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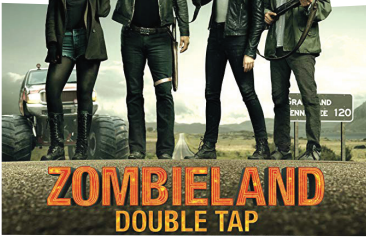
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A HOME RAVAGED Tracy Wallace looks at his missing roof Monday after his home was hit by a tornado in Richardson, Texas.

Dallas tornadoes impact the Baylor community

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

After three tornadoes ripped through North Texas, some of the Baylor community's Dallas residents were left to pick up the pieces.

Severe storms in North Texas produced three tornadoes, the strongest being an EF-3 Sunday night which tore a path of destruction through Dallas. Reports thus far indicate no deaths and few injuries.

Courtney Bishop moved to Dallas after graduating from Baylor University in May and said the storm took her by surprise.

"I really didn't know it was calling for a huge storm. I saw rain in the forecast, but I wasn't really thinking much about it," Bishop said. "My mom knocked on my door and was like 'Hey, I think this storm is coming, we should probably seek shelter,' so I... grabbed my dog and went into our interior half-bath... within minutes of that, the tornado hit our house."

Houston junior Rebekah Pilling attends Baylor University's Louise

Herrington School of Nursing in Dallas. Pilling said she and her roommates weathered the storm in.

"We got the tornado warning at 9 p.m. and immediately took shelter in our bathroom. Then our lights went out and the tornado sirens started," Pilling said. "We heard the freight train noise they always say tornadoes sound like, so we covered our head with pillows. After about 15 minutes of our house shaking, it was over."

Bishop said she could hear the destruction playing out around her as her family took shelter.

"We were all huddled together - me and my mom and dad and brother and two dogs," Bishop said. "We could feel the tornado starting to lift our house; we could hear all of the glass shattering; we heard the trees falling."

Bishop, her parents, brother and dog were all uninjured, but she said their house is "just totaled."

"The tornado took the whole roof off of our house; part of the roof landed on top of my car; totaled my car and my brother's car, it was really scary," Bishop said. "It also burst some of our pipes, so

we had flooding throughout our whole house until about [9:30 a.m.] and we had gas leaks from the pipes too."

The tornado spared Pilling's house, only causing minor damage, but Pilling said the trail of destruction was only a few streets away.

"Our house wasn't damaged apart from a few shingles from our roof, but a couple streets over the damage was devastating," Pilling said. "There were uprooted trees and fences knocked down, debris was everywhere, including roofing... It was crazy seeing all the damage since it was over so quick and I had never been through a tornado before."

Pilling said she and her roommates spent Monday morning surveying the damage to their neighborhood.

"This morning we walked around the neighborhood taking pictures of all the damage. There was so much stuff in the streets and cars everywhere of people trying to leave," Pilling said.

Bishop also said the tornado brought extensive damage to her neighborhood.

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Cherry Award finalist discusses food justice, ethical eating

TYLER BUI
Staff Writer

Dr. Jennifer Cognard-Black, a finalist for the Cherry Award, presented her on-campus lecture Monday, addressing the influence of food literature on issues of food justice and the need for society to become better ethical eaters.

Cognard-Black is one of three finalists for the Robert Foster Cherry Award, which honors an outstanding professor who has exemplified great teaching in their area of expertise. The winner is chosen by a committee of 12 members who are academics in various fields at Baylor, and is awarded \$250,000.

Dr. Michael Thompson is the chair of the Cherry Award committee. He said the award, endowed by 1929 Baylor graduate Robert Cherry, was created to reward great teaching nationwide.

"Every other year, we solicit nominations. This year we have 140 nominations, so the committee had the big task of reviewing all these great teachers and coming up with three finalists," Thompson said. "The whole point is to honor great teaching. The finalists feel very honored to be here, and we certainly respect all that they've accomplished."

Once the three finalists are chosen, they come to Baylor to present a lecture and teach a class related to

their area of expertise. The committee will evaluate each professor's time on campus and announce the winner in the beginning of next year.

Cognard-Black's lecture illustrated her use of food literature to raise awareness of social justice issues and ethical eating.

"This is a time when our nation needs more empathy; we need to practice it, we need to nurture it, we need to grow it," Cognard-Black said. "I began to combine the study of culinary literature with the service learning projects and action-oriented writing assignments. In this way, my aim is to channel the empathy fostered by literature, but then deepened by an embodied experience of food literature into productive social change."

Cognard-Black is a professor at St. Mary's College of Maryland, where she teaches multiple classes regarding food literature and its influence on social justice issues. Her students participate in field trips, genre-based writing assignments and multiple service projects while enrolled in her classes.

"My students and I consider various literary texts and how they employ food to create, sustain and privilege certain identities, ideologies and agricultural practices in both North America and Europe," Cognard-Black said.

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Campus political organizations pump Baylor students for fall events

MEREDITH HOWARD
Staff Writer

Political groups on campus are staying informed this fall's debate season while also taking part in October's Halloween festivities.

Baylor's branch of the Network of Enlightened Women (NeW) hosted an event Monday night called "Pumpkins and Politics" to watch last week's 2020 Democratic Party presidential debate and paint pumpkins.

NeW is a national organization that promotes conservative policies and "expands intellectual diversity" through discussions with a "like-minded community" of conservative women.

Despite the national organization's conservative-specific mission, Lubbock senior Jordan Davidson, vice president of Baylor's NeW branch, said she welcomes members from across the political spectrum.

"We have quite a few members who don't agree with a lot of conservative ideals, but that's why we like it so much. We have such a variety of beliefs, and you really can't have a conversation unless you have people with a variety of backgrounds and ideals," Davidson said. "We love being able to open up the

conversation and be able to politely and civilly discuss different issues, and more importantly find solutions that we can all

“There is a lack of female representation in political groups on campus; they tend to be more male dominated.”

**JAMIE LEVIE |
NEW'S PRESIDENT**

agree on.”

Along with women who have different political beliefs, NeW also allows men

to join, although the organization was designed to hand the mic to conservative women.

"There is a lack of female representation in political groups on campus; they tend to be more male-dominated, so we wanted to have a specific space and community for women to get together, feel comfortable sharing their ideas - just kind of growing from that," Albuquerque senior Jamie Levie, NeW's president, said.

NeW has biweekly meetings from 7-8 p.m. Mondays at 101 Cashion Academic Center.

Baylor Democrats is also hosting a fall-themed political event this month. Spooky Politics Night will be held at 6 p.m. Oct. 28 at 101 Cashion Academic Center. This event will be a "Halloween themed discussion night featuring current events and politics," and free food will be provided.

The goal of Baylor Democrats is "to support and promote the ideals of the Democratic youth, recognizing the humanitarian concern for the equal rights and opportunities of all people as a primary concern of government."

Baylor Democrats' weekly meetings are at 6 p.m. Wednesdays in 101 Cashion.



Mireya Sol Ruiz | Multimedia Journalist

POLITICS AND PAINTING Lubbock senior Jordan Davidson decorates a pumpkin while watching the presidential debate Monday night in 101 Cashion Academic Center with NeW, the Network of Enlightened Women.



Mireya Sol Ruiz | Multimedia Journalist

FOLLOWING CLOSELY Members of NeW, Network of Enlightened Women, watch the presidential debate.

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EDITORIAL

Opinion section elevates all voices

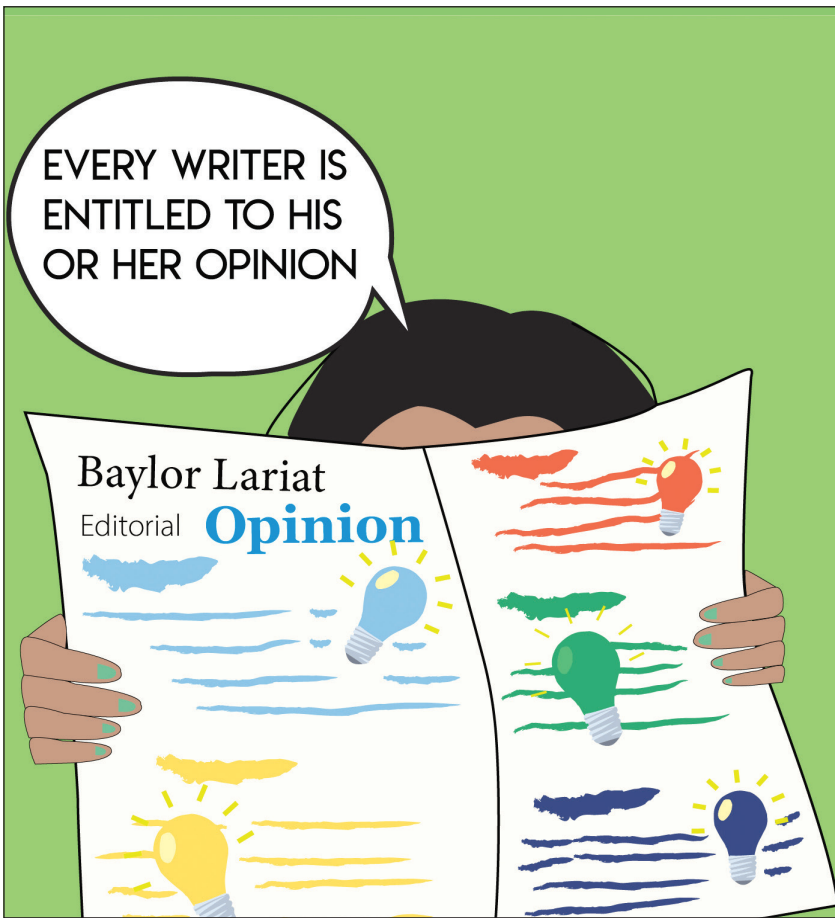
News happens all around us. At the Baylor Lariat, we prioritize presenting our readers with factual, necessary information to inform our community. Throughout the various facets that embody our publication, it is the opinion section that allows us to share both our and your views on topics and issues that need to be discussed in our world. This is distinct from our news content. This section gives us and our readers the power to share and discuss what is important.

The opinion section is not solely the views of our staff. We are open and want to hear diverse opinions and perspectives from all students and faculty on our campus. This allows our readers to learn about views different than their own. We want to hear from individuals who may feel hesitant to speak up and voice what they believe. We want to hear from individuals who feel their opinion does matter. We want to provide a space where all feel comfortable in sharing their passion with the campus.

You have the freedom to think, believe and voice what you wish. Our opinion editor is not a gatekeeper. Our opinion editor won't shun or reject opinion columns due to a difference in belief. We don't deny or allow columns in order to curate a specific agenda. We welcome all points of view, but we don't guarantee publication.

Baylor seeks to be a safe space for civil discourse, and the school newspaper is no different. Through various initiatives that the school has implemented, the Baylor community joins together and discusses matters that are essential to bring to the table.

At the beginning of the fall, Baylor President Linda Livingstone announced a Baylor Conversation



Hannah Holliday | Cartoonist

Series that was created for civil discourse aimed in a way that “requires mutual respect and objectivity without hostility.” It began with a faculty panel in September and now includes a variety of events for the campus to attend.

Better Together BU was created on campus as a way for individuals to come together and have important dialogue about issues in the world today. Better Together specifically focuses in on interfaith conversations, but there are various resources on campus that allow for helpful communication such as this.

The Baylor Public Deliberation Initiative is another tool the university has implemented that allows for both dialogue and debate. This initiative is open to campus, as well as community members and takes part in a forum style.

Being respectful of the opinions of others is essential. It is not appropriate to demand what should and shouldn't be shared in an opinion section. An opinion is called an opinion for a reason. We make it very clear in both or print and online platforms about the categories our content falls into.

While you may disagree with the opinion of someone else, it is important to remember why opinion columns were created in the first place. We want to bring about discussion and to provide a platform that gives all an opportunity to share their thinking.

We want to hear from you, because your opinion is important. Staff editorials, opinion columns and Lariat Letters are practical ways we can encourage healthy communication and dialogue among our readers. Share with us.

COLUMN

Athletes on sports, political fields Rockets, China drama holds precedent

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Editor

As the controversy between the NBA and China grows after the tweet sent out by Rockets general manager Daryl Morey in early October, I have been thinking more about the relationship between sport and politics and whether the two should even intersect. There is a reason I prefer writing about sports rather than politics. Politics tend to create rifts within society rather than bring people together the way that sports do. Trust me, I don't care if you're a Republican or a Democrat, but if you're a Yankees fan, we cannot be friends.

But as much as I hate to admit it, the truth is that politics touch every part of our lives, including sports. The two have always intersected.

Athletes, managers, sports team owners and other figures in the history of athletics have played pivotal roles in the political sphere.

What really bothers me about this is when people want to ignore that intersection when it's convenient to them. That is the real issue I see with the debate between the NBA and China.

Let's start with LeBron James, who has worked extensively throughout his career to use his platform as an athlete to create civil and philanthropic change and is a known critic of the current White House administration. Yet when Morey tweeted a graphic that read, “Fight for Freedom. Stand with Hong Kong,” James criticized the Rockets GM for being “misinformed” and for not thinking about the consequences it would cause the NBA,

mainly the financial consequences. However, James did clarify that he did not mean to start a fight with Morey, only that he meant to remind people to know the facts when speaking out about political issues. I do agree with that. We should be informed about tense situations, but although I may not know much about Chinese politics, as a writer, I do know something about freedom of expression.

It should not come down to financial gain whether we are allowed to support a cause or not, or whether

“Think about all the times athletes and other sports figures have tried to use their status in attempt to create social and civic change.”

DJ RAMIREZ |
SPORTS EDITOR

we should or shouldn't speak out about it. That's kind of how James' initial comments came across. If you believe in equality and freedom and in fighting for those values on your own soil and for your own people, you should also be willing to fight for those values on foreign soil for all people.

On the other hand, there are those that support Morey for defending American values against China while condemning the NBA for trying to shut down the situation for financial

reasons. I'm not saying that's a bad thing to do, but I think they should ask themselves if the same thing does not also happen in America.

Money and politics are two sides of the same coin. Financial gain drives a lot of decisions in this country, especially when it comes to politics.

But I also want you to think about all the times athletes and other sports figures have tried to use their status in attempt to create social and civic change.

Think about Jesse Owens, an African-American, competing against German athletes in the Olympics while Hitler strove to prove the superiority of the Aryan race. But the president of the United States did not even send him a letter to congratulate him because being associated with a person of color could hurt his re-election campaign.

Think about Muhammad Ali refusing to go to Vietnam and fight against a people that had not caused him any harm simply because the government wanted to prove its power. Ali was convicted of a felony for refusing to go into military service and lost his boxing license for three years.

Think more recently about Colin Kaepernick kneeling during the national anthem. Now I don't completely agree with this, but I do admire the fact that he wanted to bring attention for something he believed in and lost his job because of it.

We should remember all the times athletes have tried to bring light to issues on American soil and have been told to mind their own business and stay out of politics. A person can go out and take care of his or her business on the court, on the track or on the field, and still have an opinion about things that could affect them outside of their athletic lives.

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COLUMN

Rankings undermine higher education value

KJ BURKLEY
Reporter

Every year the U.S. News & World Report, Forbes, and many news outlets release lists of rankings of American colleges. And every year, the top is dominated by the same prestigious Ivy League schools. It's quite repetitive and very expected who will be No. 1 — if not Harvard, then Yale, Princeton or the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Institutions of highly regarded academics, famous alumni and student prodigies. But does ranking No. 1 really mean that university is truly the best in America?

The research makeup of rankings are quite expansive. For example, the U.S. News and & World Report, now in its 35th year of publication, produces rankings that compare “on 15 diverse measures of academic quality.” The methodology of U.S. News includes ACT/SAT scores, graduation rates and student-faculty ratios, among many other factors that produce rankings.

For the graduating senior, choosing the right college can be intimidating, and in the moment of indecisiveness, it's easy to Google search “top colleges” or “best colleges for graduate business or music majors,” fill out the application, and wait for the acceptance letter. But those feelings of uncertainty and doubt vanish when immersed in a higher education environment.

A simple rank can't quantify the journey offered at each college institution because each journey is different in their own way. The social and academic change students go through should not be measured as better or worse compared to other schools because their investment is meant just for them and their institution's mission statement.

Baylor is ranked No. 79 and in a four-way tie with Binghamton University, Gonzaga University, Indiana University and the University of Buffalo. But as a Baylor undergrad student and a Waco native, the experience I've had here is unlike any other and most certainly No. 1 on my list of universities of higher education.

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in national universities.**

Let's not get ahead of the game now. Ivy leagues are among the best colleges when it comes to academic training. But not every higher education student can experience that journey, so they choose to attend college that works best for them academically, socially, mentally; and that maturation process spells out the simple truth — college rankings simply don't matter.

So, if you are considering applying to graduate school, academia is critical in your decision. But school grows on you in more ways than you think; so don't make the prestigious choice, make the right choice for you, and the rest will take care of itself.

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Sic ‘Em Science Day experiments with hands-on interaction, brand-new research

MATTHEW MUIR
Staff Writer

Visitors of all ages interacted with experts and had hands-on experiences with science on Saturday at the Mayborn Museum’s Sic ‘Em Science Day.

Sic ‘Em Science Day featured an array of activities and exhibits at the Mayborn Museum. Researchers gave visitors the opportunity to see cutting-edge science up-close from fields spanning engineering to biology. Lesa Bush, the Mayborn Museum’s associate director of education and programs, said this experience is a favorite among regular visitors.

“People love the engagement. They love being able to talk to real scientists,” Bush said. “They love the topics that are brought up because they’re always interesting and they’re varied.”

Sic ‘Em Science Day features researchers showing off their work and museum studies students learning to engage with the public. This results in the personal interaction typical of Sic ‘Em Science Day exhibits, which Bush said can leave a lasting impact on visitors.

“It allows us to have more personal facilitated experiences on the floor of the museum,” Bush said. “Those are the experiences that the guests come and have, and then a month, a year, years from now can have a significant impact on their lives.”

Keighley Reisenauer, a Baylor University doctoral candidate, studies breast cancer biology. After presenting a more adult-oriented lecture on cancer research, Reisenauer manned a table with a range of microscope slides and petri dishes of cells from her research. Visitors were encouraged to take a close look at the exhibits and talk with their presenters to learn more, an aspect Reisenauer said she enjoyed.

“A lot of people know about clinical trials... [or new] drugs, but I don’t think they

understand how much research is done to go into that,” Reisenauer said. “It’s been really fun to engage with people on that level but also just to talk about science in general.”

Talking about science is, of course, Sic ‘Em

“We all are scientists in one way or another, and we all experiment to try to figure if something works or not.”

LESA BUSH |
ASSOC. DIRECTOR
OF EDUCATION AND
PROGRAMS

Science Day’s main goal. The event description bills it as “a celebration of all things science at the Mayborn Museum.” Bush said the goal of the event is to get people interested in science.

“[We are] opening a whole door up to families and children and adults as to what science is, and if that’s not your particular background not to be afraid of it,” Bush said. “We all are scientists in one way or another and we all experiment to try to figure if something works or not.”



Nathan De La Cerda | Multimedia Journalist

BOTTLING UP KNOWLEDGE The Mayborn Museum’s Sic ‘Em Science Day provides young kids a variety of hands-on experiments to try out, sparking curiosity about the world of science. The museum currently has brand-new research being exhibited that is not yet in textbooks.

Many of the Mayborn Museum’s visitors are young children. Connecting with children on a level they can understand while explaining complicated scientific concepts is a challenge Reisenauer said she adapted her style to meet.

“Sometimes it’s really hard to get kids to wrap their mind around something so small,” Reisenauer said. “When I talk to kids about my research, depending on how old they are, it can be [trying] to talk about the data and the fact that I’m working on this new compound... but honestly for most of the kids that are here, it’s just ‘Did you know your body is made up of basically Legos? Let’s look at Legos in my microscope.’”

Unique to Sic ‘Em Science Day is the ability to learn about brand-new scientific research.

Some material, such as Reisenauer’s, is so new it has yet to be published, something she says will “hopefully” happen soon. Bush said this is one of Sic ‘Em Science Day’s unique draws.

“What’s so exciting about this is we have the latest research on the floor of the museum; this isn’t even in textbooks yet,” Bush said. “The stuff that they’re talking about and they’re engaging visitors with, you’re not going to find anywhere else right now.”

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Nathan De La Cerda | Multimedia Journalist

CALLING ALL SCIENTISTS OF THE FUTURE Part of the job at the Mayborn Museum is informing visitors of all ages about the current exhibits, newest research and fun experiments.



Nathan De La Cerda | Multimedia Journalist

TALKING SCIENCE WITH TOTS Sic ‘Em Science Day encouraged visitors to talk to real scientists, some of who had their research featured in the exhibit. The Mayborn Museum hopes that the personal interactions will facilitate interest in the science community.

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Cognard-Black said she has been inspired by her own experiences with food and as a professor and writer.

“As a lifelong eater myself, as well as a cook, writer and English teacher, I have long been fascinated with pieces of literature that include food,” Cognard-Black said. “Especially recipes, since they take our stories that we make and pin them to the page for others to sample, creating a history of collective taste memories.”

Cognard-Black said food literature and its influence on social justice issues is relevant to all of society because it is a topic that everyone can relate to.

“I’m passionate about this topic because obviously it’s a

topic that affects everyone, and in this moment, frankly, I am all the more interested in how to preserve the human species and preserve the planet by being more mindful about our food consumption,” Cognard-Black said.

Cognard-Black stressed the power of eating and its influence on our emotions, memories and the things we associate it with.

“Eating is a story. Our tales of eating are powerful and pervasive. And yet, they also contain contradictions, for they are individual and communal, homegrown and corporate, simple and fancy, sentimental and cynical,” Cognard-Black said. “In addition, our stories of eating inform the past, create the present

and shape the future.”

Cognard-Black said she hopes her research and teaching can motivate students to pay more attention to the impact of the food they are consuming.

“Pay attention. We eat mindlessly because we’re busy and because we’re multi-tasking,” Cognard-Black said. “I want people to pay attention to their food, and really think about where [the food] came from, what it is, what is it doing to the environment and how they might be able to change their eating practices to not only better themselves but to help the health of the planet as a whole.”

Bolivia says President Morales nears outright win to avoid runoff; protests grow

PAOLA FLORES,
CARLOS VALDEZ
Associated Press

President Evo Morales is close to avoiding a runoff in his re-election bid, Bolivia’s top electoral authority said Monday as protests multiplied in the country amid rising tensions a day after a sudden halt in the release of returns.

Opponents suggested that officials were trying to help Morales avoid a runoff fight in which he could lose to a unified opposition.

Morales topped the eight other candidates in Sunday’s presidential election, but the last released results showed him falling a few points short of the percentage needed to avoid the first runoff in his nearly 14 years in power.

Still, he claimed an outright victory late Sunday, saying the uncounted votes would be enough to give him a fourth term. He told supporters at the presidential palace that “the people again imposed their will.”

Bolivia’s top electoral authority stopped announcing new results at 7:45 p.m. Sunday — a point at which Morales had a lead of 45.3% to 38.2%

over the second-place candidate, former President Carlos Mesa. On Monday night, the body renewed its preliminary count and said that with 95% of votes counted, Morales led 46.41% to Mesa’s 37.06%.

Under Bolivian law, Morales would need a 10-percentage point advantage over Mesa to avoid a second-round election in December. The official final count is not due for seven days.

Mesa, who had warned earlier that there could be “manipulation of the vote to impede a second round” of voting, called on citizens and civic groups “to conduct a battle in defense of the vote.”

“They can’t take away democracy from us,” Mesa said at a gathering of his supporters in Santa Cruz, a stronghold of opposition to Morales.

The interior minister, Carlos Romero, accused the opposition of trying to create trouble, warning that “they have to take care of the violence they’re generating.”

Groups of Bolivians demonstrated in favor of Morales and others against him outside vote-counting centers across the country Monday. By nightfall, clashes between the two sides broke out in places, and police in La Paz used tear gas trying to quell the fighting.

“There is a heightened risk of social unrest at the moment,” said Rodrigo Riaza, a research analyst for Latin America and the Caribbean at the Economist Intelligence Unit.

“If Morales wins outright in the first round, the opposition will double down on their claims of fraud, which they have built up throughout the campaign. Protests would follow, although they are unlikely to topple Morales,” Riaza said. “International support would be weak, as there is little appetite in the region to contest Morales’ legitimacy.”

Morales, 59, a native Aymara from Bolivia’s highlands, came to prominence leading social protests and rose to power as the country’s first indigenous president in 2006. Since then, he has coasted to two re-election victories and presided over more than a decade of business-boosting economic growth in South America’s poorest country.

Following a boom in commodities prices, Morales paved roads, sent Bolivia’s first satellite to space and curbed inflation. Stadiums, markets, schools, state enterprises and even a village bear his name.

Being forced into a runoff would be a sharp blow to Morales, “whose political success has been impressive and who seemed confident of a

first-round win,” said Michael Shifter, head of the Inter-American Dialogue, a Washington-based think tank. “Morales’ failure to achieve a first-round victory reflects growing concern about a slowing economy, corruption scandals and his determination to pursue a fourth term in defiance of a national referendum and the Bolivian constitution. Many Bolivians are simply weary. If re-elected, Evo will be in office nearly two decades.”

Mesa is a 66-year-old historian who as vice president rose to Bolivia’s top office when his predecessor resigned the presidency in 2003 amid widespread protests. Mesa then stepped aside himself in 2005 amid renewed demonstrations led by Morales, who was then leader of the coca growers union.

“In a second round the question will be if the opposition can unite behind one candidate,” said Christopher Sabatini, a lecturer at the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University in New York and a senior research fellow at Chatham House. “In that case Evo may try to divide the opposition and use state resources to guarantee his victory.”

To avoid a runoff and win outright in Bolivia, Morales would

have needed to get 50% of the votes plus one or have 40% and finish 10 percentage points ahead of the nearest challenger.

Bolivians also elected all 166 congressional seats. Morales’ Movement Toward Socialism party lost seats although it retained a majority in Congress.

Morales allied himself with a leftist bloc of Latin American leaders and used revenues from the Andean country’s natural gas and minerals to redistribute wealth among the masses and lift millions out of poverty.

Surrounded by nations reeling from economic crises, Bolivia under Morales remains a rare example of stability and growth. The economy has grown by an annual average of about 4.5%, well above the regional average, and the International Monetary Fund predicts it will grow at 4% this year.

But Morales also has faced growing dissatisfaction, especially over his refusal to accept a referendum on limiting presidential terms. While Bolivians voted to maintain term limits in 2016, the country’s top court, which is seen by critics as friendly to the president, ruled that limits would violate Morales’ political rights as a citizen.

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“All the houses on my street got hit pretty hard, but then our neighbors to the back, their fence fell but their house is totally fine,” Bishop said. “On my street and then one street the other way there’s trees down, power lines down, roofs gone, our chimney is in our neighbors’ driveway and their car is flipped upside down. The damage was shocking.”

Though Bishop’s family’s plan for the

foreseeable involves driving rental cars and living in a hotel, Bishop chose instead to focus on the positives.

“We are good. We’re really happy to be alive, really thankful for the Lord’s protection, nobody in our neighborhood was harmed to our knowledge,” Bishop said. “We’re just really thankful that the things that matter we still have, which are each other and our lives.”

Google representatives discuss company culture

MICHAEL KNIGHT
Reporter

Representatives from technology powerhouse Google came to the Foster Campus for Business and Innovation Monday night, talking to students about potential opportunities, as well as what it is like working at the company.

The event, “Life @ Google”, took place in McClinton Auditorium. A variety of students from different majors across the business school, as well as other programs, filled the room to hear what Google reps had to say.

The presentation made it clear that it’s all about the company culture at Google. They are often ranked near the top of lists on the best places to work for, including being No. 8 on Fortune’s list for 2019.

There were two representatives from Google that gave the presentation for the company. Antonella Higa Olivari and Meron Tamrat, a 2010 Baylor graduate, shared their experiences and about job opportunities.

The presentation started off with the representatives asking the crowd trivia questions about Google. They established from the beginning that they were trying to make the event less formal than most, wanting to make everyone comfortable. They said that Google as a company is fairly informal, and that is how they wanted the information session to be beginning with the interactive game.

“We can make this like practice for interviewing,” Tamrat said about the trivia. “When interviewing at Google and you don’t know the answer, it’s more about how you got to the answer than the answer itself”

Culture was a big part of the discussion at the event, and Google prides itself on being a unique place to work. An example that was mentioned during the presentation was the perks that employees receive to make sure they feel happy, healthy and heard. Google also has

Employee Resource Groups (ERGs) that allow for finding mentors and networking within groups of people that are similar.

“We work together, but we don’t work the same way,” Higa Olivari said. “Google is a place where we are really encouraged to work our best and learn from those others that we are trying to learn from.”

One of the perks at Google is free breakfast, lunch and dinner at their offices. Despite the wide variety of benefits with the job, the representatives assured the students that Google doesn’t just keep them at work, but that the benefits are purely for helping out employees.


The representatives also discusses how Google is very determined to have a diverse environment focused on inclusion, one that treats all employees fairly no matter what background he or she comes from.

The company was also at Baylor to talk about internship and full-time opportunities with Google. As Tamrat discussed, it is huge to start off and just apply.

“The easiest way to get a job at Google is to apply for one,” Tamrat said. “A lot of people don’t do that, so I have to say that out loud. It can be really intimidating or not seem like it’s worth your time, but what’s the worst that could happen?”


There are various internship opportunities for juniors, sophomores and freshmen at the company, and the main opportunity presented to business students was the BOLD (Business Opportunities for Leadership & Development) internship.

As for full-time spots, the representatives also presented broad opportunities, such as jobs as marketing managers, a spot in finance and a Google customer solutions and staffing service associate. They also discussed how the interview process goes for both internships and full-time positions.



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In a box office, not so far, far away

Ticket sales for upcoming ‘Star Wars’ film to open months in advance

KJ BURKLEY
Reporter

Tickets for Disney-owned Lucasfilm’s “Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker” are on sale now. Although the movie premieres in theaters on

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JONAH KELLY |
HOUSTON JUNIOR

December 19, tickets became available to buy on Monday.

The newest addition to this cross-generational movie empire will be the franchise’s ninth film, and the hype for what director J.J. Abrams will accomplish is electrifying the “Star Wars” fan base. Classic characters like Princess Leia, Luke Skywalker and Darth Sidious make a return to the big screen to help with critical plot development of the new generation of Resistance and the First Order.

After a mediocre performance of the last movie “Star Wars: The Last Jedi,” Disney decided to reinvigorate fans by reintroducing the leadership of Abrams after his sudden absence from directing the eighth film.



Photo Courtesy of IMDb

RISE OF THE SKYWALKER Ticket sales began for the upcoming installment of the “Star Wars” franchise which will hit theaters on December 20.

Abilene junior David Tobey said he loved that Abrams will get the chance to guide the reigns on this new movie.

“I think it’s better that Disney is bringing back Abrams, even though it shows that they might play the film safe,” Tobey said. “Abrams has done a great job with directing in the past, and he gets the chance to really develop some of the plots that were left undeveloped in the seventh movie.”

The seventh movie, “Star Wars: The Force Awakens”, was released back in 2015 and had a total domestic gross of over \$900 million, \$300 million more than “The Last Jedi.” The film left many fans with mixed emotions due to the controversial development of the movie and its relationship to the rest of the series.

Fans now have questions as to what twists and turns the new ninth movie will have in store. Will Rey become a Jedi? Will the Resistance finally subdue the power of the First Order? Will Kylo Ren give up his wicked ways and choose to fight against evil? Which original characters will be killed tragically?

The movie premiere is also stirring up talk about theories surrounding Rey and other new generational characters. Who exactly are Rey’s parents and are they possibly Jedi themselves? Could Rey and Kylo Ren be related? These are common theories that Star Wars fans share, according to Houston junior Jonah Kelly.

“That’s the thing about the passion of Star Wars fans,” Kelly said. “They usually share common consensus of theories about the movies and hate how the movies are executed. I wouldn’t be surprised if Star Wars fans burned Disney to the ground if the ninth movie is terrible.”

However, one thing is for sure — the ninth movie must clarify and deliver another epic resolution for the popular franchise.

“I think it will be better than ‘The Last Jedi,’” Tobey said. “I didn’t really like the seventh or the eighth movies, but I think that this movie will do a great job in fleshing out all of the possible outcomes that were mentioned in the seventh movie. Nevertheless, it will still be another classic that will keep people coming back for more.”

REVIEW

‘Zombieland’ return impresses

GABY SALAZAR
Copy Editor

Columbus, Tallahassee, Little Rock and Wichita are back with “Zombieland: Double Tap”, a sequel to the 2009 hit film. While audiences are reacquainted with actors Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg, Emma Stone and Abigail Breslin, the film also introduces new, humorous characters played by some familiar actors like Luke Wilson, Avan Jogia and Rosario Dawson.

Although the film was a sequel fans weren’t necessarily dying to see, audiences now are definitely glad it’s here. The gang goes off on another adventure when Little Rock (Breslin), now a teenager, seeks to find a way out of her zombie-killing family. When she leaves, she meets Berkeley (Jogia), a hippie who gives her a new direction alongside him on his way to a peaceful camp called Babylon.

I was pleased to see that the characters’ strong bond from the previous film was still present throughout the sequel. It has been 10 years since the first Zombieland film hit theaters, and has also been 10 years that have gone by for the characters in the film as they wander Z-land together. Our characters haven’t changed their personalities much since the first movie, but the film still leaves room for new scenarios to cause rifts in their relationships.

One of the best parts about the movie was the new characters the gang meets along the way to Babylon in search of Little Rock. Columbus runs into a girl named Madison (Deutch) at the mall, a stereotypical “dumb blonde” who has managed to survive by hiding in a freezer. Zoey Deutch’s character made the movie fun to watch, and she definitely brings the largest share of laughs to the audience.

There is also plenty of romance in the film, along with some expected drama. Emma Stone’s

character Wichita calls it quits with Columbus after he proposes to her, and Little Rock becomes interested in Berkely. Even Tallahassee finds romance with a survivor named Nevada, played by Dawson.

If you loved the first “Zombieland,” then you’ll probably love the sequel too. However, I think one of the reasons audiences initially fell in love with the first movie was that it had a fresh, fun perspective on the zombie apocalypse. In “Zombieland: Double Tap,” the zombies have now been studied long enough to actually be categorized as a type of zombie, which adds a unique layer of complexity to the zombie characters.

Making a sequel to a somewhat-cult classic is hard enough, yet this film delivers a lot of what audiences originally loved about the movie. Yet nobody was really anticipating a sequel after almost 10 years, so the bar may have been set pretty low to begin with.

Is the sequel as good as the original? If you love a good ‘Zom-Rom-Com,’ the answer is yes. But is it better than the first? Not really. The main difference boils down to the pacing of both films, with the first movie having an excellent, fast-paced start to the first half and overall better pacing.

The ending to the original was also miles better. There was an epic zombie-killing spree at the carnival, and also elements of romance and thrill when Columbus and Wichita finally solidified their feelings for each other after their lives were saved. In comparison, the new film’s ending falls a little flat. I get that after 10 years in Z-Land, you’d get pretty good at killing zombies, but the gang’s expertise made fighting a swarm of zombies look a bit too easy.

Overall, “Zombieland: Double Tap” is worth the price of admission. The sequel delivers plenty of laughs, drama and gory zombie-killing. And be sure to stick around for the after-credit scenes.



Photo Courtesy of IMDb

ZOMBIE OUTBREAK The film “Zombieland: Double Tap” revisits the rag tag group of apocalypse survivors 10 years after the first film.



OUTLET FOR CREATIVITY The Eastside Market, located at Brotherwell Brewing, brings vendors and creators together to share their creations with customers.

Eastside Market creates space for connections

PRESTON GOSSETT
Reporter

Eastside Market, located at Brotherwell Brewing on 400 E Bridge St., seeks to feature creativity in Waco through a variety of local artisans and vendors.

The vendors the creators bring out to the market aren't random. Deoryen Thornton, one of the creators of Eastside Market, said that he and others who plan the market sit down and come up with a variety of local vendors to satisfy everyone's needs.

Eastside Market has everything from pumpkin vendors to vintage clothing vendors; even partnered with one of the local animal shelters for something children would be interested in.

"Everyone is welcome; we don't judge anyone. If it's appropriate for the customers here, come along, and set up a tent," Thornton said. "The whole point of the Eastside Market is for everyone to grow."

Newport Beach, Calif., junior Trey Mena, founder of Solar Apparel, appeared at Eastside Market last Sunday. He recently launched his clothing line on Sept. 29 as a

“Everyone is welcome; we don’t judge anyone”

DEORYEN THORNTON | EASTSIDE MARKET

way of furthering the gospel by using clothes as a conversation piece.

"They see my [clothes] and they ask, 'What does that mean?'" Mena said. "It's an opportunity to share about Jesus."

Thornton said Mena is the first Baylor student to sell his

product and have a booth at the market.

"For him to come out and [sell his product], I feel like he's representing Baylor really well," Thornton said. "He's doing a good thing and I enjoy it."

Solar Apparel's mission statement is about people being human solar panels for God, and Thornton said that his brand is a great fit for what they're trying to accomplish at Eastside Market. Solar Apparel will also appear at another booth in Austin on Nov. 10.

Mena said that Eastside Market is also a good place to foster connections.

Thornton said that Eastside Market wants to team up with fraternities, sororities as well as other members of the Baylor community. The Eastside Market is also looking for people who will volunteer to do turkey giveaways closer to Thanksgiving or participate in a clothing drop.

Above all, Thornton wants to provide people with the opportunity to get involved.

WHAT TO DO IN WACO

TUESDAY

Baylor's Wind Ensemble in Concert | 7:30 p.m. | Jones Concert Hall in the Glennis McCrary Music Building | Free of charge and open to the public

Art Tour: The Age of Mechanical Reproduction | starts Oct. 22 and continues until Nov. 10 | Martin Museum of Art in the Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center

Finding the Universe in Oaxaca: Textiles and Photographs Exhibition | starts Oct. 22 and continues until Dec. 22 | Martin Museum of Art in the Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center | A solo exhibition featuring work by Gary Goldberg.

MCC Faculty Jazz Ensemble | 7:30 p.m. | Music and Theatre Arts Building at McLennan Community College | Admission is free of charge.

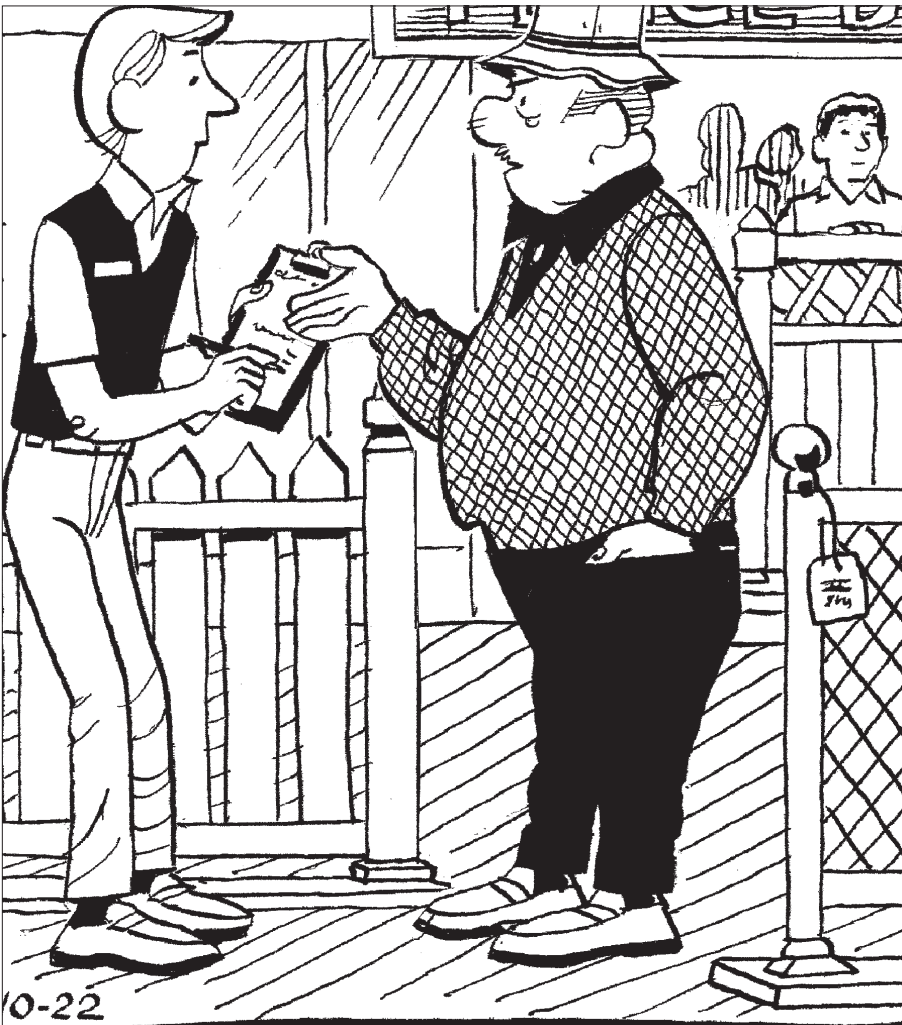
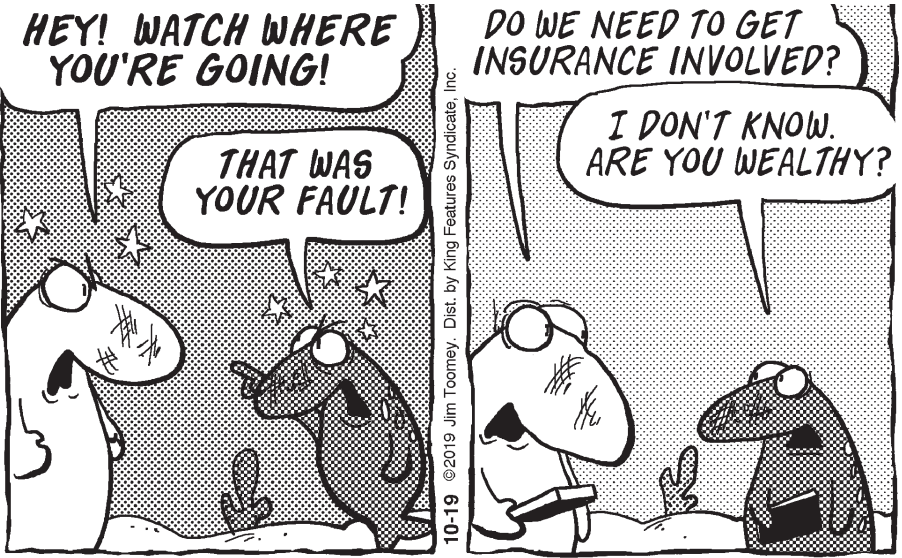
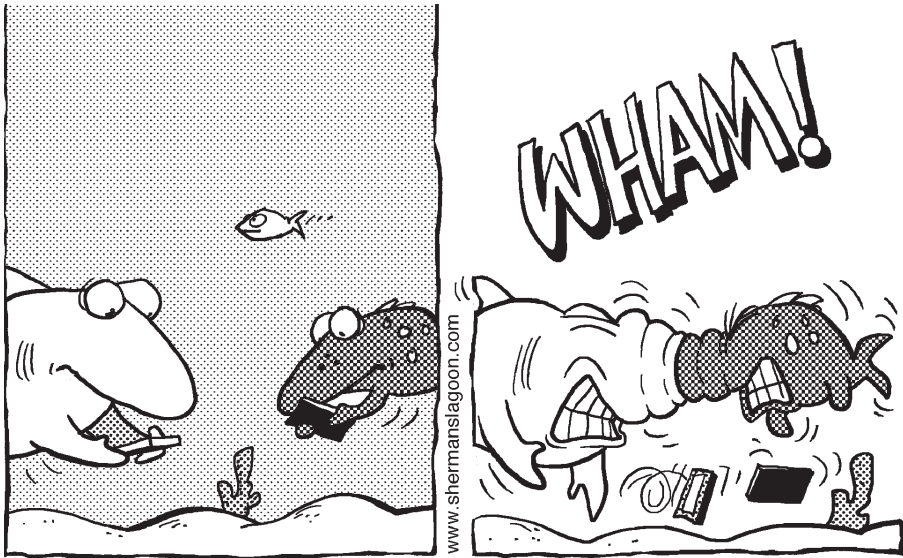
WEDNESDAY

Big Man on Campus | 7 p.m. | Waco Hall | Zeta Tau Alpha's annual philanthropy event where men representing different organizations compete to be crowned and earn money for their organization's philanthropy.

Open Mic Night | 8 to 10 p.m. | Common Grounds, 1123 S. Eighth St. | Sign ups are first come, first serve. Also, an artist is featured each week.

Sigma Tau Delta Spooky Bake Sale | 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Baylor Science Building | Selling a selection of Halloween-themed brownies, cookies, and other goodies and all proceeds will be donated to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Just the comics...



BYE, BYE COWBOYS >> Missed the win over Oklahoma State on Saturday? Catch up on BaylorLariat.com



Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor

NOT A DANCER JaMycal Hasty rushes for a first down but comes up a few yards short during Baylor’s 56-17 win on Aug. 31 at McLane Stadium. Hasty had his longest rush (73 yards) and longest reception (63 yards) against Oklahoma State during the Bears’ 45-27 victory on Saturday in Stillwater, Okla. He also had career highs in rushing yards (146), rushing touchdowns (2) and reception yards (66).

No. 14 Bears plug in holes vs OSU

DJ RAMIREZ
Sports Editor

No. 14 Baylor football was not supposed to win in Boone Pickens Stadium on Saturday. But even with several of their veteran players missing from the field, the Bears managed to score 21 unanswered points against Oklahoma State in the fourth quarter to take a 45-27 victory.

This is only the second time in the Big 12 era that Baylor has won a game in Stillwater, Okla. The last win came in 2015, but before then the Bears had not won an away game against the Cowboys since 1939.

Head coach Matt Rhule knew it was going to be a tough game especially after losing staple players like senior linebacker Clay Johnston and junior cornerback Grayland Arnold.

After the first half, which followed the pattern of being a low scoring affair on both sides, the Bears trailed 13-10. Rhule said the team decided it was time to get out of its own head and just play the game the way it knew how.

“I thought it was just an overwhelming team win. I’m very proud of our team,” Rhule said. “At halftime we made the decision as a team to stop worrying about winning. You, know when you’re 6-0 that can be like a yoke around your neck. You know, you start thinking about, ‘You

have to win this game! You have to win this game!’ I mean guys were yelling, and coaches were yelling in the first half and we said let’s just go compete and play and not worry about the score.”

The biggest question before Saturday was how the defense would hold up without Johnston. But Baylor’s next-man-up mentality allowed not just the defense to remain dominant but for the offense and special teams to step up as well, working like a well-oiled machine to power through for the win.

Sophomore linebacker Terrel Bernard stepped in to fill the gap left by Johnston who was sidelined for the rest of the year due to a knee injury during the homecoming game against Texas Tech. Bernard said he was not trying to replace Johnston in the line but just do what he needed to do.

“I didn’t feel pressure. Coach Rhule talked to me and just told me to play my game. There’s no way I could replace Clay in a week. Obviously, I was nervous and I was anxious to go out there and play for him,” Bernard said. “Not to replace him, but to play for him.”

Bernard did more than just play his game, he delivered the knockout blow that sealed the victory over the Cowboys. Halfway through the fourth quarter, third-year defensive tackle Chidi Ogbonnaya stripped the ball from OSU

quarterback Spencer Sanders. Bernard scooped it up and sped away 20 yards into the end zone. With a career-high nine tackles, five of them solo, Bernard was named Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week.

Other backup players had to step in for the starters as Arnold was out with an injury and senior safety Chris Miller was ejected for a targeting penalty in the second quarter. Sophomore safety JT Woods played in place of Arnold while sophomore safety Christian Morgan and junior safety Jairon McVea logged in snaps in place of Miller, each recording a solo tackle.

Woods, Morgan and McVea were not the only ones plugging holes on Saturday. Sophomore cornerback Kalon Barnes and senior long snapper Ross Maticcik also played critical roles.

Barnes had one of the more pivotal plays on the night, intercepting a pass from Sanders at the end of the first half to keep OSU from extending its 13-10 lead. Woods stressed the importance that play had on the defense.

“People might not really understand, but that was pivotal,” Woods said. “We stress getting three turnovers, and that was the first one. That kind of started getting us rolling. Coach [Joey] McGuire came into the locker room and said, ‘We need two more.’ And we went out and got

them.”

On the other side of the ball, the offense came up big as well. With senior wide receiver Denzel Mims constantly being targeted, junior quarterback Charlie Brewer had to find other options in sophomore wide receivers Josh Fleeks and Tyquan Thornton and senior running back JaMycal Hasty.

Fleeks was on fire with three receptions for 126 yards which included a 64-yard touchdown reception. Thornton caught Brewer’s longest career pass in the third quarter (78 yards) to set up the first of Hasty’s rushing TDs.

Hasty had to pull the freight at running back with sophomores Tresten Ebner and John Lovett on the sideline. But the senior made it clear the Bears meant business with a 73-yard rushing touchdown that opened the chasm between Baylor and the Cowboys.

Ultimately, the Bears looked like a well-rounded team. The national rankings reflected Saturday’s performance as Baylor jumped the No. 15 Texas Longhorns in both the AP Top 25 Poll and the USA Today Coaches’ Poll.

“This was a process game for us,” Rhule said. “We came here two years ago and got beat up pretty badly. Those guys are now juniors, and they have a great team, and we were able to find a way to win it in the fourth.”

No. 1 volleyball charged up for match against UT



Cole Tompkins | Multimedia Editor

SET TO WIN Junior setter Hannah Lockin sets up a kill for fifth year middle blocker Shelly Stafford during Baylor’s sweep of Texas Tech on Saturday at the Ferrell Center. Lockin leads the team with eight double-doubles this year.

MATTHEW SODERBERG
Sports Writer

No. 1 Baylor volleyball heads to Austin on Wednesday night for a top-five matchup with No. 4 Texas. This will be the first ranked matchup for the Bears since Sept. 22 against then No. 13 Hawaii.

The Longhorns are 12-2 and also undefeated in Big 12 play. Meanwhile, Baylor hasn’t lost a set since Sept. 12, with a Baylor record of 31 set wins in a row, as well as a 16-0 record to boot.

With that success comes confidence. The Bears go to Austin with a swagger past teams haven’t possessed, throwing a new wrinkle into this contest. Fifth-year senior middle blocker Shelly Stafford said their record has produced confidence heading into their matchup Wednesday.

“This season is one of those years that I’m pretty convinced that we have the best chance of beating them. But, you know, it’s a hostile environment. I’m excited for it to be a fun fight,” Stafford said.

Even more than the swagger, the players are excited for this big-time match. This team is full of seniors like Stafford, Tara Wulf and Gia Milana, among others, and they have yet to win against these Longhorns. This

will be their last chance to change that, at least on the road, and Stafford said the prospect of beating Texas is like a shark tasting blood.

“I think we’ve been like ‘We’ve just got to keep beating teams,’ and then, now we’re here at Texas and just excited to keep that going,” Stafford said.

Baylor head coach Ryan McGuyre has been preparing his team for this moment all season. The Bears are undefeated and haven’t been tested in a while, but according to the players, practices have been especially rough in preparation for this matchup. McGuyre, though, said that he is thankful to finally face the Longhorns.

“We said early that we want to just cherish the season, and so one exciting thing is for both of us to be undefeated, and we’re playing a game that matters,” McGuyre said.

“They’ve sold out tickets, and this is what these girls signed up for a long, long time ago. We want to play somewhere it’s relevant and it matters; and we get two teams that are playing the best of the best in a great match.”

This will be the most fans the Bears have played under since facing 7,052 screaming faces in red when they traveled to Wisconsin, and

Gregory Gymnasium is bound to be rocking. Junior setter Hannah Lockin said the game down there is exciting, but she downplayed the effect of the students in the stands.

“It’s just a huge crowd and an awesome atmosphere [...] for me, I just feel like it’s always sold out there. I don’t think it makes a huge difference, but I do think it’s cool there’s going to be so many people there,” Lockin said.

What makes Texas special is the talent and consistency of the program. The Longhorns have made deep runs in the tournament, which has become their MO, with a second-place finish in ‘16, as well as Elite Eight losses in the past two tournaments. McGuyre said this match will be good preparation for the postseason.

“They’ve got firepower. Brionne [Butler]’s back so they’ve got firepower in the middle. You’ve got two seasoned outside hitters, and at some point, the game comes down to how the pins are doing. They can hit the snot out of the ball,” McGuyre said. “Every hitter they have on the floor is a terminal hitter if you’re not paying attention.”

Baylor will face off with Texas at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Gregory Gymnasium in Austin for the top spot in the Big 12.

SPORTS TAKE



Associated Press

STRUGGLING HORNS Texas defensive back DeMarvion Overshown (31) leaps to tackle Kansas running back Pooka Williams Jr. (1) during an NCAA college football game on Saturday in Austin.



Associated Press

BADGERS ON THE ROPES Wisconsin quarterback Jack Coan looks for an open man in the second half of a Big 10 game against Illinois on Saturday in Champaign, Ill.

UT is not back: Three storylines from Week Eight

MATTHEW SODERBERG
Sports Writer

Finding the gems among college football, That is our task as we break through week eight of the season. Hopefully, that will start to get easier soon.

What’s Bigger: A Bear or a Longhorn?

Baylor is on top of all Texas teams in the AP and Coaches polls. The Bears are No. 14 after a slaughter of Oklahoma State, while UT falls to No. 15 after a floppy win against Kansas Saturday. Charlie Brewer is a man amongst boys. Also, I was wrong about JaMycal Hasty being a true running back. He has been by far the best back over the past few weeks, with some helpful change of pace running by John Lovett as well. For the first time this season, Baylor’s offense looked like a Big 12-level offense. They had explosive plays and consistent success, things fans haven’t seen in a full season since the firing of former head coach Art Briles. Unlike those years, the key to success for the Bears comes from the defense. And if you thought it would take a hit after middle linebacker Clay Johnston went down with an injury, Terrell Bernard wants to insert his name into the discussion. Maybe Baylor’s defensive scheme is just that good, or maybe it’s

the next-man-up style of a Matt Rhule team, but either way the success will be here to stay. Down 1-35, there is a different story brewing. The University of Texas is flailing. The Longhorns beat Kansas on a buzzer-beating field goal 50-48, but all that did was hold them at No. 15 in both polls. Their lack of success this year against LSU and Oklahoma has doomed them to finish in a bowl game rather than a playoff matchup, and that lack of potential notoriety down the road may be hindering their success today. Thus, Baylor is ranked above UT. Now, there is almost no way the Bears would be favored in their Nov. 23 matchup, but the prospect is at least intriguing as the game will most likely decide who finishes second in the Big 12 and play in a rematch against Oklahoma in the conference championship game.

Utter Heartbreak in Urbana-Champaign

In the upset of the week, Wisconsin fell to the Fighting Illini 24-23 Saturday, falling from the ranks of the unbeaten. Previously ranked No. 6, the Badgers fall to No. 13 after their first loss of the season. Before the loss, Wisconsin could have reasonably vied for the top spot in the Big 10, but now they face a ranking in the teens and a dim hope for a playoff berth. Jonathan Taylor continued his Heisman-esque run with 132 yards and a touchdown, but the Badgers weren’t able to put together clean football on either side of the ball.

That doesn’t bode well for them going forward, especially with a road matchup against No. 3 Ohio State on the docket this week. The Buckeyes and quarterback Justin Fields have led an impressive post-Urban Meyer renaissance, and their first big test of the season lies in this matchup with Wisconsin as well.

Boise State Bounced by BYU

After UCF took their first loss, Boise State was the final hope for Circle Five conferences, but that has since drifted away along with their undefeated season. And without their chance at a ranked matchup this year, there’s very little chance for them to pass up SMU or Appalachian State without either of those schools suffering losses. Bronco quarterback Chase Cord threw two interceptions Saturday, throwing sloppiness into a previously unblemished season. Overall, it was just a poor showing by Boise State, after having a lead through the half and giving up three touchdowns to a bad Brigham Young team in the third quarter. Boise did their best to jump back in, but they were only able to muster 15 points in the final frame. The dreams of a Circle Five school making it to playoff once again pass on to the next year. The Broncos fall to No. 22 in the most recent AP poll, and with SMU being the highest ranked Circle Five school at No. 16, the dominant lower-level school we’ve seen in Houston and UCF in past years just hasn’t come to pass this season.

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

No. 1 Volleyball @ No. 4 Texas
7 p.m. Wednesday
at Gregory Gymnasium in Austin
Watch on Longhorn Network

Soccer vs No. 13 Texas Tech
7 p.m. Thursday
at Betty Lou Mays in Waco
Stream on Big 12 Now/ESPN+

WBB vs Langston
7 p.m. Friday
at the Ferrell Center in Waco

No. 1 Volleyball vs West Virginia
1 p.m. Saturday
at the Ferrell Center in Waco
Stream on Big 12 Now/ESPN+

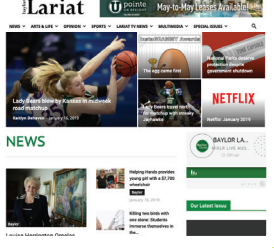
Soccer vs Iowa State
Senior Day
1 p.m. Sunday
at Betty Lou Mays in Waco
Stream on Big 12 Now/ESPN+

Men’s Tennis vs ITA Regionals
Friday - Monday
at the Hurd Center in Waco

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