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Baylor football players and coaches will discuss Saturday's game against Texas A&M at 12:30 p.m. today in the Bill Daniel Student Center Den.

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Support Baylor football by purchasing a "Rise Up" T-shirt (\$5 for a short-sleeve shirt and \$7 for a long-sleeve shirt) at the Bill Daniel Student Center or Penland Residence Hall, and then wear it proudly when the Bears face rival Texas A&M at 6 p.m. Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium.

State of the Union

The NAACP will host "State of the Union" at 7 p.m. today in Kayser Auditorium. The event will involve discussions about equality, education, justice, post-racism and much more.



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Seattle junior Sam Pomeroy, Houston junior Grant Shellhouse, Allen sophomore True Price, Los Angeles sophomore Carlo Manzana and San Antonio freshman Collin Huse sing a song in support of Jeremy Goss Wednesday in front of Alexander Residence Hall.

CL firing angers students

By NICK DEAN AND SARA TIRRITO
EDITOR IN CHIEF
AND STAFF WRITER

More than 40 students protested what they call an unjust firing of a senior community leader in the Honors Residential College on Wednesday night in front of Alexander Residence Hall.

Houston senior Jeremy Goss, a political science and pre-med major and CL for the fourth floor of Alexander Hall will be terminated effective today because of what Campus Living & Learning has called improper use of Baylor ID pictures located on the university's online directory.

Goss was the subject of an investigation by CL&L officials on Nov. 2 because of a website run by Goss related to a game played by members of the residential college.

The game, Assassins, is one in

which the goal is to be the last surviving player. Each participant is given a target (which in this case was another HRC resident) and is charged with the task of "eliminating" the resident. Once players have eliminated their first target, they assume the target of the residents they just beat.

Goss' version of Assassins used a website to provide the participants with their targets' contact information and photo. An e-mail was sent to all residents within the HRC offering them the opportunity to participate in this year's game of Assassins. Those that wished to play were asked to respond via e-mail with their name, contact information, a nickname to be used for the game and a catch phrase for their character.

A total of 116 residents signed up for this year's game.

Goss paired the information provided by each player with a



DANIEL CERNERO | PHOTO EDITOR

Students supported Honors Residential College community leader Jeremy Goss by chalking around Memorial Residence Hall.

photo from the university's directory that he converted to black and white. Once a participant was eliminated the photo would turn red on the website.

According to the Official Letter of Terminated Employment from CL&L that was sent to Goss,

Lara Conrad and Megan Witherspoon discovered the students' pictures on the website and immediately called for their removal. Conrad is the assistant director for resident learning, living-learning

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Border violence reaches students

By COLLEEN LONG
AND WILL WEISSERT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

EL PASO — Eder Diaz and Manuel Acosta were Americans whose lives straddled the border, business students attending classes at the University of Texas at El Paso but living in Ciudad Juarez amid family and friends.

They had been on their campus, a peaceful enclave of grassy plazas flanked by breathtaking desert mountains, just hours before they were gunned down last week in Juarez, their car riddled with bullets as they headed home.

Commuting from Mexico to the United States was as natural to them as taking the Holland Tunnel from New Jersey into New York. It's a life many border residents continue to embrace even as the death toll from the drug war in Mexico continues to rise.

Six Americans were killed in Juarez last week alone, and for the last several years Mexico's border region has been more dangerous for Americans than the rest of the country. In all of Mexico, 47 Americans were killed during the first six months of 2010, on track to pass the 79 homicides of U.S. citizens in 2009 and close to the 56 killings in all of 2008.

Roughly 1,400 of UTEP's 22,000 students live in Juarez and cross the border to go to class, even though many are Americans who could live in safety on U.S. soil. One is Ruben Tarango, a 21-year-old sophomore who was born in El Paso but lives with his parents and sister in Juarez.

"I was born here. I'm an American. But really I'm Mexican," Tarango said. "I've got my whole life in Juarez."

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Local veterans recall tales of valor, service

By CARMEN GALVAN
STAFF WRITER

He said he did not have the privilege of putting boots on the ground in Vietnam, but his brothers did. He served as a staff sergeant for the United States Army in Operation Desert Storm during the Gulf War and was shot at night and day in Kuwait, never knowing if he would be the next man down. And when he and his comrades touched down in New York after a six-month tour of duty, American citizens greeted them with tears and grateful applause.

Billy Elkins, United States Army veteran and current first vice commander of the American Legion

Post 121, said joining the military is a family tradition.

"I joined the military because there is military in my blood," Elkins said. "My dad was in the military and my grandfathers all the way back to the Civil War. I had two brothers in the Marine Corps in Vietnam and it was just in the blood, and I felt that was part of what I was supposed to be."

Elkins is one of many veterans being honored around Waco and the U.S. today as the nation celebrates veterans of all military branches with parades, applause and appreciation.

Elkins, who was born in Spokane, Wash., and raised in Waco, enlisted in 1969 and joined the

ranks of the United States Army Reserve after the Vietnam War. In 1991, Elkins was called to active duty to serve in Operation Desert Storm during the Gulf War. His most prominent memories of his tour in Kuwait centered on uncertainty and loss.

"It's never knowing. We were shot at day and night with various stud missiles and never knowing when one was near and would hit you," Elkins said. "At 12 noon Kuwait looked like 12 midnight from the oil wells they went through and set on fire, and it was pitch black. [I remember] that and losing friends."

Elkins emphasized the cama-

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DANIEL CERNERO | PHOTO EDITOR

Billy Elkins, the first vice commander of the American Legion Post 121, served as an Army staff sergeant in Operation Desert Storm.

Speaker who develops affordable prosthetics visits BU

By MEGHAN HENDRICKSON
STAFF WRITER

There are about 11 million amputees in the developing world and biomedical engineering students are working to find sustainable solutions to meet the global prosthetics need.

Dr. Roger V. Gonzalez, founder and executive director of LeTourneau University Empowering Global Solutions (LEGS), spoke to Baylor engineering students about his research as a part of the Baylor Engineering and Research Semi-

nars (BEARS), given each week in the Rogers Engineering and Computer Science Building.

LEGS is a team of faculty, graduate students and undergraduate students from LeTourneau University that is working with partners across the globe to bring sustainable prostheses to Third World countries.

The mission of LEGS focuses on designing, creating and testing prosthetic devices that will be inexpensive, maintenance-free and will improve gait.

The prosthetics devices be-

ing used in developing countries are not durable and often cause further injury when they break, which is why LEGS emphasizes global sustainable solutions.

Gonzalez said they can make their patented prosthetics knee for only \$20 and can do repairs for just \$1. Gonzalez said LEGS prosthetics are highly compatible with other brands, but are made for a fraction of the price.

Longview senior Rachel Unruh is an engineering student who heard about the LEGS program at LeTourneau before she

came to Baylor. She was interested to learn more about the program at the seminar.

"The fact that they can take the materials and make the legs at such low cost and still make them as efficient as a \$200,000 or more U.S. leg is incredible."

LEGS established its global network by hosting seven training centers located throughout the world. Gonzalez said LEGS distributes technology to the training centers, which then give the technology to locals.

This model of technology dis-

tribution and teaching is based on the biblical concept of equipping people to teach others.

LEGS is working with a ministry in California called "Friends of the Church" which is setting up a manufacturing facility in Cambodia to make their knees.

"We want to support what the Lord is doing around the world," Gonzalez said.

LEGS developed a jig design kit that provides the framework necessary to assemble the pro-

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Presidential memoir sheds light on drama of 43rd administration

Editorial

Former President George W. Bush's new memoir "Decision Points" is a valuable and respectable insight into one of modern times' most controversial presidential administrations. Bush explores everything from the administration's response to hurricane Katrina to the economic crisis that began at the end of his term and has had lasting effects on President Barack Obama's term. Throughout the memoir, Bush also details personal decisions and family memories from his time as our nation's leader. First, being able to admit to the international community that you were wrong takes guts. Bush said he has a "sickening feeling" when he thinks about weapons of mass destruction in Iraq and how that intelligence debacle resulted in false information and false motivations for the war.

He opens the book talking about his alcoholic tendencies — something most private individuals don't admit to their family, much less something former figureheads admit to the entire world. The explanations and the apologies in "Decision Points" deserve a certain amount of respect from all — Republican or Democrat. He held arguably the hardest job in American politics for eight years and endured domestic, international and personal battles throughout that time. Bush made an effort to describe what he was feeling the day the Twin Towers of Manhattan and the Pentagon were struck by planes in 2001 and how he was presented with information and what constructed his decision-making process. By admitting to his greatest failures, Bush opens doors for new discussions about his presidency and current issues, such as the Iraq War, the war in Afghanistan and the economic crisis. In the memoir, Bush tries to

understand what went wrong at different times in presidency, possibly helping future generations learn from their mistakes. Bush could have tried to hide or ignore the mistakes he made by simply maintaining his stoic silence after he left office in 2008. The memoir was released immediately following the midterm elections, when Republicans swept the House and made a mighty comeback to the national political stage. Now Bush, the epicenter of many of their pre-midterm problems, has publicly displayed what went wrong. In contrast, the memoir came out when Democrats are facing major setbacks locally and nationally, and many representatives and senators lost the election for merely associating with the politics of Obama or soon-to-be former Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi. How this book is received nationally, and how Bush is received on his book tour, could give an indication to election results in 2012 but more importantly, it

could reflect the very nature of Americans. Will the majority still consider him an utter failure or will they finally understand Bush's side? It is safe to say he did not assume the role as America's president in order to throw our economic system into chaos and to wreak havoc on the international system, too. Bush's term ended poorly for him and he could do nothing but wait out the wave of criticism until he was out of office. This memoir will tell us much of his life, his struggles, his success and his decisions during the presidency. But, more importantly, it could teach a majority of Bush-haters that many of the mistakes that happened were not made maliciously or with the intent to destroy our country. Bush's book will be one to learn from and one that will provide an inside perspective on the slips and falls of the Bush administration during its uphill, eight-year rise and fall.

In a dog-eat-dog political world, media outlets could stop chaos

Christine O'Donnell was a witch and Rand Paul was a follower of Aqua Buddha and a sacrilegious Noze brother. No, these aren't Halloween costumes. They're media labels.



Nick Dean | Editor in Chief

These labels and many more were the water cooler talk of the political realm for the campaign season that ended Nov. 2. I attended a conference this past weekend that discussed — among other aspects of political journalism — just how important media coverage is in the game of American politics. Dr. Kim Meltzer, a Georgetown University journalism professor, brought up interesting topics with the collegiate journalists that were in attendance for the Institute of Political Journalism's conference in Washington, D.C. Meltzer put forward the idea that perhaps the media picks which candidates will most likely make it to the end and they frame political races as strategic, rather than policy-based, competitions. With the wave of Republicans that has washed over Congress media were quick to label the Democrats' defeat a "bloodbath" in the political "battle" between the Democrats and Republicans. The media use these words to frame most political stories around the strategies of campaigns, rather than around where the politicians stand on issues. Most coverage looks to highlight strategic successes and failures of political races rather than emphasizing issues on which each candidate is speaking.

When the "battles" of media coverage are won by who pulls the best stunts, it is safe to say journalists are perpetuating a hostile political environment that rewards the outlandish and stifles the logical. On the media's ability to thrust a candidate closer and closer to assuming political office, Meltzer said two aspects of national politics are responsible for the media's interest in a candidate: 1) With campaign seasons elongating, journalists make decisions on which things to cover and one thing we as journalists decide is which candidates will be the legitimate contenders of the race as it gets closer to Election Day. 2) If candidates hit certain campaign fundraising points by certain times in the campaign that is a major sign of the legitimacy of a candidate. Journalists use a combination of instinct and monetary flags to decide which candidates are going to be covered during the election season. So, how do we delineate instinct from bias? In short, truth and trust. In their book "The Elements of

Journalism," Bill Kovach and Tom Rosenstiel discuss the attainability of truth in journalism. "To understand the sorting out process, it is important to remember that journalism exists in a social context. Out of necessity, citizens and societies depend on accurate and reliable accounts of events. They develop procedures and processes to arrive at what might be called "functional truth. ... This is what journalism is after — a practical or functional form of truth." Journalists, including those that are covering politics, are required to report the truth of what is happening to provide the highest quality of reporting. We journalists are often thought of as gatekeepers, people who have the responsibility of halting all rumors and gossip stories and checking them thoroughly to allow only this "functional

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truth" to be disseminated. Unfortunately, we're failing. For instance, what if the media had researched Rand Paul's supposed NoZe Brotherhood affiliation and discovered that rather than a sacrilegious organization, the brotherhood serves as the satirical voice of our university? His opponent set the trap and we, the media, took the bait. A more recent embarrassment is when Fox News incorrectly reported that President Barack Obama's trip to India would cost \$200 million a day. The White House told other journalists that were checking Fox's information that the price for the trip was nowhere near that amount. If the media is going to fulfill the gatekeeper role, we should snuff out rumors and misnomers and instead focus on policies and proposals. Our energy and talent should be spent on telling the masses not what to think, but what to think about. The Obama case shows the strength of some organizations and highlights that major networks are sacrificing the admirable and necessary values of the journalism industry. As journalists, we have an obligation to readers first. They expect the truth. They expect accuracy. If we don't begin to police ourselves, the small amounts of corruption that currently exist will be the demise of an industry vital to a functioning democracy. Nick Dean is a junior journalism and political science double major and the editor in chief of The Lariat.

Letters to the editor

Online courses have benefits

While I support Baylor's mission-minded goal of "creating a truly residential campus" (Baylor 2012, Imperative II), I respectfully disagree with a few points that were made in the Nov. 10 editorial concerning online classes, in general. With tools such as Blackboard at our disposal, students in online classes do have opportunities to get to know one another and share ideas through discussion threads, and document critiques are simple with virtual file sharing. Because of the limitless geographical boundaries of online courses, the diverse input from other classmates and professors around the country or around the globe can be even richer than that received from peers who live within a few blocks of each other. As for the comment about needing a reason to get out of bed, I would argue that it takes someone with a stronger than average sense of self-motivation and determination to undertake an online course and complete it successfully, simply because of the reasons you noted:

self-paced curriculum and less face-to-face accountability. Online courses aren't for everyone, but neither is dorm life. Angela E. Pool Funai Alumna, MPPA 2008

Politically incorrect name calling

I just wanted to comment on the piece written by Jade Mardirosian, "Vigil for alien students" dated October 29, 2010. I wanted to let the author know that I find the title to be highly offensive and next time a piece about undocumented immigrants is written, maybe The Lariat staff should research what is "politically" correct and what is not. Nobody likes to be called an alien and just how we stopped calling other races/groups derogatory names, we need to stop referring to undocumented immigrants as aliens. As a Baylor alumna, my wish is for Baylor students to be well informed before publishing something so offensive and uneducated like this article. Claudia Olivas-Meza Alumna, 2006

Letters

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Students break limits, boundaries with speaker

By SAMREEN HOODA
REPORTER

Many students got teary as they opened up and addressed true fears they had been facing as a guest speaker impressed on students the importance of loving self and recognizing limitations during Tuesday night's "Breaking Boundaries" event.

The Baylor Women's League hosted the last event of its "Breaking Boundaries" series, with guest lecturer and life coach Allyson Byrd as the key speaker. "Dr. [Gabrielle] Sutherland told us she's a great inspirational, motivational speaker, so we thought let's go for it," San Antonio senior Shumaila Momin, president of Baylor Women's League, said. "She seemed really enthusiastic and very passionate about what she's doing."

Author of "Love Yourself to Life" and founder of The Purpose Within, a consulting company, Byrd has been motivating people for the last 10 years to find the harmonious balance of life.

"We are humanity and divinity, and if we don't give ourself permission to be human, our divinity will never rise," Byrd told the room full of students and professors at Morrison Hall.

Byrd asked everyone in the room to identify what she called "limiting beliefs," or excuses people make for themselves to not pursue dreams and the weak-

nesses they identify in themselves. Byrd said identifying limitations helps people overcome them.

"Here's the beauty of over-achievers: We change the world," Byrd said. "And here's the damage: We leave ourselves behind."

Having gone through her own struggles with limitations, Byrd feels it is her responsibility to help others move past theirs.

"You are God's creation," Byrd said. "To love yourself offers infinite, limitless possibility for your life."

Byrd asked people in the audience to share their limiting beliefs in an attempt to help them see beyond their own limitations.

"It is very difficult, for women especially, to be honest about their feelings and their troubles," Momin said. "Allyson perfectly fit our theme of breaking boundaries as she had the girls, and everyone in the audience, reflect on where they are and where they want to be and talk about the problems and issues that they bury deep, or even just realize the issues they've buried."

Many of the members in the group opened up and spoke out about what they were facing in their lives.

"It is very hard for us, in our own particular culture, to admit when something is wrong because we value outward happiness and busyness," Boerne senior Christina Riley said. "The way of life we have, we don't take time to sit

down and talk about our issues. It is really hard to examine yourself because you'll have to admit to yourself things you don't really like."

Riley said Allyson was able to provide a starting place for many to continue their self-reflection.

"Allyson kept saying that it was the starting point or the initiation," Riley said. "I feel that for some of us, me personally, it was effective. I think she was helping people realize it. She didn't want to tell you what to do or think; she was more of a facilitator for your own self-realization."

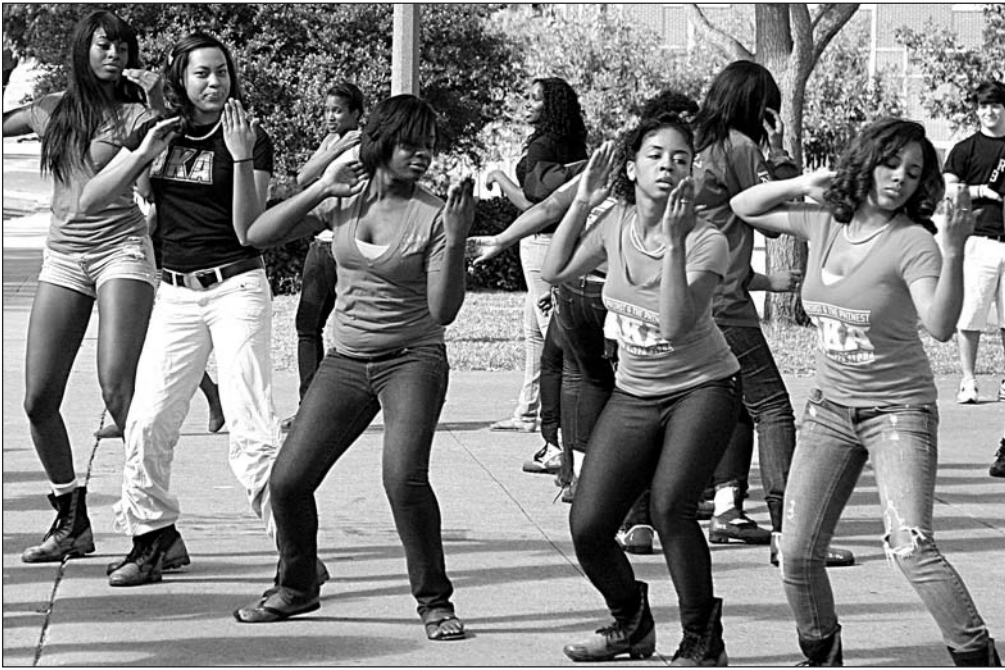
Breaking boundaries truly became the theme of the night, Riley said, as people brought up personal questions and sought resolve.

"I believe that some people were able to [break boundaries] to some extent and that others received the tools necessary to break their own boundaries," Riley said.

Though the event was supposed to end at 9 p.m., it ended past 10 p.m., as more and more people engaged Allyson to help them face their battles.

"I think the event was a success," Momin said. "Just the response that we had with so many individuals willing to share their life story made the event more of a success."

"It went past the time we had, because everyone just wanted to share and face their fears and break some boundaries," Momin said.



MAKENZIE MASON | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Dancing in the street

Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha dance during Hump Day, a part of Alpha Week, on Wednesday in front of Rena Marrs McLean Gymnasium. Alpha Week celebrating the sorority and the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

Obama's nuclear treaty in jeopardy

By DESMOND BUTLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Senate approval of President Barack Obama's nuclear arms treaty with Russia, which once looked close to a sure thing, is now in jeopardy.

The administration is scrambling to get enough Republican support in the Senate to ratify the New START treaty before the Democrats' majority shrinks by six in January.

But Republicans have little incentive to give Obama a big political boost after leaving him reeling from their strong gains in last week's congressional elections.

A failure to win passage could trip up one of the administration's top foreign policy goals: improving relations with Russia. The treaty, signed in April by Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev, has been the most tangible sign of success, and failure to get it ratified could be viewed as a rebuke in Moscow.

It also would leave Obama's

push for even greater restrictions on the world's nuclear arsenal in doubt.

Some Republicans have argued that the treaty would limit U.S. missile defense options and does not provide adequate procedures to verify that Russia is living up to its terms. Advocates dispute both charges.

A broader Republican fear is that the treaty is a small step toward weakening the U.S. nuclear deterrent. Though the treaty would only modestly affect the current U.S. arsenal, many Republicans see Obama's vision of a gradual elimination of the world's nuclear weapons as unrealistic. They argue that U.S. nuclear might is critical for American security and global stability.

The Obama administration is worried that ratification could slip out of reach if a vote were to be delayed. Ellen Tauscher, the undersecretary of state for arms control, said this week that the lame-duck session Congress will convene before most newly elected senators

take their seats in January could be the administration's last shot.

"Our last opportunity to do it coming forward is in the lame duck," she said. "I think that, frankly, because of the way the numbers are working, it's the best opportunity to do it."

Since the election, senior administration officials, including Vice President Joe Biden and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, have been pressing the case for ratification with Republican lawmakers. A long list of retired generals and senior statesmen from both parties have expressed support, arguing that the treaty should be beyond politics.

But its best shot seems to lie in a political deal with one key Republican senator.

Republican Jon Kyl has wielded the most sway in his party on the issue. His approval could push support beyond the 67 votes the administration needs for ratification, although many Republicans still are likely to oppose it.

Professor gives cheaters reprieve

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — A business management professor at the University of Central Florida is offering his cheating students a deal: Confess and take a four-hour ethics class and their college tran-

scripts will be wiped clean.

Richard Quinn said he found out that as many as a third of his 600 seniors at the Orlando school had cheated on a recent midterm. He said a student anonymously dropped off a copy of the test with the answers. Every student had to retake the exam this week.

Students had been expecting

a lecture on mergers and acquisitions, but instead, Quinn offered his deal. The lecture has been captured on a YouTube video.

He said those who don't turn themselves in and instead get caught face the prospect of not graduating.

He told ABC News that about half the cheaters have confessed.

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Orchestra to present fall concert tonight

By LIZ APPLING
REPORTER

The School of Music will present “Expressions of Virtuosity,” a free concert featuring the Baylor Symphony Orchestra, at 7:30 p.m. today in Jones Concert Hall of the Glennis McCrary Music Building.

Stephen Heyde, the Mary Franks Thompson professor of orchestral studies and director of orchestral activities, described the orchestra and the School of Music as being “analogous to the football team.”

“We recruit nationally and we give scholarships to play,” Heyde said. “We’re recruiting Big 12 quality on the musical side of things.”

Presenting several concerts each year, the Baylor Symphony Orchestra is the School of Music’s premiere orchestral ensemble and is under the conduction of Heyde.

Every year, several hundred students audition to be a part of the orchestra and about 90 are chosen. The Symphony Orchestra is composed of these students and every member of the Chamber Orchestra, another highly selective

ensemble in the School of Music.

Katie White, a graduate student from Weatherford and violist in the orchestra, said playing in the orchestra is great experience for her as a musician.

“Baylor’s orchestra is a really great program because we get the chance to play a lot of standard works as well as many lesser-known works,” White said.

The concert will begin with two pieces by the Chamber Orchestra that Heyde describes as “exceptionally difficult.”

“They are light, delicate, fast and virtuosic for the orchestra,” he said.

These opening compositions will come from Felix Mendelssohn’s “Music for William Shakespeare’s ‘A Midsummer Night’s Dream.’”

Heyde said he named the concert “Expressions of Virtuosity” because the concert will open with these pieces and the theme of virtuosity will be maintained throughout the entire performance.

“We are programming the opening pieces primarily for the Chamber Orchestra because we



COURTESY PHOTO

The Baylor Symphony Orchestra performs in the Jones Concert Hall of the Glennis McCrary Music Building.

are taking 39 members of the Chamber Orchestra to Belgium over Thanksgiving,” Heyde said.

The concert will then present the Symphony Orchestra with Patricia Crispino, a recent graduate from the masters of music program and current artist diploma candidate in clarinet performance at the Cleveland Institute of Music.

Heyde explained Crispino’s in-

volvement stemmed from a competition that occurs each year in the School of Music for one person to play a concerto.

Crispino won the competition for the 2009-2010 school year and will be back at Baylor tonight to specifically play “Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 57” composed by Carl Nielson.

Crispino said she is excited to

return to Baylor to play as a soloist for an orchestra.

“This work is not performed very often and a lot of people don’t really care for it because it seems somewhat disjunct, so my goal is to show how good the music of this piece is,” Crispino said.

After intermission, the Chamber Orchestra will perform Piet Swerts’ “Martenizza: Festival

Overture,” a composition they will also be taking to Belgium.

The Symphony Orchestra will then play “Symphony in C” by Georges Bizet, a performance that will feature Carrollton senior Andrew Stiefel as a guest student conductor.

Heyde said “Symphony in C” is a skillfully composed piece written by Bizet when he was 17 years old and is “definitely representative of the virtuosic theme that is relevant throughout the entire concert.”

“The beautiful thing about an orchestra is you have all these different colors in the sounds from the instruments,” Heyde said.

There are four distinct families in the orchestra – the woodwinds, brass, percussion and strings - and each one contributes “a specific kind of excitement” to the piece, Heyde said.

“The brass is loud and more dramatic. The strings are more lyrical and lush. The woodwinds are usually highly facile and the percussion, of course, just undergird everything both rhythm and different kinds of colorful sound,” Heyde said.

Interior design students display lamp projects

By GRACE GADDY
CONTRIBUTOR

Brownwood junior Natalie Rosato married coffee with light when creating and constructing a working light fixture for a course in Baylor’s interior design program.

The lamp, which incorporates a vintage burlap coffee sack as a shade, was first born as an original concept that later developed into a unique piece of furniture.

“I came across this inspiration from my grandparents and how their history was in Louisiana and the Cajun heritage, so I further developed that and went through their antiques,” Rosato said. “I came up with a sketch and then just worked from there building

it. I visited different antique shops, and I found some materials I wanted to use and just developed that into that creation.”

Using a 1-by-4 lumber frame, Rosato used some old trampoline poles from her house as supporting components and added a rectangular base with a storage rack for additional use and appeal.

“It’s meant to put next to a seating arrangement so the bottom can be used for magazines or books or blankets — whatever,” Rosato said.

Her project was one of 15 students’ original creations being showcased this week as part of Michelle Brown’s Lighting for Interior Design course, in which each student designed and built a fully functioning light fixture.

“They have to build it, wire it, everything,” Brown, lecturer and interior design technology coordinator, said. “They typically do about five different sketches for me from whatever their source of inspiration is, and then they have to build a model of what they’re doing with the light fixture. They can determine whether it’s going to be a hanging light fixture, whether it’s a floor, a table lamp — however they want to do it.”

After several stages of planning and development, the students were able to apply their ideas.

“It’s their creativity, and I really don’t limit it to what it is,” Brown said. “It can be small, it can be big — we’ve had some that have weighed quite a bit in the past.”

Students were also unrestricted in organizing materials to use as the mechanical components for their design.

“They can use whatever they want to create it,” Brown said. “If they can make it work, they can use it.”

That freedom of creativity resulted in 15 unique “mock-ups” — or blueprint models — that each student developed and constructed from the ground up. Using everything from glass to license plates, the projects exhibit various designs including one made from sheet metal that uses fiber optics to exemplify a watering can spraying water and another with a travel theme involving a map.

The students have been work-

ing on their projects since the first day of class, Brown said, with many knowing exactly what they wanted to build since freshman year.

The project has been a highlight of the department for many years, said Shelby L. Clarke, interior design studio technician and office assistant.

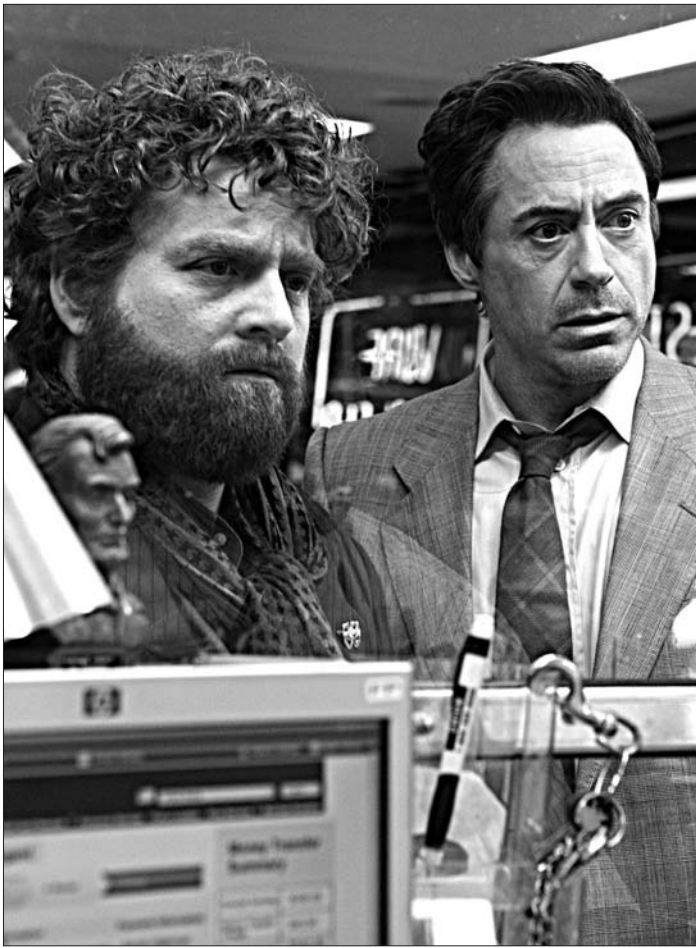
Adding to the tradition is a contest where other students can vote on the projects in five categories: first to be marketed, best of show, most creative, most original and most functional.

The works are on display and available for viewing through Friday in the Mary Gibbs-Jones Family and Consumer Sciences Building.



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Natalie Rosato’s lamp shines as one of many on display.



WARNER BROS. PICTURES

Zach Galifianakis stars as Ethan Tremblay and Robert Downey Jr. stars as Peter Highman in Warner Bros. Pictures’ and Legendary Pictures’ comedy “Due Date.”

‘Due Date’ delivers range of emotions

By ASHLEY MORRIS
CONTRIBUTOR

“Due Date” isn’t “The Hangover,” but what it lacks in fresh humor it makes up for in endless wisecracks, ramped-up action scenes and a more meaningful storyline.

The journey begins when Peter Highman (Robert Downey Jr.), a type A, high-strung architect, is kicked off a flight and forced to take a cross-country trip with a stranger

to see the birth of his baby girl.

Little does he know, this obese, less than successful, wannabe actor Ethan Tremblay (Zach Galifianakis) will take him from a composed, clean-cut businessman to a gunshot victim with a broken arm and bruised ego.

Once again, director Todd Phillips does a rock star job of using polar opposite characters to produce a slightly uncomfortable ambiance that allows for enough witty banter

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Ashley Morris | Contributor

and dramatic incidents to keep the film lighthearted and the audience wanting more.

With Peter so full of himself he’s like a human hot air balloon and Ethan running around like a chicken with his head cut off, you can’t help but feel sorry for these two having to spend days together in a car (well, multiple types of vehicles) with no escape route.

And just like in “The Hangover,” everything that could go wrong did.

But “Due Date” is different in that these characters’ humorous misfortunes tug at your heart. You see Ethan’s goofy personality mature through mourning his father and Peter become humbled when he realizes his good friend, Darryl (Jamie Foxx), and wife, Sarah (Michelle Monaghan), may be having an affair.

Despite Downey’s charm making him a slight misfit of a neurotic character the audience is supposed to hate, his subtle wit contrasted with Galifianakis’ in-your-face hilarity makes their chemistry spectacular and timing in delivering punch lines impeccable.

Downey has the perfect cocky, sarcastic tone to offset Galifianakis’ outlandish behavior, reminding the audience there can be multiple forms of fantastic comedic talent.

“Due Date” is a messy 100 minutes of a film that uses every trick in the humor playbook. Be on the lookout for the rest-stop scene in the bathroom where Galifianakis goes in a full circle of emotions. It’s not exactly a Grammy-winning

performance, but it will leave you laughing, wincing and, finally, crying all in a matter of seconds.

Galifianakis’ sweaty, tactless and impulsive character takes “Due Date” to a whole new level of vulgarity, and some jokes go entirely too far for comfort. But that’s to be expected in an R-rated comedy from Phillips, who likes to take advantage of the free creative rein he’s been given.

The climax is a mad dash across the Mexican border, making this comedy anything but realistic. But by the end of the film, the audience realizes there had to be a dramatic feat to get Ethan in Peter’s good graces.

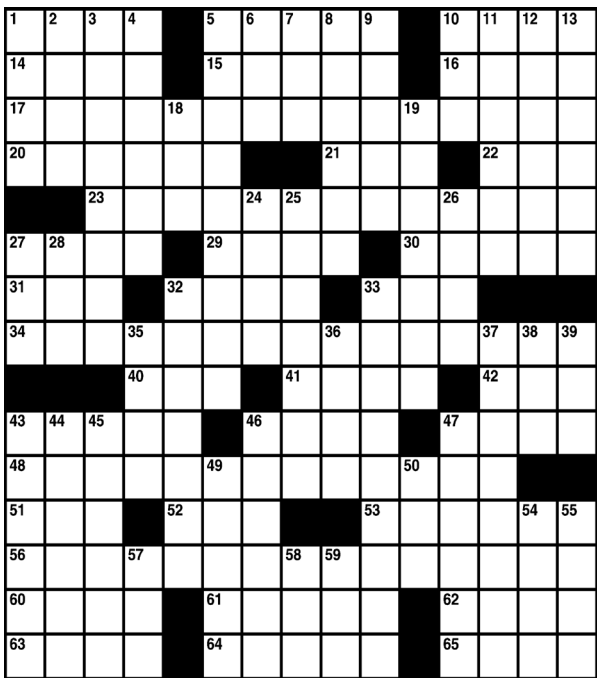
“Due Date” leaves you wondering if there will be a sequel and if it will match up to “The Hangover 2,” which hits theaters May 2011. Due to Ethan’s obsession with Peter and Hollywood, if there is a “part two,” it could be a comedy about stalking. Regardless, Phillips can’t stay incognito any longer – he’s mastered the art of creating perfectly hilarious buddy flicks.

Grade: B+

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- 21 Cause to suffer
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- 52 Besides
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- 56 Admonition to one acting out the starts of 17-, 23-, 34- and 48-Across
- 60 Court entry
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- 62 “Woe __!”
- 63 Some shooters, briefly
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- 4 Nest chorus
- 5 Target of pre-race stretching
- 6 “__ Baba Bunny”: classic Bugs cartoon
- 7 Hall of Fame quarterback Dawson
- 8 Leia’s last name
- 9 “Shrek!” author William
- 10 Minor player
- 11 Checked out, as a book
- 12 Cooling-off period?
- 13 Uncle at 0001 Cemetery Lane, in ‘60s TV
- 18 First name in shipping
- 19 Angular measurement device used in surveying
- 24 Bite
- 25 “Count me in!”
- 26 Mineral with basal cleavage
- 27 Writer Rand

- 28 Routing word
- 32 __ Hop: bouncing ball brand
- 33 Time-measuring device
- 35 Feds
- 36 “__ go brag!”
- 37 Kitten’s quality
- 38 Retail posting: Abbr.
- 39 Callaway of golf equipment fame
- 43 Overwhelms
- 44 Rollercoaster ride, e.g.
- 45 Former Disney chief
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- 47 Part of a conspiracy
- 49 Kind of salad dressing
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1ST AND 100

Sports writer Matt Larsen talks about each Big 12 South team, getting 100 words per squad in a weekly installment

Baylor

The Bears (7-3, 4-2) experienced being unseated from the No. 1 spot in the Big 12 South last week in a 55-28 loss to Oklahoma State in Stillwater.

Robert Griffin III was off for the second consecutive week, throwing for 267 yards and no touchdowns (by air or by foot), and the difference between the win a week before in Austin and a loss in Stillwater rests on the defense's inability to keep OSU out of the end zone like they



did to the Longhorns.

The Bears hope Griffin is just homesick as they host a rejuvenated No. 22 A&M Saturday, and they must win out for any chance at a Big 12 championship.

Oklahoma

The Sooners (7-2, 3-2) said goodbye to their BCS championship dreams last Saturday with a 33-19 loss in AggieLand.

It came down to the offense's inability to finish crucial drives with touchdowns while Texas A&M found ways to punch it in.

Mack Brown

The red zone offense and defense will need to show more resilience if the Sooners want to be playing in the Big 12 championship.

They now must notch road wins against Baylor and Oklahoma State to close the season while not getting surprised by Texas Tech this week at home.

Oklahoma State

The Cowboys (8-1, 4-1) now have the driver's seat and everything to lose after snatching the top spot in the Big 12 South from the Bears

Robert Griffin III

home turf against Oklahoma in the final week.

Texas

The Longhorns' (4-5, 2-4) offensive woes followed them up to Manhattan as they lost their third straight, falling 39-14 to Kansas State last Saturday.

Moving the ball is not the problem,

though, as the offense outgained its opponents in every game this year. The problem is a -12 turnover ratio fattened by Garrett Gilbert's five interceptions this last week.

Posting more total offense in every game also shines light on a defense that still leads the conference, allowing 267 yards a game.

The Longhorns will need the defense to start scoring, too, if they want to salvage a 6-6 record.

Texas A&M

With an unprecedented mid-season turnaround crowned by a 33-19 upset of Oklahoma last Saturday, the Aggies (6-3, 3-2) find themselves a long shot in the mix of possible Big 12 South champs.

As quickly as the Texas offense shrank to a -12 turnover ratio, A&M soared out of the Big 12 basement on the wings of quarterback Ryan Tannehill.

Tannehill threw for 225 yards and two touchdowns against the Sooners but the Aggie defense, led by a 19-tackle performance from linebacker Michael Hodges, posted critical goal line stands.

They still face tests from two more potent offenses in Baylor and Nebraska, though.

Texas Tech

With a defensive performance outside itself, the Red Raiders (5-4, 3-4) surprised Missouri 24-17 in Lubbock. The defense, ranked last in the Big 12, held the Tiger offense to 95 yards through the air and no passing touchdowns while Tech quarterbacks Taylor Potts and Stephen Sheffield combined for 287 yards and three touchdowns. Assuming they win their last two against non-conference opponents, the Red Raiders could look back on this eye-catching upset as the very win that earned them a bowl invite. As for this week, they will be the underdog against an angry and needy Oklahoma squad.

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Big 12 South Weekend

Nov. 13

OU at Texas Tech— 2:30 p.m.
Spread: Oklahoma -14
Television: ABC

Texas A&M at Baylor – 6 p.m.
Spread: Texas A&M -3
Television: FSN

Oklahoma State at Texas – 7 p.m.
Spread: Oklahoma State -5.5
Television: ABC

Volleyball falls to Longhorns

By Rachel Roach
Sports Writer

After coming off a win against Texas A&M last week, Baylor entered its match prepared to play against the seventh-ranked University of Texas. The Longhorns prevailed in a 3-1 (23-25, 25-19, 27-25, 25-17) win over the Bears.

"This is the No. 7 team in the country and we really had them on the ropes, and when you get a team against the ropes you got to focus in and execute, and we just didn't get it done," head coach Jim Barnes said.

Baylor came out strong in the first set. Baylor kept the lead for the majority of the set and made sure the score was close, only allowing the Longhorns to take the lead twice, never scoring one point more than the Bears. The set was the first time since October 2006 that the Bears had won a set against Texas.

"It shows that we can play

against the top teams...it's good for us," senior Elizabeth Graham said.

The second game was less successful for Baylor. While the team tallied a number of clutch digs against the Longhorns, its effort was not enough to match up. Texas acquired a .259 hitting percentage compared to Baylor's .208, even though the Bears had more digs with 34 to Texas' 33.

Graham and senior Ashlie Christenson each gained four more kills to lead with seven and eight respective kills.

Graham helped the Bears get the lead early in the third set. The middle started off with two blocks and one kill for a 4-1 advantage over Texas. Later in the set the Bears held a seemingly commanding 19-10 lead. However, Texas turned things around. Once the Longhorns scored 23-17 they never looked back, and quickly gained three more points to get to a 23-20 score.

Texas came back and won the

set from behind and finished 27-25 on a 6-0 run as Baylor failed to convert four set point chances.

"I feel like we were too relaxed. We got too comfortable with our lead. It's a hard loss but it's definitely going make us stronger," Campbell said.

Barnes said the third set was a mental breakdown.

"They lose their focus on just the small detail of what we're doing there when they start to think about winning and losing. ... We've got to maintain our focus," Barnes said.

The fourth set was no match for the Longhorns' senior weapon, Juliann Faucette. She led all players with 30 kills, while Christenson's 15 led the Bears. Trice gained six digs during the set, but Baylor's efforts left it with a 17-25 set deficit and the 18th consecutive loss to Texas.

Baylor next plays away at Kansas State at 7 p.m. Saturday and at Kansas at 6 p.m. on Nov. 17.



NICK BERRYMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

No. 24 outside hitter Ashlie Christenson bumps the ball while playing against The University of Texas on Wednesday at the Ferrell Center. The Bears lost, 3-1.

New head coach Garrett sets demanding tone at Cowboys' practice

By Jamie Aron
Associated Press

IRVING — Jason Garrett stood with his arms crossed watching the special teamers work on punting, then he wandered over to defensive players walking onto the field and greeted them with fist bumps and handshakes.

Offense, defense and special teams — they all work for him now.

Two days after being promoted from offensive coordinator to interim head coach, Garrett ran the Dallas Cowboys for the first time Wednesday and immediately began doing things his way.

The workout started 45 minutes earlier than under his predecessor, Wade Phillips. The workout was in full pads, something Phillips rarely did, even in training camp. Everyone ran from drill to drill, which only Garrett's offense used to do.

"Nobody sitting on the coolers, stuff like that," defensive end Stephen Bowen said. "Just everybody alert, paying attention."

There were no card games or dominoes being played in the locker room during lunch. Asked whether it was a coincidence that this club's favorite midday diversion had ceased on the new boss' first day, receiver Roy Williams smiled and said, "The locker room is clean, too, ain't it?"

It remains to be seen — starting Sunday in the Meadowlands against the Giants — whether any of this will matter in a 1-7 season many consider lost. But Garrett has clearly begun the "culture change" owner Jerry Jones demanded when he shook things up Monday. Even Phillips' staunchest supporters said they like the new routine.

"I believe in Jason Garrett," said defensive captain Keith Brooking, who signed with Dallas before the 2009 season specifically to play for Phillips, his defensive coordinator in Atlanta.

"There is zero gray area there. It is black and white, very direct and to the point. No misunderstanding. I've been hit in the head a lot, but I could understand what he is saying when he stood up there and communicated to our football team. I believe in anybody like that."

Garrett's message also was received by cornerback Mike Jenkins, who's been pointed to all week as the poster child for the lackadaisical attitude that festered under Phillips. In the third quarter of the team's latest blowout loss, Jenkins didn't bother trying to tackle a Green Bay running back inside the 5-yard line even though he had a shot at him.

"The thing I got from Jason today is if you don't do it, we got somebody to replace you, no matter who you are," Jenkins said.

"If you don't learn it, you on the bench. ... It's a new day for me. It's a new day for everybody. It's a new coach, a new start. That is what we are focused on right now. We are going to run with it."

Garrett declined to reveal any lineup changes or even whether any might be coming. Through two news conferences, he's made it pretty clear that he will not be very forthcoming with information.

"We're going to do everything we can to play the best people," he said. "That'll be a thing we constantly evaluate. We'll make those changes available to you if and when they do happen."

Some changes are coming because of injuries.

Defensive end Marcus Spears and kick returner Akwasi Owusu-Ansah were placed on season-ending injured reserve Wednesday. Their roster spots went to defensive linemen Jeremy Clark and Jimmy Saddler-McQueen. Dallas needs depth on defense because ends Sean Lismore (ankle) and Jason Hatcher (groin) are expected to be out.

Linebackers Bradie James (knee) and Anthony Spencer (neck) also missed practice. Garrett was vague about whether they will be ready.

Garrett wore a gray shirt, royal blue sweat pants and his usual, sweat-stained Cowboys hat com-

memorating the 50th anniversary of the franchise's founding in 1960. He had cards tucked into his front and back waistband, likely trying to keep track of more scripts and schedules than ever before.

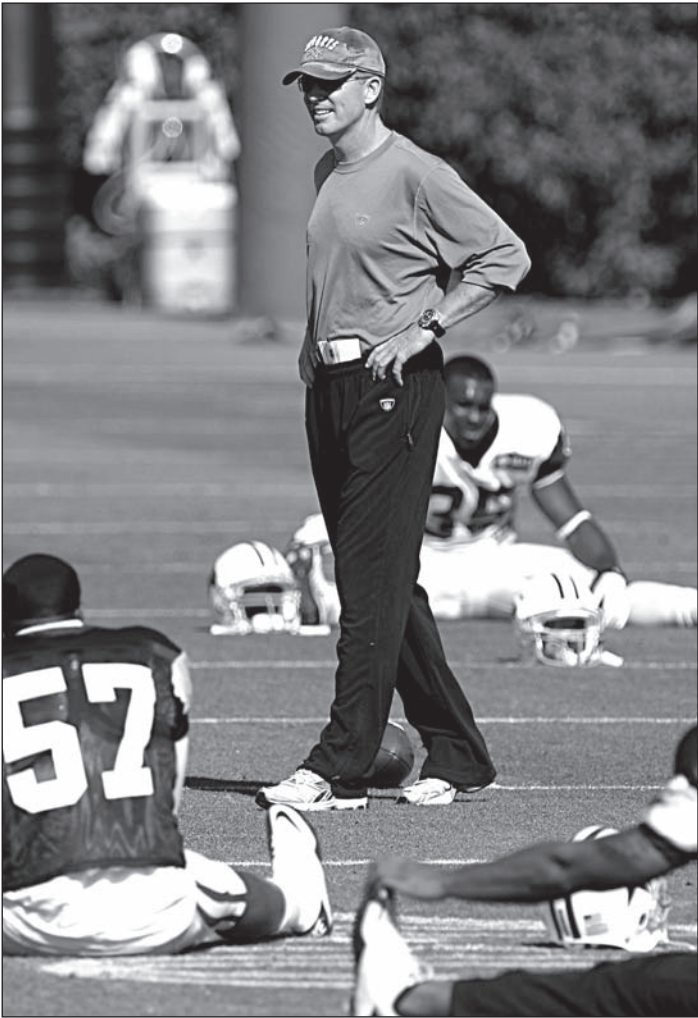
His greetings for the defensive players were important. Although he's been offensive coordinator for 3 1/2 years, he'd never had more than a few words in passing with some of them. They'd never seen him in charge, either.

"He was active with everybody," Jenkins said. "He was showing leadership he was supposed to bring to this team. I think everybody liked it."

Garrett knew everyone was watching everything he did Wednesday and was conscious of trying to set the right tone. If it was businesslike, then so be it.

At 44, he is a head coach for the first time, but he's only guaranteed eight games to show Jones he deserves the job beyond this season. And he must do it with a club that's lost seven of eight and has a 38-year-old, fill-in quarterback.

"We have to learn from the things that didn't go well, have to build on the things that did go well and go forward," Garrett said. "The challenges are ahead. So we needed to have a great day at practice and meetings today, have a great one tomorrow and get ready for the Giants on Sunday."



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Dallas Cowboys interim head coach Jason Garrett smiles as he chats with players before the start of practice at the team's training facility Wednesday. The Cowboys look to improve to 2-7 this Sunday.

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programs for CL&L. Witherspoon is the residence hall director for Alexander and Memorial halls.

“Upon the discovery of the website use of these pictures yesterday [Nov. 2], Megan Witherspoon and Lara Conrad instructed Jeremy to remove the pictures immediately and then later that night, to take the rest of the site down due to additional violations of university policy listed as rules for a game over which Jeremy had responsibility,” the letter stated. The additional violations of the website were not detailed in the letter.

In an interview with the Lariat, Conrad said the use of the pictures on Goss’ website violated the university’s usage policy.

“Unfortunately, the permission to use the photos does not come from students individually; it would come from the university,” Conrad said, advising the Lariat to contact Baylor Information Technology Services for further clarification.

The university’s Information Use Policy, as found on the ITS website, states that “Baylor and its employees will ... not release confidential information to the public or to non-related third parties unless required by law or other legal proceedings or with permission from the affected party(ies).”

Carl Flynn, director of communications and marketing for university libraries and ITS, said that if a student has given another student permission to use his or her directory information in a certain way, and if that information is being used for school or university-related purposes, then that usage is permissible under the university’s Information Use Policy.

“The reason the photos were there was because the point of the game was for HRC members to get to know more people within the HRC,” McKinney junior Rachel Moorman said.

“If you didn’t know the person who was your target, you had to have a way to see their pictures to know who you were looking for.”

Moorman lived in the Honors Residential College for two years and participated in the game with Goss two years ago.

“I think it is crazy that they would all of a sudden fire him for something he has been doing for three years,” Moorman said.

According to the letter sent to Goss, he has always reported to Witherspoon and “over the past 2 and a half years he has repeatedly been given feedback both verbally and in written evaluations concerning his desire to take initiative without communicating actions and ideas to the necessary people and his disregard for policies in the context of completing a task. This lack of communication in combination with making decisions without knowing the entire situation have sometimes led to making a situation harder to handle, while other times it resulted in violation of policy or cost to the university.”

According to the letter, Conrad and Witherspoon met with Goss on the evening of Nov. 3, not to discuss the Assassins game, but to discuss the posting of the pictures on the website. Conrad’s letter stated that Goss “showed little remorse or sorrow” for using the photos.

“He did apologize at the end of the conversation but did not reinforce our hope that he would change his approach to problem solving or the use of any means to reach a goal he had set,” the letter stated.

The previous violations committed by Goss have been withheld by CL&L for privacy purposes, Conrad said.

“I am very disappointed that this letter has been shared with the entire campus community,” Conrad said.

“We have purposely not shared details about this student’s background and their student record because we are attempting to protect that student.”

Goss met with Conrad on Nov. 5 to discuss what actions would be taken against him because of the infraction CL&L had discovered.

The letter instructed Goss to choose between resignation and termination.

Goss refused to resign and was e-mailed a letter from Conrad following the meeting that instructed Goss to “cease all official Community Leader related duties and alert other members of the Honors Residential College staff if a Community Leader presence is needed.”

Goss was a member of the East Village advisory board. He formerly chaired and is a current member of the CL&L student advisory board. He is an associate justice of the stu-

dent court, a member of the Honor Council voting committee, the academic integrity advisory board, the judicial affairs advisory board and the Student Union Building planning committee.

Goss was advised that he would be able to maintain his capacities on these boards despite his termination today.

Immediately following the announcement of Goss’ termination, student trustees and chairs of the Honors College Council met and determined that trustee Preston Yancey, a Conroe junior, would e-mail all 116 participants of the Assassins game asking for a signed statement of affirmation that each participant “verbally and electronically” gave Goss permission to use their information for the necessary measures of the Assassins game.

Yancey said all 116 students responded, agreeing that they consented to the use of their information and photo within 25 hours of the e-mail being sent on Nov. 6.

“On Monday morning we (turned) this in to the dean because we recognize that normal judicial procedure hasn’t happened,” Yancey said. “For us this is just a peaceful way of asking quite simply look we brought evidence, we are the people whose privacy was allegedly violated, we’re asking that you would reconsider that for us and that you would actually present justice to this community.”

Another form of protest from students was a gathering Wednesday night in front of the hall in which Goss worked.

At the protest, students discussed the events that have taken place surrounding Goss’ termination and sang modified lyrics to The Beatles’ “Let it Be” that were meant to show support and respect for Goss.

“I’m upset about it. I, like most of the people here, don’t feel that he should have been relieved of his duties as CL. I feel that he was doing an excellent job, far better than he could have expected to have done,” Covington, La., junior Preston Morton said at the protest.

“This (protest) just reflects how close of a community we are. He’s been such a cornerstone of the HRC; he knows everybody’s name, he really steps out and makes the HRC what it is and so when we lost Jeremy we really lost a big part of the HRC.”

Yancey spoke to those in attendance and explained what had happened to Goss. He asked that they reach out to various administrators and let their frustration be known.

“He was promoted to senior CL this year. If there was a consistent issue in his character, in his personality, in his nature, that has been showing up for so long because there’s all this documentation about how flawed he’s been in communication, why was he promoted to senior CL this year?” Yancey asked. “Why was he kept on and why are we in November when something like this happens? Something doesn’t ring right there.”



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Dr. Roger V. Gonzalez, founder and executive director of LeTourneau Engineering Global Solutions, holds a prosthetic kneecap at a lecture Wednesday in Rogers Engineering and Computer Science Building.

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major rides a bus to the border, walks across the bridge over the Rio Grande, then hops another bus to campus, a process that takes 45 minutes and would be longer if Tarango did not use the faster-moving immigration lines for Americans. Students who drive across the border daily say they often must endure lines of an hour or more.

Tarango was mugged outside his family’s home last year but still says he’d rather reside in Juarez than El Paso. Even the deaths of Diaz and Acosta haven’t changed his mind.

“If you aren’t caught up in bad things, you’ll be OK,” Tarango said. “Of course, they weren’t doing anything wrong. But it was just their destiny, their bad luck.”

Acosta, 25, had been on pace to graduate in May with a computer information systems degree from the College of Business Administration. Diaz, 23, had just declared his major — international business — and dreamed of becoming a Fortune 500 CEO.

On Monday, students gathered for a campus memorial service, some wearing black and others just happening by in jeans and Texas Longhorns T-shirts. Even casual observers fought back tears.

Diaz’s father, Armando Diaz Marinelarena, said he had urged his son to leave Juarez — to go to school in San Antonio, where he had a sister, or Las Cruces, New Mexico, with his brother.

Some Americans in El Paso are making fewer trips south because of the violence. Crista Arteaga, a

19-year-old UTEP nursing student, lived in both Juarez and Texas until two years ago, when she started returning to Mexico only on weekends.

“They’ve started killing people who aren’t to blame, who have nothing to do with drug dealers,” she said. “It’s almost like you hear nothing but gunshots in Juarez.”

Ricardo Blazquez, director of UTEP’s Center for Inter-American and Border Studies, lives in El Paso but visits friends in Juarez every weekend. He’s not ready to let go of his cross-border heritage.

“Many of us are not prepared to do that, no matter what,” Blazquez said. He added, however, that walking the streets of Juarez today, “there seems to be a numbing silence, a numbing silence that is very unnatural.”

Americans killed in Mexico have tended to be people who cross back and forth regularly. Some were with Mexican friends or relatives who were the targets. Others were hit by stray bullets.

Other Americans may have been specifically targeted. U.S. consular employee Lesley A. Enriquez and her husband, Arthur H. Redelfs, were shot and killed in their car on a Juarez street in March, after leaving a children’s birthday party. Suspects later told investigators that a drug gang known as Azteca ordered the killings, claiming Enriquez helped rival gang members get visas. Investigators deny that Enriquez was involved with drug smugglers, however.

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thetics device overseas. A jig set case is \$1,200 and can make 1,000 knees without having to replace the components.

When Gonzalez’s students go overseas to help train those at the global training centers, they must demonstrate competence in the workings of the prostheses in order to explain them to locals in places such as Kenya, Bangladesh, Senegal, Bolivia and Haiti, where LEGS is partnering with local hospitals and charities.

Biomedical engineering graduate student Joel White attended the lecture because he is interested in prosthetics and development of products for the Third World.

“It’s encouraging to see people actually taking things the step forward from developing, and actually helping with amputees and corresponding with other worldwide groups who are also working there already,” White said.

LEGS defeats the language barrier when providing biomedical engineering solutions to developing countries by hosting a website written in five languages and distributing a manufacturing guide that

uses only numbers and pictures.

“We studied IKEA manuals before we developed our wordless manufacturing guide,” Gonzalez said.

“We used it to teach elementary kids in the U.S. how to make them, and they did it.”

Another obstacle that LEGS faces in providing such low-cost technology to Third World countries is the cosmetics of the prostheses.

“What it looks like is more important than what it does,” Gonzalez said. “In most of the developing world, if you don’t look normal you aren’t normal, and no matter how good it works they won’t wear it.”

The team has adapted a British discovery to use silicone to coat a cast and dye it whatever skin color necessary to create a water-resistant, lifelike prosthetic limb.

Following the lecture, Gonzalez said he hoped the engineering students understood that they can develop a great technology, but if they don’t consider all the pieces that must work together to make it successful, then it’s not going to have an impact.

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raderie of his Army experience and said the loss of his friends felt like the loss of his family.

“We are all like brothers. We all get to know each other, our backgrounds, where we come from, and we meet each other’s families,” Elkins said. “And from years of being together we just grow together and become close knit, and if something happens to one it’s like family. I have friends that I lost during that period.”

Elkins served a six-month tour in Kuwait, departing in January and arriving in the United States in July, and he brought home symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder as well as lung problems from the oil fires. However, he was greeted with tears of joy when he returned home.

“We landed in New York City and couldn’t want to be greeted any better,” Elkins said. “We had people stop and cry, and when we landed in Fort Hood where we processed out, we were met by local people and our families, and they were lining the streets and applauding and clapping. It was totally awesome.”

Dr. Mike O’Bric, a veteran who served in the Marine Corps as a Marine Corps Mustang, is coordinating a Veterans Day Parade, which will be held at 11 a.m. today. The parade is sponsored by the McLennan County Veterans Association. O’Bric said the parade, which begins at 13th Street and Austin Avenue, is held each year to honor veterans and will particularly honor the Navy this year, such as Navy Chief Cliff Teer, named parade marshal,

and Navy Seabee Earl Tabor, named honor marshal, both World War II veterans.

Teer was aboard a destroyer when the attack of Pearl Harbor occurred, and his ship was in the first battles against the imperial Japanese navy.

As a Seabee, Tabor went in early with assaults to help set up the landing of additional troops, O’Bric said. He was aboard ship in support of five Marine Corps invasions of Guadalcanal to Okinawa.

Both Teer and Tabor are in their early 90s.

Along with these veterans, 139 units and 3,500 people will participate in this year’s parade. Floats from organizations such as Daughters of the American Revolution, Colonial Dames of the 17th Century and Mayflower Descendants, as well as marching bands, will also walk in the parade.

The American Legion Post 121 will also feature a float in the parade, said commander Robert Vaughan of the American Legion Post 121.

“We will have members riding on the float; most of our veterans will be on it,” Vaughan said.

O’Bric said he hopes the public will attend the parade to support local veterans.

“I don’t know how to say it, but we appreciate the heart of Texas and their support of veterans and our parade. It’s tremendous,” O’Bric said. “When you think of 3,500 adults and youth in this parade, that is an amazing turnout and support.”

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