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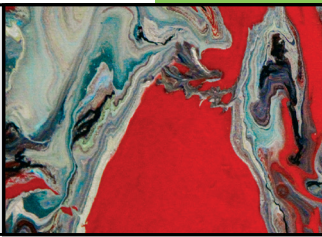
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Fifth alleged rape reported

MORGAN HARLAN
Staff Writer

An alleged rape was reported at 11th Street Flats, an off-campus apartment complex in the 1700 block of S 11th Street According to the Baylor Clery Report Crime Log, the incident occurred on Jan. 26 and was reported on the crime log on Jan. 30.

The reported assault at 11th Street Flats is the fifth reported rape on the Baylor crime log in the last two months.

Baylor spokesperson Tonya Hudson said, "This incident occurred off-campus but has been reported to Baylor's Title IX Office. As with all incidents reported to Title IX, this report will be addressed confidentially and according to Baylor's well-established Title IX policy and procedures. Maintaining confidentiality is required under FERPA, but also is important to ensure a fair and comprehensive investigation of the allegations."

Per Clery Act guidelines, Baylor is required to report the rape allegation on the Baylor crime log even though the incident's details have not been verified for

accuracy.

"Baylor's utmost priority is the safety and security of all students, faculty and staff. Should any reported crime pose an imminent threat to campus, Baylor will issue an emergency notification or timely warning through BaylorAlert," Hudson said.

In response to why law enforcement such as Baylor or Waco PD is not handling the case, "Crime reports can be submitted to the University in a variety of ways such as anonymously through EthicsPoint, Judicial Affairs, Baylor University Police Department, Title IX and from Campus Security Authorities (CSA). Once the University receives notification of an alleged crime, the reporting party is informed of their options such as whether to engage law enforcement, which is their right under Baylor's Title IX policy. Again, the complainant determines whether to engage the Title IX Office or proceed under the appropriate law enforcement agency."

The details of the Title IX investigation will remain confidential unless there is a formal criminal charge filed.



Photo courtesy of Darcy Wells

ALPHA PHI Founding members Darcy Wells, Maria del Rosario Lopez and Mackenzie Stine pose for a photo during the bid day celebrations in the new Alpha Phi chapter room on Wednesday.

New sorority Alpha Phi welcomes founding class

MADALYN WATSON
Staff Writer

Alpha Phi, Baylor's newest Panhellenic sorority, welcomed 169 founding members to their first bid day on Wednesday, Feb. 6. Bid day encompassed new members receiving an invitation to join the chapter. In Alpha Phi's case, these new members will also become the founding members, as they are the first member class at Baylor.

According to Alpha Phi Educational Leadership Consultant Becky Carpenter, the members were chosen from over 300 applicants. Way more than the expected 200, allowing the sorority to be more selective in who was in the founding class.

The Alpha Phi extension team head, Deana Gage, said that Alpha Phi has wanted to start a chapter on Baylor's

campus for many years.

"We are so pleased to be at Baylor. We are very proud to say that we are part of the Baylor community," Gage said.

Gage leads a team of Alpha Phi international staff members and volunteers who helped guide the new members through the recruitment process.

"We do have some local alumni that will be involved with the chapter and, of course, we have a faculty advisor, but they are not the initial people working with the chapter," Gage said.

Gage said that her team will over time transition to more passive roles, more like advisors, in the Alpha Phi chapter at Baylor.

"It's almost like a growing process with a child. They take a lot of supervision when they're new, and they are very young," Gage said.

Unlike Baylor's formal Panhellenic recruitment, that occurred during winter break, Alpha Phi's recruitment week began on Jan. 29 because the National Panhellenic Conference requires new sororities to host their own recruitment week, separate from returning sororities.

Alpha Phi's recruitment process consisted of two open days and two invitation only events, as well as interviews with prospective members that were completed on Saturday, Feb. 3.

Houston sophomore Sadie Rodriguez is one of the new members of Alpha Phi and talked about how the recruitment process for Alpha Phi was much different than normal Panhellenic recruitment that took place a month ago. Rodriguez said that she liked how all of the other women in Alpha Phi will be starting fresh.

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Baylor's first female professor of religion to retire

LEXI DONNEL
Reporter

During a time when Southern Baptists were debating whether or not women could teach or have any authority over men, Dr. Rosalie Beck was hired to become the first female faculty member in Baylor's department of religion in 1984. She will end her journey here at Baylor, as she plans to retire in May.

Beck was hired back when Baylor was trying to switch from trustees to regents. The trustee system gave the Texas Baptist's 100 percent control over who was hired as trustees. In the new system, they would only have 25 percent control of choosing the regents.

"There was a lot of anger directed toward Baylor, a lot of lies told by various groups about what type of

religion was being taught," Beck said. "Professors were being accused of throwing Bible's across the room and saying this is just a collection of books."

Due to an increased number of freshmen, Beck taught as a graduate assistant while she was working on her dissertation.

During the spring of 1984, she was asked to join the faculty as a lecturer, teaching four freshman classes a semester.

"One of the major issues that was a point of conflict between the emerging conservative faction and the moderate faction in the Southern Baptist Convention was over the issue of women teaching men," Beck said.

Beck said the concern was mainly over women



Dr. Rosalie Beck

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Delta Sigma Pi hosts donation event with Fuzzy Friends

BRIDGET SJOBERG
Staff Writer

Delta Sigma Pi, Baylor's largest business fraternity, combined recruitment and service for local animals at their Fuzzy Friends donation event on Wednesday.

Delta Sigma Pi will be hosting recruitment events to join their chapter up until Feb. 16 and used Wednesday's event as a way for potential new members to learn more about their chapter while also giving back to Fuzzy Friends, a no-kill animal shelter in Waco dedicated to finding homes for dogs and cats in the local area. A variety of donations were accepted at the event, including food, toys, kennels and beds, as well as cleaning supplies like wipes or Windex, according to Plano senior Maral Solaimani, who serves as Delta Sigma Pi's senior vice president.

"Fuzzy Friends is a non-profit animal shelter that takes in dogs or cats that are without a home. They'll house them and rehabilitate them and do their best to find them a forever home," Solaimani said. "We've done a different event in the past centered around animal shelters- we



Kennedy Dendy | Broadcast Reporter

FUZZY FRIENDS Baylor's largest business fraternity, Delta Sigma Pi, hosted a recruitment event but also a philanthropy event for Fuzzy Friends, which is a non-kill animal shelter in Waco.

did a drive for Waco Animal Shelter last spring and this year we're partnered up with Fuzzy Friends to do a donation for them. We brought the fraternity pups out here as well to encourage the spirit of giving."

Along with collecting donations for

a worthy cause, Solaimani hopes the event helped prospective members learn more about what Delta Sigma Pi does and values, and served as a chance to be introduced to existing members.

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EDITORIAL



Rewon Shimray | Cartoonist

Don’t stress, seniors

It’s OK to not have post-graduation plans

During the spring semester, seniors are faced with all sorts of life-changing moments — we are experiencing plenty of “lasts,” a few “firsts,” and we’re all trying to figure out what the heck we’re going to do with our lives. Mix in the bittersweet goodbyes we have to say, both to the university we love and to the people who have made our lives so special for the past four years, and it’s safe to say that seniors have quite a bit of soul searching on their plate.

Although our society often says that we have to know what we’re doing next at all times, that we have to be goal oriented and need to have a plan for the rest of our lives, that’s not true. It’s OK to not know what you’re doing post-graduation. It’s OK to be worried about your chosen career path. It’s OK to be unsure of where your life is leading you. And it is completely OK to not want to talk about your plans.

We all know the infamous question adults ask us whenever we start a conversation about our collegiate experience: “What are your plans after graduation?” What seems like a simple question can come off as an interrogation. There are many of us who absolutely hate that question because it triggers anxiety and self-consciousness about our lack of concrete plans. Others may have more definitive choices after graduation, but still may not want to speak openly about their career (or academic) pursuits.

To all non-seniors, please stop asking seniors what they’re doing after graduation. Our goals do not define us, and neither does our indecisiveness. If you are looking for conversation starters, here’s a list of a few good questions to ask that don’t have to do with graduation and what lies beyond.

1. What has been your favorite memory of college?
2. What is the best class you’ve taken?
3. What did you like/dislike about your college experience?
4. How do you plan to fill your free time without classes and homework?
5. What was the wildest experience you had during college?

Those are just a few of the preferred questions for people searching for conversation topics with college students. It is much easier for students to think back on experiences and think about the known than it is to look into the future and the unknown. Not only does it offer comfort in a possibly awkward conversation, but it also alleviates pressure. Knowing that not every adult wants to know your next steps makes it seem that much less daunting.

As seniors, we’re leaving everything we’ve become accustomed to for the past four years. For some, we will be returning to our hometown, to be reunited with our people, but also re-adjusting to being a part of the working world. For others, we may be jetting off to a new city, surrounded by strangers and faced with the task of figuring life out independently. Others may be somewhere in between. All that’s certain is that we’re leaving our collegiate safety net behind, and while we wrap our heads around that concept, we’d like to be given space to do so.

Seniors, the next few years of our lives are going to be the most formative experiences we’ve had yet. We will be fully functioning adults, sent out into the world to do our best at what we love. We should take advantage of the time we have left here, and enjoy it with the people we’ve spent the past four years pouring into. Don’t worry too much, because we don’t have to have it all together before we leave. Nobody has their life together, not even the adults asking you to figure it out. Take time to think about it, but don’t let the future control your present.

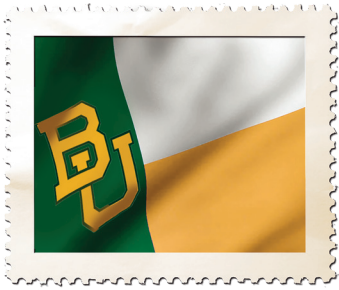
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LARIAT LETTER

Is Mason Ramsey talented or just famous?



While I think the Mason Ramsey (“From Walmart to Waco: Mason Ramsey to host concert at Baylor” published Feb. 4) concert is a good fundraiser idea from

Baylor’s Greek life organizations, I think the excitement over Mason Ramsey highlights how we as a society allow Internet fame to determine what it means to be talented.

Mason Ramsey has gotten a record deal simply from one viral video of him yodeling in a Walmart. While it was a cute moment, I hardly believe many record labels go out of their way to find yodeling 12-year-old boys, probably because they aren’t cut out for the world of music. There are millions of more talented people in the world than Mason Ramsey, but because he was able to capitalize on his 15 minutes

of fame just right, he is now making more money than most post-college graduates off of his music and YouTube singing career.

Don’t get me wrong, I think that the Internet has given exposure to a lot of deserving artists that are now bringing their musical talent into the world. But among all the hype of this “yodeling boy” coming to campus, has anyone actually listened to his new music?

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COLUMN

Encourage inclusivity with cultural classes

ADRIENNE REDMAN
Reporter

We live in a world on the brink of a breakthrough. Now, as we actively strive to uproot the racism and sexism within our society, equality and understanding between us seems within reach. Our social sphere has evolved to embrace inclusivity and progress, and we seem to be on the horizon of a future our predecessors could only dream about.

We are, however, nowhere near finished. Racist discourse has evolved past blatancy to allow for subtler, but continued, marginalization. Just take a look at coverage from this last midterm election if you aren’t convinced sexism still exists. And we still have a lot to work on here at home, too. As Baylor works to reach its place among the top Christian research institutions, we have found ourselves facing media attention for numerous cultural insensitivity incidents. For an institution tasked with producing the next generation of Christian leaders, this is simply unacceptable.

I am a firm believer that change is driven by action. Words, by default, are a much slower agent. However, education and the resulting practice of that knowledge create a force for change like no other. Baylor lags behind its counterparts in both offering and mandating this education and its students suffer.



“Mandatory classes that educate and provoke passion for inclusivity and cultural consciousness would drastically change this tired narrative.”

Many universities boast departments much like our Multicultural Affairs office, whose mission, according to its website, is to encourage students to celebrate their personal heritage and embrace other cultures. This is a vital organization on our campus for the education and awareness it provides. Many universities, unlike ours, also require cultural awareness classes for the majority of their degree plans. These classes reach students in ways our Multicultural Affairs office simply cannot; they force those to listen who otherwise wouldn’t.

A substantial hindrance in our quest for progress isn’t only the obvious, in-your-face racism and sexism we can easily identify, but the continued expression of, “I didn’t know it was wrong.” Mandatory classes that educate and provoke passion for inclusivity and cultural consciousness would drastically change this tired narrative.

The University of Notre Dame recently adopted a new core curriculum for its first-year students that focuses on health and wellness as well as cultural competency. According to an article posted on the Notre Dame website, the community standards and cultural awareness aspects of the curriculum are designed to “create a caring community, foster a spirit of inclusiveness on campus, [and] develop a deeper understanding of the complex interactions of gender, sexual orientation, class, ethnicity and race.” To understand the overwhelmingly positive results of a curriculum like this, just google “Notre Dame,” and “cultural insensitivity.” Then do the same for our institution.

We should feel strongly about this issue not because of the way we are perceived, but because of the future we are creating for ourselves. An ideal society, without bias and hate, is simply impossible without a foundation of knowledge and experience surrounding these issues. This is especially important for us as we strive to be well-informed Christian leaders. We can do better, and we should start now.

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Waco female pastors share their journey to ministry

EMMA WHITAKER
Reporter

Waco's two female Baptist pastors had a long journey to discovering their calling to ministry.

Lake Shore Baptist Church lead pastor, Kyndall Rae Rothaus, and Calvary Baptist Church lead pastor Mary Alice Birdwhistell Both, who are graduates of George W. Truett Theological Seminary and received their masters of divinity, discuss the journey it took to discover their calling.

Birdwhistell grew up in a Southern Baptist church in Kentucky, where female pastoral roles were virtually nonexistent. When she discovered her desire to lead a church, questions about the stigma around female church leaders arose in her heart.

"I remember thinking, 'What would my family think?' 'What would my friends think?' 'What kind of church would ever ask me to be pastor?'" Birdwhistell said.

Lake Shore Baptist Church Lead Pastor, Kyndall Rae Rothaus, also grew up in the Southern Baptist church. She ended up majoring in theology in college.

"I spent most of college experiencing this tug towards pastoral ministry, but really wrestling still what I had learned growing up. The sort of turning point for me was my senior year when I took my first preaching class," Rothaus said. "There were two other women in the class, along with 15 to 20 guys. When those two women got up to preach their sermons for class, it was like the light bulb kind of moment because they were so clearly gifted, and I knew it would be tragic if they couldn't use their voices. It took this question outside of myself, and I could see that they were called. And I would say that was the end of my struggle. I embraced ministry as my calling from that moment forward."

Birdwhistell went on to join Waco's Calvary Baptist Church as a children's pastor. In 2013, Calvary asked her to accept the position of associate pastor, and in 2017 Birdwhistell became their senior pastor.

Rothaus joined Lake Shore Baptist Church as its senior pastor in 2015. She said she particularly loves her church's open pulpit communication and preaching styles.

"They really believe in letting the pastor say what he or she needs to say. There's kind of an understanding that not everyone in the congregation will agree with you all of the time, but there's the freedom for discussion, for us coming to an understanding together," Rothaus said.

Lake Shore Baptist is a church that is open and affirming to the LGBTQ community of Waco, as well.

"I think that is one of the unique things about Lake Shore specifically. There really aren't that many places where the LGBTQ community is safe, genuinely safe, accepted and loved as they are. I know we play a really important role in healing some of the spiritual trauma people have experienced," Rothaus said.

In 2016, the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board declared Lake Shore Baptist Church, along with two other Texas churches, "outside of harmonious cooperation" with the state convention because of their views on homosexuality.

Yet, Rothaus continued to press on with her ministry. For her, the LGBTQ community was close to her heart. Even when she was younger and had not fully made up her mind on what she believed on homosexuality, she said she knew that the church was wrong, and it was causing damage.

"I think my very first awareness was being friends with some people who were gay and starting to have this dawning awareness that the church had really hurt people," Rothaus said.

Rothaus has become a safe place for college students to talk about feelings of disunity and separation, in hope of renewal and new faith.

Rothaus and Birdwhistell were friends in seminary, and united in Waco for being some of the only female pastors in the area.

"I was excited when Mary Alice was made senior pastor because it was like, 'Oh, there's two of us now!' in terms of Baptists," Rothaus said.

Occasionally the women get together and catch up, sharing each other's experiences. Both pastors advocate the unique perspectives and attributes

“I remember thinking, ‘What would my family think.’”

MARY ALICE
BIRDWHISTELL |
PASTOR

women bring to a ministerial

role.

Rothaus said how women tend to be more maternal, nurturing and non-hierarchical.

"I think one thing women can bring to the table is their experience knowing what it's like to be on the oppressed side of the oppressor/oppressed equation. There is this experience of marginalization that women know intuitively because we've experienced it. You bring that in to the way you read the Bible, and Jesus was constantly for the marginalized," Rothaus said.



Photo courtesy of Mary Alice Birdwhistell

PASTOR Mary Alice Birdwhistell has been the senior pastor at Calvary Baptist Church since 2017.

What's Happening on Campus?

Friday, February 8

☀️ **UBreak – A Pop Up Brunch Bar**
10 a.m. to Noon Wake up early and head over to the Bill Daniel Student Center to enjoy a free breakfast and a cup of coffee with your friends. Make sure to B.Y.O.M. – Bring Your Own Mug.

🌙 **Women's Tennis vs. Washington State**
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Cheer on Baylor Women's Tennis as they take on Washington State at the Hurd Tennis Center.

🌙 **Lunar New Year 2019**
6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Center for Global Engagement invites you to celebrate the Lunar New Year in Barfield Drawing Room.

🌙 **Sundown Sessions**
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Head to the Bill Daniel Student Center for some late-night fun! Enjoy a movie night featuring *Green Book* in the den and blacklight bowling in the game room.

Saturday, February 9

☀️ **Baylor Women's Equestrian vs. Oklahoma State**
11 a.m. Head to the Willis Family Equestrian Center to support the equestrian team as they compete against Oklahoma State.

☀️ **Baylor Women's Basketball vs. TCU**
Noon Support the Lady Bears as they play TCU in the Ferrell Center. Make sure to check out the halftime mascot competition featuring mascots from other colleges and pro teams.

🌙 **Baylor Men's Basketball vs. Kansas State**
5 p.m. It's Taurean Prince Night as the Bears take on the Wildcats. Grab your Taurean Prince poster and check out the student concession special. The first 350 students will get t-shirts and pocket flashlights will be given away. Don't forget to take a picture with Baylor Football's Texas Bowl and Texas Farm Bureau shootout trophies on display in the concourse.

🌙 **Sundown Sessions**
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Stay up late and make valentines for your special someone in Barfield Drawing Room. Then, head downstairs for blacklight Bowling in the Bill Daniel Student Center game room.

Monday, February 11

🌙 **Baylor Men's Basketball vs. Oklahoma**
8 p.m. It's Royce Neal Night at the Ferrell Center as the Bears play the Sooners! Grab an O'Neal poster and a headband — O'Neal's gameday essential — given to the first 500 students. Don't forget to stop by the concession for the student special!

Tuesday, February 12

🌙 **Grace Group**
8 p.m. to 9 p.m. A Christ-centered mental health recovery resource, the Grace Alliance is designed to empower you to manage mental health stressors, improve your daily wellbeing and renew your faith. The group meets every Tuesday at BARC in East Village.

Tuesday, February 12 - Sunday, February 17

☀️ **Peter and the Star Catcher**
🌙 **7:30 p.m. & (Sat & Sun) 2 p.m.** Baylor Theatre presents *Peter and the Star Catcher*, a tony-winning play that brings to life the origin story of *Peter Pan* and playfully explores the depths of greed and despair and the bonds of friendship, duty and love. Visit baylor.edu/theatre to buy tickets.

Wednesday, February 13

☀️ **Business, Engineering and Computer Science Career Fair**
3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Are you job hunting or looking for an internship? Head to Paul L. Foster Campus for Business and Innovation for the Business, Engineering and Computer Science Career Fair.

🌙 **Valentine Bingo**
6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Baylor's American Sign Language Club will host a valentine themed bingo night. Refreshments will be provided and winners will receive a prize! Located in the Cashion Academic Center Lobby.

Thursday, February 14

☀️ **Hope Peace Love**
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Baylor Counseling Center presents the annual mental health awareness fair in the Baylor Sciences Building.
11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Watch *A Beautiful Mind* in Baylor Sciences Building, E201.
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participate in the Sexual Minorities Talk in Baylor Sciences Building, E234.
1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Listen to a talk on eating disorders in college students in Baylor Sciences Building, E234.



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“I did the first day or two of [formal] recruitment, and then I started this process and it was way different from all the hundreds of girls in the same building,” Rodriguez said.

According to the official Baylor Alpha Phi website their philanthropy, the Alpha Phi Foundation, supports women’s heart health and aims towards helping women as leaders. Unlike how other chapters present their philanthropy and what their chapter has done for that cause, Alpha Phi wanted to see how the potential founding members could plan new events unique to Baylor.

“For the philanthropy day, we were in different groups, and we planned different events and then

presented it,” Rodriguez said.

Gage said that her team was looking for women who would be good representatives for Alpha Phi.

“We want to be a contributing member of this Panhellenic community,” Gage said.

Gage said that her team was mirroring their recruitment process after the successes of other Alpha Phi chapters, as well as the other Panhellenic sororities at Baylor.

“[The other chapter’s] here have been successful, the women have had a good experience, and the women remain loyal not only to Baylor but to their fraternities,” Gage said.

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“We’re a coed professional business fraternity and a national organization that is in all the major business schools around the country,” Solaimani said. “We have over 275,000 initiated members and 255 active collegiate chapters nationwide. We accept members from all majors related to business and commerce and have a goal of furthering the professional community around us.”

Naples, Fla., junior Lauren Mulford is a member of Delta Sigma Pi, and appreciates how the fraternity’s Wednesday event and mission in general allow her to form connections with other members while also growing in leadership and professional skills.

“This is my fifth semester in Delta Sig and I’ve been so happy with my experience forming lasting relationships with our members and growing professionally,” Mulford said. “Our fraternity is dedicated to serving the community, so this event was a great way to show that to potential new members while also getting to know

them.”

Solaimani appreciated the fact that Delta Sigma Pi took an event meant to be solely for recruitment and formed it into an avenue for service. Both current and prospective members, as well as for the Baylor community as a whole, were able to give back to the local animals of Waco and surrounding areas.

“Our hope for the event is that we helped the animals at Fuzzy Friends by giving them more supplies to take care of their animals,” Solaimani said. “We also hoped to promote Delta Sigma Pi and make sure more people are aware of our presence. We’d love for anyone who is interested in service, professionalism, and social or alumni events to think about us. We’re a great organization and have about 60 members right now but we’re always looking to expand.”

Delta Sigma Pi’s upcoming recruitment events are an information session from 6-7 p.m. on Feb. 7 in Foster 124 and a “What Not/To Wear: Business Edition” event from 5-6 p.m. on Sunday Feb. 10 in Foster 240.

RETIREMENT

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ministers preaching like a pastor, but there was also unease over a woman teaching religion at a college level, giving her authority over her male students. Some opposed to women teaching men have these beliefs because of 1 Timothy 2:12 which is attributed to Paul, saying he does not give women authority over a man and she should stay silent.

“Dr. Herbert Reynolds was the president at that time and he was very much in favor of women in religion and women in ministry. He was willing to go out on a limb even though Baylor was the target for so much criticism as a result of its position as the world’s largest Baptist University,” Beck said. “He went to bat for me he called the chair of the trustees who was a pastor in Houston at that time, and said, ‘the religion department wants to hire this young scholar as a lecturer.’”

Beck said the chair of trustees asked Reynolds only two questions, neither of which pertained to her teaching abilities or scholarship. First, he asked if she was ordained, then he asked if she wanted to be ordained. Beck believes if the answer had been “yes” to either of those questions, the chair of trustees would not have supported her

nomination to join the faculty.

Beck said she gets great joy from teaching female students who grew up in churches where no leadership positions available to women. These student say, “You know? I can do that.”

“To have a role model who looks like they look, and functions as a professional at a professional level, says to them, ‘you can do this,’ This is not an area from which you are restricted,” Beck said.

Mackenzie Gamel, an Austin sophomore is currently taking Beck’s Women in Christian History class. Gamel described Beck as progressive in her views toward everyone.

“She seeks to understand how Jesus understood women and how theologians understood women, and the role they played in history and Christian History specifically,” Gamel said.

Act Locally Waco increases outreach in Waco area

TAYLOR WOLF

Social Media Editor

Act Locally Waco, a web-run nonprofit currently affiliated with Prosper Waco, is a Wacoan’s key to getting involved and engaging with the Waco community, and now it is easier and bigger than ever before.

With a new website design, a developing idea of becoming a separate nonprofit, a new spinoff organization and a story to inspire, Act Locally Waco’s goal is to get neighbors connected and involved together in making Waco a true home for everyone.

After living in Waco for 10 years, founder of Act Locally Waco and Baylor alumna Ashley Bean Thornton, along with her husband, accompanied their church youth group to Louisiana for mission work the summer after Hurricane Katrina.

Having grown up relatively unengaged with community in the past, Thornton said the trip was life-changing.

“In the destruction of the hurricane, what you could really see in New Orleans was the systems laid bare... how those systems connected or didn’t connect,” Thornton said. “And so, when I got back to Waco, I was very curious about how that worked here, and it just kind of grew from there.”

Thornton wanted to learn about all the nonprofits, what they were doing, how they connected and if there was really information about them that was getting shared.

“One of the things that seemed like we needed, and that I could help with, was just sharing information,” Thornton said.

What started out as a small, church-centered email group about local food pantries in 2008, has since grown into a multi-faceted weekly newsletter email with about 3,000 subscribers and a

Facebook community of over 8,000.

The weekly newsletter, appropriately named “The Whole Enchilada,”is emailed out every Friday morning and details upcoming local events, recent community blog posts, related news clips, general announcements, job/volunteer listings and a book club.

You can now navigate to the website from the newsletter and vice versa. The website houses a donation portal, the full community calendar where nonprofits can submit events, the community blog page and more.

The blogs, written by community members and managed by Thornton, are on topics encompassed by Act Locally Waco’s 12 aspirations for Waco including everything from mental health to living in Texas to social justice to local art. Thornton said that what makes the blog so special is that it’s become a channel for community voices to be heard and amplified.

Additionally, for the last two years, Act Locally Waco has run a spin-off monthly program called Waco Walks. Themes have included a museum walk, river walk, historical neighborhood walk, Greenwood cemetery walk, tornado history walk and Waco creek walk, sometimes with special guests or experts on the venues of the day.

“The purpose of Waco Walks is to get people out and enjoy Waco walking, and to advocate for making Waco more walkable,” Thornton said. “It’s just a way to enjoy their community and learn something about it with the goal in mind that we are working together to make the kind of place we want to live.”

With its various programs, platforms and opportunities, even including KWBU radio on Friday mornings and special “Big Orange Frame” photo-ops, Act Locally Waco is reaching and engaging more community members than ever.

“I’ve been really proud that ‘Act Locally’ now really starts to reach all

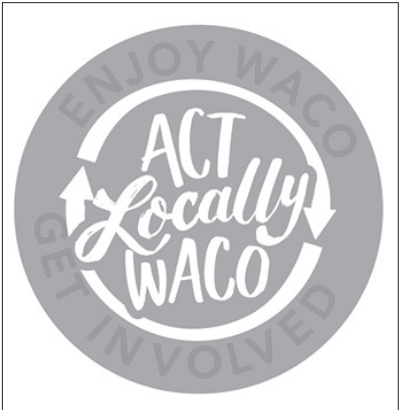


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sorts of audiences,” Holly Tate, assistant director for global missions-student engagement at Baylor and Act Locally Waco volunteer, said. “It’s helped me realize there’s a lot going on in my community that I can be a part of. Act Locally Waco gives you no excuses to not go do something.”

Founder Thornton said she has experienced a shift in Waco’s self-esteem in that people used to complain about nothing going on in Waco and no one wanting to engage, but that’s changed.

“That’s the rewarding thing,” Thornton said. “To see how after all these years, watching this for all this time and being on all these committees and remembering the way it used to be, and now being able to go, ‘Ta da!’”

Even though there’s still a lot of work to be done, Thornton is proud to feel like she’s played even just a small part in a growing Waco community.

As a new goal, Thornton wants work toward alleviating the tension of information overload in the digital age to continue making it easier and easier to actually get involved and get engaged with the community.

“I want people to feel like [Act Locally Waco] belongs to them,” Thornton said.

Visit their website for more info.

This week’s crime: Feb. 4-6

February 4, 2019
Offenses: criminal trespass warning
2000 block of South Third Street
Disposition: closed

Offenses: burglary of motor vehicle
1 block of Daughtrey Avenue
Disposition: being handled by the Waco Police Department

Offenses: criminal trespass warning
1300 block of South University Parks Drive
Disposition: closed

Offenses: burglary of habitation
1600 block of James Avenue
Disposition: being handled by the Waco Police Department

February 5, 2019
Offenses: burglary of motor vehicle
2000 block of S 10th Street
Disposition: being handled by the Waco Police Department

Offenses: assault
S 14th Street
Disposition: being handled by the Waco Police Department

**Source: Baylor Police Crime and Fire Log and Baylor Police Arrest Log*

Offenses: burglary of motor vehicle
2000 block of S 10th Street
Disposition: being handled by the Waco Police Department

Offenses: criminal mischief
Bill Daniel Student Center (SUB)
1300 block of S Fifth Street
Disposition: active

February 6, 2019
Offenses: theft of property
Moody Memorial Library
1300 block of S Third Street
Disposition: closed

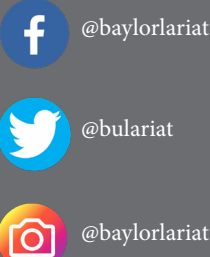
Offenses: theft of property
Brooks College
600 block of Dutton Avenue
Disposition: active

Offenses: burglary of motor vehicle
Quadrangle Apartments
1800 block of S Fifth Street
Disposition: active

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Feb. 3, 2019
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Offense: criminal trespass of property

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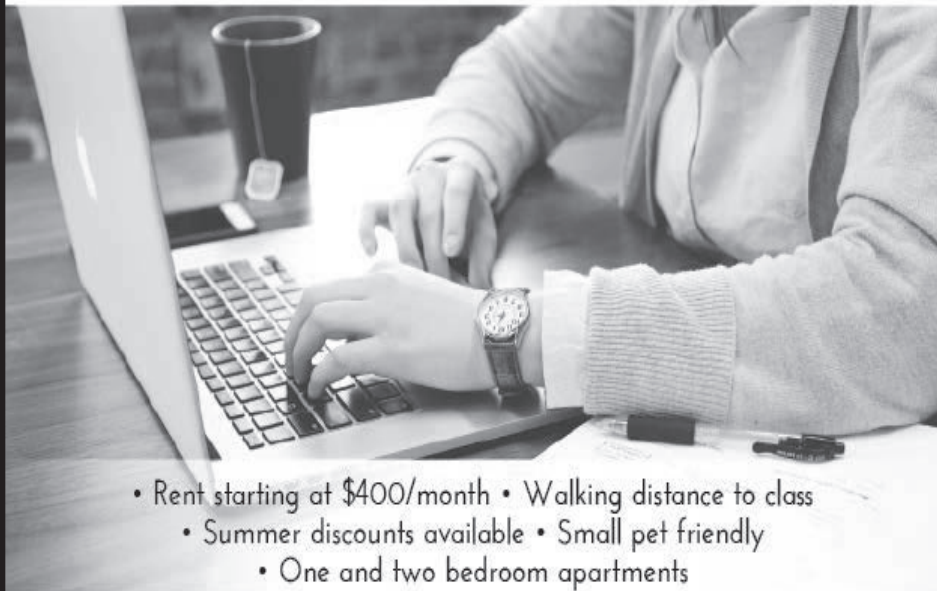
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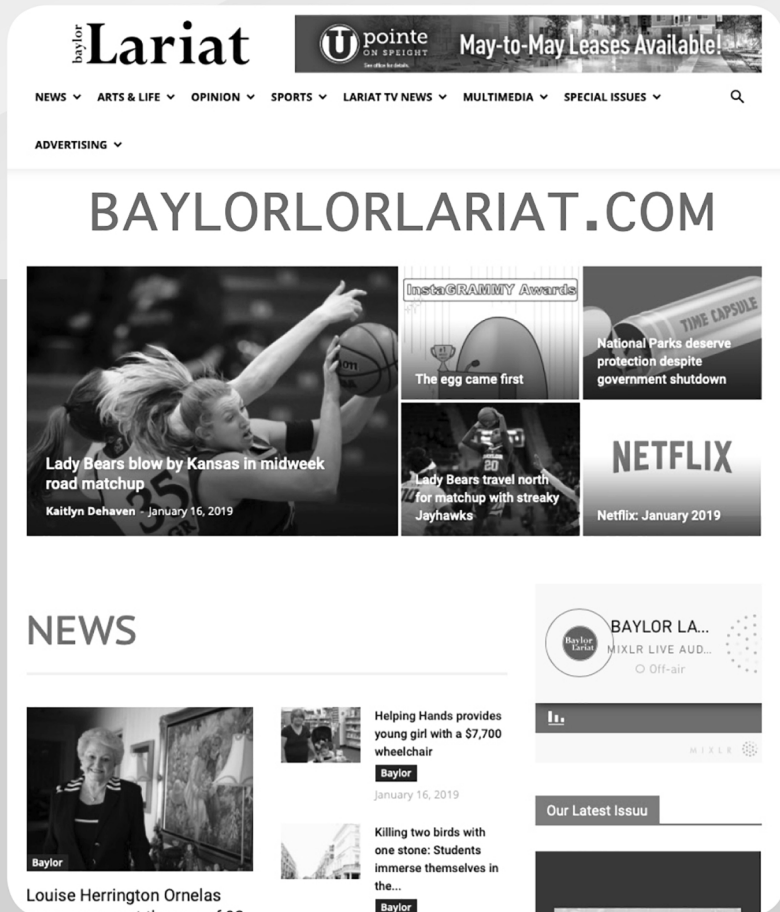
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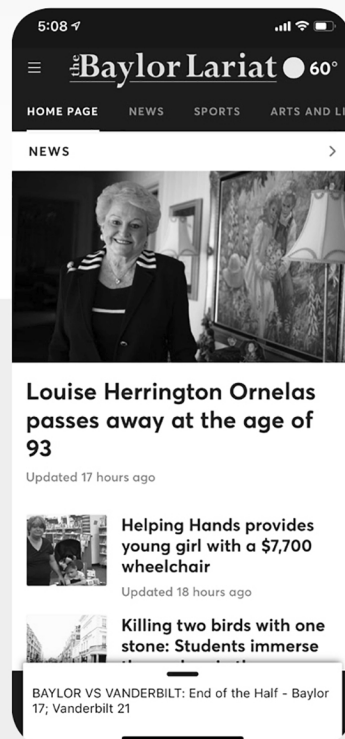
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“The fluid nature of paints fascinates me and drives me to pour, layer and drop the paint.”

Kay Skipper Reinke

HOT RIGHT NOW>> Taylor Swift will not be attending the 61st annual Grammy Awards because she will be in London filming.

And just a touch of red

Art exhibition features unique works by local collectible artists

LINDSEY REYNOLDS
Reporter

Tucked in the heart of downtown, Cultivate 7Twelve’s exhibit “Touch of Red” is helping Waco’s beginning art collectors launch their own collections. It includes small works from several artists, and each unique work has only one thing in common: the color red.

The artists in the exhibit are a part of the Professional Artists of Central Texas (PACT). The mission of this organization is “to strengthen, improve and promote the artistic, professional and economic success of fine artists.” The ‘Touch of Red’ exhibit remains true to this statement by cultivating interest in Waco’s artists.

Assistant retail manager Julia Harmon is responsible for the display and care of the pieces in the exhibit. When asked about Waco’s fine art market, she responded with hope stating that, while many in Waco love to make art, there hasn’t been much opportunity to collect it. She believes this is why “Touch of Red” is the perfect exhibit for a town like Waco.

“The whole point of it, if you want to start your own art collection, this would be a good show to start with,” Harmon said. “It’s small works for under \$300, so people can jump-start a professional artist collection.”

On Wednesday, artists Kimberly Merck-

Moore and Kay Skipper Reinke visited the exhibit and spoke in detail about their artistic processes.

Kimberly Moore is an artist who specializes in three-dimensional mixed media art. To be considered mixed media, the work of art must include several different materials and mediums.

“The work you see here evolved from a fierce need to create and to tell my viewers a story,” Moore wrote in her biography. “The many layers that are so essential to my work each tell a part, whether as a curve of a branch, a secret path behind a tree, or a nest of eggs hidden in a secret drawer.”

Moore’s art is an intricate and time-demanding process. She begins with a custom wood panel or wood box, applies a textured medium, and, after sanding it, spreads up to 30 layers of acrylic washes. Once the washes have dried, Moore then sculpts scenes onto her wooden base. The scenes are often inspired by ones she remembers from her Texas home.

“This is time-consuming work, and unless noted, all originals,” Moore said. “It is hard to say how long each piece takes, because I am usually working on many at a time due to drying time, etcetera, but rest assured that each is a labor of love and creativity.”

As the daughter of a WWII journalist and cartoonist for the Army newspaper, Kay Skipper Reinke’s contemporary artistry was always encouraged and celebrated. A former landscape artist,



RED ON RED The local art gallery and venue Cultivate 7twelve is hosting an exhibit featuring small works by local artists. The only similarity between the pieces is the inclusion of the color red. Several of the artists employ unique methods when creating their works.

exchanged this genre of art for something more sporadic and experimental in nature. Commanding the attention of any onlooker, it is no mystery as to why Reinke’s abstract paintings are highly regarded within the Central Texas’ art community.

“The fluid nature of paints fascinates me and drives me to pour, layer and drip the paint,” Reinke said. “I want my paintings to suggest

experiences and feelings in a way that sparks viewers’ imaginations, draws them into the paintings and makes them want to stay.”

Cultivate 7Twelve, located at 712 Austin Ave., has exhibits that are free and open to the public year round. The ‘Touch of Red’ exhibit will be open until Thursday.

MUSICAL MUST-KNOWS



ARTISTIC ANECDOTES

Grammys this Sunday

The 61st Annual Grammy Awards takes place at 7 p.m. Sunday. The Academy announced Thursday that Cardi B, Camila Cabello, Post Malone, Shawn Mendes, Janell Monae and others are set to perform at the event. Grammy winners Alessia Cara, Eve and John Mayer will be among those presenting at the ceremony.



Photo courtesy of Recording Academy



Photo courtesy of Def Jam Recordings

Bieber on a Hiatus

Justin Bieber announced that he will be taking a musical hiatus until further notice. The singer has not released an album since “Purpose” in 2015, and apart from collaborations with artists like DJ Khaled and Poo Bear, he hasn’t produced any music. According to an interview with Vogue, Bieber said that he “didn’t really have a chance to find out who he was.”

“Selfie Harm”

British fashion photographer John Rankin Waddell, known in the art world as Rankin, released 15 portraits he took of teenagers as well as the results he received after asking the teens to Photoshop their own faces. The series of portraits, titled “Selfie Harm,” are designed to bring lofty beauty standards and unethical photo editing into the limelight.



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The Lego Movie 2

“The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part” comes out today. The film features the voices of celebrities Margot Robbie, Channing Tatum, Chris Pratt, Jason Momoa and Elizabeth Banks. The film will follow the same characters from the previous film, Emmet, Lucy and Batman, as they face new villains and challenges while trying to save the citizens of Bricksburg.

Arts & Life

Cult Film Crash Course: ‘Mean Girls’

THOMAS MORAN
Arts and Life Editor

REVIEW

What differentiates a cult film from the countless other movies released from Hollywood every year? Why do these movies stand the test of time and, more importantly, maintain fervent multi-generational followers? In this series, Cult Film Crash Course, I’ll attempt to answer these questions about cult film qualities and more.

If you haven’t seen it, you’ve probably heard of it. If you haven’t heard of it, you’ve probably heard it quoted. “On Wednesdays we wear pink.” “You go, Glen Coco!” “That is so fetch.” “Get in, loser. We’re going shopping.” These quotes and countless more have earned the 2004 hit film “Mean Girls” a spot in the cult film category. So how did a cheesy film about high school drama develop a lasting following? The film, while undeniably hilarious, hasn’t remained relevant and popular strictly through wit and humor. The defining characteristic that sets “Mean Girls” apart is the way in which the film captures very real and present high school dynamics, while portraying them in an absurd way that audiences can laugh at.

For those who haven’t seen the film, “Mean Girls” follows the story of Cady Heron, played by Lindsay Lohan, a 16-year-old girl who recently moved back to the United States after living in Africa with her zoologist parents for 12 years. The transition to public school is difficult for Cady, but she quickly finds friendship with two social outcasts named Janis and Damien, played by Lizzy Caplan and Daniel Fanzese. The two teach Cady about all of the social cliques at school, one of which is “The Plastics,” the three most popular girls in school, led by Regina George, played by Rachel McAdams. Despite finding friendship with Janis and Damien, Cady finds herself being accepted and socially adopted by Regina and her two minions. Janis, who has a negative history with Regina, wants to seek revenge on Regina using Cady as her insider pawn. Cady, Damien and Janis devise plans to sabotage Regina in various ways. Eventually, Cady loses sight of Janis’ goals and fully assimilates into The Plastics leading to a falling out with both of her friend groups.

“Mean Girls” addresses many of the social issues that are highly present in high school and even college today. Although many social movements have worked toward the condemnation of bullying and leveling of the social playing field, it’s not uncommon for schools to have evident social hierarchies. Whether through extracurricular activities or physical attraction, some individuals find a way to higher social standing, while some just try not to become complete outsiders. “Mean Girls” addresses this issue by creating a scenario that is equal parts hilarious and unlikely — a social outcast is invited into the most popular clique in a high school. Viewers are able to see the absurdity of certain social hierarchies that are often based on superficiality, and it highlights the meaninglessness of social status.

Another element of the film that has sustained its relevance is the way the film blurs the lines between villain and hero. Early in the film, it seems that Cady will be the protagonist and Regina the antagonist. However, before the movie is over, viewers are invited into the understanding that it’s difficult to be young and searching for yourself. Social pressure and fear of being forgotten can push a student to do and say heinous things like Regina. On the flip side, newly found popularity and a desire for popularity can push a person to forget their roots and completely change their identity, like in Cady’s situation. By the end of the film, it’s clear that neither Regina nor Cady is the

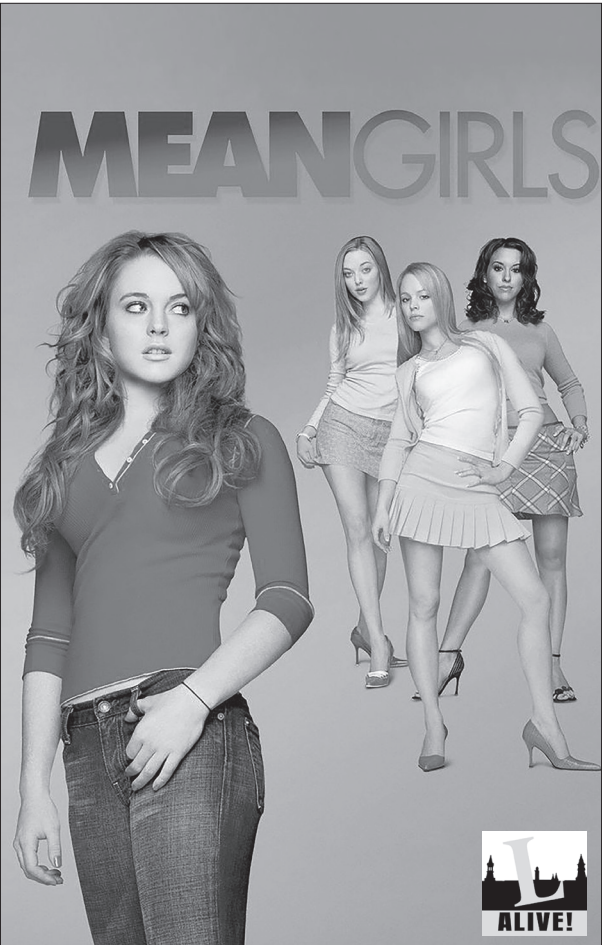


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RELATABLE The hit 2004 film “Mean Girls” has managed to stay relevant over the past 15 years through its relatable content and its undeniable humor. The film presents difficult social issues in a hilarious way that audiences can relate to.

villain. Rather, worthless social pressures and unkindness are the true villains in any high school environment.

Finally, “Mean Girls” avoids many of the outlandish endings that other films in the high school drama genre often adhere to. At the end of the movie, there is a redemptive moment during which many of the toxic cross-clique relationships are reconciled. But, there are still cliques and there are still social hierarchies. They’re just a little more peaceful.

While the film’s successful portrayal of challenging social dynamics might have solidified the films candidacy for a cult film following, it was the movie’s humor that won it the title. Few people can watch Cady fall head first into a trashcan without laughing, or hearing Damien shout, “She doesn’t even go here!” without cracking a smirk. Comedian and writer of “Mean Girls” Tina Fey hit the nail on the head with every joke.

All in all, the film addresses very real issues and social dynamics in a way that millennial and younger generations can relate to. With its colossal following, it doesn’t seem like “Mean Girls” will be forgotten any time soon, earning the film the well-deserved title of cult film.

WHAT TO DO IN WACO

Friday, Feb. 8

Texas Heartbeat | The American Legion Post 121 | 7 p.m. | \$5 | Texas Heartbeat is a local country band.

Baylor Symphony Orchestra and Choirs - President’s Concert | Jones Concert Hall | 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. | \$15 | The various groups will perform Mahler’s Symphony No. 2 “Resurrection,” conducted by Stephen Hyde.

Thomas Csorba | Cultivate 7twelve | 8 - 10 p.m. | \$20 | The local songwriter will perform in the arts gallery.

Lunar New Year | Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center | 6 - 9 p.m. | The Asian Student Association will host the event celebrating the Year of the Pig with games, prizes and more.

“Green Book” | Bill Daniel Student Center | 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. | The Union Board will host two showings of the movie at 9 p.m. and 11 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 9

Waco Farmers Market | McLennan County Courthouse | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | The weekly event features vendors and business selling a variety of goods.

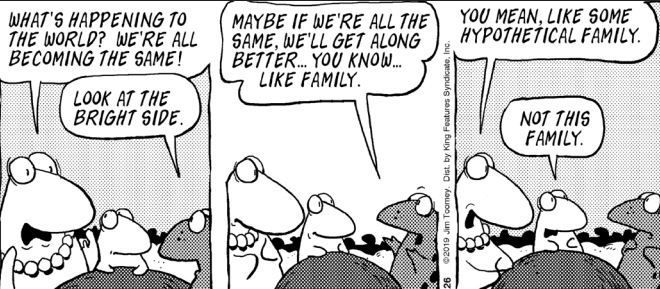
Chili cook-off with Moonshine Band | Last Chance Bar | 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. | The event lasts all day with the band performing at 8:30 p.m.

Valentines | Barfield Drawing Room of Bill Daniel Student Center | The Union Board’s Sundown Session will give students the chance to make homemade valentines cards.

COMICS & PUZZLES

Sherman’s Lagoon

By: Jim Toomey



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Why was the picture sent to jail?

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PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

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DJ Ramirez | Sports Writer

GET SET Baylor senior sprinter Wil London poses for a photo at Clyde Hart Track & Field Stadium on Feb. 1. London, who is a three-time All-American, shaved his head to support his mother, who had surgery to remove a brain tumor.

London supports mother through health scare

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Writer

The life and career of an athlete is always impacted by the people in his or her life. Coaches, teammates, friends, fans and most importantly, family, all have an influence over the way they see themselves and their success. For Baylor track and field senior sprinter and Waco native Wil London, one of the people who has made the biggest difference in his life is his mother, Jacquelyn.

“She’s always impacted [my life], I mean since day one,” London said. “I started running track when I was 4 and her and my dad got me into it. I’ve always looked to her for guidance. She’s always been to every track meet, every basketball game I’ve played.”

In December 2018, London learned that his mother was ill. She had a tumor inside of her skull that she had to get removed through surgery. According to London, the most difficult part about the situation was not knowing what would happen next.

“It was one of those things where it was on my mind at all times and I just didn’t want to lose my mom,” London said. “When she was going to get surgery and I found out about it, it kind of sucked, but I knew that I had to not

focus on it and be strong for her and just show her that whatever was going to happen I was still going to be here and I was still going to continue what she started.”

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WIL LONDON |
SENIOR SPRINTER

The surgery went well, and London’s mother returned home to recover. London has continued to be there for his mother, visiting her every day in the hospital after classes and practice, and visiting her every day now that she has returned home. He even went as far as shaving his head to show his support, an act that he shared on Twitter and that has garnered the attention and support of many.

Former head coach Clyde Hart, now Baylor’s director of track and field, said he wasn’t surprised that London would show support for his mother in that way.

“Everyone was concerned for his mother, knowing how close and tight that they were. He’s the youngest in the family, and so there’s quite a bond there between he and his mother,” Hart said. “It didn’t surprise me that, his mother getting prepared for the surgery had to shave her head, and Wil did the same thing. She didn’t ask him to do that. That was just something for him to show his support and for her not to be embarrassed.”

London is entering his final season on Baylor’s track and field team. He has long list of achievements in his four years as Bear. A three time All-American, he has won three Big 12 championship titles and received a silver medal in the 4x400 meter relay when he ran for

Team USA in the 2017 World Championships. According to Hart, London has always been a competitor.

“Wil obviously is a very talented young man. He kind of was an unknown out of high school other than the area of Waco,” Hart said. “I always thought he was a great competitor and I had my eyes on him for a long time and certainly went over and recruited him his senior year. ... I knew he had a lot of potential and certainly he’s lived up to that.”

London hopes to win another championship in his final season, after which he intends to run professionally. Being a professional runner has always been his goal, but he decided to continue his education because it was what his mother wanted for him.

“My initial thought was to leave and just go make money but I’m only in school to get my degree for her and let her know that it’s for her,” London said.

After running professionally, London plans on becoming a high school track coach.

“I’ve always loved helping kids and just making sure they’re on the right path, not only on the track but also in school,” London said. “I just want to be there for them and just let them know that even I from Waco can do it. So can they.”



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STRONG START Baylor junior infielder Nicky Dawson swings at a pitch on March 20, 2018, at Getterman Stadium. The Lady Bears defeated No. 9 South Carolina 4-1 before losing to BYU 4-3 in the Puerto Vallarta Challenge in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

Softball splits day one of Puerto Vallarta Challenge

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Writer

The Baylor softball team opened its trip to the Puerto Vallarta Challenge with a 4-1 win against No. 9 South Carolina. They dropped game two of the opening day doubleheader to Brigham Young University 4-3.

South Carolina loaded the bases with Lady Bears with three straight walks to begin the first inning of game one. Junior infielder Nicky Dawson scored the first run when freshman third baseman Kassidy Krupit walked. Junior shortstop Taylor Ellis hit a sacrifice fly to bring in freshman center fielder Lou Gilbert.

Baylor extended its lead with two more runs in the fourth inning. Junior right fielder Maddison Kettler singled to start off the inning and was then brought in by sophomore left fielder Hannah Smith on a bunt. Smith then proceeded to reach third base on an error by South Carolina’s third baseman Jana Johns. Freshman designated hitter Ana Watson then drove in Smith with an RBI single.

Sophomore right-handed pitcher Sydney Holman got the win in the first game after pitching five innings and allowing only one run. Freshman left-handed pitcher Madison Lindsey took over for Holman in the bottom of the sixth and struck out two of the eight she faced to close out the game.

The win over South Carolina marked the first season opening win over a Top 20 team for the Lady Bears.

The Lady Bears then faced BYU,

striking first once more. Junior utility player Goose McGlaun brought in Dawson with a sacrifice fly for an unearned run. The Cougars tied it at one in the bottom of the first and got ahead with three runs in the second.

Dawson and Ellis cut BYU’s lead to one in the fifth inning off a two-RBI single by sophomore designated hitter Hannah Thompson. Ellis had walked to start off the inning and then proceeded to steal second. Dawson singled up the middle to get on base. Gilbert grounded out to bring Thompson to the plate.

The Lady Bears were close to tying the Cougars in the seventh inning but could not bring in the run.

Ellis began the inning with a ground out to third. BYU went through a pitching change after a double by Dawson to left field. Gilbert then singled to through the left side and McGlaun walked to load the bases. Thompson fouled out to the catcher for out number two and then Krupit flied out to the second base to end the game.

Senior pitcher Megan Green took the loss against the Cougars, pitching 3.1 innings and striking out four but allowing seven hits. Lindsey took over in the fourth and did not allow any more hits from the Cougars but walked five of the 13 batters she faced.

Baylor will continue the Puerto Vallarta Challenge in a game against North Carolina at 3 p.m. on Friday and will end the tournament with a double header against Liberty University and No. 5-ranked Washington on Sunday.



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THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT Baylor football head coach Matt Rhule addresses the media in 2017. Rhule and his coaching staff added five new signees to the 2019 recruiting class on National Signing Day. The class now stands at 20 commits and is ranked 35th in the country by 247sports.

Football adds five to 2019 class

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The football recruitment process is nothing short of nonstop phone calls, visiting universities and finding the school that matches your ideals and future goals. As National Signing Day and the stress of finding the closest definition of home-away-from-home comes to an end, the Baylor football program's excitement has just begun.

Head coach Matt Rhule said the Bears added some exciting players into the fold on Wednesday.

"[It's] an exciting day for us, adding four more players to a class that we're already extremely excited about," Rhule said. "Nine of those young men showed up here in the winter and started the spring. We're excited and we really believe in the overall vision. I think at the end of the day these are all young men who all

came here for the right reason. They all want to be part of something special. They all want to be part of a university that stands for something and be a part of a football program on the rise."

Notable names who committed on National Signing Day and will enter the 2019 Baylor football class include tight end Garmon Randolph, offensive lineman Elijah Ellis and wide receiver Yusuf Terry. Offensive lineman Paul Matavao-Poialli and kicker Noah Rauschenberg also put pen to paper on Wednesday.

With Randolph standing at 6-foot-7 and Ellis at 6-foot-6 with 37-inch arms, all recruits have three things in common — size, a strong mentality and an emphasis on growth and development into the new season, Rhule said.

"They're a hungry group, and that's what you want. You want to bring people in that aren't along for the ride, that they're here to declare their destiny. And I see that from those guys,"

Rhule said. "I like the edge that [Terry will] bring ... but I think the biggest thing is his best days are ahead of him. ... He'll get big, he'll get strong, he'll get fast, but he'll always have that edge, that toughness that I think separates him from a lot of other guys. ... We want to give [Ellis] some time. But I think he's going to be a huge, huge man, and I really like his demeanor and his personality. ... [With Randolph] at his size as he develops and fills out, I'm excited about what he's going to be able to do."

According to 247sports, Rhule's 2019 class, which also includes 20 signees from the early signing period, is ranked 35th nationally. Rhule said his No. 1 goal is developing his team this year.

"My goal is to make sure that every player is developed by the time they're a senior so that they have their best year their senior year and go off to play in the NFL," he said. "Would I love maybe one more defensive end or one more

wideout? Yeah, probably. But I just like going out trying to get the best available players and letting fate take its toll."

Another point of interest going into the 2019 season is the growth already happening in the locker room, especially with players putting on weight and creating a stabilized roster. Rhule touched on what the next few weeks have in store in preparation for their first game on Aug. 31 against Stephen F. Austin at McLane Stadium.

"The guys are working really, really hard. But there's a lot of work ahead of us. I think we got to the point where the roster is somewhat stabilized," Rhule said. "This senior class that's coming up, this next year's team will be dependent upon if our senior class is ready to take the reins and really lead, and if those guys that are true juniors are ready to now be upperclassmen. So we'll work on that really hard the next four weeks, spring break and then after that."

Signing Day Commitments

Elijah Ellis
Offensive Lineman
Paris, Texas

Paul Matavao-Poialli
Offensive Lineman
Daly City, Calif.

Garmon Randolph
Tight End/Defensive End
Jefferson, Ga.

Noah Rauschenberg
Kicker
Tulsa, Okla.

Yusuf Terry
Wide Receiver
Philadelphia

Win streak comes to a close for men's basketball



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ALL GOOD THINGS MUST END Baylor freshman guard Jared Butler surveys the floor against Texas on Wednesday in Austin. The Bears fell 84-72 to snap a six-game win streak. Baylor is now a game behind Kansas State for first place in the Big 12 Conference.

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