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Reporter

The winning act of last year's All-University Sing just got smaller.

Phi Kappa Chi fraternity and Pi Beta Phi sorority, who teamed up last spring and placed first in Sing, had to adjust their act due to a recent policy by the Sing Committee, which states that any act for either Sing or Pigskin cannot have more than 200 members on stage.

The Greek organizations partnered to produce an act called "The Tortoise and the Hare," which featured 260 performing members — the largest act in Sing history. Phi Chi took first place in 2016 for its "Dust Bowl Days" act and Pi Phi won first place the following year for its performance "Meet Me in Ze Alps."

Director of Student Activities Matt Burchett and Becky Jones, chair of the Sing Committee, who also serves as senior lecturer of accounting, explained in an email the reason for limiting the number of performers for any act to 200.

"Due to the immense growth of student participation in Sing and Pigskin in recent years, the Sing Procedures Committee was presented with safety concerns about facility occupancy loads," Burchett and Jones said. "By minimizing the potential for overcrowding and

respecting the occupancy load of the facility, we decreased the overall risk of the program, ensuring the long-term viability of this beloved tradition."

All organizations affected by the policy change were sent an email directly from Jones on Aug. 29 and Student Productions, who plans and coordinates annual productions like All-University Sing and Pigskin Revue, notified Pigskin chairs of the change on Sept. 6. The new policy was then reviewed in person by the chairs during a Pigskin Chair meeting the following week.

Phi Chi and Pi Phi originally devised a plan that both believed aligned with the new policy by having members switch on and off stage during performances so the number of students always remained under maximum capacity. However, the organizations were informed last Monday that the plan still violated the new policy.

Waco senior and Phi Chi fraternity member Ben Tandy explained the thought process behind coming up with needing a new plan that would avoid cutting 60 members.

"Student Productions recommended cutting sophomores, which isn't fair to them because their parents are flying in to see them," Tandy said. "Sophomore year is really when you learn to love



Lariat File Photo

DANCE OFF Pi Beta Phi sorority and Phi Kappa Chi fraternity broke out their best dance skills and singing skills in 2018's All-University Sing with the "The Tortoise and the Hare" act which granted them the first place trophy. As 2018 Pigskin approaches, the two groups are adjusting their first place act to comply with the new 200-person on stage rule.

Sing and Pigskin, and for that to happen would be terrible — so we decided to have 100-something people agree to only be in two acts."

Tandy said the Sing chairs were originally unsure of how many members were willing to sacrifice stage time due to the policy change.

"They were expecting maybe 30 or 40 people would offer and we'd have to figure out a way to make it work, but within a couple hours ... they had more than 100 people saying, 'Hey, I'll step down. That way everybody can be in it and have a great performance,' which was very encouraging for them to see that everybody in the act was willing to adapt for them," Tandy said.

The 110 members that volunteered to participate in only half of the acts will be divided into two groups: the first group will perform Thursday night and the following night

for the first showing at 6:30. The second group will takeover and perform Friday night's second showing at 10:30 and Saturday's final showing at 7 p.m. To accommodate this change, Phi Chi and Pi Phi created 34 new dance formations.

Other Greek organizations making an appearance in Pigskin Revue 2018 will be sororities Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Delta Delta, Chi Omega, and Kappa Alpha Theta. The fraternities being showcased will be Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Omega Tau and Alpha Tau Omega.

"Some people thought that our act was just better because of how many people we had initially," Tandy said. "We're using this as an opportunity to say, 'Just because we lost 60 people from each act doesn't mean that our act is going to be different or worse. It's going to be just as sharp if not sharper, just as clean if not cleaner [and] just as loud.'"



Liesje Powers | Multimedia Editor

TURKEY-FIVE Adrianna Vingradov and Kirsten Pancratz serve Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry to help feed the hungry in Waco. Turkeypalooza will not only serve the Waco community but Baylor.

Turkeypalooza assists the hungry in Waco

MADDIE GEE

Staff Writer

There are more than 4 million Texans that are food insecure, with a percentage of those being in the Waco community according to Campus Kitchen. The organization also found there are students on our own campus that are also experiencing food insecurity, with "32 percent of Baylor students experiencing very high levels of food insecurity." Campus Kitchen is here to help those no longer experience this feeling.

San Antonio junior Madeline Lochte and Castle Pines junior Azile Nelson have been working on putting together an event on that not only helps the hungry in Waco but also the hungry on campus.

"Turkeypalooza is a canned food drive that takes place for a couple of weeks in between October and November, and basically we invite all the dorms on campus to allow their residents to donate to our cause," Nelson said.

Turkeypalooza is being hosted by both Campus Kitchen and Circle K International for the first time this year.

"It is our first year doing it with them because they reached out to us asking us if we would be interested in partnering because they did a canned food drive, too. We have been working with them a little bit, and they have made the boxes for us to go to the dorms. It has been really good for them to help us," Lochte said.

The two girls started planning the event with a

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Baylor discourages cultural appropriated Halloween costumes

REWON SHIMRAY

Staff Writer

The days of trick-or-treating are over for college students but costume-wearing continues. With trending debates such as "My culture is not your prom dress" and Kappa Sigma fraternity's "Cinco de Drinko" themed party two years ago. Baylor Multicultural Affairs shares their insight on cultural appropriation.

Cultural appropriation, as defined by Baylor Diversity & Inclusion, is "the act of taking or using things from a culture that is not your own, especially without showing that you understand or respect this culture."

Cultural appreciation seeks further understanding of a culture, whereas appropriation further perpetuates stereotypes, according to San Francisco junior and Multicultural Affairs Black Student Coalition intern Shevann Steuben.

Sharyl Loeung, Coordinator for Outreach and Inclusion, said when it comes to wearing Halloween costumes, "when in doubt, leave it out."

"With the exception of appropriation versus appreciation, I am a strong believer in pushing the envelope, but I think when you take into account negative impacts on people, you need to more seriously consider what you're doing," Steuben said.

Gilbert, Ariz., senior and Multicultural Affairs Asian Student Coalition intern Sam Lin said intent and impact are two things to consider. While intentions may be to merely borrow from another culture,

the impact of an innocent intention may be insulting to members of that culture.

"Your intent can be one thing, but you need to realize that your impact is what's going to last longest," Lin said.

When a person realizes they have appropriated another culture, Coordinator of Creative Services Maggie Griffin said one should "seek first to understand, then to be understood."

Griffin also gives recommendations for students on how to pick the appropriate costume while respecting different cultures.

"I would first recommend reaching out to anyone they have a relationship with from that culture to discuss the situation," Griffin said. "Reflecting on what happened with someone who has a personal connection to the artifact or practice that was appropriated creates important space for personal growth."

Steuben said speaking up against cultural appropriation should be paired with explanations, because "it's not a can't; it's a shouldn't," and people should be educated to make choices for themselves.

There are over 36 organizations under Multicultural Affairs whose meetings are open for visitors to learn more about their culture without having to commit to membership, said Steuben.

"Cultural organizations are there for a reason," Steuben said. "They're there for cultures to celebrate where they came from, but they're also there for people to learn about them."

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EDITORIAL

Leaders, watch your actions

What you do could influence others, not always positively

Leadership, when taken for granted, can be misused and a pathway for negative actions that affect everyone all the way down the chain. If you're in any type of leadership position, people are looking up to you, and you need to think about how your actions will affect others.

On Oct. 21, after being detained from a Southwest Airlines flight, a man told an FBI agent after his arrest that the "president of the United States says it's OK to grab women by their private parts."

This incident is just one example of how someone with a position of authority can transfer their mindset and beliefs to a mass audience. Through our president's words, whether intentional or not, he led others to believe it is acceptable to behave in a particular manner. This is a prime an example of how leadership can be used negatively.

If we have an opportunity to stand in front of others and guide them, we need to be aware of our responsibility to shepherd people along the right track.

There are many examples of positive leadership. Chance the Rapper donated \$1 million to Chicago Public Schools. Lebron James opened a public school in his hometown of Akron, Ohio. Taylor Swift used her platform to encourage people to register to vote. Emma Watson served as a UN Women Goodwill Ambassador. Baylor University President Dr. Linda Livingstone makes a point to connect with students and faculty alike in meaningful ways. These are the leaders who hold themselves to the highest standard by making sure they're always the one who goes above and beyond.

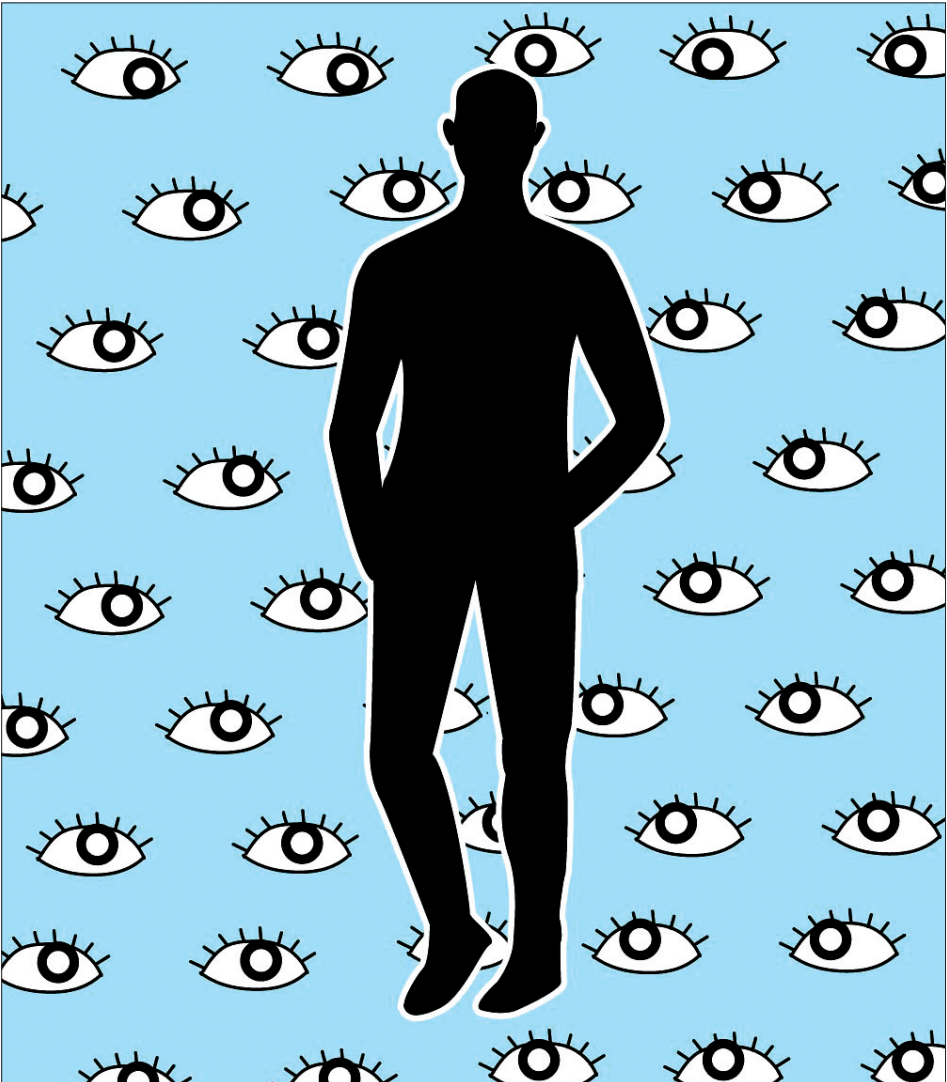
When the people being led see this initiative, not only do they gain respect for their leader,

but they are able to grow as leaders themselves. If people see leadership done well, they're more willing to follow rules set in place when they see the person in charge taking it just as seriously as they're expected to. A leader is expected to be the role model for the rest of the group, and when they're not, everything starts to crumble.

Young adult celebrities are often cast into this realm. Kids look up to Disney Channel stars, and when the celebrity does something that's not portraying them as a good role model, parents get upset, and their actions may negatively affect their career. This has been seen time and time again from Lindsey Lohan to Miley Cyrus. Some argue that it's not fair to hold celebrities to this standard, but they knew what they were signing up for when they agreed to be on a TV show or record an album aimed at pre-teens. This is a form of leadership because so many people are looking up to them, and they should take advantage of the opportunity to encourage their fans to do something positive like eat healthier or take care of the environment.

With Trump's words still negatively affecting the actions of men, think about some of your own words or actions that could be seen as a negative portrayal of leadership. Be aware of the situations in life in which people are looking up to you and make an effort to go the extra mile to give the people an example they can follow. If we ourselves aren't setting the standard, we can't get mad at the people we're leading for not following the rules.

It is a leader's responsibility to set the example and use their leadership for something positive. Big or small, any leadership position sets the tone for how the group they're leading will act.



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COLUMN

Why MLB is baseball's own worst enemy

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Radio Director

Over the last decade or so, sports fans have constantly heard the now-tired trope that baseball, once the national pastime, is a dying sport. Baseball itself is thriving, but its highest level, Major League Baseball, is making a product almost unwatchable for casual fans and is the main reason why the sport is drastically losing popularity.

MLB's decline in popularity has been a gradual one over the last decade or so, thanks in no small part to the meteoric evolution of the other professional leagues. In February of 2010, Super Bowl XLIV broke the record for most-watched television broadcast in American history, according to NPR. In fact, seven of the top eight most-watched TV events in US history have been sporting events, all Super Bowls, no baseball games. Since 2009, SB Nation documents that the NFL has also added annual games in both London and Mexico City, expanding their fan base around the globe. MLB has only played 10 games outside North America during that span, even with a schedule 10 times that of the NFL.

The NBA, like the NFL, has skyrocketed this decade. Like the

NFL, they have made their draft into a highly anticipated, primetime national TV broadcast. They, too, have expanded their global viewership with annual regular season games in Mexico and the United Kingdom and with preseason tours in China and Brazil, according to NBA.com. Last season, Forbes wrote that the NBA conference finals series pulled in an average of over 9 million viewers per game, up from just under 6.5 million in 2017. MLB, on the other hand, managed just an average of 6.5 million in their league championship series, even while featuring major markets like New York, Chicago and Los Angeles.

The numbers speak for themselves. It is nothing short of embarrassing for baseball, which had one of its best postseasons in quite some time in 2017 while the NBA featured three of the four semifinalists from the year before and the same Finals match-up for the fourth straight year. Even with a lack of parity, the NBA trounced MLB in just about every metric.

The problem lies not with the players themselves, but how the game is being played. With the introduction of the launch angle phenomenon in the last few seasons, hitters are focusing solely on power and sacrificing record numbers of strikeouts to get there by adjusting their swing to hit more home runs. While it sounds like the perfect way to make baseball more sexy, it has actually hurt its entertainment factor. Baseball-Reference breaks down

the truly eye-popping numbers that now define the league. The strikeout rate in MLB has been at record highs every single year since 2008, sacrifice hits met their lowest mark since 1900 in 2018, and the average time of a single game is the third-longest of all time, only behind 2017 and 2014's

“No other sport can string you along for nearly seven and a half hours with almost no entertainment value.”

marks. The poster child of this new launch angle movement is Joey Gallo of the Rangers, who finished third in the league in home runs with 40, compared to 38 singles. For his career, he has less singles than home runs. More strikeouts and more home runs leads to much fewer hits. In 2018, no

one reached 200 hits, just the seventh time that has happened in a non-strike shortened season in the last 100 years, according to Forbes. To add on to that, Baseball-Reference also shows the league suffered its lowest ballpark attendance numbers since 2002.

The epitome of what is wrong with MLB's game strategy was found this past weekend in game three of the World Series. The game was won on a walk-off home run by former Baylor Bear Max Muncy, but not before a multitude of World Series records were broken. Needless to say, they were not the records the league was trying to break. The Sporting News reported these records, including it being the longest game in World Series history both by innings (18; previously 14) and by time (seven hours and 20 minutes) by almost a complete hour (six hours and 23 minutes in 2014). To put that into perspective, the entire four-game 1939 World Series took less time (seven hours and five minutes) than this one game. The game tied the postseason record for strikeouts (34) and set a new record for players used (46) and number of pitchers used (18). To refresh the lack-of-hits epidemic, Boston's Xander Bogaerts became the first player in postseason history to go 0-8 in a game.

Beyond the numbers, it was a terrible game to watch. No other sport can string you along for nearly seven and a half hours with almost no entertainment value. For the Red Sox, their No. 1 through four hitters

in their lineup went 0-28, leaving nine guys on base in the process. With Nathan Eovaldi pitching seven innings of relief for them and no position players left on the bench, he was left to bat in the No. 3 spot in the Red Sox order during his outing, going 0-2 with two strikeouts. It was a game with almost no timely hitting, very few baserunners and even worse defensive play that ended just shy of 3 a.m. Central Standard Time.

With every World Series game starting after 8 p.m. on the east coast and three postseason games having gone more than five hours, something has to change within MLB. People are missing postseason and World Series games, and they do not even care. It is a product with so much potential that is lacking a serious viewership. With the NBA, NFL and even the NHL growing audiences exponentially the last decade, Major League Baseball's is dropping precipitously and they only have themselves to blame.

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New Baylor podcast caters to busy law students

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Reporter

Benjamin Cooper, Baylor Pre-Law Society program manager, created the Baylor pre-law podcast “Bears, the Bar and Beyond” when he noticed students’ busy schedules made it difficult to attend pre-law events on top of classes and extracurricular activities.

Cooper released the first episode of the podcast series on Sept. 6, intending to provide information for pre-law students and students considering the pre-law program.

"One of the things we also emphasize is for students to get a realistic understanding and expectation of what being a lawyer is like, so the hope is that through the podcast and through exposing people to lawyers in different parts of the profession, that they can get that sense of what it's going to be like," Cooper said.

McAllen sophomore Hannah Orendain, public relations chair, explained the benefits of the pre-law society, like meeting with law school admissions and professionals with experience.

"I wanted to grow my network. I wanted to connect with more students who are pre-law because I am very goal-based. I wanted to surround myself with people that are like minded and that are all aiming towards the same thing," Orendain said. "It hosts different law schools, and it's not just Texas law schools either — it's like law schools from all around the nation. [When law schools visit], they talk to the organization as a whole and then afterwards they're willing to stay and talk to the students individually if they have other questions."

Cooper explained that a podcast was a good format to convey information to students with busy schedules because they could listen to it while going for a run, driving, cleaning, etc.

"The main purpose, apart from making information more accessible, was to encourage students to start doing informational interviews themselves," Cooper said. "It allows them to get really helpful information so they can start to formulate a sense of whether law school is right for them, but it allows



Photo courtesy of Baylor Pre-Law Society

ON-THE-GO LEARNING Benjamin Cooper, program manager for the Baylor Pre-Law Society, created the “Bears, the Bar, and Beyond” podcast to aid busy pre-law students who are looking to learn more, despite their daily busy schedules.

them to develop the kind of soft skills that are going to be very useful to them.”

Cooper requires students to listen to one of the first two episodes of the podcast before meeting with him for an advising appointment. The first episode is geared toward freshmen and sophomores and the second episode is aimed

to reach juniors and seniors, both about undergraduate planning.

"The idea is that when I meet with a student, I want that time to be as productive for them as possible," Cooper said. "The idea of having them listen to the relevant podcast episode before they come and meet with me is that we can

then use that time to talk about them individually and we can come up with a plan that's specific to their circumstances, and everyone's circumstances are different."

The following episodes are interviews with individuals like judicial clerks, representatives from law schools and others with law experience that students can learn from. Students can email prelaw@baylor.edu to suggest individuals or ask questions they would like to be answered in the podcast.

The Woodlands senior Collin Bryant, president of the pre-law society, will be featured in a future episode and speak about the ways the pre-law society can help prepare students planning on attending or who are considering attending law school.

"Personally, I think it'll give an on-the-fly opportunity where any person that can't show up to events if they really are trying and they really are interested," Bryant said. "The pre-law department, holistically, has done some really great things. Ben Cooper has been really fantastic. I

think that it will help students who are very interested in learning more and getting more help, but that aren't in a position to."

“We’re excited and we’re looking forward to the future. We want to continue to grow and continue to receive feedback from everyone that’s a part, so that we can make it better. This whole thing isn’t just one person, it’s everybody coming together. And that’s the purpose, — the purpose is to bring all disciplines together with this one common interest and to grow on our knowledge holistically on everything that we can do [before] graduate school,” Bryant said.

New episodes of "Bears, the Bar and Beyond" will be available on iTunes as well as the pre-law website every one to two weeks.

"If you are not quite sure whether pre-law is for you, it's a great place to get a sense of what being a lawyer is like and they can listen to those first two episodes for some very generalized information on what they need to be thinking about," Cooper said.

'LOL' expands to aid homeless

LIZZIE THOMAS
Staff Writer

Love on Locals (LOL) is a young nonprofit preparing to dramatically expand its capacity to serve and train the homeless community in Waco by fundraising individually through relationships this upcoming year.

Chronic homelessness in Waco has decreased over the years by half, but the problems that keep people homeless have not. Travis McWhorter, founder of Love on Locals, has developed a strategy to meet the individual needs that must be met so those in extreme poverty can maintain their employment.

"We are a faith-based charitable organization, and we focus on the homeless — people who are just out of prison and people with disabilities," McWhorter said. "We provide temporary employment with job training and mentorship and connect [those who make it through the vetting process] with our network of businesses in the city."

Cheryl Slane has worked for McWhorter's organization for a few months and is planning on contributing in the future as a volunteer.

"Up until two weeks ago, I was staying at the Salvation Army Women's Shelter. I think the motivation to help came from my own journey — now I want to give back," Slane said.

Slane has three children — ages 9, 5 and 2 — and works for Antioch Community Church.

"I'm learning about homelessness as I go. Homelessness in Waco is a really serious problem, and Travis is helping people who want to get out of that situation," Slane said.

McWhorter and his wife, Laura, have been experimenting on their own with different strategies for the past two and a half years. Love on Locals became an official nonprofit in April. McWhorter said they cannot just connect someone who is homeless with a job and expect it to go well. LOL invests in the person and prepares them before vouching for them to a business.

"What we do is network in the homeless community

— for example, in tent cities where people are living outside or in the woods,” McWhorter said. “We hand out cards saying ‘everyone gets a job this week; it’s \$10 an hour.’”

Once they get the large amount of people to work on one of a variety of projects, like “mega-yard-sales” or lawn work, Love on Locals scouts out promising workers.

“It takes 60 man hours [total divided by the number of workers] to pull it all out and set up,” McWhorter said. “We evaluate who’s working hard to get out of their situation of poverty. Then we follow up with them, invest in them spiritually and train them for about two weeks [depending on their consistency] to help them get and keep a job.”

The organization trains potential employees for LOL's network of businesses on four criteria: professionalism, punctuality, forming and maintaining a budget, and setting and achieving goals. The most common jobs LOL connects their trainees with are in the landscaping, restaurants and moving businesses.

LOL is trying to raise \$10,000 by the end of the year to get equipment and supplies to use in 2019 to create more jobs and expand items such as lawn equipment or clothing distribution equipment, as well as, to cover everything like office costs and the salaries of directors and administrative assistants.

McWhorter has been working with the poor for 10 years, overseas and locally. He has previously worked as the community outreach pastor of a local church, and through that, he became friends with many people who are poor.

"I think in the last three or four years, God has put the homeless on our heart," McWhorter said of himself and his family. "As we address the spiritual side, there's the practical part that needs to be met, too. Especially the ones who were homeless and had children. That really broke my heart."

To volunteer, visit <https://www.loveonlocals.com> for more information about volunteering and signing up to help with tasks, such as administration and/or sorting donations.

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Circle K takes the lead through fellowship, fundraisers and more

BRIDGET SJOBERG
Staff Writer

When it comes to promoting leadership and service ideals on campus, Baylor’s chapter of Circle K International hopes to impact the local community and beyond.

Circle K, part of the larger service organization Kiwanis International, is a student-run group at Baylor, and is one of many chapters at college campuses across the nation. There are over 13,000 total members of Circle K, and the organization is recognized as the world’s largest student-led collegiate service organization. The group meets biweekly and focuses heavily on service projects, working with organizations like March of Dimes, the Humane Society of Central Texas, Shepherd’s Heart and Students Stepping Up to Fight Hunger.

Houston senior Jonathan Gatlin serves as the president of Baylor’s chapter of Circle K, where he oversees meetings and service and social events. He appreciates the group’s ability to unite students through fellowship and service.

“For me, the most impactful part of getting involved in leadership as president is connecting with people on a more personal level where I can develop true friendships with everyone in the group,” Gatlin said. “I love to serve almost anywhere, but what really impacts me is seeing the love that everyone who gets involved has for both specific causes and just service in general.”

Gatlin’s favorite event to participate in thus far has been the March for Babies event in April which benefited March of Dimes, a nonprofit that fights for healthy pregnancies and preventing infant mortality.

“Our organization got to play games like ring toss with the children there, and it was just so amazing to see the children’s faces light up when they would make a ring around a bottle or win some candy,” Gatlin said. “It was really impactful to see how many people showed up to march in support for helping to end complications to premature births and to help children who have complications or have had them in the past.”

Cibolo senior Hunter Dentino, former president of the university’s Circle K chapter, was impacted by the interaction with the children because of this event.

“The event was really moving in the fact that they brought forward a lot of children that had been directly impacted by the money that is raised at the walk,” Dentino said. “We were able to interact a lot with the kids and help with the games at the event, which was really fun.”

Dentino currently serves as the Central Texas lieutenant governor for Circle K International, where he oversees and supports Circle K chapters in areas of Texas and Oklahoma. He appreciates his position as an opportunity to grow in leadership.



Photo courtesy of Circle K

LEADING AND LOVING Members of Baylor’s Circle K International organization proudly represent their leadership on Fountain Mall. Not only do they hope to impact the local community, but beyond. They hold events for current issues such as sexual assault prevention.

“I’ve been able to expand my horizons beyond chapter level activities and learn about many new opportunities that I otherwise would have never known about,” Dentino said. “I’ve also had the opportunity to participate in conventions within both Texas and Oklahoma, as well as Circle K’s International Convention back in 2017. Seeing the thousands of other people dedicated to serving their communities and trying to expand upon their own abilities to lead was amazing.”

One of Circle K’s most recent projects was the Threads of Hope fundraiser, where bracelets and keychains were sold to benefit families in the Philippines living in poverty.

“In the Philippines, children in poverty are sometimes forced into desperate situations to help provide basic needs for their families and since the parents of these children are typically forced to travel long distances to find work, kids are left alone and are especially

vulnerable to exploitation, continuing the cycle of poverty,” Dentino said. “The bracelets are made in the Philippines by the families that receive the money raised from the fundraiser, and we help provide dignified work for the families so that they can be together and pursue an education.”

Gatlin said other recent events for the group included wearing purple on the 25th to promote sexual assault prevention and a current Turkeypalooza food drive with Campus Kitchens to benefit Shepherd’s Heart and The Store, which will continue through November 20th.

Circle K meets biweekly on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Paul L. Foster Business School Room 126. Their next meeting will be held November 5. They can be contacted through email at baylor@txokcki.org, and further information is available on the group’s Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts.

Frightened at FIJI’s Fright Night



MJ Routh | Multimedia Journalist

SCARIN’ AROUND FIJI fraternity member, who is dressed as a bloody zombie, successfully scares participants from a cage.



MJ Routh | Multimedia Journalist

JUMPED Two students jump with fear as something terrifies them from the edge of FIJI fraternity’s haunted house.



MJ Routh | Multimedia Journalist

TAKE COVER A student clings to another as a clown flashes in front of them making them crouch with fear.

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According to Baylor Institutional Research and Testing, 36.5 percent of undergraduate students as of fall 2018 are minorities. Lin described Baylor as a diverse campus full of people to ask questions.

“You should want to go and want to learn about someone’s culture as much as you want to know their favorite color or who their mom is or whatever small fact about them,” Steuben said.

Griffin said creating spaces for discussion helps combat cultural appropriation.

“At all times, not just around Halloween, we should be encouraging one another to learn more about their own identities and culture and those of others. Then, instances of cultural appropriation will happen less and less,” Griffin said.

Baylor Diversity & Inclusion has a

webpage “My Culture Is Not A Costume” with further resources and information on cultural appropriation. Student Body President Hannah Causey and Vice President for Student Life Kevin Jackson sent an email on Friday to raise student awareness about making costume choices.

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simple text. The plan is to unite Shepard’s Heart Food Pantry with Baylor to help students who struggle to afford groceries.

“This summer I got a text from Maddie saying, ‘Hey, I need a partner,’ and I knew about the mission and that it was a really great organization, and I knew that there was service involved so I said, ‘Yes, let’s do it,’” Nelson said.

Across campus in the dorms, students can find boxes inside residence hall lobbies for donation.

“A lot of the living-learning community centers, they will give leadership or community service points just to give an incentive. After the end of that time, we donate it to Shepherd’s Heart or The Store,” Nelson said.

Nelson and Lochte love Shepherd’s Heart and the impact they are making in Waco.

“We partnered with ‘Shepherd’s Heart’ last year and their food pantry in Waco. It is really fun to be able to donate to them because they have these big scales basically that they put all the donations on so you can see in pounds how many cans you donated. It is fun to see how much the dorms like to get involved with it, and that they like to donate to the community as well,” Lochte said.

While the event is donating food to the Waco community, there is also going to be aid provided to struggling students on Baylor’s campus. Ten percent of donations are going to go to The Store, which is the on-campus food pantry for students located in the Sid Richardson Building.

The event is very impactful for not just those involved, but those affected as well, according to Lochte and Nelson.

“Food scarcity in Waco is a big deal, but it is also a big deal on campus. It is surprising that there is a percentage on campus that have food insecurity as well. So it is important that being in this community we focus on the Waco community as well and not just the Baylor Bubble,” Lochte said.

Through events like Turkeypalooza, Baylor students are able to give back and broaden their focus outside of campus.

“I think it is important because it gives Baylor students the opportunity to think outside of the Baylor community and think of the Waco community because Baylor is a huge part of Waco, but it is not the only part of Waco,” Nelson said.

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TRUE HORROR

Check out the hotel that inspired Stephen King’s “The Shining” and Stanley Kubricks film version. **pg. 6**



WHAT TO DO

Find out where to be and when this week in Waco.

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“I stayed because it was a place where I could show my creative side.”

Maddie Leitch

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SING IT OUT The Baylor Sing Alliance, established in 1999, allows non-Greek students to participate in All University sing with hopes of winning a spot in the Pigskin Revue during the spring semester.

Non-Greek students begin recruitment for All-University Sing

MAYA BUTLER
Reporter

Pigskin Revue is this week, but some groups are already focused on All-University Sing in the spring. However, one group preparing for the big event is unlike any other — Sing Alliance.

Over the years, students wishing to perform in Sing but not interested in Greek life have had the chance to prove their dancing and singing chops through Sing Alliance, and the group is currently recruiting. Originally formed in 1998, the group stresses three goals for all members: have fun, make new friends and perform to the best of one’s abilities.

Austin senior Jenay Lapeyrolerie, president of Sing Alliance, described the unique energy the organization infuses into the competition.

“I love the energy and the enthusiasm of Sing Alliance because we all choose to be here,” Lapeyrolerie said. “That energy is really something you don’t find in every performance group ... and that passion and dedication, it just makes it such a fun environment to sing and dance in.”

Not only does Sing Alliance allow non-Greek students the chance to perform, but it also gives freshmen the opportunity to experience a beloved campus tradition that began in 1953.

“I managed to find Sing Alliance as a freshman and dove right in,” Lapeyrolerie said. “It’s really a great place, especially in college, when you’re at an age when you just want to be yourself and figure out who you are.”

To prepare for Sing, student organizations practice a themed musical routine over a period of six weeks in the spring that culminates in a seven-minute act on the stage of Waco Hall. The top eight performances chosen then perform again for Pigskin Revue in the fall.

Last year’s theme for Sing Alliance was an ’80s’ workout routine. Prior years have seen performances centered on Legos, the cinema and a birthday theme, which awarded the group

advancement to Pigskin.

While Sing won’t be around until next semester, the members of Sing Alliance already know this year’s theme, which they brainstormed as early as March and is tightly under wraps.

New members will undergo two days of “boot camp” in November, which is a way for officers and existing members to evaluate everyone’s singing and dancing skills. Rehearsals, located at Eagle Christian Academy, will start in the spring. Practices last two or three hours, four days a week.

Denver senior Austin Johnson said her position as choreography assistant opened her eyes to all the hard work that goes into producing a seven-minute act from scratch.

“You get more in perspective on what really goes into a Sing act, and it’s a lot of work,” Johnson said. “You have days where you go outside of rehearsal time to go create the props, create the backdrop, create the costumes, so it’s a huge time commitment, but it’s worth it.”

Students unable to commit to being a full-time member can opt to participate part time or even as a crew member, a behind-the-scenes position for those wishing to stay out of the spotlight.

Besides the familial vibe found within Sing Alliance, Aledo senior Maddie Leitch, who serves as props and backdrop chair, revealed another reason for staying as a member.

“I stayed because it was a place where I could show my creative side,” Leitch said. “This was a way that I could be expressive and use my love of art in an organization to do something good.”

All students who participate in Sing hope their organization places and earns a spot in Pigskin, but the most rewarding aspect for Lapeyrolerie comes from performing alongside members she considers family.

“After the performances, the best part is running out all together,” Lapeyrolerie said. “That camaraderie that we all feel right after that moment on stage — it’s really just exhilarating.”



Lariat File Photo

DANCE AND SING The Sing Alliance, students unaffiliated with Greek life, has been known for their creative performance themes. Last year’s Sing Alliance theme was ’80s jazzercise.



Claire Boston | Multimedia Journalist

FRIDAY, FRIDAY Pop singer and YouTube icon Rebecca Black performed at Alpha Chi Omega’s Block Party on Friday night as a part of the sorority’s Domestic Violence Awareness week. The singer performed several songs, including an acoustic version of “Friday.”

Rebecca Black takes Baylor stage

BROOKE HILL
News Editor

Pop singer Rebecca Black took the stage Friday night as part of Alpha Chi Omega’s Block Party, which closed their Domestic Violence Awareness week.

Following opening act No Coast out of Nashville, the crowd was anxious to hear Black perform.

Black opened with “Wasted Youth” off of her new EP, “RE / BL.”

She shortly switched over to what she called a “throwback” portion, singing hits like NSYNC’s “Bye Bye Bye” and “Hit Me Baby One More Time” by Britney Spears.

All the while, the crowd was screaming for her most famous song, “Friday.”

When she did finally sing it, it was not the version the crowd was expecting. It was a slowed-down, acoustic version of the upbeat pop song.

Once she finished, the crowd began to thin out. Black sang three more hits from her EP to close out the night.

“Her new songs were really good — they were hip, they were original. Her rendition of Friday was a little bit slower and different than what the crowd was expecting,” said Weatherford junior Emilie Herron.

The two acts were chosen to perform through personal connections through Alpha Chi Omega members from Tennessee and Los Angeles.

Alpha Chi Omega president and Anaheim, Calif. senior Lili Gonzalez went to middle school with Rebecca and they were all friends in middle school, according to San Jose, Calif. junior Allison Lee. Gonzalez even makes an appearance in the Friday video.

“She was the one with the dolphin hand,” Lee said.

Alpha Chi Omega’s Block Party was put on to spread aware of what healthy relationships should look like. In addition to the live music, there were booths spread out across Burleson Quad where students could buy tickets to exchange for cotton candy and s’mores and food trucks like Pokey-O’s and Chick-fil-A joined the party, too.



Photo courtesy of IMDb

HORRIFIC HAUNTING “The Shining,” inspired by the Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, Colo., was written by Stephen King and made into a film by Stanley Kubrick. The movie follows a family staying at an empty hotel during the winter. The events of the classic horror story take a turn for the worse when the father of the family loses his sanity and goes on a murderous rampage.

True Horror, True Crime: King and Kubrick’s ‘The Shining’

MOLLY ATCHISON
Editor-in-Chief

It’s that time of the year, when the ghouls come out to play, and fans of horror re-evaluate their favorite creepy tales. This spooky season, we’ve decided to take on the most terrifying true crime stories that have been turned into movies.

Sometimes the perfect scary movie isn’t just jump scares and gory deaths. Sometimes all you need is a good suspenseful psycho thriller to scare you — literally — out of your mind. “The Shining” is a classic film based on a Stephen King novel, and it does just that. However, what’s even more terrifying than the premise of the film itself is the hotel the film is based on. The Stanley Hotel, located in Estes Park, Colo., was the inspiration for the Overlook Hotel in King’s book and later in the 1977 film as well. What happened at the real hotel was just as scary as the storyline in the film and makes for a great “true horror, true crime” film.

The hotel that inspired King’s haunting thriller is just as chilling as the film — from haunted pianos to ghosts of housekeepers, the Stanley Hotel has embraced its horrible history in the years since King’s novel and the Stanley Kubrick film were created. The book and the film take place in Colorado, just like the real hotel, but the film follows a specific family as they spiral out of control over the course of two months staying in the hotel by themselves. King claimed to have created this idea based off of his experience at the Stanley when he and his wife Tabitha were the only two guests there.

Several events in the book and the Kubrick film were based on odd occurrences King experienced during his stay. Not only did he

claim to have encountered a child, despite his wife and him being the only guests in the hotel, but King also claims to have sat down and had a chat with a friendly barkeep, who apparently was not on the payroll. King’s novel and the film simply dialed up the horror and brought new life to the hauntings in the Stanley Hotel. The film itself is a dead ringer for the book, and actor Jack Nicholson truly shone in the film, playing an incredibly convincing madman. What starts out as a normal caretaker position quickly turns into a nightmare, complete with ghost children and possession. The film is set to a dynamic soundtrack, which anticipates scary moments with a rising crescendo of sound and punctuates important dialogue perfectly. Even the meaning of the title “The Shining” is woven into the story seamlessly, which is a nod not only to the brilliance of King, but also of Kubrick.

Nicholson, who was practically a one-man show in this film, shows every level of madness, from moments of startling clarity to sickening incoherence — and everything in between. He and the fictional Jack Torrance are so interconnected, it’s easy to imagine that the cast was terrified during filming. His famous “Here’s Johnny” scene is so iconic that no context is needed for it to shock and stun anyone who watches it, and the entire film is one scare after the other.

The Stanley Hotel has taken all of this terrifying creative energy and its own haunted past and created an entire industry to continue the legacy of this horror film. Guests can take ghost tours and learn about the haunted history, and during the Halloween season, guests can even celebrate with a “Shining Ball” to celebrate this iconic story. If you only like a bit of spooky scare, but definitely want a thrill, “The Shining” is perfect for you.

WHAT TO DO IN WACO

Tuesday, Oct. 30

Baylor Men’s Choir and Women’s Choir Performance | 7:30 p.m. | Jones Concert Hall | The two audition choirs will perform the music they’ve learned this far in the semester.

Deadzone and Chainsaw Nightmare Haunted Houses | 8 p.m. | Exit 345, Interstate 35 | \$22 tickets | The venue has two haunted house experiences with various entertainment while you wait.

Wednesday, Oct. 31

Open Mic Night | 8-10 p.m. | Common Grounds | The coffee shop will host their weekly event. Spots are given on a first-come, first-served basis.

Baylor Halloween Organ Concert | 9-10 p.m. | Jones Concert Hall | Listen to spooky music performed by Baylor organists.

Haunted Game Night | 7-9 p.m. | Beauchamp

Addiction Recovery Center | The BARC is hosting a game night with games like “Betrayal at House on the Hill” and “Killer Bunnies,” Halloween movies and candy.

Deadzone and Chainsaw Nightmare Haunted Houses | 8 p.m. | Exit 345, Interstate 35 | \$22 tickets

Thursday, Nov. 1

56th Annual Friends of the Waco-McLennan County Library | 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. | Extraco Events Center | Prices vary | Over 110,000 books, DVDs CDs and more will be on sale with the purchase of a wristband at the door. For wristband prices, visit wacofriendsofthelibrary.org

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PUZZLES

SHERMAN'S LAGOON

BY: JIM TOOMEY

IS THAT YOUR NEW GADGET FROM AMAZON?

YEP. HER NAME IS ALEXA.

JUST ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HOW LAZY WE'VE BECOME AS A SOCIETY.

WE RELY ON TECHNOLOGY TO DO EVERYTHING FOR US.

SHE CAN GIVE DATING ADVICE. REALLY?

I GENSE DESPERATION IN THE ROOM.

INTELLIGENT LIFE

BY: DAVID REDDICK

GET READY, FLIX! WE'RE ABOUT TO GET OUR HALLOWEEN ON, BIG TIME!!

ARE YOU READY?! I AM SO READY!!

HOW DOES ONE GET THEIR HALLOWEEN ON'?

PREMIER Crossword By Frank A. Longo

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- 1 Patronize for purchases
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- 22 Epic about Troy
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- 27 Seamless shift
- 28 Get fixated
- 29 Scottish port
- 30 Viper type
- 33 — T (just so)
- 34 Broiling bar
- 35 Diverse assortments
- 44 Flip out
- 46 “— help if ...”
- 47 — Khan (Islamic title)
- 48 Elicit an encore, say
- 49 Italian entree
- 55 Ore- —
- 56 Gift getter
- 57 Signs off on
- 58 “My treat”
- 59 Mars vehicle
- 61 “Dilate” artist DiFranco
- 62 Formerly
- 63 Oakland team
- 65 Flukes
- 70 Many a released prisoner
- 72 Grandpa Walton player Will
- 73 Tarzan player Ron
- 74 Draw out
- 75 Jai —
- 76 Reagan’s “Star Wars” prog.
- 77 Tries to trim down
- 82 Luau chow
- 83 Dartboard’s rings, e.g.
- 88 Astral bear
- 90 Alternate spelling of a word: Abbr.
- 91 Fair-hiring abbr.
- 92 Actor Kevin of “Weeds”
- 93 Part of a routine baby immunization
- 99 Churn up
- 100 Stetson, say
- 101 Ending of ordinals
- 102 Flow stopper
- 105 Err in finding the total of
- 108 Fruity pastries
- 110 Jaffa citizen
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- 2 Far from flat, as terrain
- 3 Balsam fir or pine extract
- 4 Lobby orgs.
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- 6 Beginner
- 7 Jean- — Godard
- 8 — whim
- 9 Actors Kilmer and Avery
- 10 “And on and on”: Abbr.
- 11 Bit of babble from a crib
- 12 Once-a-year
- 13 Old Persian
- 14 Academy email ending
- 15 Activity-tracking device
- 16 Stretchy
- 17 See 65-Down
- 18 Mille — (Minnesota county)
- 19 Fruity beverages
- 24 Apple buy
- 25 Police cruiser
- 31 Post-it note, informally
- 32 Gyro breads
- 34 Utah’s lily
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- 37 Be fond of
- 38 French for “summer”
- 39 Govt. health agency
- 40 Tardy
- 41 Pitted garnishes
- 42 The Green Party’s Ralph
- 43 Trades jabs
- 44 Watch readout, for short
- 45 “So that’s your trick!”
- 50 For the — (temporarily)
- 51 Self-pride
- 52 Run up, as expenses
- 53 The “A” of OAS: Abbr.
- 54 Bana of “Troy”
- 60 Poem of exaltation
- 61 Suffix with pent-
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- 63 Keepsake
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- 65 With 17-Down, Princess or Royal Caribbean
- 66 Ad — committee
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- 97 Clothes
- 98 Trendy
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- 105 Docs’ orders
- 106 Big name in slushes
- 107 1970s-’80s skit show
- 108 “Toodles!”
- 109 Read digitally
- 111 — -chef (#2 in a kitchen)
- 112 Peewee pup
- 113 Cost an arm — leg
- 115 Belief system
- 116 Epoch
- 117 Guided

TOURNEY TIME >> No. 10 Baylor soccer competes in the Big 12 championship this week. [BaylorLariat.com](#)



Associated Press

ROUGHING THE PASSER Baylor sophomore quarterback Charlie Brewer is tackled by a West Virginia defender on Thursday in Morgantown, W. Va. Brewer only completed one of his eight passing attempts for 22 yards and threw three interceptions before being knocked out of the game with a concussion.

McClendon takes the helm in wake of Brewer’s concussion

ADAM GIBSON
Sports Writer

With sophomore quarterback Charlie Brewer in concussion protocol, senior quarterback Jalan McClendon will take over the starting role for the time being.

Baylor’s concussion protocol management plan involves taking the injured player through five steps, including light exercise, non-contact training and unrestricted practice. The player must clear each step without their condition worsening. They must be symptom-free for 24 hours before returning to activities.

Baylor football traveled into Morgantown, W. Va., on Saturday looking to take out then-No. 13 West Virginia to gain back momentum for the rest of the season. Instead, what the Bears faced was a team whose offense is led by one of the best quarterbacks in the nation who was ready to show why they were the No. 13 team in the country. In the 58-14 loss, not only was Baylor unable to get in the way of the high-powered Mountaineer offense, but the offense could not find a way to score, with the exception of the third quarter.

Brewer started the game for the Bears and had the worst game of his Baylor career after completing only one of his eight passes while throwing three interceptions before being taken out of the game after head coach Matt Rhule noticed Brewer was not his usual self.

“He came off, and I was talking to him. He looked a little bit out of it on that pick,” Rhule said. “I said, ‘Are you OK?’ I called the trainer over, and I know that is an evaluation process. They haven’t diagnosed anything to me yet, so they just said, ‘Hey,

we are evaluating him, and he is done for now.”

McClendon took over in the second quarter for the injured Brewer, looking to bring life back into the Baylor team. McClendon hadn’t played since the 66-33

“I have all of the confidence in the world in Jalan [McClendon].”

**MATT RHULE |
HEAD COACH**

loss to Oklahoma on Sept. 29 where he only attempted three passes. In the loss to the Mountaineers, McClendon completed 16 of his 21 passes for 183 yards. While he did not pass for a touchdown, he did rush for one and drove the team down the field for another rushing touchdown from freshman wide receiver Josh Fleeke.

Earlier this season, Brewer was taken out of the UTSA game after getting shaken up in the first game of the season against ACU and was taken out for precautionary reasons. McClendon came in to throw two touchdowns. Brewer said having McClendon, a graduate transfer from NC State, has been beneficial to the whole team

because of the experience and ability he has.

“I think Jalan [McClendon] has brought a lot of good stuff. He’s obviously a great player,” Brewer said. “All of us help in our own ways, but he’s definitely an older guy who has been around the game more than most of us.”

The Bears’ season began with Brewer and McClendon rotating every two possessions until the Kansas game, where Brewer took over as the go-to quarterback and eventually the starting quarterback. Now with Brewer in concussion protocol, McClendon has the chance to see more action this weekend and even has the possibility to start. Rhule said he knows how talented McClendon is and that he has stepped up when called upon, even after being taken out of the rotation. He also said there is the possibility for freshman quarterback Gerry Bohanan to get in the game this Saturday.

“I have all of the confidence in the world in Jalan [McClendon],” Rhule said. “He was invited to play in the NFL Players Association All Star game just off of people watching him play in practice ... The other night when things weren’t going well, he jumped in there and led us to score on a [seven-play] and 10-play drive. It is just the way that life works out that he is not the starter ... I am also excited to see Gerry [Bohanan] get the opportunity to play. He has waited his turn and he has developed. He is a special young man.”

Bohanan has yet to see the field this season, but with the new redshirt rule that allows players to play four games before burning the redshirt, he could step up and make an impact at the end of the year with Baylor only having four games left.



Associated Press

RELIEF DUTY Baylor senior quarterback Jalan McClendon throws a pass against West Virginia on Thursday in Morgantown, W. Va. McClendon replaced sophomore quarterback Charlie Brewer, who left the game with a concussion. McClendon threw for 183 yards and ran for a touchdown in the Bears’ 58-14 loss.

Volleyball Weekend Brief

Volleyball sweeps Kansas for first time since 2009

BEN EVERETT
Sports Editor

Baylor volleyball defeated Kansas 3-0 on Saturday afternoon at the Ferrell Center behind a dominant performance from junior middle blocker Shelly Fanning.

The Bears (14-7, 6-4) defeated the Jayhawks (13-7, 6-3) at home for the first time in head coach Ryan McGuyre’s tenure.

Fanning led the Bears with 18 kills on 26 attempts for a .692 hitting percentage. Senior outside hitter Aniah Philo chipped in five kills, two assists and 11 digs.

Fanning said her performance is a product of the team passing the ball well and playing good defense.

“I think our digs and our passes were exceptional today,” Fanning said. “There are definitely some things we could have done better, but I got a lot of attempts today and that can be attributed to all the great digs and passes.”

The Bears and Jayhawks traded blows early in the first set, but Baylor took a 15-10 lead into the media timeout behind junior middle blocker Shelly Fanning’s four kills on four attempts. Back-to-back kills by Fanning put the Bears up 21-15, prompting Kansas head coach Ray Bechard to call a timeout.

Baylor took a 24-17 on a service ace from junior setter Hannah Fluegel, but Kansas embarked on a 4-0 scoring run to make it a three-point game as Baylor head coach Ryan McGuyre called a timeout to regroup his team. On the next play, sophomore outside hitter Yossiana Pressley sealed the set with a kill as the Bears went up 1-0 in the match.

With Baylor in the lead at 7-6 in the second set, Fanning registered a kill, but the Jayhawks challenged the original call that the ball hit the ground and the point was rescinded. Fanning’s 10th kill gave the Bears a 15-13 lead at the media timeout of the second set.

All tied at 20, junior middle blocker Jaelyn Jackson and junior outside hitter Gia Milana each recorded kills to give Baylor a 22-20 lead, cuing Kansas to call a timeout. Fanning and Pressley notched kills and the Jayhawks ended the set with an attack error as Baylor won 25-21 to take a 2-0 lead.

The two teams battled back and forth to start the third set, but a 3-0 run by the Bears put them up 9-5 as Kansas called for a timeout. Kills by Jackson and Milana and an attack error by the Jayhawks gave Baylor a 15-10 lead midway through the third set.

The Bears finished the third set on a 13-7 run and Pressley hammered home the final point as Baylor took the match 3-0.

“It was good for us to be healthy and get everyone out on the court and get a sweep,” McGuyre said. “It feels like forever since we’ve gotten a sweep. To do it against a strong opponent is great for us.”

Baylor will look to win their third straight match when they face Oklahoma at 7 p.m. Nov. 3 in Norman, Okla.

Baylor Sports Schedule

**Women’s Basketball vs.
Texas A&M-Commerce
(Exhibition)
Thursday - 7 p.m.
Ferrell Center**

**Women’s Golf
Battle at the Beach
Friday - Sunday
San Jose del Cabo, Mexico**

**Soccer vs. Texas Tech
Big 12 Tournament
Semifinals
Friday - 4:30 p.m.
Kansas City, Mo.**

**Football vs. Oklahoma State
Homecoming
Saturday - 11 a.m.
McLane Stadium**

**Volleyball @ Oklahoma
Saturday - 7 p.m.
Norman, Okla.**

Cowboys shake up Big 12 power rankings

ADAM GIBSON
Sports Writer

The Big 12 had both dominating wins and close losses this weekend to shift up the rankings. As we get into the second half of the season, here is where I think the teams stand.

1. Oklahoma (4-1, 7-1) (No. 7 in AP poll)

Junior quarterback **Kyler Murray** continued to prove why his name belongs in the Heisman talks as he led the Sooners to a 51-14 win over the Kansas State Wildcats. Murray finished his day completing 19 of his 24 passing attempts for 352 yards and three touchdowns, along with 46 rushing yards and another touchdown. Freshman running back **Kennedy Brooks** is finding his stride, coming off a 168-yard game last week to record a 94-yard, two-touchdown game against Kansas State. Oklahoma is now averaging 48.9 points a game and only trails Alabama, Houston and Utah State in that category. The Sooners also rank fourth in yards with 4,386 behind Houston, Alabama and Ohio State. Oklahoma's only loss this season is to Texas. The Sooners look as though they are the most consistent, best hope for the Big 12 to make the playoffs, with their biggest threat coming from the last game of the season against the No. 12-ranked West Virginia Mountaineers.

2. West Virginia (6-1, 4-1) (No. 12 in AP poll)

The Mountaineers took care of business, taking out Baylor 58-14 in Morgantown in dominating fashion. Senior quarterback **Will Grier** had a monster game, passing for 353 yards and three touchdowns to go with another touchdown on the ground before leaving the game at the end of the third quarter. Senior wide receiver **David Sills V** had five receptions for 139 yards and two touchdowns to lead all receivers. The biggest story came from the defensive side of the ball for West Virginia, as they forced three interceptions, a fumble recovery and had five sacks and 12 tackles for loss. The defense held Baylor to only 14 points, all of which came in the third quarter. West Virginia still has to face No. 15 Texas and No. 7 Oklahoma in its schedule, but with the team performing as it did against the Bears, it could pose a serious threat to the top teams in the Big 12.

3. Texas (6-2, 4-1) (No. 15 in AP poll)

The Longhorns suffered their second loss of the season on Saturday, falling to Oklahoma State 38-35 in Stillwater, Okla. Sophomore quarterback **Sam Ehlinger** returned to lead the Longhorns after leaving the Baylor game early two weeks prior with a shoulder sprain. Ehlinger threw for the second-most passing yards he has had all season with 283 on 22 attempts, two of which connected for touchdowns. He also got the job done with his legs, rushing for two touchdowns and 47 yards. The defense did not perform as well as it had been, allowing 502 yards, and couldn't keep the Cowboys off the field as the Oklahoma State offense held the ball for 34:28. As it comes off its second loss, the Longhorns turn to face the Mountaineers, who are coming off their largest margin of victory this season.

4. Iowa State (4-3, 3-2)

The Cyclones took out the Texas Tech Red Raiders 40-31 this



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UPSET SPECIAL Oklahoma State senior quarterback Taylor Cornelius runs the ball against Texas on Saturday in Stillwater, Okla. Cornelius threw for three touchdowns and ran for two touchdowns in the Cowboys' 38-35 win over the Longhorns. Oklahoma State rises to No. 6 in this week's Big 12 football power rankings. Scan the mugshot using the Lariat Alive app for more details.

weekend, completing the month of October with a perfect record. Iowa State's hot streak did not slow down as the defense ended the game with a touchdown, two sacks, four passes deflected, a safety and three interceptions, one of which was returned for a touchdown. The Cyclones remain as the most intriguing team in the Big 12. Usually at this point in the season, they lose their rhythm and go back to looking how they did at the beginning of the season. With Kansas and Baylor coming up, Iowa State could soon become bowl eligible with freshman quarterback **Brock Purdy** leading the offense and the defense forcing so many turnovers.

5. Texas Tech (5-3, 3-2)

The Red Raiders fell 40-31 to Iowa State as the offense went up 10-0 early in the game, but failed to put up more than seven points in the each of the final three quarters. Part of that was due to freshman quarterback **Alan Bowman** throwing for 323 yards and only one touchdown and three interceptions on 56 passing attempts, 32 of which were completed. Granted, the rushing game was non-existent for Texas Tech as it only managed 30 total yards, forcing Bowman to do much more to carry the team. The Red Raiders had a good chance to secure bowl eligibility against Iowa State and will have a hard time doing so in the upcoming weeks as they face the Sooners and Longhorns in back-to-back games.

6. Oklahoma State (5-3, 2-3)

Oklahoma State went back to looking more like Oklahoma State as it took out then-No. 6 Texas behind three touchdown passes and two rushing touchdowns from senior quarterback Taylor Cornelius, who rebounded from two straight losses to lead the team to upset the Longhorns. Cornelius scored every touchdown for the Cowboys in the 3-point win over a Texas team who has allowed the second lowest number of points to a conference opponent. Oklahoma State needs Cornelius to play lights out for a couple more weeks as it heads to Oklahoma in two weeks and faces West Virginia at home a week later.

7. Baylor (4-4, 2-3)

The Bears struggled on both sides of the ball as they fell to West Virginia 58-14 in Morgantown, W. Va. Baylor's defense remains the worst in the Big 12, allowing opponents to average 34.4 points per game while putting up 31 points per game on the offensive side. Baylor gave up 568 yards and seven touchdowns as each receiver and running back seemed to slip right by the

Bears' defense for touchdowns. While the Mountaineers may be one of the best teams in college football, Baylor did not perform well at all, especially with sophomore quarterback **Charlie Brewer** completing only one of his eight passing attempts and throwing three interceptions before leaving the game due to concussion protocol. The lack of defense and struggles on offense are not a good sign for Baylor fans hoping for a bowl game as the final stretch of games begin.

8. Kansas State (3-5, 1-4)

The lowest scoring offense in the Big 12, Kansas State, suffered a 51-14 loss to the highest scoring offense in the Big 12, Oklahoma. The Wildcats managed just 245 total yards on the day, while giving up 702 to the Sooners. The passing game is still nothing to be wild about for Kansas State fans as sophomore quarterback **Skylar Thompson** threw for 108 yards and no touchdowns. The only two touchdowns came on the ground from Thompson and senior running back **Justin Silmon** in the second and fourth quarters. The Wildcats have faced the top three teams in the Big 12 and now have an easier couple of weeks coming up against Kansas and TCU.

9. Kansas (3-5, 1-4)

The Jayhawks pulled off a 27-26 win over TCU, thanks to the defense having the best turnover differential in the Big 12, to give them their first October win since 2009. Thanks to a late touchdown reception from freshman running back **Pooka Williams Jr.** and a late TCU fumble, Kansas was able to hang on for the win. Kansas has not won three games since 2014 and it seems unlikely that they will find a fourth. The only real chance they have is against Kansas State in two weeks as they face Iowa State next week and Oklahoma and Texas in the weeks following the matchup with the Wildcats.

10. TCU (3-5, 1-4)

The Horned Frogs have fallen from the top of the Big 12 to the bottom this season with their most recent loss coming from a 27-26 loss to Kansas. TCU had over 500 total yards while holding Kansas to 307 total yards and converted eight of 12 third downs, but an interception and a late fumble from junior running back **Darius Anderson**, who ran into the back of his own lineman late in the game, cost the Horned Frogs the chance of winning. TCU has now lost five of its last six games and the lack of scoring has contributed to many of those losses.

Soccer advances to Big 12 semifinals

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No. 10 Baylor soccer took out Iowa State 3-0 on Sunday in Kansas City, Mo., to advance to the semifinals of the Big 12 Championship.

Baylor (16-4, 8-1) broke open the scoring 35 minutes into the match. Senior forward **Jackie Crowther** took the ball down the sideline before crossing the ball into the box where freshman forward **Elena Reyna** took a mid-air shot, knocking the ball into the back right of the net just inside the right post. Reyna's goal was her second on the season and the seventh assist for Crowther. Reyna said scoring the first goal of the match took the pressure off of the Bears and helped secure the win in the end.

"It was a relief, because it was a really hard match," Reyna said. "But once you secure a goal, it gets easier from there. When you feel like it's easier, your legs don't hurt as bad and it's just a huge relief off your shoulders."

By the end of half, Reyna's goal was the lone goal on the board as the Bears could not get the other three shots on goal past Iowa State sophomore keeper **Dayja Schwichtenberg**. The Cyclones (4-14-2, 2-6-1), on the other hand, had four shots with just one on target, which sophomore keeper **Jennifer Wandt** was able to save.

As the teams came out to kick off the second half of the match, Baylor wasted no time in testing Schwichtenberg early on when after only five minutes, Crowther took a corner for the Bears that found senior midfielder **Julie James**. James received the ball, turned and took the shot that went past the right of Schwichtenberg for the second goal of the game, extending the lead 2-0 in the 50th minute. The goal for James was her seventh of the season and her first since Sept. 21 against Texas in Austin. The scoring on the day was not over for Baylor as freshman



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ON TO THE NEXT ONE Baylor junior forward Raegan Padgett dribbles the ball against Oklahoma on Thursday at Betty Lou Mays Field. The Bears defeated Iowa State 3-0 on Sunday in Kansas City, Mo., in the first round of the Big 12 Championship. Baylor will face Texas Tech at 4:30 p.m. Friday in the semifinals.

forward **Taylor Moon** drew a foul inside the penalty box, earning the first penalty kick of the season for the Bears. Moon took the penalty kick aiming for the top shelf on the right side of the goal, which Schwichtenberg got a hand on, but failed to keep the ball from landing in the goal. The goal put the match completely out of reach for the Cyclones as they failed to score at all, handing Baylor the 3-0 win.

Crowther, after notching two assists on the day, said the win to start the Big 12 Championship is an important time for everyone to close out the season on a high note.

"It's really exciting," Crowther said. "Big 12 tournament is a blank slate for everyone, regardless of what happened during the

conference. It's exciting to get another chance to prove ourselves each game and to prove that we're the same team, no matter the circumstance. For myself, personally, it's really exciting just to get another game to play with my girls. Being a senior and not having played last season, I just really appreciate every game I get with them."

This was Baylor's 14th win in the Big 12 Soccer Championship, giving it an all-time record of 14-11-1 for the most wins among active members of the conference. Baylor will face Texas Tech in the semifinals at 4:30 p.m. Friday back at Swope Soccer Village in Kansas City, Mo.

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