A student at Texas A&M admitted himself to a Brazos County, E.R. on Wednesday, concerned about his risk of contracting the coronavirus that is spreading across China. He had travelled to an endemic area, where the virus was present, but he was low frequency, and was experiencing the potential symptoms within the 14-day window, said Dr. Eric Wilke, emergency medicine professor in College Station, in a live stream on the Brazos County Health District Facebook page this afternoon.

It is still not confirmed the patient is infected with the coronavirus. The hospital sent a specimen to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Thursday morning for testing. While we are expecting the test results to be back by Monday, or Saturday at the earliest. The patient we are tracking had no travel history. It's confirmed that contact tracing and additional monitoring will be in place - this time there doesn't have to be anything of concern, "Wilke said. "Nothing seems out of the ordinary."

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Bernie Sanders was recently accused of telling Elizabeth Warren that a woman couldn’t win the presidency. The only way that could be true is due to America’s obsession with identity politics, the practice of voting for a candidate that looks like you or has the same traits as you.

The phenomenon was formed in reaction to the “colorblindness” policies argued by the Reagan administration. This included deregulating key components of the American economy, the result of which was more women to its side of the aisle, Republicans have been eager to get their foes out of the left, ousted before as well, but neither is eager to vote out President Donald Trump, and Democrats are more toward the middle of the aisle because they could be more likely to pass. Even if it’s not everything they want, they would like to see at least something get done. It’s not but it is necessary for all the change that’s possible.

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The solution to both of these issues is education. It may seem daunting to examine dozens of candidates’ policy goals and choosing the one you think is the best for the country. It simply requires a bit of research. This can lead to change. It’s just not the first thing, and definitely not the only thing, however, a vote should be the only someone else is telling them) can win. Voters may be swayed to latch onto ideas that are more toward the middle of the aisle because they could be more likely to pass. Even if it’s not everything they want, they would like to see at least something get done. It’s not but it is necessary for all the change that’s possible.

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the course in a “significant program of learning” which teaches students to understand both roles of philanthropic contributions.

“Students are taking a real deep and wide look at a total cross-section of what it’s like in the philanthropy world,” Coral says. “They look at the ways things are changing, the ways they feel like the funders or a foundation and at times they act on our behalf. We have one or two students who would like to do that as a career in public relations.”

The Talitha Koum Institute, which received $20,000, is a “mental health therapeutic nurture center” aimed at rehabilitating trauma-affected children. Susan Cowley, the institute’s executive director, said, “It’s quite a large group that [the students] will have that opportunity to help.”

Baylor/Waco foundation and Philanthropy Lab, board.

“Dispositions” are closed when the university has made a decision and the case is not under investigation. Dispositions “handled” by the Waco Police Department are not the result of an investigation. Information may be limited because of federal guidelines.

Local nonprofits funded by Baylor
philanthropy and public good course

Baylor Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) members reflected on its 50th anniversary.

Baylor Lariat

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The Baylor Lariat

\[Image\]
Democrats argued that President Donald Trump sought a phony investigation of a political rival and put forward a discredited conspiracy theory about Ukraine, while notchless promises were not new in this Thursday during Trump's impeachment trial.

Highlights of Thursday's session and what's ahead for parliament and congressional proceedings:

**TODAY**

Trump was setting a record for sending out the most tweets in a single day since he's been president.

waldernator tweeted for about a half hour, but didn’t allow reaction shots of its initial stand at the podium, which lasted more than two hours.

Other senators, including Sen. Tom Cotton, R-Ark., and Pat Toomey, R-Pa., were also seen playing with a new toy Thursday during the trial proceedings.

The interview was taped during the trial, which didn’t last very long, a description for Trump's attempts to get the Ukrainians to investigate the activities of Hunter Biden.

**THE HISPANIC**

Similarly, Fox's Carlson also interviewed lawyer Alan Dershowitz, a member of Trump’s defense team, to talk on the trial.

**THEY'RE BACK**

The calls are significant because it's the first full night networks decided not to pre-empt major news events. What they won't reverse course later unless the case against Trump is too weak.

**WHAT'S AHEAD**

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WHAT TO DO IN WACO

FRIDAY

The Wandering Artists Excursions in Monochrome | 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Kieran-Sistrunk Fine Art Gallery, 2210 Washington Ave. | Free | An artistic black and white photographic exposition highlighting the travels of artists Mark Kieran and Susan L. Sistrunk

The Brook and the Bluff Concert | 7:30 p.m. | Waco Civic Theatre, 1517 Lake Air Drive | $16 and $20

Waco Civic Theatre presents "Always, Patsy Cline" | 7:30 p.m. | Waco Civic Theatre, 1517 Lake Air Drive | Tickets range between $16 to $20

SATURDAY

Downtown Farmers Market | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | 510 Washington Ave. across the street from McLeanman Courthouse | Free

Union Hall Grand Opening | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Union Hall, 720 Franklin Ave. | Patrons will be able to order food from new vendors and the first 50 guests will receive a free Union Hall T-Shirt

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JD Hicks and the H.O.T. Road Gang | 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. | Rocky’s Roadhouse, 926 Lacy Drive | Free

Hank Williams: Lost Highway | 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. | Waco Civic Theatre, 1517 Lake Air Drive | Ranging between $16 and $20

Will Reagan & Andrea Marie Concert | 8 p.m. | Common Grounds, 1235 S. Eighth St. | $25 | This performance is a part of the Vacancy & Low tour.

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VIVIAN ROACH

FOOD FUSION UNION

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Community-based food hall to host grand opening Saturday

FOOD FUSION UNION: Union Hall is located on the corner of 9th Street and Franklin and will have its grand opening Saturday, Jan. 25. The grand opening event will be held between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. After the grand opening, four more vendors will join.

VIVIAN ROACH

Staff Writer

Union Hall will host its grand opening at 11 a.m. Saturday. The food hall, a brand new restaurant concept to the Waco restaurant scene, is located on 720 Franklin Ave. and is dedicated to keeping its vendors rooted in the local community.

"We loved the concept of opening a food hall and bringing in local restaurants," said Union Hall co-owner Ann Margaret. "We thought it was a great way to support local businesses and bring people together in a community setting."

Currently, Union Hall hosts WhizzBang's Hamburgers, Unshakeable Milkshakes, Kohler Ramen, San's Bar, Wacool Tacos & Tamales, Kurbside Coffee, Press Waffle Co. and Whizbang's. Additionally, Union Hall will soon be home to Drake's Eats, a South Austin-based restaurant.

"I love the eclectic mix of restaurants, from Korean to Mexican to barbecue," said Union Hall co-owner Ismael Olvera.

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Bourget and Lambert met during move-in day of their freshman year in Brookside Hall and they became engaged in August 2019. Bourget said that she came into college planning to get engaged, though she did not know to whom.

“I’ve always wanted to get married young,” Bourget said. “My parents met very young, so this is just something I’ve always had in mind.”

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“I’m from the Northeast,” Bourget said. “It’s a very different culture.”

Bourget said she has found the culture in the South to be more encouraging of marrying young.

“I think it’s definitely a southern thing,” Lambert agreed. “You could even correlate it to Christianity.”

Although the average age of marriages in the United States is increasing according to a survey conducted by the US Census Bureau, the average age is much younger on religious college campuses.

A 2013 Facebook study found that over half of the colleges where a student is most likely to find a mate are religious institutions. Many religiously affiliated university foster a culture that encourages marrying young. Liberty University, for example, provides workshops for engaged couples and offers a course titled “Marriage and Family.”

“I see a bunch of people on my Instagram feed getting engaged,” Hoover, Ala., senior Caitlin Bullard said. “I see it a lot in the southern culture.”

The facts support Bullard’s impression. According to a 2018 survey by the U.S. Census Bureau, the average age for men and women marrying in Texas is 26.3 and 26.4, respectively, whereas the average age of marriages in the state of New York is 30.9 for men and 29.5 for women.

One common concern for college students contemplating engagement is financial responsibility. Many recent graduates have student loans to pay off, which can be a considerable deterrent for some college sweethearts. According to a 2018 report by the Institute for College Access and Success, the average student loan debt for recent college graduates in the United States is $29,200.

Bourget and Lambert are not phased by these daunting statistics, though.

“We may have to get out of debt together, but I’d rather do it together than apart,” Lambert said.

Christie Fatica, a senior at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, has a different perspective on college engagements. For Fatica, financial stability is a prerequisite for marriage. Fatica said the pressure to get engaged is far less prevalent on northeastern campuses.

“This is a campus where you date to date – not to get married,” Fatica said.

Perhaps the most common reason for “ring by spring” among engaged college students is that they already know that they want to be with their significant other forever, so why not start forever now? This was the reasoning Bourget and Lambert gave for their pre-graduation engagement.

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Reporter

‘Ring by spring’ culture fails to exceed southern borders

WEDDING DAY BLING
Baylor senior Katey Bourget poses with her engagement ring.

PHOTO CREDIT: Michelle Bourget

DOWN ON ONE KNEE
Baylor senior Katey Bourget met her fiancé Isaac Lambert during move-in day her freshman year at Baylor.

PHOTO CREDIT: Kate and Keith Photography

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I wanted to play point guard," Cooper said. "I didn't want to play point guard at South Carolina." According to Cooper, playing point guard at Baylor has allowed her to have a special relationship with head coach Kim Mulkey, who was two national championships while playing the same position at Louisiana Tech.

"Baylor was not originally sold on bringing in graduate transfers to start. She started to come around after Jackson joined the team in 2018. Jackson was instrumental in bringing Cooper to Baylor."

"I think part of the deal was that I was going to send them to another point guard," Mulkey said. "Chloe talked me into taking Coop."

"I think she's a great player," Mulkey said. "But Cooper was a great player."

"It was a great opportunity for her to be a point guard in college," Mulkey said. "But Cooper has been successful at Baylor because she has been able to fit in with the team's chemistry so well and done exactly what the team needs her to do.

"You can't have good team chemistry if you bring people in because of the opportunities you would gain on the court. But Cooper has been successful at Baylor because she has been able to fit in with other extremely talented players around her."

"It was great to be able to deal with the pressure, you know, big crowds, stuff like that," Cooper said. "It was an amazing experience," Brooksby said. "I think part of the deal is who is [Cooper] going to send me," Brooksby said. "It was great to be able to deal with the pressure, you know, big crowds, stuff like that."
Sports Weekday Schedule:

Saturday:
- WBB vs Texas Tech Big 12 matchup
  - 2 p.m.
  - @ the Ferrell Center
- Men’s Tennis vs Gonzaga
  - ITA Kick-Off Weekend
  - 3 p.m.
  - @ the Hawkins Indoor Tennis Center

MBB @ Florida SEC/Big 12 Challenge in Gainesville, Fla.
- 7 p.m. on ESPN

Sunday:
- Men’s Tennis ITA Kick-Off Weekend
  - Consolation Match
    - 11 a.m.
    - @ the Hawkins Indoor Tennis Center
  - Championship Match
    - 3 p.m.
    - @ the Hawkins Indoor Tennis Center

Athletic success aids funding to Give Light campaign, pavilion

MATTHEW SODERBERG
Sports Writer

Since Baylor’s Give Light funding campaign was introduced in November 2019, the athletic programs have taken off with a vast amount of success and have received several major donations.

Give Light was initially introduced to a select portion of the Baylor community in May 2019 and is finally connected to the Pro-Future strategic plan. Now, the campaign is public and loss along the new strategic plan, Illumine. The plan, unveiled in June by assistant president Dr. Linda Litton-Simmons after her first year in office, focuses on five academic areas and leaves heavy on Give Light.

Sporterberg is back! Maybe this will be the year to look more donors to have successful athletics.

“I think one of the best recruiting tools for prospective students is a successful sports season,” Tharit said. “Done sports programs attract top-tier athletes and top-tier academics programs as a whole and like to know that their donations are going towards things that will continue to attract more students.”

According to statistics from the Baylor website, the funding for the project has reached $876.1 million out of a goal of $1 billion, including funding for 46 endowed scholarships and 23 faculty positions for research and travel for 231 full-time student-athletes. The project also includes funding for the renovation of Tubb Hall, Mike Building and the construction of the Baylor Basketball Pavilion, as well as the Mark & Paula Hurd Welcome Center.

The Give Light program at Baylor is for the athletic department. The Ferrell Center is currently home to the men’s and women’s basketball teams without a proper place to

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Baylor associate athletic director for capital projects and championships Henry Howard said they are now in the planning phase for the new building. “The project has approved a little over $8 million to start working on the design,” Howard said. “Still not make sure that the athletic director, the coaching staff, the equipment staffs, all preface input to make sure that the new pavilion has all the features that are needed.”

The success of the sports squads helps encourage donors to remember the “good old days” and donate to have athletes at the level of production. Tharit said that alumni are often nostalgia when they walk through McLane Stadium or pass the Ferrell Center, and hearing the No. 1 men’s basketball team success.

“Having our football team succeeding like they did last season and being our basketball teams so highly ranked this year is really exciting to our fans and donors alike,” Tharit said.