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Beto campaign headquarters opens in Waco

LIZZIE THOMAS Staff Writer

A group of Robert "Beto" O'Rourke supporters gathered to celebrate the opening of their office headquarters for the grassroots campaign at 639 N. Valley Mills drive on Saturday morning. They learned about various opportunities to further the campaign through volunteer activities such as calling and texting shifts and block walks.

Local volunteer, Victoria Nelson, explained the purpose of having this designated office rather than just meeting in homes and garages that people offered as pop-up offices.

'The one on Valley Mills is more the central office. The main purpose is that's what comes up on Google, not these people's backyards. People can go there to get merchandise — because the pop-up offices won't have merchandise — and to get signed up to be trained for a block walk or something," Nelson said.

David Vaughn, a O'Rourke supporter who attended the opening, gave insight into why this headquarters is worthwhile to O'Rourke's campaign.

"My perception of Waco is that it's a fairly conservative area, and Beto started out with not a lot of support in this area - but it's growing considerably," Vaughn said.

A centralized location will help encourage voters to go out and vote, according to Nelson. Rixi Melton, a campaign employee, drove from Austin to facilitate the opening.

"[Melton] talked about the importance of filling all these texting and block-walking shifts," Nelson said. "There are a lot of people in Texas who would vote for Beto but might not if they don't get a reminder like, 'Hey, are you going to come vote?' I think they've already filled thousands of shifts, but there are

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Raising pennies for service pups

HARRY ROWE

Staff Writer

In an effort to raise \$6,000 by Veteran's Day, dogs of all ages belonging to Buzzard Billy's customers gathered Sunday at the cajun and American fare eatery. They enjoyed a plethora of dog treats while mingling with one another.

The fundraiser was put on by Dogtopia, a dog-sitting franchise with over 70 locations dispersed across the country, according to their website. Their charity, the Dogtopia Foundation, made a goal of raising \$6,000 per location by Veterans Day on Nov. 11. The money raised by each location will be used to sponsor a puppy in training for America's Vetdogs, an organization that pairs service dogs with veterans at no cost.

"We're having so much fun, we might not wait until next year," said Kim Nichols, co-owner of Dogtopia of Waco, in regards to holding another fundraising event soon.

As family and friends gathered at the event, dogs of all kinds mingled and searched their surroundings. Some dogs were actively playing with their new friends while others snacked on the frozen treats they had gotten.

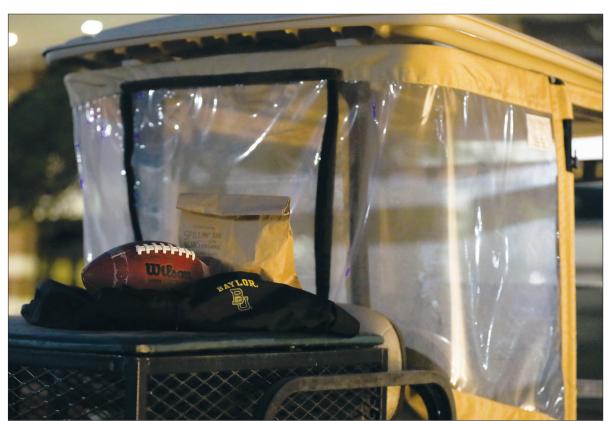
Among the festivities was a raffle with a \$427 value, a spin-



Claire Boston | Multimedia Journalist

PAW PALS A furry Baylor fan attended the Dogtopia event to support the service dogs for Veteran's Day.

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Liesje Powers | Multimedia Editor

SPECIAL TREATMENT While Baylor students vocalize their annoyance with the football player's perks saying it is unfai. The team stands by the fact that players enjoy these privelages because of recruitment packages and game day health.

Player Perks

A breakdown of the privileges of being a football player

BEN EVERETT Sports Editor

If you're a Baylor student, there's a chance you've seen a football player being driven across campus in a golf cart or being delivered lunch

at Fountain Mall or in front of the

Student Life Center These are just two of the perks available to football players at Baylor. Others include having access to the athlete-only dining hall, the Beauchamp Athletics Nutrition Center (or the BANC), and receiving Baylor gear such as shirts and shorts on a

routine basis. Murfreesboro, Tenn., freshman Will Ledbetter said he has heard other students voice their discontentment with the football players receiving

these perks. "They're kind of upset like, '[the football players] are getting driven around to class and we're walking,"" Ledbetter said. "Just a general annovance."

Taylor Bryan, Baylor football spokesperson said lunch delivery is not a service but it is offered by the athletics department, but sometimes conflicting class schedules result in the football players' inability to make time

for lunch, hence the delivery. Former Baylor football quarterback Mike Everett provided some perspective on the situation. Everett committed to play football for Baylor University without receiving an athletic scholarship. He walked on in spring of 2018, but just four days into fall camp, Everett made a decision to devote his time to academics.

Given that there are 103 players on Baylor's roster and only 11 players can be on the field at a given time, the coaches are forced to find a way to filter through the roster. Everett said football players, especially if they

want to be a starter or play significant minutes, must devote all of their time to football.

"The only reason they're getting their food delivered is because they have no time," Everett said. "It's really because they have two to three hours of meetings every day, three-hour practices and constant film. And that's the bare minimum. That's the real part that no one else sees; if you want to be a starter, or even if you want to move up the depth chart. If you want to be the second string, or if you want to be on the special teams, you've got to be up there more than the other guys. You've got to be up there with the coaches. You've got to be grinding."

Baylor plays in one of college football's "power-five" conferences, meaning the Bears compete against nine of the 64 most prestigious athletic institutions in the NCAA when they play Big 12 schools.

Everett said being a football player at a major university makes your life more stressful, so receiving these perks starts becoming necessities.

"At the end of the day, there's a lot that comes with it," Everett said.



Jason Pedreros I Multimedia Journalist **PERKS** Baylor football quarterback Charlie Brewer receives food on the

"There's got to be some positives to playing football. It's so hard and the coaches are so hard on the players. The expectations that coach Rhule puts on the players and the coaches makes the team better, but it makes your life more stressful. It makes the rewards even better because everyone is held to that standard. It makes it worth it and [the football players] reap the benefits of it because they get to go to the best facilities, get the best food, and they

get driven around campus." The football program's bevy of coaches take turns driving players around campus and delivering lunch. It's never the major coaches, like Rhule, but rather the graduate assistants or lower-level coaches, Everett said.

Lunch delivery, shuttling, nutrition center access and free Baylor gear also tie into recruiting. Everett said no one will want to play football at Baylor if they don't offer these perks.

"A lot of the perks you see athletes get is because you're trying to get the best athletes to come to your school; it's recruiting," Everett said. "If you're just giving your kids a bunch of crappy stuff, of course no one's going to want to go to Baylor. They're obviously going to get the best, newest stuff so that they can keep kids. It's all for a reason. Football makes a lot of money, so it makes sense that they put money back into it."

Ledbetter Everett's echoed sentiments, saying he disagrees with the general student opinion regarding football player perks.

"I think with the amount of time they're putting in to play football and still go to class, it's fair," Ledbetter said. "I've heard a lot of people voice opinions opposite of that, but I think it's all right. They deserve it with the amount of time they're putting in."

PERKS, PLEASURES AND PRIVILEGES

- Lunch delivered on **Fountain Mall**
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- Personalized **Apparel**
- Valet golf cart service for some players
- Private Dining Hall
- Scholarship for selected players

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EDITORIAL

New last name by spring?

Stop asking engaged women if they will take their husband's name

When a couple decides to tie the knot, there are certain questions they can count on being asked. Questions about the date, the venue, the honeymoon and the proposal story are bound to come up in conversation once the couple announces their engagement. However, there are some questions that only the woman in the relationship is faced with — primarily, people want to know "Are you going to change your last

This question would have been unthinkable a few decades ago. For the most part, it was a given that women would adopt their husband's last names upon the exchange of rings. In fact, sometimes women are still referred to not only by their husbands last name, but by his entire name (Mrs. John Smith). Regardless, this practice suggests that something inherently changes about the woman's identity when she gets married, but that this is not the case for

This has been standard practice for thousands of years. Historically, it signified a shift of property ownership: The father was relinquishing his ownership of his daughter and the husband was exhibiting his ownership of his new wife. However, in modern times, the adoption of the husband's name by the wife serves to indicate a cohesive family unit.

In fact, just a few weeks ago, Ariana Grande was asked this question on a radio talk show. To the interviewer's credit, he did ask if she would hyphenate her last name, suggesting that society has moved to accepting this as a normal practice for women. However, it is almost certain that the interviewer would not have thought to ask this same question to Grande's fiance, Pete Davidson. Instead of using this as an opportunity to talk about the patriarchal implications of such a question, most commented on Grande's pronunciation of her own last name, which seemed inconsistent with common pronunciation. Focusing conversations on the pronunciation of "Grande" fails to take advantage of a platform for discussing the patriarchal implications of assuming a woman will change her last name in

The fact of the matter is, the choice about whether or not to change your last name should be just that: a choice. By asking only the woman



Rewon Shimray | Cartoonist

in a heterosexual relationship whether she will change her last name, the patriarchal pressure surrounding heterosexual monogamous relationships persists. Whether a woman decides to keep her maiden name, adopt her husband's surname, hyphenate/combine the two or only use his last name in certain circumstances, the decision is hers. It is not the role of her husband, her father or society to pressure her into making one choice over another.

While this question may seem harmless, the fact that it gets asked over and over again of women can have a pressuring effect in terms of expectations on that individual's choice and their perception of their identity. In the case of the interviewer, he seemed to expect that Grande would hyphenate her last name. In other cases, the question seems to anticipate that she will adopt her husband's surname.

The New York Times reported that about 20 percent of women married in the past decade have kept their maiden names. Research from the New York Times also revealed that another 10 percent of women surveyed chose an alternative last name such as hyphenation or only using their husband's name in certain

The process of changing your last name is complicated and filled with lengthy bureaucratic processes. To legally change your last name after getting married, you must alert the following relevant entities to get new documentation: The Social Security Administration, Department of Motor Vehicles, your bank, your employer, your payroll office, your utility companies, your credit card companies, your insurance companies, the voter registration office, the passport office and your doctor's office, to name a few. Needless to say, it's understandable that some women choose to keep their last names for convenience.

Other women might choose to keep their last names for feminist reasons. For some, last name changes are too reminiscent of the antiquated practice of viewing women as exchangeable property. Her decision is not about her father or her husband - it is about her ownership of

For other women, keeping their last name might not just be convenient, but comfortable. After all, many women get married in their 20s or 30s, meaning their whole lives they've grown accustomed to being called by their given first

Regardless of your reasons, changing your last name is a choice for you and you alone to make. The fact that men aren't asked this question suggests that society assumes they already know the answer: Men don't change their last names. In the same way, we need to let women make their own decisions about their last name without outside pressure so their identity can be their own and not something dictated by others.

COLUMN

Students deserve more from Baylor's bus system

CLAY PARHAM

Guest Columnist

Baylor's bus system fails to meet its most basic purpose. Full stop. Instead of servicing Baylor students who live east of LaSalle Avenue, near 15th Street, or west of I-35, the Baylor



Shuttle System (BUS) has three lines running effectively the same route, leaving only one route servicing the rest the Baylor neighborhood. While the BUS

is free, its exclusivity to those that live in wealthier apartments across University Parks Drive or on Speight keep it from reaching its full potential an efficient, environmentally friendly tool to decrease traffic and fix our parking crisis.

I know that Baylor students would use our BUS system if it were planned for everyone. Every morning I have



tried to use the Blue line, it has been too full to even stand. However, only one bus comes every 15 minutes. Instead, the four apartment complexes across University Parks Drive have three buses - the Red. Green, and Silver lines - while both

U Pointe and The View, despite being only a few blocks from campus, have the Blue line. A parking permit, luck with an off-campus spot, or two legs are the only way for students that are not wealthy enough to afford the \$800 rent from Oso Verde or U Pointe to

get to campus. The lack of a reliable bus system deters students from utilizing this resource, leading to crowded parking lots and unbearable traffic near campus.

Public transportation has been historically vilified in the United States. Americans often view buses as for lower-income folks. This leads to declining ridership, and Baylor students, predominantly middle and upper class, are no different. Bad bus conditions, unreliability and poor scheduling have made the buses on campus rarely used, and Baylor, seeing a decline in ridership from their poor planning, then moved the routes to service specific apartments, further alienating the students who live off campus.

Students that are forced to drive to campus because of poor BUS routes are contributing, through no fault of their own, to the parking shortage we are all familiar with. Having a bus service that most Baylor students can ride will help alleviate the parking struggle and lower traffic congestion.

This is a possibility within our

current BUS budget, too. Since we have three buses running effectively the same route, moving a bus or two to new routes, servicing east of LaSalle Avenue and south of 12th Street, will satisfy a majority of Baylor students. Additionally, including the Ferrell Center stop with the University Parks apartments, and keeping two buses on that line, will decrease wait time and increase reliability on that line without extra funding.

The changes above are simple steps Baylor could make to increase the ridership and effectiveness of the BUS system. However, Baylor must make a decision. Are good bus routes important for keeping students happy, or is increasing available parking a feasible solution? A radical change will be difficult at first, and Baylor students must be willing to accept public transportation as a quick and effective way to get to class, but with time and devotion from all parties, we can make the BUS a fantastic asset to our campus.

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Students reflect on major-changing decisions

MADALYN WATSON

Reporter

As of December 2017, about 30 percent of undergraduate students change their major during their first three years of college, according to the U.S. Department of Education. Baylor students are no exception.

Los Angeles sophomore Eric Albano made the decision to switch from interior design to the prebusiness track at the end of his freshman year.

"If I pursued interior design, art would kind of turn into a chore rather than a hobby, and I think it would be more fun as a hobby, rather than having to be forced to produce something. The art related to my job would turn very formulaic, I don't think it would be fun for me at all," Albano said.

Albano's father owns an apple orchard in the Central Valley of California. He explained that getting a degree in business means he could possibly take on roles such as a farm manager, working beside his father in the family business.

"I worked [for my dad] over the summer thinning trees in the orchard. The people who I work with are very interesting. They all come from different backgrounds — most are not from the United States, most are from South America," Albano said.

Albano said around 2012, his father and cousin-in-law attempted to begin a cider business using the excess apples so they would not go to waste. Even though he was young, Albano played a role in the manual labor of the business. His father became too busy with the orchard and his cousin-in-law was running two dentistry practices, so they were unable to expand the business other than making a few test samples.

"We have pictures of me when I was like 13, grinding up apples in our backyard. I feel like that would be a good business model," Albano said. "I'd be like, 'Hey, look at me!' I was that little kid out here grinding up apples for this cider business that I kind of intend to see it to the finish."

Dallas junior Folaké Obasanya

said she was inspired to switch from double majoring in sociology and journalism to majoring in social work

"Specifically with sociology, I did not like the lack of job security for after college because that was a big fear of mine and my mom, so I [added] journalism," Obasanya said.

Obasanya had an internship with Sunshine Gospel Ministries in Chicago, where she worked with kids in impoverished communities. During a train ride that summer, she complimented a woman's tattoo of a bicycle, and it changed her path at Baylor.

"She was telling me that she was a social worker. I was like 'social worker?' I've kind of heard of those, but she was specifically a litigator, or she was working to be a litigator. And [she said] 'Yeah, I'm just really passionate about social justice,' and I was like, 'Wait, I am really passionate about social justice,' Obasanya said.

She looked into social work as a major when she returned to Baylor and realized it was what she wanted to do for the rest of her life.

"I feel like I had a divine intervention. I really feel like everything that was happening was God telling me that he wants me to be a social worker, or at least change my major to that," Obasanya said.

However, Obasanya said at first, she did not enjoy her classes and worried she would regret her decision.

"I prayed, 'God, open up my heart. If this is really what you want me to do, you would give me a heart to enjoy this.' And this semester, I am in love with all of my social work classes," Obasanya said. "I enjoy going to every single one of my classes. Even if I'm not feeling well or I am not feeling like going to class, I'll still go, and I still never regret it."

Houston junior Karin Simpson began her college education with three semesters at Houston Baptist University before transferring to Baylor University last year as a health science studies major with a prephysical therapy concentration. At the start of this semester, she changed her major to sociology.

"I just have to take two more



Photo courtesy of Eric Albano, Folaké Obasanya and Karin Simpson

SWITCHIN' IT UP Sophomore Eric Albano, junior Folaké Obasanya and junior Karin Simpson shared their experiences which led to them to changing their majors.

semesters, and I graduate in December. And that's weird because normally you'd think someone who transfers in late and someone who changes their major late, you're going to think they're going to stay for a lot longer. As my friend said, I broke the system," Simpson said.

Simpson said she was able to tackle this incredible feat because a large number of her classes from the pre-physical therapy track transferred over as electives. She also explained the reason she decided to change her academic path was because she realized she was not as passionate about the profession as she thought she was before.

"I realized that the people around me who wanted to do physical therapy were actually out there actively shadowing physical therapists and excited about it, and I was just sitting at home and fine. I didn't really care that much, or as much as I thought I did. It didn't bother me that I wasn't shadowing physical therapists, and I think that was definitely a big, red flag. I realized that I don't think that's for me," Simpson said.

After taking a sociology class at Baylor, Simpson not only realized there were similarities between the two fields — that they both help people — but also that she felt a stronger tie to the subjects discussed in her sociology classes than in her health science classes.

"I am happier in this major. I enjoy sitting down in the classes and being like, 'So tell me more,' or 'What is going on?' Like I enjoy going to the classes. It's still difficult; It's challenging in a completely different way, but it's an enjoyable challenge," Simpson said.

Like Obasanya, Simpson and her family worried about the occupations she could find after completing college. Unlike Obasanya, Simpson discovered an interest in the field of sociology she wants to pursue. Simpson said she is planning on attending graduate school for higher education after she graduates.

"It's so fascinating what staff and faculty do to help students and how they impact students' lives. We don't realize how much a staff member does behind the scenes in order for you to

progress. They're back there pulling the strings, trying to create events and things to help make your college life memorable," Simpson said.

Simpson is already pulling the strings behind the events at Baylor. She is a part of Union Board and is an intern for Mito Diaz-Espinosa, the program manager for First in Line, a program that helps first-generation college students. Diaz-Espinosa has inspired her to not only pursue sociology, but to pursue higher education.

"I see that [higher education] is not a perfect system. There's flaws in it just like everything else, but there can be ways to improve it, ways to try and fight it. The main thing is helping students," Simpson said.

Obasanya had some advice for other Baylor students who may be in a similar position to her before she switched to social work.

"If you feel like you want to change your major, just do it. Give it some time, pray about it or get some guidance from other people. Everything will work out," Obasanya said.



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Staff Writer

Tom Barnard isn't the average Baylor faculty member - when he's not accomplishing tasks for the Baylor marketing department, he also acts as the owner of the popular Instagram account @tomatbaylor.

Officially, Barnard is the assistant director for student outreach in the Department of Student Learning and Engagement. Occasionally, he writes the What's New BU emails, runs the Facebook groups for incoming Baylor classes and helps with graphics and photography for student programs and activities.

Along with Barnard's on-campus duties, he's known as the face behind @tomatbaylor, his public Instagram account with over 2,700 followers where he captures photographs of all things Baylor related, including the campus, student events and sports

"When I started work at Baylor, I began posting so much on my personal account about the school that I had some relatives that were getting tired of it," Barnard said. "I have a handful of other relatives and close friends that are all Baylor alumni who wanted to see my stuff, so I decided to start another account just dedicated to Baylor."

Barnard has a passion for photography and used to work at a smaller university as a creative director involved in social media and taking pictures. He sees his Instagram account as an outlet for expressing creativity outside of his campus job.

"I was a creative director and one of three marketing people for the whole university, so all social media and photography was mine - I had a lot more creative outlets than I have here," Barnard said. "I would much rather be at Baylor though — its more dynamic and fun. I haven't had a real specific photographic creative outlet here, so my account has turned into a place that allows me to leave my desk and do something more creative and interesting."

Barnard's account has generated considerable popularity, with many posts hitting 500 to 600 likes. He's not surprised by the support; however, he believes the success is a reflection of the Baylor community's willingness to support each other.

"I haven't been surprised by the support - it's one of the things I love about Baylor," Barnard said. "If nothing else shows through my account, it's that I have a passion for photography and this university, and the thing I love most about Baylor is the people. You consistently hear from touring prospective students that the people at Baylor are so nice.





PIC PERFECTION Tom Barnard is legendary within the Baylor community for capturing not only Baylor's everyday moments, but also the long lived traditions that the Bears celebrate.

Barnard doesn't have to attend any events for his position, but he said he genuinely loves supporting all that the university and student body put on and capturing events in "I'm not required to attend any

events - everything I'm doing to get the shots is because I want to be there because it's fun, and the energy is good," Barnard said. "Unless it's noted in the comments under a post, everything is iPhone shot. I don't like the long process of transferring photos to a computer and editing. I

Kindness is so rare

these days, and Baylor

has so much of it."

media when it's not a delayed post." Barnard attends many on-campus events, both traditional events and everyday activities.

like the immediacy of being in the

moment - there's power in social

"My favorite events to attend are football, partly because the stadium is so beautiful. It's hard to point your camera anywhere and not get a good picture," Barnard said. "My favorite thing to shoot, however, is architecture. It's one of my passions in life —I have to force myself out of not just doing Baylor beauty shots."

When it comes to favorite campus buildings, Barnard loves Pat Neff as a typical favorite and Tidwell as an offthe-wall pick.

"I keep track of what gets the most likes, and it's consistently spiritrelated events or Pat Neff. There are 20 generations of people that know that building and can relate to it it's gorgeous," Barnard said. "I also like Tidwell - it's so weird. If you go up to the fourth or fifth floor, there's nothing there except for four faculty offices that are two stories tall with 20-foot ceilings. There are bookshelves all the way around with giant ladders, so it looks like a Harry Potter professor's office."

In terms of other events or places he's interested in shooting, Barnard has several unique spots he hopes to someday gain access to.

"I want to go down into the steam tunnels - any college that's older than a certain time has them," Barnard said. "They used boilers to heat buildings and there are tunnels between buildings on campus. There's a popular movie called Real Genius where a guy lives in steam tunnels - ever since seeing that movie, I've wanted to see them. I want to tour the energy complex too — it's another weird building, but we make all our own power here, and I think it would be interesting inside."

Naples, Fla., junior Lauren Mulford appreciates how Barnard captures the Baylor community in an authentic way that reflects what Baylor students see every day.

"What's great about the account is that the photos are from the perspective of a Baylor faculty member," Mulford said. "I think they accurately illustrate what it's like to live a day in the life of someone at Baylor, and the opportunities that the school offers."

She especially enjoys Barnard's photos of Baylor traditions, and how they capture the school's enthusiasm for school spirit and pride.

"My favorite pictures are related to traditions like Dia and Christmas on 5th because they show the unique things that the university does to make the student experience the best it can be," Mulford said. "He captures very candid moments of students having a blast, which makes our school stand out among others."

Barnard advises Baylor students to attend as many events as possible and capture significant moments as they happen for future memories.

"Attend as much as possible the time goes by fast, so grab on to as many Baylor-specific memories as you can," Barnard said. "Make sure to shoot everything, whether that be your friends or your experiences. 10 or 15 fifteen years from now, you will be very nostalgic about your time here. You want your photo album to go with the stories."

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to-win wheel, doggy treat bar and a professional photographer. A dog trainer was there to give owners any needed advice on how to handle their furry friends.

Diane Nowlain, the managing owner at Buzzard Billy's, has her own dog, Sophie, that attended Dogtopia. Nowlain said she thought the event represented a fantastic cause, and she

wanted to help out. She talked about the variety of the raffle prizes, with many local restaurants donating gift cards to the cause; even the Hippodrome gave away tickets to contribute.

The spin-to-win wheel, which costed \$2 to spin, consisted of many prizes for attendees. One of the specific prizes that stood out to her was flavored bubbles.

"They got bacon bubbles, so they throw out VetDogs were created to provide enhanced bubbles, and they smell like bacon, so all the dogs try to bite them," Nowlain said.

Service dogs are hugely beneficial for veterans, and they can really help returning soldiers coming back home, according to America's VetDogs' website.

"The service dog programs of America's

mobility and renewed independence to veterans, active-duty service members and first responders with disabilities, allowing them to once again live with pride and self-reliance," their website says. "Not only does a service dog provide support with daily activities, it provides the motivation to tackle every day challenges."

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thousands more that need to be filled."

Both Vaughn and Nelson said the physical location will facilitate face-to-face interactions, which he believes is vital to O'Rourke's campaign. "I think campaigns accomplish more when

they have face-to-face conversations, and that's one person talking to another person about why they support a particular candidate," Vaughn said. "I think that's a lot more effective than any commercial or mass media campaign."

According to an Ipsos, a global market research and a consulting firm, online poll released on Sept. 19, O'Rourke is ahead of Cruz by two points. This is the first time that the polls have shown him in the lead. However, the two candidates have been close for a while, and their support fluctuates.

"I know there's a lot of support [for Beto] in Waco because I can never keep a sign in my yard for more than a day or two before someone asks if they can pick up one from me," Nelson

O'Rourke's support is not entirely composed of stereotypical or longtime Democrats. Nelson thinks a lot of people are becoming more liberal Republicans, Independent or simply becoming

"They even have shirts 'Republicans for Beto," Nelson said. "I've never seen that for another candidate that I can think of at the

Vaughn said he thinks O'Rourke appeals to a wider audience than the typical Democrat

"I am a 70-year-old white male who grew up in the Deep South," Vaughn said. "I was born in Texas. The time I spent out of Texas was in Georgia, so I wouldn't consider myself to be what you would call the prime demographic for a Beto supporter."

People support O'Rourke for a variety of reasons, but Vaughn shared what led him, a seemingly unlikely supporter, to decide to vote for O'Rourke.

"There were things about his campaign that I liked, such as the fact that he's running a campaign that isn't financed by [political action committees] or corporations," Vaughn said. "I





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A 'modern-day Maya Angelou'

Baylor student Janita Matoke celebrates poetry publication with mic night

LAUREN LEWIS

Copy Editor

In celebration of both her 20th birthday and the release of her first publication, Colorado Springs, Colo., junior Janita Matoke hosted an open-mic night in the North Village Community Center on Sunday night. A cozy setting and dim lights directed attendees' attention toward the stage, lit just enough to reveal the performers, consisting of poets, singers and rappers.

Matoke released a book of poems on the same day of her birthday and the event she lightheartedly called "The Nita-Nita Show." The anthology, "When It's All Said and Done," was inspired by three particular motifs.

'To me, 'When it's All Said and Done' means at the end of the day, everything's going to be OK," Matoke said. "My book has three specific themes: Love, social injustice and, sort of, hope, and so when it's all said and done, you're gonna find love; when it's all said and done, there is hope; when it's all said and done, there will be justice."

Though writing a book has always been on her list of goals, Matoke did not foresee poetry included in that

"Originally, I wrote, about a year ago before I started my sophomore year, like a goal list, just to have a rough draft of a book done by the end of this year, and I started writing a book and I just wasn't really feeling it," Matoke said.

However, while attending Xavier University of Louisiana in New Orleans as part of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Exchange Program, she was surprised by a change in plans. She found inspiration in nearly every moment there and recorded her poems in a notebook. It didn't take her long to realize that a collection of these poems would meet her goal.

"It's something that I've always wanted to do, but I never knew exactly how it was gjoing to get done," Matoke said.





Photo courtesy of Janita Matoke

RHYME QUEEN Janita Matoke had long dreamed of writing a book, but it wasn't until she compiled all of her poems that she realized she already had. Matoke celebrated both her publication and her 20th birthday by hosting an open mic night during which current students and alumni presented their creative works.

When it comes to her achievements, Matoke attributes all of her success to God.

"Just seeing how, like if you're patient, or if you just like allow God to move in your life, things can happen," Matoke said.

Impacting the lives of others is important to the "modern-day Maya Angelou," as some at the event referred to her. That was why the open mic night was important to her — so artists could share and possibly benefit those in the crowd. She encouraged all who had a voice to be heard to participate.

"Sometimes, we let what we think is insufficient about us or where we come from, our backgrounds, or anything that society deems wrong ... hinder us from being the greatest versions of us, because we think, 'Oh, we can't do that,' but you can really help others," Matoke said.

Opportunities like the one

Just know what you do is intentional and what you do has meaning and power."

JANITA MATOKE

presented on Sunday night are not easy to find around Waco. Poets and songwriters/singers on Baylor's campus are aware of this dynamic and tune into related events that empower the voice of the artist. Even Alumnus Reggie Singletary, who graduated from Baylor last spring, came back

for the event. "Janita specifically asked me to [come] after hearing me last perform a year-and-a-half ago," Singletary said. "I had been looking for avenues to work toward doing it again, because it often takes pressure for me to actually get a poem done and then get into a rhythm of fully doing it again. But yeah, there's not many spaces and I get to explore a side of myself that most people don't get to see, so I thoroughly enjoyed it."

At the end of the performances, Ianita asked everyone in the audience to pull out their phones and go to the "notes" section. She asked that everyone write down something they wanted to accomplish by the end of the year. She then suggested that each person screenshot that goal and keep it as a screensaver, to see it every day and work toward it becoming fulfilled. In the end, much of her imagination comes from wanting to help others.

"I think if you're the type of person who's trying to make a difference in every single person ... just know what you do is intentional and what you do has meaning and power," Matoke said. "It's not really a goal about how many, but it's a goal to live your life in an intentional way," Matoke said.

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Visual artist Shimon presented his latest art installation "Night Watch." piece involved a tugboat with a large LED screen featuring the portraits of a dozen refugees.



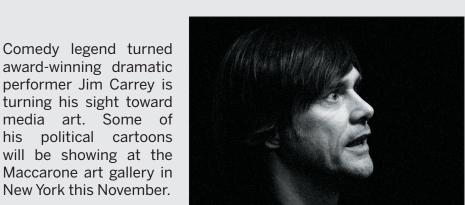


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'Apocalypse' intertwines stories from seasons past

MOLLY ATCHISON

Editor-in-Chief

With Halloween a month away, people are in the mood for spooks and scares. What better way to do that than to settle in for a taste of evil in Ryan Murphy's latest season of the hit FX show "American Horror Story"? This season, Murphy and his team have taken on the apocalypse, and, as always, have found ways to bump up the depravity and drama. "American Horror Story" has run for seven full seasons, creating an anthology that supposedly all connects, but is as unabashedly confusing as it is exciting. For those of you who can't stomach blood, gore and extremely messedup plot lines, stop reading now, and definitely don't tune into FX on Wednesday nights. For veteran viewers and horror enthusiasts, prepare yourself for what might be Murphy's most bizarre season yet.

"American Horror Story" takes different twists and turns every season and approaches horror at a different angle each time. From the Amityville Horror-vibe of season one, "Murder House," to the "Purge"-esque violence of season seven, "Cult," and everything in between, the stellar acting and clever filming leaves viewers wanting more and losing sleep. Two episodes into season eight, it's clear that "Apocalypse" is more than just what the title suggests. Yes, it begins with the end of the world. But, instead of taking the traditional survival-focused route, this season brings some freaky stuff into play.

Without getting into excessive detail, "Apocalypse" seems to be focusing on the animalistic side of the human nature. In the past, viewers have seen more about supernatural events, manipulation and unadulterated evil, but "Apocalypse" may let the characters decide their own fates, in their own ways.

The kill-or-be-killed mentality is strong in this season, and with the stellar performance of Cody Horn as the mysterious Michael Langdon

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(possibly a very evil throwback to season one) effectively stirring the pot, viewers are currently at a loss as to where the season will take viewers. Some of the characters seem incredibly out of place, some of them have already left and some are just about to be introduced.

Fans of the series were excited by the possibility of a crossover involving characters from season one ("Murder House") and season three ("Coven") into the mix, heralding a future of connection. Key players in the cast have returned this season, including "American Horror Story" alums Evan Peters and Sarah Paulson, as well as more recently included actors like Billie Lourd and Leslie Grossman. The question of whether scream queen Jessica Lange will grace us with her presence this season is still unanswered, but posts from several other season one and three cast-mates, including Dylan McDermott, Connie Britton, Emma Roberts and Lily Rabe, seem to confirm the crossover theory.

Episode three, titled "Forbidden Fruit," may allude to some of the more obvious biblical references in this season. However, the teaser trailer for the episode indicates the possible homecoming of several of our favorite coven witches, and perhaps a better look into the season's plot as a whole. All we know is that this season's characters are about to be subjected to some seriously sinister forces both outside and within their nuclear fallout bunker.

For those of you who want to jump into this season running, episode three airs Wednesday on FX. And for those who have no clue what's going on, but definitely want to be scared, check out the first seven seasons of the anthology on Netflix and Hulu. So grab your popcorn and someone to hide behind and let your imagination run wild with "American Horror Story: Apocalypse."



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FLY MOVES The Poppers, Lockers, and Breakers offer several performances throughout the year and welcome anyone who is eager to express themselves through dance.

Student dance crew engages with hip-hop through dance

MADDIE GEE

Reporter

Hip-hop is a massive cultural force in our society. The hip-hop movement has significantly influenced the art and music worlds for many people. One of the groups that is exploring hip-hop through dance at Baylor is the Poppers, Lockers, and Breakers Club.

While the name may suggest that the organization features an approach more centered in break-dancing, featuring stylized footwork and spinning on the head, knees, and hands, it actually has more focus on the energetic styles of hip-hop dancing.

San Antonio senior Shelby Hilliard has been involved with the organization for four years.

"I went to Line Camp and at the end we have those little routines," Hillard said. "I met this guy there and he and I both dance very well. When we came back in the fall ... we bumped into each other a few times freshman year and he said for me to come to PLB [Poppers Lockers and Breakers] ... I went later in the year and ended up sticking with it."

Poppers Lockers and Breakers stands out from the rest of the organizations on campus, Hilliard said.

"One thing that I really appreciate about PLB is that we are a diverse group," Hilliard said. "It is not necessarily targeted towards an ethnic group, or just girls, or just guys. We are open to everyone, no dance experience required. We always try to break down our practices nice and slow and, of course, we make it optional for those to join our performance group. Even

if you do not want to join the group, you can still come and practice with us."

The organization has not only helped grow Hilliard's dance skills, but has also helped grow her personal life as well

"I appreciate the fact that I can still dance because of course once you get out of high school, if you are not doing dance team ... or any of the professional dance teams on campus you really do not have an outlet for dance," Hilliard said. "Being in PLB gives me those last final years to still dance, be active and showcase the skills that I possess."

San Francisco junior Numbilya Mpolo has been personally impacted by the organization

"I found a lot of my friends through PLB like Shelby and dance has always been a kind of therapy for me," Mpolo said. "Especially starting freshman year, I would look forward to going to PLB on Fridays or whenever because I would be so stressed from the week and I would come and dance and I would forget about them for a little bit."

They have performed at many popular Baylor events in the past, including Late Night, and currently they are looking toward the

"I am looking forward to future performances. Last year we did not really have our own showcase, so maybe possibly doing that would be fun," Mpolo said. "Hopefully, we can get new choreographers and stuff for our club. It is very exciting."

The organization can be reached through their Facebook, Instagram, Gmail or Orgsync.

By Frank A. Longo

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Volleyball Weekend Briefs

Volleyball wins five-set thriller against Iowa State

No. 21-ranked Baylor volleyball defeated Iowa State 3-2 Saturday in Ames, Iowa.

The Bears (9-4, 1-1) were led by sophomore outside hitter Yossiana Pressley, who notched a career-high 39 kills

Iowa State jumped out with a 15-9 lead in the first set, holding Baylor to .095 hitting efficiency before the first media timeout. The Cyclones held serve the rest of the first set, finishing on a 10-6 run to take a 1-0 lead in the match.

The Bears were held to a collective .056 hitting percentage while Pressley hit -.067 in the first set. Iowa State sophomore outside hitter Candelaria Herrera led the way for the Cyclones in the opening set with five kills on eight attempts.

Iowa State took a 6-1 lead early in the second set, but the Bears responded with a 14-5 run to prompt the Cyclones to call a timeout. Baylor held the lead through the rest of the second set, securing the win on back-to-back errors from the Cyclones to win 25-19. Pressley recovered from a tough first set to notch 11 kills in the second set.

Baylor led from start to finish in the third set with junior setter Hannah Fluegel sealing the win for the Bears with an ace. Pressley led the way in the third set with 11 more kills to lead Baylor to a 25-14 set victory.

The Bears and Cyclones battled back and forth to open the fourth set with Baylor finally breaking the tie to take a 15-12 lead into the media timeout. Iowa State finished on a 13-7 run to take the fourth set 25-22 and tie the match at 2-2.

The Bears jumped out to a 6-2 lead in the final set and never looked back, winning 15-8 after Pressley's 39th kill and an Iowa State error sealed the win.

Baylor is back in action against Texas at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Austin.

Yossiana Pressley earns Big 12 player of the week

Baylor sophomore outside hitter Yossiana Pressley was named Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week on Monday.

The award is Pressley's program-leading 11th career weekly honor and her second Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week award this season.

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Pressley led the Big 12 last week with 6.11 kills per set and 6.33 points per set in Baylor's matches against Texas Tech and Iowa State.

In the Bears' 3-2 win over Iowa State on Saturday in Ames, Iowa, Pressley set a career high and broke the Baylor record with 39 kills on .390 hitting efficiency. Pressley was one kill short of tying the Big 12 single match record of 40 kills which was set in 1997.

In Baylor's 2-3 loss to Texas Tech on Wednesday at the Ferrell Center, Pressley notched a double-double with 16 kills and 11 digs. She also added 13 digs in the win over the Cyclones.

Pressley and the Bears continue their Big 12 schedule when they face Texas at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Austin.

Soccer Weekend Brief

Soccer drops road match to No. 11 Texas in overtime

Baylor soccer fell to No. 11-ranked Texas 2-1 in overtime on Friday in Austin to drop to 0-1 in conference play.

The Bears (7-4) got on the board first when senior defender Ariel Leach set up a cross to senior midfielder Julie James, who headed it in to give Baylor a 1-0 lead in the 15th minute.

Coming out of halftime with a 0-1 deficit, the Longhorns quickly tied the game in the 57th minute on freshman forward Mackenzie McFarland's second career goal

The Bears got two clean looks in the 73rd and 79th minute, but both were saved by the Longhorns to preserve the tie.

Freshman forward Taylor Moon and junior forward Camryn Wendlandt each had shots hit the crossbar in the last minute of regulation as the game was sent to overtime.

Texas sophomore forward Cydney Billups scored the golden goal for the Longhorns just 30 seconds into overtime to end the match.

Baylor out-shot the Longhorns 18-13 and 6-5 in shots on goal, but Texas led the match with seven corner kicks to the Bears' four.

The Longhorns (9-0-1) are one of 11 remaining unbeaten teams in NCAA Division I soccer.

James' goal in the 15th minute marked her sixth of the season and 16th of her career.

The Bears are back in action at 7 p.m. Friday at Betty Lou Mays Field against TCU.



Associated Press

ALL SMILES Former Baylor quarterbacks Nick Florence and Robert Griffin III pose for a picture after the Bears' 52-45 overtime win over Texas Tech on Nov. 24, 2012, at AT&T Stadium in Arlington. Florence spoke to the Baylor football team on Friday night before the Bears' matchup against Kansas on Saturday at McLane Stadium. Baylor prevailed 26-7 to open the Big 12 Conference schedule 1-0.

Bears heed Florence's advice

BEN EVERETT

Sports Editor

Baylor head coach Matt Rhule received a text message from Nick Florence on Thursday night. Florence, a quarterback for the Bears from 2009 to 2012, offered words of encouragement for the secondyear head coach.

With the Bears coming off a 40-27 loss to Duke at McLane Stadium the previous Saturday, Florence told Rhule he believed in what the team was doing and asked if there was anything he could do to help.

Rhule asked Florence to speak to the team prior to their game against Kansas, and Rhule said the speech had a significant impact on the team

"I thought it was really one of the pivotal moments in trying to build a football program," Rhule said. "And that's what we're trying to do. We're trying to build a football program."

Florence shared the story of the 2012 Baylor football team with this year's group.

Florence served as the third-string quarterback in 2009, but started games down the stretch of the season due to injuries. Florence played sparingly as a sophomore and junior, serving as the backup to Heisman trophy winner Robert

When Griffin left for the NFL in 2012, Florence took over the starting job as a senior. The Bears had a rocky start to the season, overcoming a halftime deficit to beat Sam Houston State at home and scraping by Louisiana-Monroe 47-42 to close their non-conference schedule. To open Big 12 play, Baylor lost four games in a row.

The Bears picked up a win over Kansas,

but fell to No. 12 Oklahoma to drop to 4-5 overall and 1-5 in the Big 12. With the No. 1 team in the country coming to Waco, the Bears needed to turn their season around. They did just that with a 52-24 upset of Kansas State.

Baylor went on to defeat Texas Tech and No. 23 Oklahoma State en route to a Holiday Bowl appearance. The Bears took down No. 17 UCLA 49-26 to finish the year 8-5.

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MATT RHULE | HEAD COACH

In the Holiday Bowl victory, Florence broke Griffin's record for passing yards in a single season in Baylor football history with 4,309.

Rhule said the key takeaway from the story is that the team stopped pointing fingers and rallied together to finish the season strong.

"And so Nick told the team about how all of a sudden, in the middle of that year,

through all the adversity and people saying things, they just stopped worrying about 'Is it the offense? Is it the defense?'" Rhule said. "They came together as a team."

When Florence gave the speech, the Bears had a winning record, but they were coming off a loss to Duke in which they were favored. They were only favored to beat Kansas by one touchdown with key conference matchups against Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, TCU and West Virginia looming in the distance.

Rhule said Florence's words took pressure off of the team's shoulders and gave them a new perspective.

"You're sitting there talking to the players and they're trying to figure it out and putting too much pressure on themselves. He gave them a message that it's all about coming together as a team," Rhule said. "When he said that, I thought our kids sat up a little bit in their chair and took a little bit of pressure off them."

Baylor picked up its first home conference win since 2016 on Saturday on the heels of Florence's advice. Freshman wide receiver Josh Fleeks, who led the Bears in receiving yards and caught his first career touchdown in the 26-7 win, said Florence's speech "really got [him] ready for the game."

Sophomore quarterback Charlie Brewer said having a former Baylor quarterback readily available for advice is something he has cherished.

"He's an awesome guy that I definitely look up to and is there when I need to talk to him," Brewer said. "He's been a huge help for me. He had a bunch of success here at Baylor and anytime someone like him can speak to us, I think it's good for us to learn from what he had to say."

Soccer falls to Texas in overtime



Photo courtesy of Texas Athletics

PHYSICALITY Baylor sophomore midfielder Emily Bunnell fights for the ball against Texas on Friday in Austin. The Bears led 1-0 at halftime but gave up a golden goal in overtime to fall to the Longhorns and drop to 0-1 in conference.

JUST OUT OF REACH Oklahoma sophomore running back Trey Sermon evades an Army defender on Saturday in Norman, Okla. The Sooners defeated the Black Knights 28-21 in overtime to remain undefeated on the season. Sermon finished with 119 rushing yards on 18 attempts. Oklahoma remains No. 1 in this week's Big 12 power rankings.

Power rankings: Oklahoma reigns supreme

ADAM GIBSON

Sports Writer

This past weekend for the Big 12 was one of the most exciting and surprising weekends since last season, with several upsets to shift the entire standing of the conference. Here are my takes on the new Big 12 power rankings.



1. Oklahoma (4-0, 1-0) (No. 6 in AP poll)

The Sooners escaped with a 28-21 overtime win at home against Army in what was, surprisingly, the closest game for Oklahoma on the season. Junior quarterback Kyler Murray, for the third game in a row, threw for three touchdowns while rushing for one. Army did a good job of keeping the Sooners' explosive offense off the field by having possession of the ball for 44:41 compared to Oklahoma's 15:19. The Sooners were still able to pull off the win thanks in part to sophomore linebacker Kenneth Murray and senior linebacker Curtis Bolton, who combined for 51 tackles on the night. With only 40 passing yards from eight passing attempts from Army junior quarterback Kelvin Hopkins Jr., the main threat was on the ground where the Knights had 339 yards, 102 of which came from Hopkins. The Sooners secured the game with two late interceptions and a touchdown in overtime. Oklahoma will not likely face an offense like Army's again this season as it heads into Big 12 play against Baylor in Norman, Okla.

2. West Virginia (4-0, 1-0) (No. 12 in AP poll)

The Mountaineers absolutely rocked Kansas State 35-6, led by senior quarterback Will Grier's five touchdown passes in the win. The Heisman hopeful completed 25 of his 35 passing attempts for 356 yards but had two interceptions, giving him three total so far this season. West Virginia managed to hold Kansas State to no touchdowns and 318 total yards, only 91 of which were rushing, to cruise by the Wildcats for the win. The Mountaineers held them to converting just 3-of-14 on third down. West Virginia faces a tougher challenge this weekend in Texas Tech, who just knocked off the former No. 15 team in the country: Oklahoma State. West Virginia will have to slow down the Red Raiders and score points, which shouldn't be hard with Grier at the helm, in order to remain perfect on the season.

3. Texas (3-1, 1-0) (No. 18 in AP poll)

I'm still a skeptic that Texas is officially back, but it sure looked like it as the Longhorns took down former No. 17 TCU 31-16 in Austin. After back-to-back wins over ranked teams, Texas found its way back into the Top 25. While its offense may not be as dynamic as other Big 12 teams, sophomore quarterback Sam Ehlinger threw for 255 yards and two touchdowns while scoring another on the ground. The Longhorns defense stepped up to hold sophomore quarterback Shawn Robinson to just one touchdown pass and two interceptions. While the Horned Frogs had more total yards than the Longhorns, offensive struggles for TCU for the second game in a row made the victory that much easier for Texas. The Longhorns head to Ames next week to face an Iowa State team that is coming off its first win of the season.

4. Texas Tech (3-1, 1-0) (No. 25 in AP

The Red Raiders absolutely ran over Oklahoma State with a 41-17 win at Boone Pickens Stadium for the third win of the season and first win over a ranked team. Oklahoma State was ranked No. 15 at the time but did not play like it, as Tech held it to under 400 yards for the first time this season. Freshman quarterback Alan Bowman had 397 passing yards for two touchdowns and the first two interceptions in his collegiate career. With three more touchdowns and 224 yards coming from the run game, Tech's offense continues to impress under Bowman and remains at the top of the Big 12 in points scored with 208 through four games.

5. Oklahoma State (3-1, 0-1)

The Cowboys lost their first game of the season to Tech's dynamic offense and, for the first time this season, did not score more than 44 points in the game. Coming off a 44-27 victory to upset then No. 17 Boise State, Oklahoma State failed to find its way into the end zone as often as it has been after senior quarterback Taylor Cornelius completed only 18 of his 38 passing attempts for one touchdown and one interception. Junior running back Justice Hill performed as well as he normally has on the season for the offense with 111 yards and a touchdown. Even though two quarterback system we've seen in the first three weeks. Brewer had his best overall game of the season, with 19 completions for 221 yards, three touchdowns and 57 yards rushing. With a season-best completion percentage of 70.4 percent, Brewer proved just how accurate he can be with the Jayhawks defense coming into the game with a plus-12 turnover margin: good for best in the nation. We will see if the same defense shows up ready to stop Kyler Murray this weekend as the Bears face their first ranked opponent in Oklahoma.

8. Iowa State (1-3, 0-1)

The Cyclones were able to find their first game to put in the win column with a 26-13 victory over Akron. The defense as well as the special teams were really the main reasons Iowa State was able to pick up a win. Sophomore kicker Connor Assalley knocked down all four field goals and two extra points to make up 14 of the 26 points Iowa State was able to get on the board. The defense had four sacks in the game with 20 tackles for loss to hold Akron from scoring more than 13 points. With a lackluster offense that could only find the end zone twice

forcing the team to rely on its defense, it could be a long season for the Cyclones as they face TCU, Oklahoma State and Texas Tech in the next three weeks. If they cannot find more points during those games, there's a good chance the defense won't be able to carry the team to another victory for a while.

9. Kansas (2-2, 0-1)

Kansas was back to looking more like the Kansas we are all used to as it fell to Baylor 26-7. The Jayhawks came into the game with consecutive wins for the first time since 2011. The Jayhawks failed to get their elusive freshman running back Pooka Williams going with only 89 yards rushing, 72 of which came off of one rushing attempt. The passing game was split between three quarterbacks who combined for only 149 passing yards and one touchdown. Having only a total of 271 yards, Kansas' offense slowed down a considerate amount after a 55-14 victory over Rutgers the previous week. With the next matchup being against Oklahoma State, the defense will have to return to forcing turnovers against the Cowboys since the Jayhawks' offense isn't enough to rely on.

10. Kansas State (2-2, 0-1)

The Wildcats were coming off a 41-17 win over UTSA, where it looked like the team finally figured itself out. That failed to be the case as they failed to score one touchdown in the 35-6 loss against West Virginia. The offense was only able to get 77 yards in the first half and wasn't able to get across midfield until the third quarter. Sophomore quarterback Skylar Thompson had 145 yards passing on 11 completions before being replaced by junior quarterback Alex Delton, who threw for 82 yards on seven completions. Without a touchdown from the quarterbacks or on the ground game, the offense for Kansas State has revealed just how many problems it has to deal with. Going into next week against Texas, the Wildcats have won the previous five meetings between the two in Manhattan, Kan., but it is likely that will change since there isn't much of an offense for Texas to



POCKET PRESENCE West Virginia senior quarterback Will Grier stands in the pocket and looks to deliver a pass against Kansas State on Saturday in Morgantown, WVa. The Mountaineers won 35-6 as Grier threw for 356 yards and five touchdowns to move to 3-0 on the season.

they could not find their scoring rhythm, the Cowboys face Kansas next Saturday, which should get their offense back on track.

6. TCU (2-2, 0-1)

The Horned Frogs, like the Cowboys, fell this weekend after being upset by Texas 31-16 in what was a poor performance by sophomore quarterback Shawn Robinson and the offense for the second week in a row. The Horned Frogs had four turnovers, giving Texas multiple chances to take and increase its lead after going into the half with TCU leading 13-10. With this being the second loss, now resulting in a two-game losing streak, TCU has this weekend to figure out what they need to fix as they face Iowa State before taking on Texas Tech and Oklahoma. If they cannot fix the turnover issues and lack of scoring, the Horned Frogs could quickly find themselves under .500.

7. Baylor (3-1, 1-0)

The Bears were the first team this season to successfully slow down Kansas freshman running back Pooka Williams and, by doing so, recorded their third win of the season through the first week of Big 12 play. The defense for the Bears showed up ready to play by logging four sacks and nine tackles for loss to hold the Jayhawks to 271 total yards. The offense for Baylor, for the first time this season, was led by sophomore quarterback Charlie Brewer for the majority of the game, rather than the usual

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