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Circle of Sisterhood: Panhellenic Council raises awareness for women's education

MAYA BUTLER

The women of Baylor's Panhellenic Council are promoting women's education this week with their philanthropy, Circle of

The philanthropy builds schools for women and girls throughout the world in order to provide the education they would otherwise not receive. Members of Panhellenic Council had a table from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Fountain Mall Monday to spread the word about Circle of Sisterhood. The goal is to raise enough money to build a school so that more women can be educated.

According to its website, the Circle of Sisterhood is a foundation that is a "collective influence of sorority women to raise financial resources for entities around the world that are removing educational barriers for girls and women facing poverty and oppression."

The Woodlands senior Morgan Bruce, Panhellenic president, explained how the philanthropy connects well with the values of the Panhellenic Council, an organization in charge of the current eight sororities on campus.

"Part of our pillars of being Panhellenic women is striving for good scholarship and fine standing," Bruce said. "With Circle of Sisterhood, they promote educational quality all around the world, so we feel that this really coincides with our goals as an organization."

Panhellenic members also started profit shares for each day of the week: Monday was Chipotle from 5 to 9 p.m., today is Chickfil-A from 6 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday will be a partnership with



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SCHOOL IS COOL Senior Emma Haworth (left) and Sophomore Evie Guay (far left) Sophomore Lauren Atchley (right) and Junior Allison Pennington (far right), gave out cookies at Fountain Mall on Monday in hopes to stress the importance of access to education around the world. This event is included in the Circle of Sisterhood, a philanthropy by the Panhellnic Council.

fitness studio Rush Cycle at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, members will participate in the annual event Christmas on Fifth Street, where they will hang ornaments that students have written on explaining what education means to them. Friday at U-Swirl from 4 to 8 p.m. will be the final profit share of the week.

The organization will return from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday on Fountain Mall to continue campaigning, with the same sign from Monday posing a question for students — "What does your education mean to you?"

As a college student, Bruce revealed how she related to

the philanthropy's goal of providing education to women and

"For me, a lot of family members actually haven't attended college, and my parents were some of the first," Bruce said. "I feel like being able to get a college education is really something that I'm very grateful for and very blessed, to be able to attend Baylor and pursue my dreams of higher

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TEAM WORK The Christian Business Leaders not only meets every Thursday for meetings, but also works on team work exercises like participating in Stepping Out to give back to Waco.

Calling for canned goods: **Christian Business** Leaders host food drive

BRIDGET SJOBERG

Staff Writer

Baylor's Christian Business Leaders (CBL) seek to further their goal of gaining experience in servant leadership by hosting a canned food drive to kick off the beginning of the Christmas

The Christian Business Leaders' drive is collecting non-perishable canned goods, which can be dropped off in donation boxes located in the Paul L. Foster Center for Business and Innovation. The drive takes place Monday through Thursday and all goods collected will benefit local food banks.

Plainfield, Ill., junior Colin Minogue serves as president of Christian Business Leaders and sees the drive as an important way for the group to support the local community.

"The mission of CBL is to serve Christ by using our platform as business students at Baylor," Minogue said. "Our organization recognizes the need to serve in Waco and we feel that one of the best ways to do this is by

giving back to our community. The purpose of the drive is to provide food for families who live in impoverished communities."

Along with acting as a way to get Christian Business Leaders members involved in service, Minogue hopes the drive will encourage Baylor students to become interested in helping out the Waco community.

"I hope that the drive has a tremendous impact," Minogue said. "It's so important for the student body at Baylor to play a key role in serving Waco. Not only is it a part of Baylor's mission to serve, but it's our call as Christians as well. The families we will be helping are so grateful and it's a great way to give back to them."

Christian Business Leaders meets every Thursday and participates in service projects like Steppin' Out, food drives and fundraisers partnering with local businesses. The group is also divided into committees of marketing, inreach (creating community within the group) and outreach (serving the local community),

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Children found after reported kidnapping

HARRY ROWE

Staff Writer

A reported kidnapping at Miss Nellie's Pretty Place in Cameron Park on Monday turned out to be a misunderstanding between family members, Waco police confirmed Monday night.

The police received a report that a woman was seen putting children into the trunk of her car. The children were later found unharmed in Bell County.

An investigation took place that involved the Waco Police Department and the Bell County Sheriff's Office.

The incident was reported by the Waco Police Department's official Facebook account, listing specific information and urging any Waco citizens with information relating to the case.

According to the original Facebook post, the vehicle in the incident was "occupied by two white females" when it left the scene it was last spotted.

The post said that the driver was described as a woman in her late 30s. The Facebook posts were signed by Sgt. Patrick

Swanton of Waco P.D. "At least one of the women was seen putting two, possibly three children into the trunk of the vehicle and telling them to be

quiet," the first post said. The vehicle was an "older model, light blue, possibly four-door-Toyota," according to Waco Police's Facebook. The incident where the kids were seen being shoved into a trunk was at Miss Nellie's Pretty Park

Place in Cameron Park. "They were located in the Bell County area with the assistance of the Bell County S. O," Swanton said on Facebook. "Our investigation into the matter is on going. No additional details will be released at this

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EDITORIAL



Rewon Shimray | Cartoonist

Learn to be all ears

Don't be so quick to speak over others

Do you ever find yourself in the middle of a conversation with a friend only to realize they've stopped listening and are already

planning what they're going to say once you finish talking? Trying to explain your problems or share your joys with someone only to feel like they don't care can be hurtful to

In today's society, it can be extra difficult to truly give someone your full attention when we're trained to constantly be checking our phones or other devices. It's nearly impossible to be a good listener when you're on constant alert for some other, more important message coming in.

However, making the conscious effort to give someone your undivided attention when they're talking to you can make them feel particularly appreciated and valued. Listening intentionally can improve trust and cultivate deeper relationships and minimize miscommunication and mistakes. It can be hurtful when someone asks you something you know you've already told them, but it's a nice surprise when you bring up a small detail you've only mentioned once or twice and your friend already knows exactly what you're were talking about because of their careful listening.

Listening well is even a top value in the business world. This they have to say.

leaves the other party feeling valued — you are obviously listening and interested in what they provide, finding out more about how they can assist you in your business endeavors, finding ways in which both parties can help one another and building trust.

Tips for remaining focused and attentive include making eye contact and minimizing distractions. If you're in a situation where your friend needs to be heard, it's easier to focus on them if you've left your phone in another room, and maintaining eye contact tends to make the conversation more intense and personal

Make an effort to practice silence. As tough as it may be, sometimes we just need to be quiet in order for someone to get all of their feelings out without us projecting our own feelings and situations onto theirs. Sometimes well-intentioned people can respond to a complaint with a situation of their own that they think can relate but couldn't be more different. If you don't have a proper response to what someone tells you, don't try to give advice or empathize. Just be there. Let them know that they are heard and that you care about what they're telling you.

Remember that humans pay attention to what matters the ost to them. Let's make sure to show our friends and loved one how much they mean to us by paying careful attention to what

COLUMN

Connect with people, not technology

MOOREA LONG

Contributor

As I sat in church last Sunday, I watched a mother text someone and

then scroll through her Facebook feed during the sermon. Her young daughter looked up at her, and the mother kept scrolling. I realized that this little girl was learning at a young age that whatever happening on

her phone takes precedence over being involved in the world around her.

Although most of the sermon would have been tough for a small child to grasp, I would argue that children may never learn respect if their parents do not set a good example. I believe that we, as

a society, are on a very slippery slope as there no longer seems to be a circle of respect handed down from generation to generation. Instead, respect is flat-lining, and if we are not careful, we are soon to

According to a recent Nielsen audience report shared by CNN, the average adult spends more than 10 hours each day consuming media on smartphones, TVs and computers. The more time we spend on devices and chatting with Alexa and Siri, the less time we spend connecting with real people. Younger generations are extremely attached to their devices and are replacing face-to-face conversations with Snapchat and texts where the same social graces and respect that our society was founded upon do not apply.

We get a glimpse of what media overload from our device dependence can do to a society each election cycle. At times, people seem barbaric as they fight to proclaim why their opinions are right and why everyone else is therefore wrong. Sadly, people feel empowered to be even more disrespectful when they can hide behind a keyboard.

As each generation becomes more immersed in technology and tethered to devices at an even younger age, I think the need to unplug has never been greater. It's time we get back to really living in the moment, making those around us feel like they matter and showing genuine concern for one another. We, as a society, need to make a conscious decision to build connections that do not depend on Wi-Fi, but people. Poet Maya Angelou said it best when she wrote, "If we lose love and self-respect for each other, this is how we finally die." Let's put our phones down and start connecting with each other again. It's critical to our survival.

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COLUMN

Do short-term mission trips actually harm?

ELISE CROSLEY

Reporter

Hundreds of Baylor Bears go on mission trips every summer, but it's controversial whether these trips are actually helping communities. While long-term mission work in another country is impactful, short-term mission trips and their influences are questionable.

People often fly overseas for a week to build a well in an "impoverished" country, and most of the time their

intentions are in the right place, too. However, even with good intentions, these quick trips may be hurting more than we realize.

I experienced this firsthand when I visited a small community in the Dominican Republic called Chichigua. The missions organization I was with explained how a group of students came over, built a well, then left. While they felt good about the

project, the well quickly dried up and was no longer of use to the community. Chichigua was not in a stage of development that was ready for a well because they didn't have the resources to sustain it.

The next time you go on a mission trip, think about the long-term impact of the physical project the group is doing. Is this a project the community can sustain after you leave?

A good way to work in overseas missions is by establishing a long-term organization that prioritizes relationships above all else in a community. This provides a way for short-term missions to be possible without hurting the community. Local organizations and churches can partner with missions organizations overseas and help with what's needed. However, this method can hurt if you're not careful. Those in charge need to think about whether bringing a group in to help is a good idea or if there's an option to pay local members of the community to complete the work instead. For example, if a building needs to be built, employ local community members instead of flying in a group of 30 college students. This empowers locals and provides them with the funds needed to support themselves and their families.

Another big issue with mission trips, especially shortterm missions, is the White Savior Complex. According to Janine Guarino, Mama Hope Global Advocate Fellow who supports sustainability and community-building projects in Uganda, the "White Savior Complex [is] the self-serving assumption among white people from developed nations that they should be saving poor people in Africa. The White Savior Complex in practice looks like this: foreign volunteers doing work that can be done by local people and local leadership, voluntourists exploiting local people by treating them as entertainment and taking photos of them in their day to day life (often without permission)... voluntourists exploiting the lives, stories, faces, and culture of African people through social media (often in the form of selfies with African children-imagine if random tourists posted selfies with your kid?)." This form of serving is full of pride and extremely harmful to the community needing aid.

It is detrimental to a society when it is viewed by outsiders as "less than" or "below" another country. Americans tend to view Africa as an impoverished country in desperate need. While there is poverty there, America has much poverty of its own as well. While helping each other with resources and aid is beneficial, intentions in serving are the most important.

Baylor sophomore Shiro Bachia is from Kenya and understands the way this affects her country firsthand.

"We're not just a Third World country. There is more to Kenya than people dying of hunger and thirst. I mean, there are people dying of hunger and thirst here in Waco. It kind of annoys me when that's all people see Kenya as. They don't bother to see the beauty of it, the culture," Bachia said.

She said it's important to think of Kenya as more than a place in need of aid.

"I have people tell me about their mission trips to Kenya, and all they could talk about was how sad it was to see the kids there struggling. They would sit there and tell me about Kenya — my home — all this depressing stuff... Kenya is not a dump. Kenya is beautiful. Our culture is beautiful," Bachia said.

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'Bears in the Outback' offers study abroad for all

ELISE CROSLEY

Reporter

Baylor offers a few study abroad programs that are not specific to any major. One of these trips takes students to Australia. The trip is highly interactive, with most of the learning being done out in the field rather than a classroom. Students learn as they hike through the Daintree Rainforest and snorkel in the Great Barrier Reef.

Christopher Wynveen, program director and associate professor of health and human sciences, has been to Australia a number of times. He received his Ph.D. in recreation, parks and tourism science and did much of his research in Australia.

"The whole purpose of the trip is to look at how Australians have lived and interacted with the natural environment," Wynveen said.

Baylor partners with Texas A&M University to connect students with similar interests and aspirations.

"We have 13 to 15 Baylor students, and [Texas A&M] usually brings somewhere between 15 to 20 students. It's a great opportunity for people to interact and get to know each other," Wynveen said.

The Baylor in Australia program offers a unique experience from other programs because there is no language barrier.

"Some people who are uncomfortable with a foreign language like Australia because of the language component. It takes away the language issue that they might see in going to countries with a different language," Wynveen said.

Students on this trip are always on the move, only staying in each location for two or three days at a time. They travel to Magnetic Island, Hidden Valley, Mission Beach, Atherton, Chillagoe and a variety of other places.

The entire program is only four weeks long, so Wynveen packs in speakers and a multitude of places to travel. Students get credit for recreation or leisure services courses.

"We look at how [the Australians] are managing the land and we talk to some modern European Australians and discuss similar issues," Wynveen said. "Then we go to the Daintree Rainforest, which is one of the oldest rainforests in the world. That's a neat place to see. It's also the only place in the world where a



Photo courtesy of Taylor Serrano

ACCOMMODATING OPTION The Baylor in Australia study abroad program is an option that students find to be adaptable. Not only does the lack of a language barrier help, but the program is also open to all majors and fulfills credit for recreation or leisure services courses.

rainforest ecosystem touches a coral reef ecosystem. That has some unique characteristics to it. Then we end the trip out on the Great Barrier Reef where we spend two days snorkeling,"

Las Vegas senior Taylor Serrano attended the trip this past summer. "My favorite part of the trip was snorkeling in the Great Barrier Reef and exploring the beautiful Magnetic Island beaches. I was able to fulfill my lifelong dream of holding a koala bear and play with lots of kangaroos," Serrano said. "This trip was truly insightful,

and I was able to learn so much about Australia's culture and wildlife."

Applications are due Feb. 25, but those interested are encouraged to apply before Jan. 15, as the trip is often full by that time. For more information on Baylor in Australia, visit Baylor's BearsAbroad website and select either the semester or summer options.

"This experience was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and I would go again in a heartbeat," Serrano said.

Normalized: 'Thank you' may be losing meaning

REWON SHIMRAY

Staff Writer

Automatic behaviors college students fall into — monotone "thanks" for a door held open or a groan when a professor challenges a class — can harm individuals' capability for making genuine interpersonal connections, according to Dr. Andrea Dixon, associate professor of marketing and executive director of the Keller Center for Research and the Center for Professional Selling.

"I think there's a lot of small little behaviors in society that are nice manners that may be done more out of a habit than a true interest and respect for someone else," Dixon said.

Everyday exchanges that lack eye contact or any verbal exchange reap no connection. Dixon said intentionally acknowledging the people around you will often provoke a higher level of gratitude.

Dixon said gratitude extends into all aspects of student life: among their peers, as well as toward guest speakers, faculty and advisers of organizations.

"As people give you time for your professional or personal development, the idea of thanking people for the time that they give to you is so important," Dixon said. "If someone has invested in your high school or college experience, your ability to acknowledge it actually strengthens that bond."

Students may shy away from approaching guest speakers in fear of not having anything intelligent to say, but the interaction can also be transformative for the student to understand the value found in the words, according to Dixon.

When it comes to professors, Dixon said students may not express gratitude because the academic rigor may be frustrating. From personal experience as a faculty member, Dixon said it is easier to not push students and do the minimum, but most Baylor staff are "more than happy to go above and beyond."

"Sometimes faculty and staff will push you a little bit to grow and to develop, but instead of having a grateful spirit toward them and recognizing they're really doing that for you, you can actually get caught on the wrong side of your emotion," Dixon said. "You



Liesje Powers | Multimedia Editor

MEANINGFUL CONVERSATION According to Yoshiko Fujii Gaines, Baylor Japanese senior lecturer, words from the Japanese language carry multiple meanings depending on the type of situation. This includes different uses of 'thank you,' which demonstrate consideration for the other person. This is unlike the English language, which has lost meaning in repetitive 'thank-yous,' according to Dr. Andrea Dixon, associate professor of marketing and executive director of the Keller Center for Research and the Center for Professional Selling.

get frustrated and feel like that person is pushing you too hard, and you end up actually pushing back instead of being grateful and drawing in."

Student organization advisers can also be underappreciated for their contributions, Dixon said.

"Those adviser roles are not paid," Dixon said. "Those are roles people do because they believe in young people."

Thankfulness can be expressed in multiple forms. Dixon said a positive attitude

in a classroom can even be an expression of appreciation.

"If I've poured into students, then I see them pouring into other students, that is very strong evidence of the gratitude that they have — because they are paying it forward," Dixon said.

This is an example of the most impactful way to give thanks, Dixon says. This means thanking someone in a way that is out of the norm.

Yoshiko Fujii Gaines, Japanese senior lecturer, compared American, Englishspeaking culture with Japanese culture. While the English language has the term "thank you" to express thanks in all situations, the Japanese language has varying phrases

dependent upon the scenario.

For example, "gochiso sama," "gochiso sama desu" or "gochiso sama deshita" is used for expressing thanks for food and drinks. "Otsukaresama desu" or "otsukare-sama deshita" is used to thank someone for their hard work.

Finally, "Osore irimasu" is used to thank the customer for doing something.

The Japanese language reflects a cultural value of placing others first, Gaines said

In place of the commonly uaed term "thank you," gratitude should be expressed with actions as well, according to Dixon.

"A quick text of thanks is probably normative behavior today, whereas a handwritten note will provide a stronger expression because it's out of the norm," Dixon said.

Dixon recommended thinking of ways to give thanks that would be "disruptors" of everyday life. In straying from automatic, habitual thanksgiving is an opportunity for real engagement and connection.

"We've been designed to be in relationship with one another. [In gratitude], there's a real authentic relationship, as opposed to superficial formal relationships," Dixon said.

The Beall Poetry Festival presents two fall events:



a poetry reading by

Lisa Russ Spaar

Wednesday, Nov. 28th, 4 p.m. Armstrong Browning Library Treasure Room

Lisa Russ Spaar serves as Professor of English and Creative Writing at the University of Virginia. She is the author of five collections of poetry including her most recent, *Orexia* (2017). Spaar was a 2016 finalist for Baylor's Cherry Teaching Award and gave the "Virginia Beall Ball Lecture in Contemporary Poetry" at the 2018 Beall Poetry Festival.

and a Q and A with Spaar on

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Thursday, Nov. 29th, 4 p.m.

Cameron Park flaunts baby alligator during story time

HARRY ROWE

Staff Writer

Children interacted with a baby alligator early Monday morning during Cameron Park Zoo's "Story Time - Shells and Scales."

The zoo's story time program is part of an effort to promote conservation among young children and teach them the value of wildlife at an early age. Children, accompanied by their parents, listened to stories, made arts and crafts, enjoyed snacks and got to interact with an animal relating to the theme of the day: reptiles. Children got to learn about the world of reptiles through a couple of books and a live interaction with a baby alligator.

"It's wonderful to have exposure to the zoo and animals, and this is such a treasure to have in Waco a zoo like this," said Sarah Heger, a part time education staff member at Cameron Park Zoo. "We've had Story Time at the zoo for years, and it's just kind of been a program that has built over the years into kind of a hands-on opportunity for kids to come."

Heger is one of the people responsible for organizing and planning events and the animals shown at the story times are always the highlight for the children. Cameron Park Zoo's Ranch House supplies the pets used for educational purposes. They're called "education animals."

They give kids a more hands on experience to remember what they learn, according to Heger. Heger also mentioned that most of the animals are given to the zoo because of owners who thought they could house exotic and illegal

"Education animals are like zoo ambassadors, so they go out into Story Time, we take them in the zoo mobile to schools, to do programs, we go to nursing programs with them," Heger said. "Those are animals that are smaller, able to be handled animals. That is really a learning opportunity for kids this age, to-be-able-to touch.'

There's no shortage of diversity animals for kids to interact with. The children at the Monday story time laughed and smiled as they petted the baby alligator who was brought out by one of the staff members.

"A lot of the animals we have in the Ranch House are reptiles," Heger said. We have different snakes: ball pythons, corn snakes, we have a boa constrictor. We have different turtles and tortoises, lizards. We [also] have a bluetongued skink."

Connie Kassner, curator of education at Cameron Park Zoo, said Cameron Park's community outreach in the education department doesn't stop at the pre-school ages. They also go to McLennan County elementary



ZOOING AROUND Along with getting to pet different animals, such as turtles, from the zoo, the children were educated on different species and listened to a story time from zookeepers.

"We also offer a free program to schools in McLennan county called Outreach," Kassner said. "We really try to incorporate conservation messages and also action steps — things kids can do in their own backyard that to help conserve. You know, re-use the plastic, maybe

don't use straws, turn off the lights, just simple things to introduce kids to conservation. What we've found is once they make a connection with an animal, then they're more willing to take care of the environment because they want to keep things clean for that animal."

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Women make up more than twothirds of the world's 750 million people that are illiterate, according to Unesco Institute for Statistics. In addition, 16 million girls "will never set foot in a classroom," despite progress made the last 20 years.

Castle Pines, Colo., junior Emma Haworth, Panhellenic social and service coordinator, talked about the relationship between poverty and education.

"With an education, women have significantly more opportunities, are less likely to be in child-adult marriages, they're less likely to be sold into sex trafficking," Haworth said. "The more opportunity they have, the more they can earn. Women are key to breaking the poverty cycle because they help lift their children out of poverty, too."

Haworth said the Panhellenic Council hopes to raise \$40,000 by the end of next fall, the amount needed to begin constructing a school at a location that has yet to be announced. If the organization reaches the goal, 16 members will be able to go on a mission trip to help oversee construction.

"I think the biggest thing with us being college students and sorority women, specifically, is we know how valuable education is," Haworth said. "We can see what doors it opens for

us as we get a college education; just being able to spread that opportunity to other people and other women in different countries is really important and special."

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which all work together to promote Christian Business Leaders as a group gaining experience while also serving God.

"I think CBL is pretty involved on campus," Minogue said. "Along with service events, we also participate in intramural sports, worship nights, social events and casual group hangouts for our members."

I joined for fellowship with other believers that share the same occupations goals and to learn how to integrate my faith with my occupation,'

> **BRADY BYRD | DENTION SENIOR**

Denton senior Brady Byrd has been involved in Christian Business Leaders for three years and currently serves as the group's Waco committee chair. He appreciates CBL as a way to unite students who share similar faith and career

"I joined for fellowship with other believers that share the same occupation goals and to learn how to integrate my faith with my occupation," Byrd said. "The most impactful part about CBL is the relationships I've built and the knowledge I've gained from current business professionals on how to integrate my faith into the business world."

New Braunfels junior Vanessa Turner has served as executive director of finance and administration for the group and is currently Christian Business Leaders' "Heartbeat" leader, where she oversees prayer and worship. She also views Christian Business Leaders as a group that has helped her learn how to balance her faith and career goals.

"The opportunity to explore what it looks like to integrate faith and business has been impactful for me," Turner said. "I've loved having the opportunity to hear business executives speak about how God has moved in their lives and careers. It's led me to view my future business career as a form of ministry."

Minogue encourages students interested in learning more about Christian Business Leaders to visit the group's website (www.cblbaylor. com) and attend upcoming January meetings.



Photo courtesy of Christian Business Leaders

GIVING BACK As Christmas approaches, the Christmas Business Leaders are hosting a canned food drive to gain experience in servant leadership and benefit local food banks.

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WE WILL ROCK YOU

'Bohemian Rhapsody' stands out as a 2018 film triumph

MOLLY ATCHISON

Editor-in-Chief

"We need a song teenagers can bang their heads to in a car. 'Bohemian Rhapsody' is not that song," music executive Ray Foster said when rock band Queen wrote the hit single. Now, the song is an intergenerational hit. Fans of the operatic rock song, and of Queen, flocked to the theaters since Nov. 2 to honor the life of legendary lead singer Freddie Mercury.

"Bohemian Rhapsody," a biopic following Mercury's rise to stardom, was released to mixed reviews. Critics thought the film glossed over or straight-up changed important factors in Mercury's life, such as when and how he met his former partner Mary Austin, how and why he broke away from the band and the overarching theme of his struggles with sexuality and drug abuse.

However, while factually it may not be the most accurate of movies, "Bohemian Rhapsody" forwent historical accuracy in favor of a vivid, over-the-top depiction of Mercury. The film, which was in part produced by his former bandmates Brian May and Roger Taylor, painted a striking picture of a larger-than-life Mercury, full of zingy one-liners and creative energy. Mercury (played excellently by Rami Malek) seemed to leap off the screen — one moment he was bullishly standing up to his traditional father, the next he was gliding across the stage in a sparkling jumpsuit. Each and every move Mercury made on screen had a purpose, each scene told its own story and all of those stories shared with the audience the essence of who Mercury was.

Even the decision to skew some facts seemed intentional — it went along with the idea that Mercury was a man of mystery, a caricature of himself, who always had conflicting renditions of what his life was, and who thrived in the possibility of all that he could be. The film carried strong undertones of inclusivity, love and family, and made for just as good a fictional tale as it did a biopic.

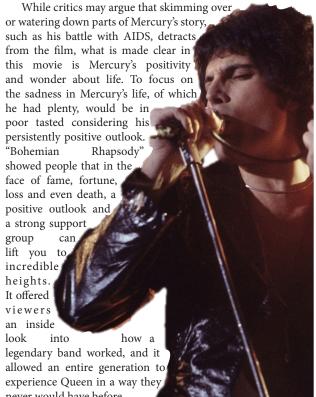
Carried even further by an incredible soundtrack, "Bohemian Rhapsody" spanned genres, just as Queen did musically. One moment it was joyful, when the band accepted him and walked with him through his struggles with his sexuality, the next it was heartbreaking, when Mercury left his bandmates to pursue a solo career. Audience members witness his growth as an artist and the

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band's rise to fame through its unique and experimental sound.

What makes it so well-formed is that, like the band, the film makes everyone feel like they belong. It welcomes the audience in, makes them feel right at home and showcases how being relatable and odd go hand in hand. You can be the most normal joe-schmoe on the street and find something in this film that seems it was made just for you. Fantastical costuming, brilliant vocals, wailing guitar solos, intimate moments with a loved one there's something in it for everyone.

While critics may argue that skimming over or watering down parts of Mercury's story, such as his battle with AIDS, detracts from the film, what is made clear in this movie is Mercury's positivity and wonder about life. To focus on the sadness in Mercury's life, of which he had plenty, would be in poor tasted considering his persistently positive outlook. "Bohemian Rhapsody" showed people that in the face of fame, fortune, loss and even death, a positive outlook and a strong support group lift you to incredible heights. It offered viewers an inside how a legendary band worked, and it allowed an entire generation to experience Queen in a way they never would have before.





SOMEBODY TO LOVE The new film "Bohemian Rhapsody" explores the life of iconic rock star Freddie Mercury. The film, while factually inaccurate in several ways, provides a beautiful portrayal of the man behind some of rock's most famous songs.

Waco

Tuesday, Nov. 27

"Ice Glen" | Mabee Theatre | 7:30 p.m. | \$17 student tickets | Baylor Theatre will open their show.

Open mic night | The Backyard Bar and Grill | 8-9 p.m. | The local restaurant and performance venue will host its weekly mic night. Slots are given on a first-come, first-served basis.

Men's Basketball | Ferrell Center | 7 p.m. | The Baylor Bears will take on the South Dakota Coyotes.

Wednesday, Nov. 28

"Ice Glen" | Mabee Theatre | 7:30 p.m.

Open mic night | Common Grounds | 8-10 p.m. The coffee shop will hold its weekly event. Spots are given on a first-come, first-served basis.

Meditation Wednesday | Fountain Mall | noon- 3 p.m. | Active Minds and Baylor Wellness Department will host an event with calm music, mats and pillows for students to take a mental break.

Santa's Workshop Wrapping Party | 7 - 9 p.m. | Baylor Community Engagement & Service invites students to come help wrap 400 toys for local children. Pizza will be provided.

Thursday, Nov. 29

"Ice Glen" | Mabee Theatre | 7:30 p.m.

Christmas on 5th Street | Fountain Mall, Burleson Quadrangle, Traditions Plaza and the Bill Daniel Student Center | The annual tradition will take place with a tree lighting, carriage rides, petting zoo, photo ops and more.



The Collegiate Cookbook

Easy Spinach, Tomato and Feta Muffins

MOLLY ATCHISON

Ingredients

- 6 eggs (or egg whites)
- 1 cup chopped spinach
- 1/3 cup quartered cherry tomatoes
- Feta cheese
- Salt
- Pepper
- *Garlic powder
- •*Parmesan Cheese (*optional)

Tools:

- Medium-sized mixing bowl
- Measuring cups
- Cutting board Small chopping knife
- Muffin tin



Directions (yields six muffins): 1: Preheat oven to 375 degrees

2: Crack the eggs into a medium sized mixing bowl, separating the egg whites if you choose. Beat eggs

3: Chop up the spinach and the tomatoes

4: Add to egg mixture, sprinkling feta cheese, salt and pepper in as well (If you want a bit more flavor, add some garlic powder or minced garlic cloves, and

maybe some Parmesan cheese as well)

5: Mix all ingredients together 6: Pour ingredients into muffin tin evenly, ensuring that the egg mixture fills the muffin round completely.

7: Bake for 15-20 minutes, or until mixture has risen and hardened

8: Scoop the muffins out of the tin and sprinkle some more feta on top

9: Enjoy now or save for later!



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Lariat Hot Take December 1-7 Releases

What's the best and worst Christmas song?



"I hate 'Baby, it's Cold Outside." Anything that sexualizes Christmas is a no. My favorite Christmas song is 'A Christmas Song.' I love it."

MOLLY ATCHISON

Editor-in-Chief



"'Santa Baby' is the worst. It just is. Hove 'White Christmas' because it feels like home."

TAYLOR WOLF

Social Media Editor



"Michael Bublé's whole album is the best Christmas album. The worst is 'I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas.'

BEN EVERETT

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Memories of Alhambra (Season 1)

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Lady Bears Weekend Brief

Lady Bears sweep Las Vegas Thanksgiving Tournament

BEN EVERETT

Sports Editor

No. 4-ranked Baylor women's basketball came away with two wins from the Southpoint Thanksgiving Shootout on Friday and Saturday in Las Vegas.

The Lady Bears (6-0) got a big performance from junior forward Lauren Cox in Friday's 72-66 win over South Dakota State. Cox scored 28 points on 11-for-18 shooting from the field, while also grabbing 10 rebounds to help Baylor pull away for the win.

The Lady Bears held a slim three-point lead at halftime, but late in the fourth quarter, Cox hit her third three-pointer of the game to give Baylor a 10-point lead. The Jackrabbits didn't back down, cutting the lead to 68-66 with 20 seconds to go, but the Lady Bears knocked down free throws to seal the win.

Baylor came out hot in its game against Georgetown on Saturday. The Lady Bears started the game on a 9-0 run and took a 22-11 lead at the end of the first quarter. Baylor shot 58 percent in the first half to lead 47-23 at the break.

The Lady Bears led wire-to-wire and were sparked by junior guard Juicy Landrum's four three-pointers in the 67-46 blowout win. Freshman forward NaLyssa Smith also chipped in 14 points in the win.

Baylor looks to remain undefeated as it faces No. 13-ranked South Carolina at 6 p.m. Dec. 2 in Columbia, S.C.

Men's Basketball

Weekend Brief

Men's basketball goes 1-1

in Emerald Coast Classic

BEN EVERETT

Sports Editor

the Emerald Coast Classic on Friday and Saturday in

bounced back to defeat George Mason 72-61 in the

Scott Drew became the first coach in program history

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p.m. Tuesday at the Ferrell Center.

secure the win.

Baylor men's basketball split their two games in

The Bears (4-2) fell to Ole Miss 78-70 on Friday but

With the win over the Patriots, Baylor head coach

Baylor sophomore forward Tristan Clark scored a

career-high 27 points on 11-for-13 shooting from the

field in the loss to the Rebels on Friday. The Bears took

a brief 39-38 lead near the end of the first half, but the

Rebels pulled ahead 49-46 early in the second half and

career-high on Saturday, scoring 27 points, including

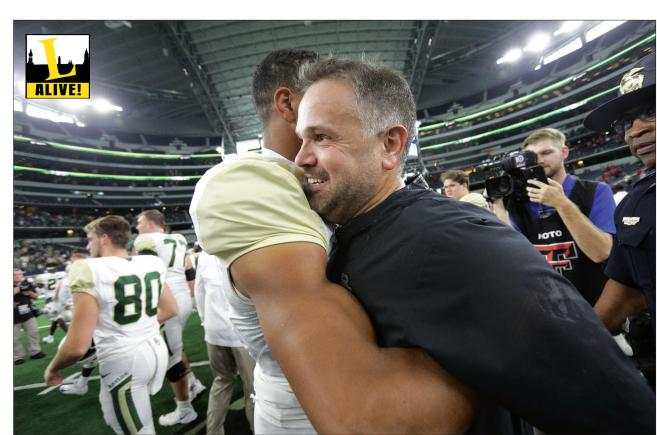
5-for-11 on three-pointers, to lift the Bears over

the Patriots. Baylor held a slim halftime lead, but

outscored George Mason by 10 in the second half to

The Bears return home to face South Dakota at 7

Baylor senior guard King McClure notched his



ason Pedreros | Multimedia Journalist

EMBRACE IT Baylor head football coach Matt Rhule shares an emotional moment with senior quarterback Jalan McClendon following the Bears' 35-24 win over Texas Tech Saturday in Arlington. After going 1-11 in Rhule's first year at Baylor, the Bears improved to 6-6 to land a bowl game. Scan the picture using the Lariat Alive app for highlights from the win.

The fruits of the process

Baylor secures bowl bid in Rhule's second year

ADAM GIBSON

Sports Writer

Baylor football is headed to a bowl game following their 35-24 win against the Texas Tech Saturday at AT&T Stadium in Arlington. The Bears failed to gain bowl eligibility last season with their 1-11 record in head coach Matt Rhule's first year.

The progress of coming from a one win season to bowl eligibility is one Rhule has been speaking about since last season and is part of the process of rebuilding the football team. With the win in their final game of the season, Rhule said it shows just the type of attitude the team has.

"I think it speaks to the character and who those guys are," Rhule said. "No one really knows what it's like when you win one game or two games ... When you win one game, you preach the message all day about patience and progress and faith."

In the matchup with Texas Tech, the Bears led in most categories and were able to get both the ground game and passing game working together, something that Baylor fans haven't seen too much of this season. Sophomore quarterback Charlie Brewer had a season-high three passing touchdowns in the win, completing 73.3 percent of his passes for 308 yards. Brewer also found his way into the end zone with his legs for another touchdown. Brewer said he noticed just about everything clicking for the Bears not just on the offense, but on the defensive side of the ball as well.

"I thought that we played not a complete game, obviously, but I think pretty close to it," Brewer said. "I thought we ran the ball extremely well. I thought the offensive line played tremendous. I thought the defense really did really well."

The defense had one of its better games this season, forcing two interceptions, two sacks and two tackles for loss in the victory. Both of the interceptions came in the fourth

quarter to keep the Red Raiders from being able to cut into the Baylor lead. Most of the game seemed to click for the Bears and that is something the senior class was hoping for after a tumultuous four years for the program. Senior offensive lineman Blake Blackmar said this particular game was a meaningful victory to him and gives him the chance to leave the program with another chance at a bowl victory.

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We went from one win to a bowl. The freshmen will know a bowl is what you're supposed to expect. They'll see this as the bare minimum."

MATT RHULE | HEAD COACH

"Of all of the games I've been a part of, this is probably the most special," Blackmar said. "You think of all of the things we've been through and everything that could have happened and would have happened, and you've got to shut all of that out. The most important thing is what we're going to do next to go out there and run the ball and pretty much play a complete game."

When it comes to what this means for the entire team, Rhule said being bowl eligible is good for the team because of the experience it gives the younger players or redshirted players who haven't played as much this season. Now they get another few weeks to practice and play in one final game. Rhule also said making a bowl justifies the rebuilding process that he undertook when he accepted the Baylor job. That process is coming to fruition even after just two seasons of him coaching at Baylor.

"I've asked them to do some hard things, and they've done them. And they sometimes probably wanted to ask why they've done them," Rhule said. "We went from one win to a bowl. The freshmen will know a bowl is what you're supposed to expect. They'll see this as the bare minimum."

Sophomore running back John Lovett had a season high 125 rushing yards and a rushing touchdown against Texas Tech and said even just from what he has seen in the two years he's been here, there has already been much improvement.

"This win means a lot, because I've been through a lot with these same guys since last year. And we came a long way and we're here," Lovett said.

When Rhule came into the program, it was clear there would be tough times ahead and the players would have to deal with the media, opposing fans and reading on social media about everything surrounding the team. Winning only one game last season did not help and Rhule said he and the players had to listen to negative comments, but it's about action and what the next move is going to be.

"All you hear is negativity, and it is natural," Rhule said. "Even as the head coach, you start to question, is that work? Is that really work? Either you break, fracture, or come together."

Baylor Sports Schedule

Men's Basketball vs.
South Dakota
Tuesday - 7 p.m.
Ferrell Center

Volleyball vs. Hawai'i NCAA Tournament First Round Thursday - 6:30 p.m. Eugene, Ore.

Men's Basketball @ Wichita State Saturday - 7 p.m. Wichita, Kan.



Jason Pedreros | Multimedia Journalist

SECURE THE WIN Baylor junior wide receiver Denzel Mims hauls in a touchdown pass against Texas Tech Saturday in Arlington. Mims scored two touchdowns in the Bears' 35-24 win over the Red Raiders. The Bears clinched a bowl berth for the eighth time in the past nine years with the win over the Red Raiders.



ATTACK THE PAINT Houston Rockets guard James Harden drives to the basket in a game against the Detroit Pistons on Nov. 23 in Detroit. Harden and the Rockets face the in-state rival Dallas Mavericks at 7 p.m. Wednesday for the first time this season. Houston leads the all-time regular season series 94-81.

Mays-Rockets set to renew rivalry

MICHAEL KNIGHT

Contributor

The Dallas Mavericks and Houston Rockets renew their rivalry this week as the two teams face off at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Houston.

The two opponents came into the season with very different expectations. The Mavericks were picked to finish 13th in the Western Conference by ESPN and Sports Illustrated as they continue to rebuild. The Rockets, on the other hand, came into the season picked second in the Western Conference by ESPN after a 4-3 loss to the Golden State Warriors in the Western Conference Finals last year.

The Rockets haven't quite lived up to those expectations yet. They started the season just 1-5, though they have been winning a bit more in the month of November, now sitting at 9-9.

Dallas, on the other hand, is flirting with a .500 record and won games against top-tier teams such as the Golden State Warriors, Oklahoma City Thunder and the Boston Celtics. Rookie guard Luka Doncic has had a huge impact so

far, averaging 19 points per game.

Edgewood junior and Mavericks fan Canyon Jayroe said the team has looked better than expected to start the season.

"As a Mavs fan, I was hopeful of a good start, and having early injuries from Harrison Barnes and Dirk [Nowitzki], I wasn't sure how the season would start," Jayroe said. "It's been better than expected and I could see us possibly catching a seven or eight seed come playoff time if we reach our full potential."

This rivalry is one that dates back to 1980. Recently, however, the Mavericks haven't been as competitive as the

Free agency has added an element to the rivalry, as they often pursue the same players to add to their teams. Two recent examples include Dwight Howard and Chandler Parsons.

The Rockets signed Howard in 2013 after both teams pursued him heavily. Mavericks owner Mark Cuban then famously stated that Howard made a "mistake in judgment" when he chose Houston over Dallas.

The Mavericks got a bit of revenge the

next offseason, though, when Chandler Parsons, then a Rocket and key role player on the team, became a free agent. The Mavericks put the Rockets in a predicament by offering Parsons much more money than the Rockets could afford to pay. They ended up letting him sign with Dallas.

Tevin Williams, editor for Rocketsbased website Space City Scoop, said the two teams are consistently competitive because of their management.

"[Rockets general manager] Daryl Morey and [Mavericks owner] Mark Cuban are the faces of their respective teams' front offices and they have both played a big role in assembling some of the most talented teams in the last decade," Williams said. "Mark Cuban was the first to put together a championship team, but Daryl Morey's trades for James Harden and Chris Paul have rocketed Houston's success in recent years."

Historically, the Rockets have an edge in wins against the Mavericks in the regular season. They currently lead the all-time series 94-81. The Mavericks lead the postseason series 8-7.

Volleyball selected to third straight NCAA **Tournament**

FRANCESCA MAIETTA

Reporter

No. 25-ranked Baylor volleyball earned its third consecutive NCAA Tournament bid for the first time in program history.

The Bears were selected to the Eugene Regional hosted by 15th-seeded Oregon. Baylor will face Hawai'i from the Big West Conference at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. If they make it to the second round, they will be facing the winner of New Mexico State and Oregon.

Baylor head coach Ryan McGuyre said he is appreciative of the opportunity to play in the postseason and is satisfied with the team's season thus far.

"So grateful to be in the tournament. It's something we've come to expect from ourselves," McGuyre said. "The first time we got in it was really special. Now we're battling for a seed to try and be able to give our fans at home the opportunity to see us play a little longer. We're excited. With all the injuries we've had and some of those up-and-down moments, it was a battle to finish second in Big 12 [and] we're pleased with that."

Baylor is 5-6 all-time in NCAA tournament play after making it to the second round the past two seasons. Junior middle blocker Shelly Fanning said she feels their previous tournament experience will be helpful.

"It's definitely a different stage," Fanning said. "You got to play every game like it's your last because if you don't, it will be. It's definitely an interesting experience and an awesome experience for those of us who haven't been in the tournament yet. So I'm excited for our freshmen and I'm excited for us to hopefully go further than we've been in the past."

McGuyre said the Bears' success as a program can be attributed to the leadership of President Linda Livingstone and athletic director Mack Rhoades.

"We've come a long long way at Baylor and it's a product of starting from the top," McGuyre said. "President Livingstone loves our team she loves all of athletics. Its a big part of what she's about. Mack Rhodes, creating 'Champions for Life.' It's fun as a coach to be at a place where my values and principles are kind of in full alignment with the university. That trickles down and pours into these women that just love to compete,. They love to play for the Lord. To go into the tournament and someday hopefully sooner or later win a national championship, I think it will just be a beautiful byproduct of us doing things the right way."

The Bears are going for their first ever win against Hawai'i as the Rainbow Wahine hold a 6-0 all-time series lead.

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