their season-long seven-game road trip this weekend in Tennessee.

Langeliers said the 4-2 win over the Bearcats was greatly beneficial to his team, which had been struggling, but now gets to dial in with a break from Big 12 conference play.

“Having an extra-inning game like that, having it be a close game and then coming out on top, it’s a huge momentum booster for the team,” Langeliers said. “Everybody’s mind is going to be in the right place after a win like that and obviously it brings the team closer together.”

After being swept on the road at Texas last weekend, Baylor is in search of its first series win away from home this season. Head



Jessica Hubble | Multimedia Editor

PITCHER’S STANCE Freshman Tyler Thomas pitches in Baylor’s 2-1 win over Lamar on April 3rd in Waco.

coach Steve Rodriguez said the key to the series will be to keep things simple and play good baseball.

“For us, it’s just a matter of

playing great baseball. It’s making sure that we continue to pitch well, start coming through offensively and then just making sure we play



Associated Press

BUCKETS Dallas Mavericks' Johnathan Motley dunks the ball during the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Philadelphia 76ers on April 8 in Philadelphia.

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great defense," Rodriguez said.

The Bears will send sophomore right-handed pitcher Hayden Kettler (3-3, 3.21) to the mound for game one on Friday night, with sophomore lefty Cody Bradford (3-3, 2.76) set to follow in game two on Saturday.

Sophomore third baseman Davis Wendzel, who hit his third home run of the season last weekend at Texas, will look to spark the offense that is still looking to settle into a rhythm. As the team hovers below a collective .250 batting average, Wendzel said he thinks most of the

guys are trying too hard and not staying simple with their approach.

"I think everyone is just pressing, trying to do a little too much or get out of their comfort zone," Wendzel said. "I think we're starting to reset and realize if we all just do a little bit we'll be fine."

Rodriguez said he is comfortable with where the team is at and has really been impressed by the group's effort. He is confident in the team's ability and is looking forward to seeing them take on Memphis this weekend.

"We're in a good place right now. We get a non-conference weekend to try and get some things ironed out," Rodriguez said. "For the most part, these kids are excited right now. I think the personality of this team is really starting to develop."

As the Bears get set to travel east, they'll bring with them some good news, as Langeliers was the first player selected to the 2018 USA National Baseball Collegiate Team. He will be coached by LSU's Paul Mainieri, who called Rodriguez to break the news.

my ability and can have a role in this league.”

Motley getting four starts with the Mavericks down the stretch is a product of Dallas' losing season. The Mavericks have given playing time to many of their prospects toward the end of the season in an attempt to see what they can bring to the table moving forward.

Dallas head coach Rick Carlisle said seeing the court in NBA games is a great opportunity for many of their young players and prospects.

“Look, that’s why we’re looking at these guys for,” Carlisle told the Dallas Morning News. “We know what the guys who have gotten heavy minutes can do. We need to explore situations and see what the (other guys) can do. Opportunities don’t get much better than this if you’re a G-League player or a prospect that’s looking for an NBA shot.”

Motley utilized his time in the G-League well, starting in 34 games for the Legends and averaging 22.2 points and 9.7 rebounds per game while shooting 56.6 percent from the field.

Grapevine sophomore and Mavericks fan Josh Williams said he has enjoyed seeing Motley produce at a high level, and hopes he can keep it going.

"I really like the way JMot is heading into the off-season with some momentum," Williams said. "He collected 26 and 21 points in two of his last three games for the Mavs. Hopefully his summer league play will be strong again like last year and he can carve out some minutes in the Mavs young roster."

With both the Mavericks' and Legends' seasons over, Motley will likely see the court next in the 2018 NBA Summer League in Las Vegas.

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