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The place to go to know the places to go

BU vs. Houston

Baylor women's tennis will face Houston at 3:30 p.m. today in the Baylor Tennis Center.

Get your Sing tickets

Tickets are on sale for All-University Sing at the Bill Daniel Student Center ticket office. Students must bring their student ID; limit four per student. Tickets go on sale to the public at 9 a.m. today. For additional information, call 254-710-3210 or visit www.baylor.edu/StudentProductions.

BY DANIEL C. HOUSTON
REPORTER

Students attending Baylor and other private colleges and universities could stand to lose up to 41 percent of state grant and work-study program funding, according to a recommendation by the Texas Legislative Budget Board.

The proposed budget includes an \$87.4 million cutback in tuition equalization grants, which are need-based scholarships given to students who attend private

institutions of higher education. State work-study funding would be cut by \$6.1 million, leaving \$8.9 million in subsidies for part-time student jobs at public and private institutions across the state.

"It's an extensive document, more than 900 pages long," Lori Fogelman, director of media communications, said. "We are still reviewing the document and will be for quite some time to identify areas that impact Baylor. At this time, we don't know the specific impact of proposed reductions in

funding. In the course of a legislative session, a bill will evolve from January to May, but we will continue to study the bill to determine how it will impact our students."

Even though all of the ramifications of the proposed budget cuts are still being explored, Fogelman stressed the importance of the tuition equalization grants.

"What we do know is that the TEG is a very important program for students who have financial need and desire to attend Baylor,"

Fogelman said. "More than 3,200 Baylor students received the TEG award this year. Awards vary due to need, but the maximum award is \$5,712. So it's an important program that benefits our students."

These cuts have been proposed within the broader context of a \$156.4 billion operating budget for the 2012-2013 fiscal period. This represents "\$31.1 billion, or 16.6 percent, decrease," according to the official summary of the board's proposal.

Gov. Rick Perry, recently elect-

ed to his third full term of office, called for addressing the anticipated budget deficit without raising taxes Tuesday in his inaugural address.

"We must cut spending to keep our economic engine on track," Perry said. "As legislators do the hard work of trimming agency budgets, the headlines will be dominated by impacted constituencies; but these tough times dictate government doing more

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Tuition grants at risk in proposed cuts



MAKENZIE MASON | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

One shining moment

Silsbee freshman Hannah Read plays her guitar Thursday during Acoustic Café in the Bill Daniel Student Center Den.

CFOs' success began at Baylor

BY MOLLY PACKER
REPORTER

Out of 10 people named Dallas Business Journal's "Best CFO of the Year," two winners had one thing in common: a degree from Baylor.

Temple Weiss, a 1994 alumnus and chief financial officer of La-Quinta Inn and Suites, and Kellie Fischer, a 1995 alumna and chief



Weiss Fischer

financial officer of the Texas Rangers, both graduated with degrees in business. Weiss and Fischer credited their Baylor education for their

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Giffords to enter Houston rehabilitation hospital



ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords is expected to be moved today to Houston's TIRR Memorial Hermann Rehabilitation Hospital to begin the next phase of her recovery from a gunshot wound.

BY MARILYN MARCHIONE
AND SUSAN MONTOYA BRYAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TUCSON, Ariz. — Doctors prepared Gabrielle Giffords and her family on Thursday to leave behind the Arizona hospital where she dazzled them with her rapid recovery so she can get on with an even more arduous task: getting life back to normal.

Her husband said he's hoping she'll make a full recovery, calling her "a fighter like nobody else that I know."

The doctors who will help her at a Houston rehab center offered a more sober outlook.

"Not everyone always gets 100 percent restoration, but we help them to get to a new normal," said Carl Josehart, chief executive of the

rehab hospital that will be the Arizona congresswoman's home for the next month or two.

Giffords is recovering from a bullet wound to the brain. In her last medical update at University Medical Center in Tucson, doc-

tors said she has scrolled through an iPad, has picked out different colored objects and has moved her lips.

Giffords are unsure whether she is mouthing words, nor do they know how much she is able to see. Her husband, Houston-based astronaut Mark Kelly,

believes she has made attempts to speak and can recognize those around her.

"I can just look in her eyes and tell," Kelly said at a final briefing at the Tucson hospital. "She is very aware of the situation."

Giffords is expected to be moved today, traveling by ambulance to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base with an escort from a group of motorcycle riders from a Veterans of Foreign Wars post who know her.

Kelly; her mother, Gloria Giffords; trauma surgeon Dr. Peter Rhee, an intensive care unit nurse and Giffords' chief of staff will be among those on the medical flight to William P. Hobby Airport in Houston.

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Giffords

Programs allow BU students to tutor, encourage others

BY ARIADNE ABERIN
STAFF WRITER

About 33 percent of Texas high school freshmen will fail to graduate with their high school diploma, according to a study done by the Alliance for Excellent Education. Several programs in Waco aim to reduce this percentage, and hopefully eradicate it.

Communities in Schools is a dropout prevention program that focuses on keeping kids in school. The program works with students ages 4 to 17.

"The tutors mainly provide homework help, but they also can bring their own material," Mur-

phy said.

There is much collaboration between the teachers and the tutors as well. Communities in Schools has about 60 tutors who tutor students in Waco ISD and La Vega ISD. Many of the tutors are Baylor students. Tutoring for the Communities in Schools program counts as work study for Baylor students, and Baylor has a partner program with Communities in Schools called Baylor Buddies.

Through the Baylor Buddies program, Baylor students have an opportunity to mentor stu-

dents in the Waco ISD. Mentors will meet with a student for one hour once a week at the student's school and participate in monthly events on the Baylor campus or in the community with their fellow Baylor buddies.

"The students responded very well to the program," Stacey Kerr, in charge of recruitment for Communities in Schools, said. "College-aged students are able to relate to the students very well, especially the high school students, because it hasn't been that long since the college students were their age."

Murphy said having the high school students work with college students has also helped the students realize the importance of a college education, which is one of the program's main goals.

The program, although primarily an academic enhancement program, also has social workers at the various schools they work with who act as case managers on the campus.

Murphy said that generally, social workers with the program carry a caseload of 140 students. The social workers mainly work

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A Step Backward

An article from Publisher's Weekly reported earlier this month that a university professor and a book publisher have agreed to edit and print a revised version of Mark Twain's classic novel, "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn."

Dr. Alan Gribben, a Twain scholar and head of the English department for Auburn University at Montgomery, has removed the n-word and "Injun" from the novel and replaced them with the words "slave" and "Indian."

Gribben said general audiences and school age readers should be able to enjoy Huckleberry Finn without worrying about the barrier formed by racist language such as the n-word.

Gribben's revision may be understood as a means of reintroducing one of America's most frequently banned books into the school system, but the new edit alters the novel's meaning and dilutes Twain's intended lessons on equality.

"Huckleberry Finn," set a few decades before the Civil War, is written as a narrative about the unusual adventures of a runaway boy and an escaped slave. The work includes both entertainment and humor, but Twain had an alternative and deeper meaning behind the Southern tale. "Huckleberry Finn" develops a friendship between two characters of differing races that are seen as unequal. Twain's portrayal of inequality was heightened by the language of the era, including the use of the n-word.

The novel works to illustrate a friendship between boys of differing races.

Based on his literature and personal letters, Twain wasn't a racist. It is important to recognize that Twain's choice of language was a deliberate



attempt to teach his readers the values of humanity. In the original novel, Twain's strong language makes an immediate impact and shines an unforgiving light on the flaws of racism. Gribben's edited version significantly diminishes Huckleberry Finn's impact and reduces a carefully written classic to a simple adventure book.

Gribben does offer a positive

change with his alternate version.

With the new edits Twain's classic may be taken off the ban list and studied more widely among students, thereby exposing more people to the classics of American literature and the lessons that Twain was striving to teach.

While we understand the complexities of allowing students to read

novels with racist language, it is still no excuse to change the original work.

Teachers looking to teach "Huckleberry Finn" should explain to students why Twain included hateful speech in his novel. Replacing the word does not — as many supporters of the censorship argue — help the students.

The only people who are helped by this degrading move are teachers

looking for the easiest way to teach the novel.

The alteration blurs a part of American history that many consider shameful. Replacing a word in an attempt to shield younger generations from the hardened truth of history does not benefit our future but rather hinders it.

If we continue to censor, eventually the history that has shaped us disappears. If that happens, what will future generations have to ensure we do not repeat past mistakes? "Huckleberry Finn" presents a starting point for the progress of America's acceptance of different cultures and individuals.

The edit obscures society's significant progress into the modern age. Nevertheless, while the issue of "Huckleberry Finn" may simply seem to be passing news, the topic raises questions of censorship and how far some are willing to go in order to protect the public from controversial messages.

Although censorship is beneficial in matters of confidentiality and other special situations, it walks upon the fine line of the First Amendment and freedom of speech.

Gribben's censorship of Twain's work may be seen as a censorship of Twain himself, which infringes upon his rights of free speech — albeit many years after his death.

Gribben and publishing company, NewSouth Books, may fulfill their goal to introduce more young Americans to classic literature through this new addition to the literary world.

But the end may not be worth the means, as Twain's vision for true equality will be indistinguishable from the simple demands of political correctness. Instead of fundamentally altering the classic, teachers should wait until students are at an appropriate age to learn, in its entirety, the true worth of Twain's novel.

The buck stops where?

Authors investigate if higher education is worth the rising costs

By CLAUDIA DREIFUS AND ANDREW HACKER
MCT NEWS

As Andrew Hacker and I began researching our book, "Higher Education?" we were struck by how few questions parents raised when considering the quarter-of-a-million-dollar investment that four years at a private college or university could cost them.

This was, probably, the second-most-expensive purchase they'd make in their lifetimes; yet many decisions seemed to be based on the familiarity of the brand name or the attractiveness of a campus.

After three years of researching our book, these are the questions we'd ask, if we had a high-school student at home:

Does the college make undergraduate teaching its first priority?

Schools like Harvard and Stanford have almost twice as many graduate students as they do undergraduates, and it's the graduate students that command most of the professors' time and attention.

Is the college overrun by administrators?

Yale has 1,050 full-time faculty members and an additional 7,013 people in nonacademic

jobs. So ask: Is it primarily a college, or is it a multiversity festooned with extraneous functions?

Will professors actually be there?

During a recent year at Williams College, a third of its professors were away on leave. Your daughter may find that her senior thesis supervisor is on sabbatical in Bologna.

What's the president's salary?

Increasingly, it's nearing or more than \$1 million. This is a good index of whether a school has chosen a corporate model. Decide whether the person at the top looks and sounds like an educator.

Who teaches the freshman class?

It may be a star professor (but the odds are against it). But at most name universities your son will be in the 26th row, with a fledgling graduate student handling the discussion section.

How much emphasis is on athletics?

Small Birmingham-Southern College has a 90-man football squad, supervised by eight paid coaches, while its history department makes do with five professors. Its softball team plays 34 games in a 10-week season, half of them away, leading to missed

classes. Does the financial-aid office level with you?

Today, what's called aid is usually a discount on the sticker price or, more likely, a loan. Does the college spell out what the actual interest charges will be, what happens if payments are deferred, and how old your children will be when their debts are finally paid off?

Does prestige pay off?

Some parents (even if not you) want their offspring to be successes in life. Hence, they aspire to a college with name recognition. But ask for evidence: Do Dartmouth and Duke degrees really loft you to the top? In our book, we looked at the long-term achievements of one Princeton class. In fact, you can get a fine education at a public university; in fact, even better than at many elite schools. Arizona State University, for example, has excellent "honors colleges" on its mega-campus.

But you have to look for such options. Otherwise, you will join 623 fellow freshmen in Biology 101 at Ohio State, or 578 sophomores in Economics 201 at Michigan State, where your exams will be graded by computers and you will squint at your professor from the 29th row.

Nor are public universities as open as they once were. At the University of Colorado, fully a third of its students come from out of state, and are willing to pay \$29,493 for tuition, over three times the in-state tab. At the University of Virginia, preference is given to out-of-staters who pay \$32,902, so many local students must settle for lower-profile branches.

Even so, our public colleges still make a degree possible at a relatively modest cost.

After so many years of researching this American Way of Higher Education, we've come to believe that when parents are selecting a college for Jennifer or Jason, their primary target should be a school that permits their child to graduate debt-free. That means thinking creatively and forgoing dreams of luxury or prestige. Instead, parents might consider the honors college at their in-state public university, or the first two years at a community college, many of which are staffed by dedicated professors who like teaching.

Claudia Dreifus and Andrew Hacker are the co-authors of "Higher Education? How Colleges Are Wasting Our Money and Failing Our Kids — and What We Can Do About It."

Letters to the editor

Incomplete Coverage

I am writing in regard to the recent article on Baylor's Community Garden in the Jan. 19 edition of The Lariat.

Unfortunately, while the Graduate School was recognized in the program as one of the key supporters of the garden, the Lariat article failed to make any mention of the Graduate School's involvement or to include the Graduate School's representative in the picture accompanying the article.

The Graduate School is one of the key proponents of the Community Garden. The Graduate School's approval for the use of the lot at Ninth and James provided a space for the Community Garden to become a reality rather than just a good idea. Moreover, graduate students will play an intimate role in the garden as five beds, fully 1/3 of the garden's arable space, will be maintained by graduate students from the Browning Square Graduate Student Housing Community who will donate a portion of the food they grow to Campus Kitchen.

The Graduate School is excited about its important role in the Baylor Community Garden and looks forward to its close collaboration with other campus groups and the larger Waco community as we all work together toward a successful, sustainable garden.

— John C. Moore
Doctoral candidate, English

Letters

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Professor named to accounting editorial board

BY SARA TIRRITO
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Gia Chevis, Baylor assistant professor of accounting, was recently named to the editorial board of *Issues in Accounting Education*, joining two other Baylor professors who are currently on the board.

Issues in Accounting Education is an international journal published by the American Accounting Association and is considered the premier journal on accounting education.

Editorial board members review and provide feedback on multiple manuscripts each year that are submitted to the journal for possible publication.

Dr. Laurie Burney, Baylor associate professor of accounting, Dr. Brett Wilkinson, Baylor associate professor, and Roderick L. Holmes, chair of accountancy, are also members of the board.

Members are often chosen based on recommendations and typically need to meet two criteria: they need to have done research in accounting education and have shown a genuine interest in teaching. Dr. Bill Pasewark, editor of the journal, said.

"That's why there's a lot of Baylor people on there. [Baylor] has a

demonstrated interest in teaching students," Pasewark said. "It's easy to find good teachers at Baylor as compared to other schools. There are plenty of other people at Baylor who would be qualified to do this too, but I found three good ones and I'm happy with them."

Chevis said she was honored to be chosen to join the editorial board and to be able to help get new information out to other professors.

"There are two major parts to our job as professors: research and education, and research into education is an important way that we improve what we do, an important way that we improve how we interact with students and help students learn," Chevis said. "And to be part of the premier journal in this country in playing a role in helping to get that information out to educators to help them do their job better is an honor for me."

Giving others feedback could also help her in her own research and writing, Chevis said.

"This is the first opportunity I've had to really be on the reviewer side of it to see what people send in and to have to construct feedback that's useful to that author," Chevis said. "It's my first time on that side of the desk, so I hope it will make



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Dr. Gia Chevis was named to the editorial board of *Issues in Accounting Education*, an international journal published by the American Accounting Association.

me a better researcher, a better submitter of papers."

Although the board members are not paid for their work, Burney said reviewing others' research helps her to stay up-to-date on the latest ideas and approaches to teaching.

"For us, it's service to the profession, but it's also a way to stay current and exposed to new ideas in education," Burney said.

Dr. Charles Davis, Baylor chair and Walter Plumhoff professor of accounting, said having Baylor professors on the board increases both their own academic reputations and the reputation of the university, and also allows them to see research before it becomes dated. Davis has also served on the *Issues in Accounting Education* editorial board in the past.

"Being on the review board and

seeing these things as they're coming out for review, you get to see the latest research before others are reading it," Davis said. "So it sort of keeps you on your toes and keeps you up on what the latest thinking is in the area."

Other members of the Baylor accounting department who serve on editorial review boards include Davis, who serves for Strategic Finance and Management Accounting Quarterly; Dr. Michael Robinson, professor of accounting, who serves for IMA Education Case Journal; and Dr. Marty Stuebs, assistant professor of accounting, who serves for Research on Professional Responsibility and Ethics in Accounting.

Dr. Bill Thomas, professor of accounting, works with Today's CPA as the technical editor and accounting and auditing Editor.

Student Senate seeks involvement from fellow Bears

By WILL DEWITT
REPORTER

As the semester starts, Student Government is searching for students to fill vacancies in the Senate.

There are three vacancies in the freshman senator representation and 30 percent of the sophomore class representation is vacant.

Student government members see the open spots as an opportunity to gain new voices in debates that cover student life.

Oklahoma City senior Luke Womble, student government communications director, encourages student leaders to be involved in campus government, especially those interested in serving their fellow peers.

Members of the student government say they are rewarded by the experience.

"I benefit from it personally knowing that I'm benefiting others and I think that that's the key in this organization. We're here not for ourselves but for representing others," Falls City junior Michael Lyssy, Senate president, said. "It's for people that are motivated and driven to help others and make the university a better place."

Student senators work throughout the week, meeting with administrators, commit-

tees and students to decide what needs to be addressed by the student government.

Lyssy said senators serve in 9 different weekly committee meetings.

"It's time consuming, but it is beneficial to the senators and the students they represent," Lyssy said.

Some of the duties of student government include allocating funds for student organizations and being a liaison between administration and the Baylor Board of Regents and the student body.

"It's behind the scenes work but it affects students more than they realize," Womble said.

Senate took steps to fill openings in student government in its Thursday meeting by affirming two seniors into senator vacancies as well as appointing a Court Associated Justice.

In their meeting they also brought several issues into first reading, which included a bill to define campaign workers, which will go into second reading next week.

Students can download an application to become a senator by visiting the Get Involved section of the student government website: <http://www.baylor.edu/sg>.

Applications should be turned in before 5 p.m. today in the student government office.

NASA approves new space shuttle launch before receiving funds

By SETH BORENSTEIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — NASA doesn't know yet where it will get the money, but on Thursday the space agency officially added another space shuttle launch to its schedule — the final one for the fleet.

The space agency set a target launch date of June 28 for shuttle Atlantis and started preparations for the 135th and last shuttle flight.

The four-member crew will take up supplies to the International Space Station and return a faulty pump

that has bedeviled engineers.

Now three missions remain before NASA retires its shuttle fleet this year. Shuttle Discovery's last mission is slated for Feb. 24, Endeavour's in April.

Thursday's move allows different parts of the shuttle program to start work on Atlantis' 12-day flight, including astronaut training and mission planning, NASA spokesman Michael Curie said. Originally, Atlantis was planned as an emergency-only rescue mission if needed for the Endeavour crew.

Last year, the Obama administration and Congress clashed over the future of the human space program

and came up with a compromise that authorized one extra flight of the shuttle — the Atlantis mission. But Congress never gave NASA the few hundred million dollars needed for the extra flight. That left NASA in a quandary about whether the flight was real or not.

The initial money is coming from the space shuttle program's regular budget, but that is not the big dollar amounts needed for a shuttle flight, Curie said.

"We're optimistic that the funding will be there," Curie said, but he couldn't give details about where the money will come from.

NASA was under the gun to start preparations.

Otherwise, the Atlantis mission wouldn't have been able to launch in late June, Curie said.

The final flight will be commanded by Christopher Ferguson and includes Douglas Hurley, Sandra Magnus and Rex Walheim.

The extra flight means that Mark Kelly — the husband of wounded U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords — will not command the final shuttle flight even if he stays on the Endeavour mission.

With his wife's expected long rehabilitation, Kelly asked for a backup commander to be named in case he couldn't fly as scheduled in April.

Searchers work to keep hope alive in finding missing teen

By BETSY BLANEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLORADO CITY — Volunteers searching for a missing Texas teenager trekked through fields covered with shrubs and small trees on Thursday and retraced steps already taken by police, looking for any clues that could help find the girl who was last seen more than three weeks ago.

Some volunteers said hope was fading that Hailey Darlene Dunn would be found unharmed.

"Part of me hopes we don't find her and part of me hopes we do," volunteer Kevin Bowman said as he wiped away tears. "Statistically speaking it does not get any better as time goes on."

Bowman, a father of three, and his brother joined about 20 others to look for Hailey, a middle school cheerleader who was reported missing more than three weeks ago in Colorado City, located about 240 miles west of Dallas. Wearing yellow vests, the volunteers broke off into small groups to scour an open field that police had previously searched.

Hailey was reported missing Dec. 28 by her mother, Billie Dunn, whose former live-in boyfriend, Shawn Adkins, said he last saw the girl a day earlier when she told him she was going to her father's nearby home and would stay overnight with a friend. She did neither. Billie Dunn said she last saw Hailey at the night of Dec. 26.

Investigation spokesman Pete Kampfer, the town's city manager and a former FBI agent who is speaking for authorities, said police on Thursday searched empty buildings in the area and several landfills, including the one in Mitchell County.

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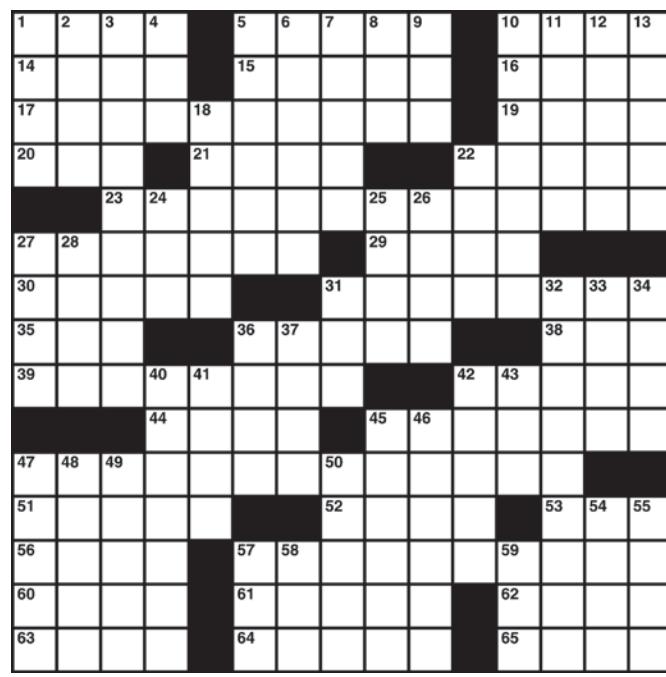
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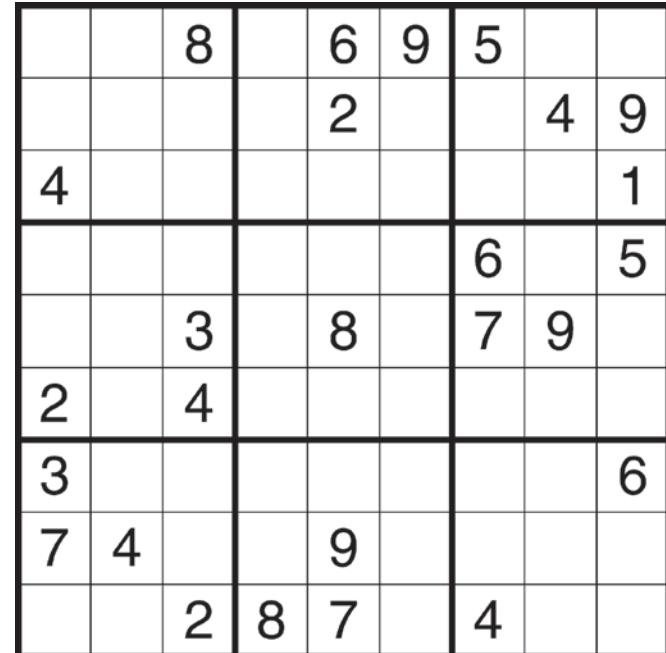
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THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES, By The Mepham Group



DINE ON THE BANKS OF THE BRAZOS!



New art show is 'lackluster and trite'

By LIZ HITCHCOCK
REPORTER

Martin Museum of Art opened a new show on Tuesday, showcasing four very different professional artists.

ART | REVIEW

In the first gallery, the ceramic works of Phillip Ahnen are being shown. The series is composed of sculptures made from wood-fired stoneware representing the "period prior to planned obsolescence," according to Ahnen's artist statement.

Most of the pieces Ahnen presents are flat, rectangular objects, basket-like forms or sculptures

that resemble watering cans. Layered glaze covers every piece with neutral, earth hues.

Apart from the pieces that have been hung on the wall, it seems that if you have seen one, you really have seen them all. The found-object that looks like gauges are the only thing that stands out from the group. Moreover, the rectangle self-portrait is so distant from an actual portrait that it may leave the viewer lost in translation.

In the second gallery, there is an opportunity to view three other artists, each representing a different genre of printmaking.

Andrew DaCaens' work makes a strong commentary on eating habits and his artist statement said that his work was based around "eating and other rituals surround-

ing food."

DaCaens' work has a pop art feel with solid colors and a minimalist appeal. Both sculpture and monotypes are displayed, and the subjects of the pieces are anywhere from juice boxes to cafeteria trays.

One of the pieces that conveys his goals most clearly is "Family Sized Pop," a sculpture that portrays a movie style popcorn bag with a silhouette of a family printed on the outside.

In another series, Kent Rush illuminates the differences between man-made objects and nature. Using collotype prints, Rush depicts pictures of trees, brush, stones and concrete. The compositions give the prints a feeling of minimalism and the skewed faces bring an abstract view on human feelings.

Not only is each piece unique, but they all use elements of design effectively. The use of negative space gives the prints a feeling of minimalism and the skewed faces bring an abstract view on human feelings.

Saving the best for last, Dennis Olsen's intaglio prints are the most interesting of the show, by far.

Olsen's series showed human emotions through an array of abstracted and deformed faces. Using only lines, dots and patterns, Olsen captures each facial expression accurately.

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Overall, if you are interested in lackluster and trite artwork, stop by and take your time, but if not, I would simply bypass everything but Olsen's work. The show will be up until Feb. 26.

2011 is likely to be the year of Michael Kors

By BOOTH MOORE
LOS ANGELES TIMES

LOS ANGELES — Having dinner with Michael Kors is like having dinner with Auntie Mame. When you sit down with him, you know nobody is going to be at a loss for words or laughs.

Over hamburgers and vodkas a few nights before his spring runway show last September, he was full of quotable quotes.

On his spring collection: "It's all about the anti-stiletto and the anti-tight dress. I can't stand to see one more warrior" woman.

His favorite getaway: "We've gone to Big Sur three times in the last year and a half. For as much of a city boy as I am, nothing beats nature and luxury combined. We get no reception!"

And his dream designer collaboration: "I want a deal with In-N-Out Burger — to do a special sauce or a wrapper. I'm horseradish-obsessed!"

It's shaping up to be quite a year for Kors, who is celebrating the 30th anniversary of his business. Although the recession has caused many designers to scale back, Kors is in expansion mode. By the end of 2011, he expects to have 200 of his own boutiques worldwide, including his first in Paris, on Rue du Faubourg Saint-Honore, in addition to the 1,000 department and specialty stores that already sell his clothing and accessories. And his company is on track to hit \$1 billion in sales.

Then there's "Project Runway," which will start shooting its ninth season soon.

The reality TV show has exposed Kors to a different kind of

audience, and made him a household name thanks to his clever critiques of contestant designs.

Kors is the show's pragmatist, concerned always with what real women will really wear. (The battle lines were drawn in the finale of Season 8 when he snubbed fan favorite Mondo Guerra in favor of Gretchen Jones and her more commercial look, leading to uproar on the Web.)

Kors' clothes have a similar no-nonsense appeal: the thickest of cashmere sweaters, great-fitting tropical wool trousers, double-face wool shift dresses that skim but don't cling. Even when his imagination takes him from the Upper East Side to Capri to Santa Fe, his designs never veer far off course.

It's the designer's ability to stay rooted in reality that has made him so successful, according to Ken Downing, the fashion director of Neiman Marcus, who calls Kors "the ultimate fashion maestro."

"If you learn anything in life," Kors says, "it's what works. And I've been around long enough that I don't feel totally obnoxious using myself as an adjective."

So what is Michael Kors? "I like hot weather clothes mixed with cold weather clothes. A big camel turtleneck over shorts, beaded pants worn with a casual top and gold jewelry with a bathing suit," he says. "It's the balance of someone who is feminine but sporty, sexy but laid back — the diva next door."

He might have gone into show business had he not been "the rare species of gay man who can't sing and dance."

Instead, he built a fashion business in the image of the moneyed



Michael Kors makes an appearance after his Fall 2007 runway show at Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week Feb. 7, 2007 in Manhattan, New York.

set, from the Park Avenue princesses of the East Coast to the paparazzi princesses of the West Coast. Over dinner, he tells anecdotes about the Olsen twins, Nicole Richie, Blaine Trump and cosmetic executive Aerin Lauder. He's dressed them all, and everyone who's anyone, really, including the most wanted fashion celebrity in the universe, First Lady Michelle Obama — and not just once, but more than 30 times.

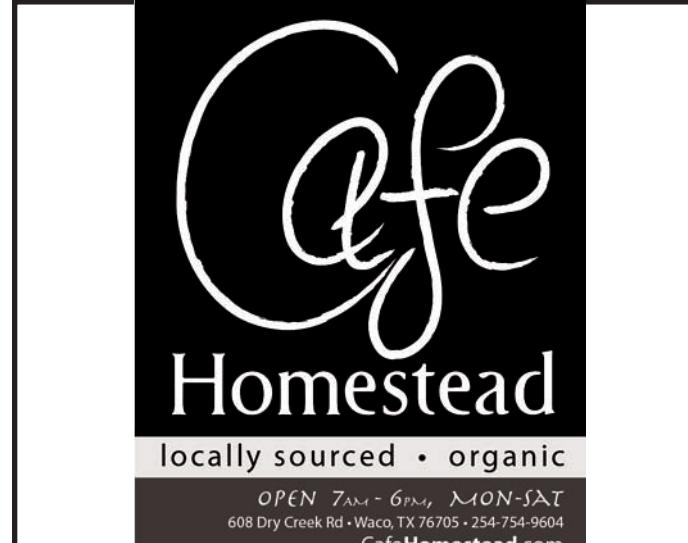
What he won't do is pander to the awards show set, so don't count on seeing Michael Kors on the red carpet at this year's Golden Globes. "If it's a client of ours, or someone I'm intrigued by, then collaboration is great. But we're never going to have rolling racks with ball gowns all over town. That's not who we are."

These days, he's just as happy to dress the women of Omaha and Indianapolis, and make them feel

like celebrities in their own lives. Between the \$18,000 lynx fur vest in his high-end runway collection, and the \$130 faux-fur vest in his more affordable MICHAEL Michael Kors line, he's got both jet set and coach class covered.

"Initially, my clothes couldn't be expensive enough," he says. That attitude began to change in the early 1990s when he licensed a collection called Kors, which was priced too high for what was supposed to be an affordable luxury line and ultimately was discontinued.

When he launched MICHAEL Michael Kors in 2004, the collection was under his control, instead of a licensee's, with prices in the sweet spot between \$79 and \$800. It was the same year he debuted as a judge on "Project Runway." The timing couldn't have been better. Fashion became more accessible, and Kors became a financial success.



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No. 1 sophomore Kimetria Hayden maintains control of the ball during the game against Oklahoma State University Saturday at the Ferrell Center. The Lady Bears overwhelmed the Cowgirls in a 70-39 rout.

Top-ranked women to battle Raiders

BY MATT LARSEN
SPORTS WRITER

After a 76-37 win over Kansas in which "dominance" just rolled off the tongue, the No. 1 Lady Bears look to carry over pretty much everything when they return home to face Texas Tech at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

"It was one of those nights where you want to bottle it up and hang on to it," head coach Kim Mulkey said. "That basketball team that I got to coach [Wednesday] night was special."

One of the aspects they will look to carry over will be rebounding. The Lady Bears outrebounded the Jayhawks 55-25 and sit atop the conference in rebound margin with a +11.5 mark.

The Red Raiders (16-2, 3-1) follow closely behind, however, outrebounding their opponents by an average of 10.1 a game. Baylor and Tech are the only two squads in the Big 12 that outrebound their opponents by double-digit margins.

Though the Red Raiders come off their first conference loss, falling 71-61 to Oklahoma in Norman, fifth-year head coach Kristy Curry has her squad off to its best start yet.

"Kristy has her own recruits in there now, and they're becoming more comfortable with her," Mulkey said. "She's got some players that she didn't have last year that are making her better."

One of the newcomers and biggest contributors has been se-

nior post Teena Wickett. Wickett transferred from Pepperdine and regained eligibility in time for her senior season.

"They'll only have her for a year, but she's an impact for them," Mulkey said.

Wickett joins junior post Kierra Mallard to lead their team in points and rebounds. Mallard posts 13.7 points and eight boards a game while Wickett notches 10.4 points and seven boards.

Another transfer who has helped guide the Lady Raiders this season is sophomore guard Casey Morris. She adds 8.9 points a game and loves shooting the three.

Notable Numbers

Brittney Griner - 22.0 PPG, 54% FG
Odyssey Sims - 36/75 3PT (48%)
Nae-Nae Hayden - 38/44 FT (86%)
Melissa Jones - 65 assists

Morris has taken 77 shots from behind the arc this season and hit on 33.8 of them.

Mulkey made note of Morris as a newcomer picking up big minutes, though she has cooled off recently. The guard has yet to hit a three in Big 12 play.

Wickett, Mallard and Morris lead the team statistically, the Red Raider player drawing the most attention coming into the matchup is junior forward Jordan Barncastle.

The last time the two teams met in March 2010, Barncastle and Baylor sophomore post Brittney Griner

engaged in a skirmish that ended in Griner punching Barncastle in the face.

Now a co-captain, Griner and her fellow captain, senior guard Melissa Jones, believe the incident has been put behind them.

"No, you know, that was last year," Griner said.

Jones hopes the fans, too, can put the incident in the past.

"I think this game will be talked about because it's Barncastle and it's Griner," Jones said. "But again, that's old news. That's just something that was unfortunate. That's not something that Brittney's proud of, we're proud of. The fans, I can't control them all. If I did, I would tell them to appreciate the game. Don't even think about that stuff."

When it comes to the game, the Lady Bears will once again be focused on rebounding.

Junior transfer Destiny Williams joins Griner and redshirt sophomore Brooklyn Pope to form a formidable trio of post players that Mulkey believes will keep bringing down the boards.

Williams received the start at the four spot alongside Griner the past two games and Mulkey anticipates her continuing to get the start over Pope.

"I just think Brook can come into a game right now and be more relaxed instead of trying to make things happen," Mulkey said. "And, you know, she's so powerful, and when you can have a Destiny and a Brooklyn going in and out of the game, you just don't lose anything."

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Men look to rebound vs. OSU

BY CHRIS DERRETT
SPORTS EDITOR

A week after their blowout loss at home to Kansas, the Baylor men welcome Oklahoma State to the Ferrell Center at 3 p.m. Saturday.

The game gives the Bears a chance to rebound from back-to-back forgettable games, the latest being an 85-65 defeat to the Jayhawks.

Watching the scoreboard at halftime Monday night, showing a 20-point Jayhawk lead, was frustrating. Seeing it on film before a week of intense practice was even more difficult.

"It's hard, just being an athlete [and] having that will to compete, just to see us not play how we know it can play," sophomore point guard A.J. Walton said. "It hurts. We're better than that."

Head coach Scott Drew, who called a practice Tuesday instead of giving his squad the day off, said even the team's mindset was not adequate Monday night.

"We didn't meet [Kansas'] intensity level. They definitely were more intense than us, quicker to the ball, more physical than us. I think we all saw that watching film," Drew said.

The message was sent loudly and clearly to Drew's players.

"I liked it. It was one of the best practices we've had, [with] everyone just being more pumped up knowing we just got blasted by Kansas. And [we're] taking it personally, coming to practice, going hard, willing to learn," senior guard LaceDarius Dunn said.

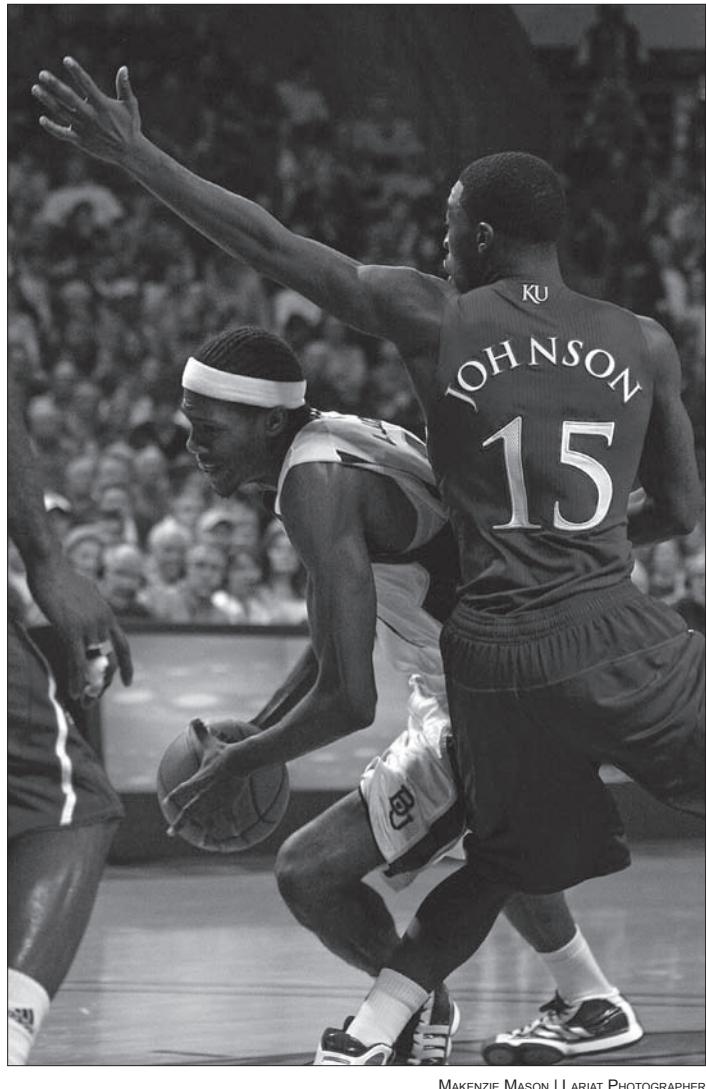
A win Saturday would keep the Bears from dipping below .500 in conference play. To get it they must go through a Cowboys team bringing many familiar faces on the court.

Both guard Keiton Page and forward Marshall Moses were instrumental to Oklahoma State's 2010 matchups with the Bears, and each returns posting similar numbers this season.

Page, a 5-foot-9 3-point specialist, is 36 percent behind the arc with 14.2 points per game. Moses does the inside work and scores 16.5 per game shooting 57 percent from the field.

Guard Ray Penn and forward Matt Pilgrim are also among the Cowboys returnees, Penn a 3-point threat from the point guard position.

Junior college transfer Jean-



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No. 41 junior Anthony Jones drives the ball around Kansas' No. 15 Elijah Johnson during Monday's game at the Ferrell Center. Baylor lost, 85-65.

Paul Olukemi scored 29 points in Oklahoma State's 96-87 overtime win over Iowa State Wednesday.

"When we play Oklahoma State, they're always a team of runs. Both teams like to get up and down the court, like to play fast. You usually get a good game and an exciting game for fans," Drew

their scheme in the game was, defending me, making me take tough shots," Dunn said.

Freshman Perry Jones III pleased the NBA scouts in attendance with 20 points. Still the potential NBA lottery pick sees room for improvement.

"Definitely be more aggressive, and be more aggressive going to the glass. Single digit rebounds is not going to cut it in the Big 12. You have to get in there and battle," Jones III said.

Jones III could find more trips to the rim and haul in more boards given the guard-oriented lineup of the Cowboys, though offensive cohesion could have less to do with the opponent and more with the Bears' decisions.

"The big difference is our assist-to-turnover ratio. We don't get as many shots as we got last year, and that's something we've all got to get better at," Drew said.

Baylor stands 11th in the conference with 0.81 assists per turnover on the season (214 to 265).

With each game the clock ticks closer to postseason play. In Saturday lies either a quality win on the Bears' tournament resume or additional disappointment.

"We have to stay focused, not get too riled and not worry too much about the little things," Dunn said.

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Chinese president lauds Chicago during first visit

By SOPHIA TAREEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Mayor Richard Daley's long effort to build ties with the world's second-largest economy seemed to pay off Thursday as Chinese President Hu Jintao arrived for his first visit to Chicago, his only stop outside Washington during this trip.

Hu was expected to focus on economic ties between China and Chicago during his whirlwind overnight visit to the city. Experts said the attention from China has been the envy of other U.S. cities and could mark a gigantic — and profitable — step forward for both parties, despite the sometimes rocky U.S.-China relationship.

"Our long range goal is to make Chicago the most China-friendly city in the U.S." Daley said during a Thursday night dinner attended by Hu, as well as Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn, top city officials and business leaders.

Many have credited Daley's efforts so far. The mayor has traveled to China four times since 2004, touting Chicago as a global transportation hub with large manufacturing and industrial sectors friendly to Chinese business.

"Chicago deserves some kudos. It's clear that he's [Daley] cultivated the China relationship and he's learned how to do that very well," said Kenneth Lieberthal, director of

the John L. Thornton China Center at the Brookings Institution.

"Mayors and governors around the country, regardless of their politics, see China as a source of potential capital, markets and jobs. So you better be ones looking to have the president of China come here."

Hu, speaking to the Thursday dinner through translator, also praised the city's efforts to build relationships through language and business.

"Despite the great distance between Chicago and China, our hearts are linked together by friendship"

Hu Jintao | President of China

"Despite the great distance between Chicago and China, our hearts are linked together by friendship," he said. He earlier congratulated Daley on his 22 years in office, calling him "the most senior mayor in America."

The retiring Democratic mayor has largely stayed away from politics in developing a relationship with China. He went to Shanghai last year to headline "Chicago Days" at the 2010 World Expo. In 2008, he went to the Beijing Olymp-

ics to look for lessons for Chicago's 2016 Summer Olympics bid. He has avoided criticizing China for human rights issues and stayed away from U.S. manufacturers' claims that China undervalues its currency to make its exports cheaper than U.S. products, contributing to high unemployment here.

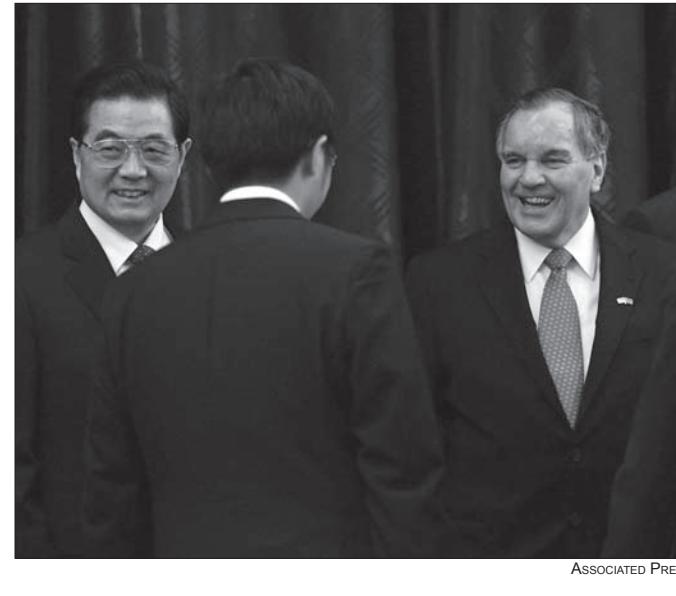
In 2006, Daley pushed for the development of the Confucius Institute in Chicago, a language and cultural center that started as a small parent-driven Chinese language program. It's now one of the largest institutes of its kind in North America; about 12,000 Chicago public school students take Chinese and the institute offers community classes and international exchanges for teachers.

While the institute doesn't have direct ties to business, leaders in Chicago's Chinatown say it helps forge a connection.

"It creates a whole generation of younger students and future leaders to understand Chinese culture and language. It will help the business transaction," said Tony Shu, president of the Chinatown Chamber of Commerce. "If you know the language, you'll find it so much easier."

Hu was expected to visit the institute on Friday, as well as a Chinese business expo in the suburbs.

City leaders say Chicago's sister cities program also has helped. Shanghai and Shenyang have been



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Chinese President Hu Jintao, left, has a laugh Thursday with Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, right, at the Hilton Chicago hotel in Chicago.

Chicago sister cities since 1985, and Daley has met mayors of both cities. He met Hu at a White House state dinner in 2006, a Daley spokeswoman said.

Tom Bartkoski, a director at World Business Chicago, also said Daley deserves much of the credit for the growing economic ties between China and Chicago.

Chicago-area businesses such as Boeing, Motorola, Abbott and Wrigley have expanded operations in China. On Wednesday, Obama announced new business deals with China worth \$45 million, includ-

ing a highly sought \$19 billion deal for 200 Boeing airplanes.

At least 40 Chinese businesses now have operations in the Chicago area, and the number is growing. For example, Wanxiang America Corp., which makes solar panels, has opened plants and a headquarters around Chicago in the last two years.

While Daley deserves much credit for Hu's visit, some experts say it also was a natural progression.

Hu visited much of the West Coast in 2006, with stops in Los

Angeles and Seattle. There's also been some precedent for Chinese presidents to see the U.S. president's hometown. In 2002, former President Jiang Zemin went to former President George W. Bush's Crawford, Texas, ranch.

Others see the Chicago visit as a bit of a surprise since the Chicago area hardly has the largest Chinese population in the U.S. Roughly 1 percent of the metro area's approximately 9.6 million people are of Chinese descent, according to the U.S. census.

Six other metro areas — New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Jose, Calif., Honolulu and Boston — have larger Chinese populations.

Aside from business, Hu's visit was expected to help increase awareness of Chicago and tourism.

"It gives us much greater visibility in China. They remember cultural icons," said Dali Yang, a political scientist and faculty director at the University of Chicago Center in Beijing. "We are at a critical turning point. This is to establish the image of Chicago as that destination in their consciousness."

An election to choose Daley's replacement is Feb. 22. Candidates include former White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel, who attended the Thursday dinner for Hu, and former U.S. Sen. Carol Moseley Braun.

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with the students who are most at-risk for not graduating, dropping out or simply failing a class. The social workers will also work with students on personal issues.

"We do a lot of supportive guidance, parental involvement and we also work with students who have academic issues, issues with home life, poverty and pregnant teens," Murphy said.

Kerr said the program was a great way for students not only to get homework help from a private tutor, it was also a way for them to

"College-aged students are able to relate to the students very well, especially high school students, because it hasn't been that long since the college students were their age."

Stacey Kerr
Communities in Schools

build up their self-esteem and learn to get the confidence they need to succeed in any endeavor.

Mentors are there for help with non-academic aspects, such as helping the students to establish healthy relationships with their peers and teaching them to be good listeners.

The mentors also assist students with issues they might have at home.

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with less."

Although Baylor's status as a private institution insulates it from broad-based cuts to the budgets of public schools like the University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University, some Baylor students who are Texas residents or National Merit Finalists may still be affected.

Carey Wallick, a law student from Rowlett, has been receiving tuition equalization grant money since his freshman year as an undergraduate at Baylor and is skeptical of the proposal to scale down

the program.

"I think it makes less people able to attend college," Wallick said. "At a certain point, there's only so much you can do outside of loans and grants and scholarships. If you hit your limit, that could be the drop-off point where you can no longer attend. So I guess my reaction would be negative; I would rather they don't cut funding."

Although Wallick has not participated in state or federal work-study programs in the past, he said he would "look negatively upon"

reducing funding for them as well.

"The more opportunities out there for funding students' education, the better," Wallick said. "From a first-person point of view, I don't have any experience with it, but I know many people who have, and they need every dollar coming in."

As of press time, Baylor's director of governmental relations, Rochonda Farmer-Neal, was not available to elaborate on whether or how Baylor would respond to the proposed budget cuts.

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success in the work force.

Although Weiss graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration, he did not start school on the business track.

"I started out studying piano and then realized that I needed a career option," Weiss said. "Piano performance probably wasn't it." After settling on business, Weiss discovered where his future success would lie.

Weiss is credited with leading the team that fixed the business habits of LaQuinta Inn and Suites in order to keep the business afloat while other hotel chains failed to survive the recent economic turmoil. Weiss said the most important part of the process was identifying the needs of the company and rearranging employees' positions to put the right people in the right spots. The team also set a new vision for future success for the company.

"We measured and monitored, measured and monitored, measured and monitored to make sure we were making progress," he said.

Fischer didn't start out studying business at Baylor, either.

"I started out as a pre-med major and switched my junior year," she said. "I was taking business classes before my junior year, though." Now Fischer is the CFO of an increasingly successful professional baseball team.

Just a few years ago, Fischer was forced to sell the Texas Rangers and file the team for bankruptcy. Her

job has certainly not been easy, but in a small period of time the Rangers have fully recovered and appeared in the 2010 World Series.

A part of the business school that both alumni agree was integral to their success is the stress placed on group work.

"Be as involved as you can with groups. The more skill you can pick up by working with groups the better off you are," Weiss advises current students. "It only helps you to handle the real world that much better." Working with a team helped Fischer heighten the success of the Texas Rangers and it also helped Weiss to recreate the fundamental ideals of LaQuinta to save the company during the economic recession.

Both Weiss' and Fischer's occupations require a great dependence on teamwork. Weiss appreciates the projects he did with other students while studying in the Hankamer School of Business.

"You don't learn as much with studying facts as you do just with your peers," Weiss said. "Take that and multiply it and it happens hundreds and thousands of times in the real world."

When times were tough for the Rangers, Fischer insists she would not have been able to do what she did without the help of fellow team members.

"I didn't do it alone," she said.

In light of these alumni and their successes, Baylor's Career Ser-

vices encourages students to drop by the Career Services Office in the Sid Richardson building for help in finding success in their own futures.

"I think that in the economy we're in, [finding a career] is still going to be different," Christie Walker, secretary at the Baylor Career Services Office, said. "If you're passionate about what you're doing, you'll be good at it."

The Career Services Office offers many different resources for job and internship searches, including Hire A Bear, job postings, career fairs and counselors.

"We have a lot of information if people just come to us. If every student just did that they would be so prepared [for a career] by the time they were a senior," Walker said.

Even though Weiss and Fischer have moved past the "Baylor bubble" and into the real world, their time in college will always be a part of who they are.

"I think the [business] ethics classes at Baylor were just phenomenal and it really prepared me for daily life," Fischer said. "I give Baylor's business school a lot of credit for what they do."

Weiss has continued with his Baylor obsession since graduation. He has season tickets for football and basketball games and has traveled back to Waco to give guest lectures to students in the business school as recently as last semester.

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From there, she will be moved by helicopter to TIRR Memorial Hermann hospital. U.S. Capitol police arrived Thursday afternoon to set up extra security measures at the 119-bed facility that is part of the massive Texas Medical Center complex.

Josehart declined to say if Giffords' family had made any special requests, saying, "she's not our patient yet."

The first three days of her stay will involve comprehensive medical and psychological evaluations so a detailed treatment plan can be developed, Josehart said.

Giffords will stay at Memorial Hermann until she no longer needs 24-hour medical care — the average is one to two months. Then she can continue getting up to five hours a day of physical and other rehab therapies on an outpatient basis, he said.

"It's hard to speculate on the trajectory or course that any one patient will have," he said.

Despite the steady progress, Giffords has a long road to recovery. Doctors are not sure what, if any, disability she will have.

Sometimes, areas of the brain that seem damaged can recover, said Mark Sherer, a neuropsychologist at the rehab center.

"Some of the tissue is temporarily dysfunctional, so the patient appears very impaired very early on after the injury," but may not be permanently damaged, he said.

Giffords' progress was evident Wednesday as she stood on her feet with assistance from medical staff.

During rehabilitation she will have to relearn how to think and plan. It's unclear if she is able to speak. And while she is moving both arms and legs, it's uncertain how much strength she has on her right side; the bullet passed through the left side of her brain, which controls the right side of the body.

The congresswoman's husband said he sees new hope for her recovery every day. "Every time we interact with her, there's something quite inspiring," he said.

Kelly predicted his wife of three years will walk back into the Arizona hospital soon, and thank everyone who took care of her.

"In two months, you'll see her walking through the front door of

this building," he said.

A gunman shot Giffords and 18 other people Jan. 8 as she met with constituents outside a grocery store in Tucson. Six people died and the others wounded. All survivors, except Giffords, have been released from hospitals.

The suspect in the attack, Jared Loughner, 22, of Tucson, is being held in federal custody.

"The last 12 days have been extraordinarily difficult for myself, my family, but not only us," Kelly said. "I think it's been very difficult for the city of Tucson, southern Arizona and our country."

"I don't think we're going to ever fully understand the why and the how and the reason for what happened," he said.

Kelly added that Giffords would be proud of the way Tucson has responded.

Memorials continued to grow Thursday outside the hospital, in front of her office and at the scene of the shooting.

"I know one of the first things Gabby is going to want to do as soon as she's able to is start writing thank you notes," he said.

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