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Baylor's men's rugby team will take on St. Edward's from 12 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the McLane Student Life Center Fields.

Brush up for tests

Students may sign up to take a free practice tests: MCAT, LSAT, GRE, DAT, PCAT, or OAT, courtesy of Delta Epsilon Iota and Kaplan. Students can register for the Feb 12 test at www.jotform.com/form/10061515596.

BU to fight concealed firearms bill



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY JED DEAN

Starr headed to Austin in support of tuition grants

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON
REPORTER

Baylor administrators will engage in "an orchestrated lobbying effort" to combat bills in the Texas Legislature that could require Baylor to allow licensed students to bring concealed weapons onto campus.

The bill, filed by Republican Rep. David Simpson, would prohibit a public university or pri-

vate or independent institution of higher education from adopting "any rule, regulation or other provision prohibiting license holders from carrying handguns on the campus of the institution," according to the bill as originally filed in the Texas Legislature's on-line database.

"I think this is an alarming situation when you have 14,000 students on a campus," said Tommy Lou Davis, vice president for constituent engagement, who oversees Baylor's department of governmental relations. "It makes no sense to me for students to be allowed even with a conceal-and-carry permit. It seems disturbing that that would be an option on

campuses across the state."

Davis hopes to convince legislators to include an opt-out clause exempting private institutions like Baylor from the bill's provisions.

"We would first like an exemption for private institutions," Davis said, "but if that does not happen, I think the wording in the bill is such that we can build a case for having control over the storage of the firearms."

Baylor President Ken Starr will travel to Austin on Tuesday to try to convince legislators to scale back proposed cuts to the Tuition

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David vs. Goliath

Web upstart battles corporate giant Facebook

Lamebook, the creation of two BU alumni, runs into legal trouble

By Liz Hitchcock
Reporter

Sometimes things are posted on Facebook that make you wonder, "Who thought it would be a good idea to say this?"

Matt Genitempo and Jonathan Standerfer, Baylor alumni, saw the potential to profit from, and have a good laugh at, the most ridiculous Facebook content. So they created the Facebook parody website Lamebook.

"We started Lamebook a little [after meeting], and after a few months of doing that it got so popular that we were able to quit our jobs at the offices and do that full time," said Genitempo, who graduated in 2007 with a degree in graphic design. "That brought a lot of other different design opportunities for both of us."

While Genitempo and Standerfer, who graduated in 2005 with a degree in film and digital media, were just acquaintances in college, they became friends after graduating and went on to create Lamebook.com, which focuses on posts made by Facebook users.

Lamebook quickly became successful enough for Facebook to take note. Lame-



COURTESY PHOTO

Baylor alumni Jonathan Standerfer and Matt Genitempo, center, creators of Lamebook.com, pose with friends in the photobooth at their recent "You Gotta Fight for Your Right to Parody!" party. Lamebook.com is entangled in a lawsuit with Facebook.

book's play on Facebook's copyrighted name and logo led Facebook to threaten the company with a trademark infringement lawsuit in March 2010.

One of Lamebook's lawyers, Conor Civins, said that after being contacted by Facebook, Lamebook owners decided to file a lawsuit for a declaratory judgment, which means they sued Facebook first in order to gain a preemptive judgement stating that no copyright infringement exists.

"[Lamebook] is a parody website; it's supposed to be social commentary and it's protected by free speech," Civins said.

About a week after filing their lawsuit, Lamebook owners heard back from Facebook's lawyers in California.

"It literally exploded overnight," Stand-

fer said. "And that next week we got countersued by Facebook."

Along with their lawyers in Texas, where their lawsuit was filed, the owners of Lamebook have counsel in California and have been working closely on what Civins called "a strong case."

Despite having a strong case, Civins admitted that Facebook is tough opposition.

"Facebook is a corporate giant with limitless amounts of money to throw at the case," Civins said. "But Lamebook has hired very good intellectual property lawyers ... We know a lot about this kind of lawsuit."

The case between Lamebook and Facebook is still ongoing, and Genitempo c

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Starr, Abbott stump for financial wisdom

By ARIADNE ABERIN
STAFF WRITER

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and Baylor President Ken Starr have collaborated to provide Baylor students with resources to educate them on the importance of financial responsibility. The two spoke at a press conference at the Mayborn Museum to promote a new DVD designed to educate college students on the importance of smart financial decision-making and give students tips on how to responsibly handle their newfound financial freedom.

High-interest credit card debt is a growing problem among Texas college students. Various state and federal regulations have been passed in an attempt to combat this issue, such as the federal law

requiring students to have a co-signer if the student lacks the funds to pay back the credit card, and the state law requiring colleges and universities to educate their students on personal financial management.

To address this issue, the attorney general's office has developed an award-winning DVD titled "Money Crunch."

"We wanted to roll this out so we could connect with the students because we see it as a dramatic problem," Abbott said. "The time that we're living, in the aftermath of the great recession — a cause for that recession was people living beyond their means, racking up too much debt on credit cards. In order for us as a nation to pull out of that, we must educate everyone, from students to seniors and



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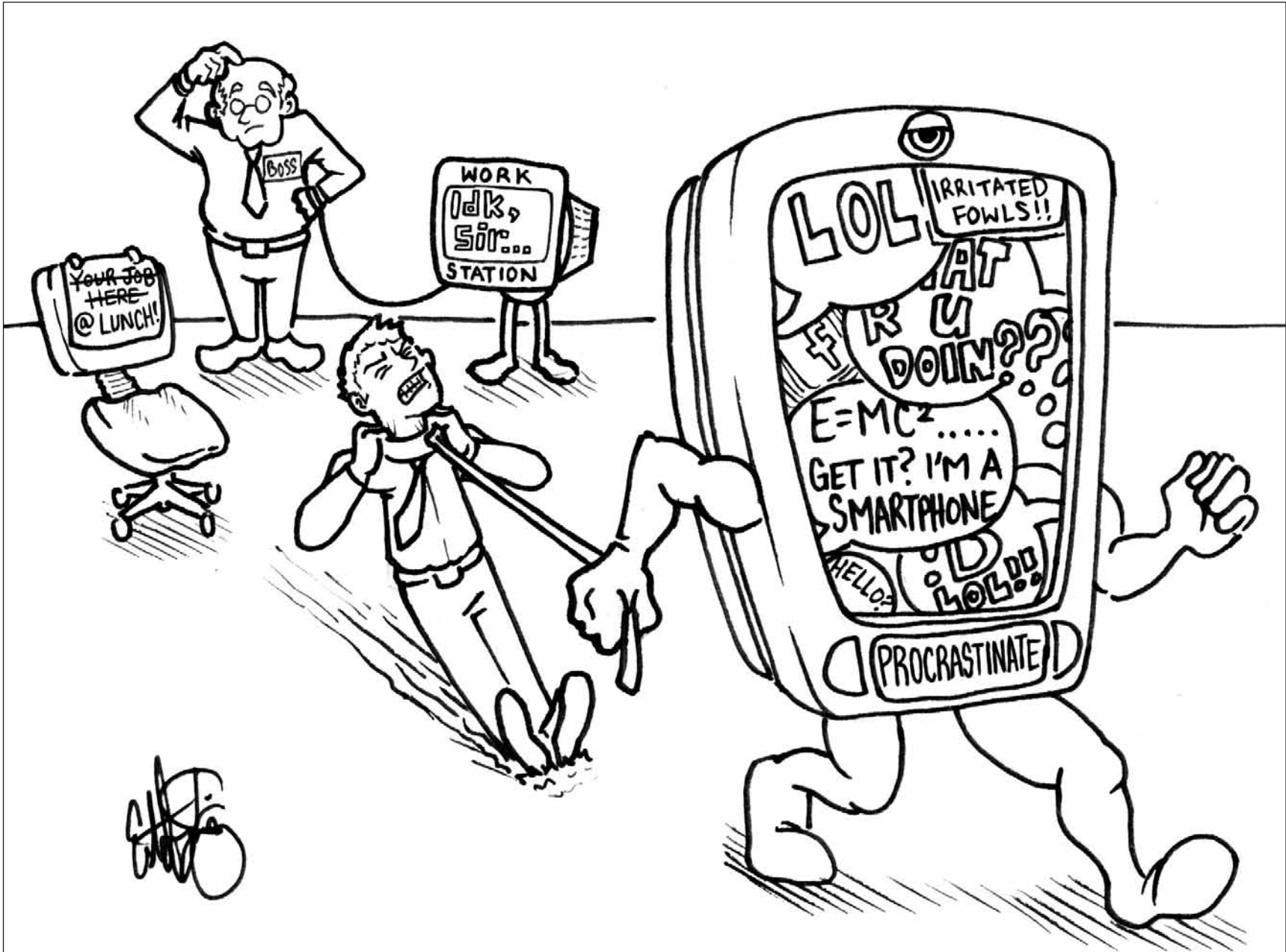
President Ken Starr sits next to Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott as they announce a financial literacy initiative for college students in Texas at a press conference Thursday at the Mayborn Museum Complex.

people in between, about how to be responsible with debt, and that starts with being responsible with credit cards."

Abbott said he hopes the DVD

will be effective at grabbing students' attention and connecting with them about the importance

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Chained to our gadgets: How we are draining our personal batteries

Editorial

There is little denying that Generation Y is one of constant communication. You want to reach someone from Gen Y? Pick your poison: Will you call them? Maybe shoot a text message off? You could reach them by email, possibly to two or more e-mail addresses. Perhaps you will use Facebook chat or send a message? Maybe both? If you wanted to get really creative, you could even tag them in a tweet.

The means of communication seem endless, and with the new and ever-evolving smart phones, all of these modes of communication are easily available on one device. You can quite literally carry your world in your pocket. In fact, it is next to impossible to not be able to reach a millennial, if that is your goal.

Cell phones enable us to do more than we ever could before, and we are exposed to more technology and communication than ever.

For example, this generation is probably the most informed about news and other events — an easy accomplishment when you can read the breaking news on an app while standing in line for your coffee. And when you get up to the counter to pay for your coffee, at least at Starbucks, you can now open your new Starbucks app and pay using your cell phone instead of using credit cards or cash.

This new technology definitely has its benefits. Have an emergency? Get out your cell phone and call the police. Why waste paper on books and money, when you can just as easily use your Kindle to read the latest best sellers?

But besides all the snazzy

benefits, what does this new technology mean for our generation? In an article in the Chronicle of Higher Education, Dr. William Major, an associate professor of English at the University of Hartford's Hilyer College, talks about the negative aspects of cell phones and constant connectivity.

Major's class studies Henry David Thoreau's "calls for simplicity and solitude," and he offers his students extra credit if they will turn their cell phones in to him for five days.

Many of his students, he says, refuse. Others who do participate in the project express fear all week long.

They have fears of having an emergency and not being able to call for help, fears of missing a party, fears of aggravating parents or a significant other...and the list goes on. Solitude, according to Major, scares this generation.

A Lariat article that ran on Oct. 8, 2010, "Living to Work" by Carmen Galvan, outlines how technology has made it easy for students to become workaholics in college, and how many of them continue this trend in their careers.

This generation gives the idea of being chained to a work desk a new, and more literal, meaning. Now, workers simply take the desk home with them in the form of smart phones, iPads and laptop computers. These devices enable this generation, unlike ever before, to carry their work and stress home with them when they go.

They wake up and check their phone for text messages, voice-mails and e-mails. They start getting ready for the day and stop periodically to keep checking their phones.

Whether they are in class, at work or on vacation at the beach,

when that little buzzing signifies a new message, it is almost instinctive to check it and reply before continuing with the day.

The nine-to-five work day has transformed into the stop-and-go, neverending career.

While this editorial is definitely not a call for technology to stop advancing, or for Gen Yers to permanently give up their cell phones, perhaps a self-inflicted experiment of giving up communication for a week would be a good way to regain some independence and solitude.

Solitude, defined as "absence of human activity," is not necessarily a bad thing, at least according to Thoreau.

And truly experiencing independence, defined as "freedom from the control, influence, support, aid, or the like, of others," could activate this generation to be productive more than reliance on a smart phone ever could.

Letters to the editor

Electoral Code should be student senators' priority

As a new wave of elections approaches, there are numerous modifications and amendments that student government needs to consider.

The most critical and pressing issue is the approval of the newly revised electoral code. This sentiment was strongly reflected in yesterday's editorial, "Before the Clock Runs Out."

Time is running out.

While last year's commission played a colorful game of Twister with the code, the most disheartening aspect of the entire debacle was the lack of consideration for precedent. Many students believed that the commission and Student Court intentionally ignored precedent. This quick shift in policy left a highly qualified candidate (who the student body approved—he won with more than 50 percent of the vote) with an unfair appeals process and an unjust outcome.

The rules concerning the disqualification are messy and overly subjective, and this highlights the dilemma student government faces every year. What will the organization accomplish during the school year? Most importantly, which issues are most pressing?

A group of bold senators established their goals early in the year. By November they'd brought their concerns before Senate. They spent time considering the wrongdoings of last year's election and sought to correct them. Shouldn't this sentiment be reflected throughout all branches of student government? I have seen only a handful of Issue of the Week surveys; few editorials from the leadership; and a lack of ingenuity. The '09-'10 student body officers left the present administration with many successful programs already in place — programs that proved to be effective in representing the student body's voice.

It is reassuring to see a group of passionate senators actively pursuing change rather than waiting for the next election problem to arise.

Not only will their actions ensure fairness for all future Baylor elections, their work will also stand as the greatest expression of popular opinion that student government has achieved all year.

- Kate Williams
Thousand Oaks, Calif.
Senior

Letters

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The benefits of utilizing the First Amendment

I find it ironic that our nation, which calls itself tolerant and promotes freedom of expression, seems to be slowly evolving into stricter censorship of speech and literature in an effort to create and maintain a more complacent society.

Evidence of this is found everywhere: Media outlets must always be politically correct in order to avoid negative consequences, classic pieces of literature are being revised in order to fit society's "tolerance" principle and even our representatives in government must adhere to the beliefs of the majority to avoid conflict.

But this censorship has even reached the individual members of society, myself included.

I often find myself rewording sentences and withholding opinions in fear of offending those around me.

And I wonder how much of



Carmen Galvan | Asst. city editor

society's true, diverse character has been hidden behind the fear of freely expressing personal beliefs and morals.

What have we missed out on and what thoughts have remained inside a person's head instead of entering the public

sphere for discussion.

I believe the problem lies with us. Somewhere between the American Revolution and today, Americans became sensitive to criticism and easily offended by even the most innocent of comments.

But why did this happen?

Perhaps it is that America's standards of tolerance and respect have gone terribly awry; perhaps we desire to be so tolerant of others' cultural, spiritual and personal beliefs that we restrain our own in the fear of offending theirs.

Another reason may stem from the need for acceptance, and those who wish to be accepted may think that expressing true opinions could be seen as a cause for anger and possible alienation.

Yet while the cause is uncertain, the effect is undeniable. We have become so afraid of con-

frontation that we are unwilling to stand up for our beliefs, which is, in a way, abusing our free will.

This fear of confrontation also fails to help society. While tolerance may seem to unite a community as one, it actually just establishes a lethargic state of contented individuals with no real mind of their own.

The expression of personal beliefs exposes others to new thoughts and opinions, and while disagreement is expected, so is a discussion that will strengthen the bonds of community by a true connection and deeper understanding of others.

It is simply important to remember that our society cannot be expected to develop into a stronger community by extreme tolerance, only by disagreement and discussion.

However, such a discussion

requires a willingness to receive criticism and a willingness to acknowledge and discern a different viewpoint.

It is not necessary to adopt it in order to be tolerant, but it is important to acknowledge and respect it as a belief different than your own with just as much value. And it is my belief that Americans should not fear how our written or spoken beliefs will offend others because they are different. Rather, we should welcome tolerance and promote it in our country.

Americans should embrace our heritage of freedom and unconditional acceptance; we should begin using our First Amendment rights for the strength and betterment of our nation.

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Seminary goes ‘mental’ to fund mission trip

By STORI LONG
REPORTER

This weekend, entertainment meets missions in a mind-reading extravaganza that will include coffee, live music, a bake sale and a performance by mentalist Blake Adams. On his Facebook fan page, Adams claims that his performances are built on his ability to draw from psychology and suggestion and uses those to read his audience.

Dr. Amy Jacober, associate professor of practical theology and youth ministry at George W. Truett Theological Seminary, said Blake is not really “a magician,” rather,

he employs his senses in order to draw conclusions about the people and circumstances around him. Adams has done numerous shows, including a show at Common Grounds in 2009 when he predicted the headlines for the Lariat three days in advance.

“After seeing Blake, you really leave amazed at what he can do through the power of observation,” Jacober said.

George W. Truett Theological Seminary will be hosting the event at 7 p.m. Saturday in its Great Hall. It is open to the Baylor and Waco populations, and all proceeds will help fund George W. Truett Theological Seminary students going on a mission

trip to Germany over spring break.

“It’s an open event,” said Arlington first-year graduate student Anna Goetz, who will be going on the mission trip. “It’s a coffee house atmosphere, and just a fun night to hang out. It’s not just for Truett students. We want everyone from Baylor and the Waco community to come.”

The begin with live music from Stuttgart, Ark., seminary student Drew Greenway. Those who attend will also have the chance to further support the George W. Truett Theological Seminary students through participating in a bake sale that will be held at the event. Adams will perform at 7:30 p.m.

The mission trip this event will fund is sponsored by the youth ministry division of George W. Truett Theological Seminary and through Cadence Student Ministries, a ministry specifically designed to help students on military bases all over the world.

Nine George W. Truett Theological Seminary students and two faculty members will be going to various military bases in Germany, where they will engage and encourage the youth living on the bases.

This is the fourth year the youth ministry division of George W. Truett Theological Seminary has teamed up with Cadence Ministries to send students to

different military bases around the world.

“We want to encourage the kids on the base to deepen their faith and develop an authentic relationship with Christ,” Goetz said. “We want to walk with them and remind them that they are doing some awesome things here.”

Those involved hope this is not only an opportunity to support missions, but also provide fun weekend entertainment.

“We want to be good stewards,” Jacober said. “And we want to have a little fun along the way.”

Tickets to this event can be purchased in advance by contacting Stephanie_Tinker@baylor.edu or at the door for \$7.

Greener on the other side

Baylor plans to beautify campus with grass

By LEIGH ANN HENRY
REPORTER

The demolition of Ivy Square, which took place last August, left many students upset because of removed parking spaces.

Demolition is set to continue in the next four to five years as Baylor’s leases with China Grill and Best Western also come to an end and those buildings are razed for fields as well.

“We want people that come through Waco to be able to see campus, whereas they used to see Ivy Square and all those other developments up front,” Brian Nicholson, associate vice president of facility, planning and construction, said.

The plans are to turn some of that area of campus into playing fields for additional intramural space as Baylor continues to expand over the next several years.

Nicholson said the immediate benefit of the Ivy Square demolition is aesthetics; as people drive down Interstate 35, they can see campus unobstructed by

old buildings and wasted space.

Plans for continuing construction and expansion are set for this summer to remove the roads that run north and south bordering Fountain Mall and replace them with grass and sidewalks.

In the upcoming years, Baylor officials hold the same goal for the span of Fifth Street that runs in front of the Bill Daniel Student Center, where the road is blocked off to through-traffic.

These changes will give the interior of campus a more open and appealing look, which, administrators hope, will improve Baylor’s environmental personality.

“It’s an effort to make the campus more attractive and pedestrian friendly. This, in turn, encourages people to be outside more often and also promotes outdoor activities,” Smith Getterman, sustainability coordinator at Baylor, said.

This goal is apparent in the removal of the side road connecting Eighth Street with the I-35 access road located by Brooks Village.

Getterman said closing campus to more through traffic should make it safer and more pedestrian-friendly since there will be fewer cars driving around the streets.

Nicholson said prospective

students determine the overall feel of a campus within the first few minutes of their arrival.

“Anything the university can do to improve the overall look says a lot, so it certainly helps the case,” he said.

Nicholson said the percentage of occupied spaces at Ivy Square was low and many of the units were unused.

Nicholson said that with age, some buildings get in a state of disrepair so they require much in maintenance dollars and upkeep.

“If you’re not going to utilize the space it makes sense to go ahead and get the land and use it for something else,” Nicholson added.

The demolition and construction Baylor will be tackling in the next several years looks to be costly, but, a lot is being done to salvage and recycle materials.

Nicholson said Lindsey Contractors, a local asphalt company, salvaged all of the asphalt from the Ivy Square demolition. The company did not charge Baylor for the removal process and recycled that asphalt for future use.

Both Getterman and Nicholson agree that as the campus expands, Baylor will attempt to utilize more companies and contractors for salvaging materials.



NICK BERRYMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Baylor plans to enrich campus aesthetics and make the campus more pedestrian-friendly by trading concrete for greenery. Plans are in place to demolish Best Western and China Grill along with various in-campus roads in order to give the campus a more eco-friendly appeal.

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Constantly lighting the way

Lampposts represent sacrifice of Baylor military men and women

By JAMES STOCKTON
REPORTER

On Oct. 25, 1946, the first 84 of 144 granite lampposts were erected at Founder's Mall on Baylor's campus to honor Baylor men and women who gave their lives in military service.

Today, students walk by the lampposts, ignorant of their significance to the Baylor tradition. Deacon Frank Jasek, a book preservationist for the Baylor Central Libraries, has plans to change that. For 10 years he has been working on a book to tell the story behind the lampposts.

"I just wanted to put a face with the plaque," Jasek said. "A name with the plaque; a life with the cold plaque."

Like many universities around the country, Baylor lost students to the cause of freedom.

To help those left behind keep up with their friends, Mrs. Anna Martin, a Baylor professor of psy-

chology during World War II, began a newsletter that would bring news from the warfront to the classrooms.

As the war raged, the news came back with names of friends, family and students who wouldn't be returning.

So with the proceeds from the newsletter, which cost \$1, and with financial help from parents of students who were killed in service, the first lampposts were dedicated for \$250 each, the equivalent of \$5,000 today.

As the campus grew, so did the number of lampposts. Today the ranks of the granite honor guard, another name for the dedicated lampposts, include another 19 military personnel who died in service since World War II and other beloved members of the Baylor family who have passed.

Will Dean, a San Antonio senior and fourth-year cadet in the Air Force ROTC, said all students should remember what the lamp-

posts mean.

"If it wasn't for their sacrifice, we wouldn't have the freedoms we have today," Dean said.

itage, it's important to remember what came before us," Lamkin said.

Lamkin said remembrance is important even for those who are

"As a part of our American heritage, it's important to remember what came before us."

Major David Lamkin | assistant professor of aerospace studies

As a member of the autonomous ROTC club, the Blue Knights, Dean and his fellow members each pick a lamppost and memorize the contents of the plaque.

On the anniversary of the death, each member places a bouquet of flowers on the lamppost to pay homage to their predecessors.

Major David Lamkin, assistant professor of aerospace studies, said he agrees with the practice of the Blue Knights, who work under his guidance.

"As a part of our American her-

not in the ROTC and have no familial affiliation to the military.

"I think it's important for the heritage of their school," Lamkin said. "For them to know there were people, alumni of the school, who also gave the ultimate sacrifice not just for the betterment of the country, but so that ... their freedoms to attend such a great university were also guaranteed."

ROTC students recognize the significance the lights hold.

"The lampposts represent the ultimate sacrifice," Dean said



MAKENZIE MASON | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

The 144 granite lampposts on campus signify the sacrifice made by Baylor students who have served in the armed forces.

KOT Fishery provides day of fun for disabled

Greeks unite for fish-catching festival

By SALLY ANN MOYER
REPORTER

The Heart of Texas Fairgrounds will fill with smiles when more than a hundred participants fish at Kappa Omega Tau's "23rd Annual Fishing Event for Very Special People."

The fraternity will host its event Saturday in conjunction with the Heart of Texas Region Mental Health Mental Retardation Center and other local organizations and

sponsors.

Participants, assisted by Kappa Omega Tau members, will catch fish from a thousand-gallon fish tank filled with hundreds of trout.

"They get to catch a fish and see it cleaned and then put in the bag and take it home," said Roswell, N.M., junior Matt Fisher, Kappa Omega Tau's service chair.

Texas Parks and Wildlife provides the fish each year, and Kappa Omega Tau sets up the tank and runs the event.

"It's a neat deal, plus I like the fact that we get all the sororities involved, too," Arlington senior Taylor Laymance, president of Kappa Omega Tau, said, "I feel like the girls enjoy doing it as well. All my

friends that are in sororities that participate — they always look forward to it."

"With Fishery, you're there with the people that you're serving, and you see the smiles and the joy that all the games and stuff are bringing to the people that are attending."

Taylor Laymance | President of Kappa Omega Tau Fraternity

9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

"Most people are ... paired up with a special needs person and

go fishing and they get to keep the fish."

Laymance said Fishery is different from other service events because it comes with a spirit of immediate gratification.

"With Fishery, you're there with the people that you're serving and you see the smiles and the joy that all the games and stuff are bringing to the people that are attending," Laymance said.

Fishery comes together every year with a large time commitment from all members of the fraternity.

"It's one of the biggest things we do. It takes a lot of hours and a lot of participation," Fisher said. "It's a big project, but it's definitely worth it."

The free event is funded by a combination of state and federal grants and donations from people and companies in Waco.

Organizers of the event estimate that more than hundred participants come every year.

"There's a lot of special needs people that come," Mendicino said. "They're all really sweet and really excited."

Fisher has seen a lot of enthusiasm from participants in the past.

"They absolutely love it. It's so fun for them," Fisher said.

Fishery is enjoyable for Kappa Omega Tau members, too.

"Fishery is definitely one of my favorite events that KOT does," Laymance said.

Student Senate addresses safety, electoral code

By WILL DEWITT
REPORTER

Student Senate held an information session of recent on-campus safety issues and passed a new bill to amend the electoral code on Thursday.

The meeting began by addressing the alert error that occurred during last week's manhunt of two suspects in local cash store robberies.

Warren Ricks, associate vice president and chief risk management officer, informed the senators about Baylor's actions to keep students safe in the wake of the incident involving armed suspects on campus and apologized to the 1,400 students that did not receive the alerts right away.

"It was a human element error," said Ricks, "This was not inconsequential with us."

Ricks said that after the incident, he and his department immediately began working with the IT department to make sure the directory used to alert students would be completely automated and free of human error.

Ricks assured the senators that the university is doing all it can to keep its students safe.

Along with the text, voicemail and e-mail alerts students have been accustomed to, the Risk Management Office is adding social

networking (such as Facebook and Twitter) to inform students, parents and alumni about happenings on campus.

Risk management is also working on improving lighting throughout campus.

On-Campus Safety Revisions:

- ♦ completely automated alert system
- ♦ social networking alerts
- ♦ improved lighting

At the meeting, the Campaign Workers Reform Bill, the first part of extensive revisions to the electoral code, came into second hearing and was passed by the student senators.

The bill, led by the operations and procedures committee that reviews bills involving internal issues and official documents, will amend the electoral code to more clearly define the administrative capacities of a candidate's campaign worker.

"You can't plan an election when you don't know what a campaign worker is," said Houston sophomore Cody Orr, one of the

bill's sponsors.

The electoral commission, represented by electoral commissioner Gregg Ortiz, was available at the meeting to field questions by senators about the bill.

"There are issues with campaign workers every year, and some of which do deal with the definition of a campaign worker," Ortiz, a Houston junior, said.

But Ortiz voiced concern that the bill will limit the commission's ability to handle issues with campaign workers in a quick and efficient manner.

He said that under the original code, the commission handles each case individually, and that the parties involved are considered innocent until proven guilty.

Orr clarified that the proposed changes still left room for the Electoral Commission to decide on cases that involve campaign workers.

"We want to make it easier for the electoral commission," Orr said.

The changes will more clearly define a campaign worker and his or her responsibilities, such as running a Facebook page, setting up and taking down signs, putting up fliers and speaking officially on behalf of the candidates.

The meeting also saw the election of eight new freshmen and sophomore senators.

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Lamebook

and Standefer are doing everything they can to stand up to the social media giant, including non-conventional methods like throwing a party on Jan. 21 dubbed “You Gotta Fight for Your Right to Parody!”

They ask for support in their efforts against Facebook on their website, saying, “We really love running Lamebook. Aside from the laughs, it represents an opportunity to work on an incredibly fun project with our buddies that makes a lot of people happy and still allows us to make rent at the end of the month ... Problem is, Facebook didn’t get the joke. They’ve decided to pick on the little guys: small business owners who seem to be no match for a multi-billion dollar behemoth. But this is

one website that’s not going down without a fight.”

Facebook is just as resolute in its decision to beat Lamebook in court.

In a statement released on Fox 7 in Austin on Nov. 5, Andrew Noyes, communications manager for Facebook, said: “It’s unfortunate that after months of working with Lamebook to amicably resolve what we believe is an improper attempt to build a brand that trades off Facebook’s popularity and fame, they have turned to litigation. We are confident in our position and believe we will prevail in court.”

Aside from the controversy surrounding their biggest project, Lamebook, these Baylor alumni are busy with several projects, including the publishing of a best of Lamebook.com book, co-written by Josh Huck and published by

Chronicle Books. The book will be released around September.

Additionally, Genitempo and Standefer are embracing their website’s popularity in the digital universe.

“We’re having a [South by Southwest] party along with the other blog, Texts From Last Night, and a few other pretty popular blogs,” Genitempo said, discussing the popular Austin music festival in March.

Genitempo is also part of another blog called Public School, which is composed of a team of designers who post different aspects of design and creative work.

“Public School is basically a group of creatives who got together because we were sick of designing from home and wanting to be in a creative environment,” Genitempo said.

Standefer and Genitempo ad-

vised students who are taking classes in the art department to not limit themselves to the curriculum suggested by advisers and to take classes that seem interesting, even if they aren’t necessarily required.

“All the people that I really respected in the art program and all the students whose work I enjoyed were all doing extra stuff, and I don’t think that you can do great things out of the art department if you’re not doing anything extra,” said Genitempo. “It’s a very competitive field.”

Standefer and Genitempo are in the process of coming out with a new website, one with content and a URL that will be released later.

Students can visit Lamebook and Public School at www.lamebook.com and <http://gotopublicschool.com>.

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Bears to play Colorado at home

By CHRIS DERRETT
SPORTS EDITOR

Baylor basketball looks to get back on track when it faces Colorado at 12:45 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

The Bears (13-6, 3-3) have few bad losses on their NCAA tournament resume, but quality wins have been almost as rare this year. A win over the Buffaloes would be just the second over a top-100 RPI squad. Baylor's loss at Iowa State is its only defeat to a sub-100 RPI team.

"[Colorado] was picked to do better this year for a reason. And that is they have talent, and they have experience," head coach Scott Drew said.

Colorado has proven dangerous not just at home, where it topped No. 11/13 Missouri and nearly upset Kansas, but on the road as well, taking down Kansas State in a 74-66 contest earlier this month.

A pair of wiry guards have led the charge for Colorado. At 6-foot-6, 195 pounds, guard Alec Burks is recording a team-high 21.7 points per game in conference play. His backcourt accomplice, 6-foot-5, 180-pound guard Cory Higgins, has averaged 15.3 against Big 12 foes.

Burks does heavy damage from

the free throw line, getting to the line 51 times in league games and shooting 84 percent. He also hauls in a team-leading 8.2 rebounds per conference game, with 19 of those 49 coming on the offensive glass. His performance has some media outlets, like nbadraft.net, projecting him as a first-round NBA draft pick if he forgoes his junior and senior seasons.

"He drove it around every one of us. Our stances were bad and our help position was bad. I mean, he's good. That was their offense: spread and drive. He and Higgins both gave us trouble," Kansas head coach Bill Self said about Burks after the Jayhawks beat the Buffaloes.

Baylor knows how badly opponents' offensive rebounding can hurt after surrendering 16 in its 69-61 loss at Kansas State on Monday. More importantly, however, is limiting the defensive breakdowns that have led to easy baskets and open shots.

"We would have like to have rebounded better, but it was better than it was the previous Monday," Drew said.

Like Baylor, Colorado likes shooting the three ball. The Buffaloes have hit 42 percent in Big 12 games, good for third in the conference behind Baylor at 43 percent

Keys to Victory

Contain Alec Burks
The potential NBA draft pick has averaged 8.5 trips to the free throw line per game. The Bears' zone must keep him from penetrating.

Feed Perry Jones III
Also a possible lottery pick, Jones III has shot 69 percent against Big 12 teams. Against Kansas State, however, he took just five shots.

Hold onto the ball
The Bears stand 11th in the conference with a 0.68 assist to turnover ratio and are last in average turnover margin at -3.17.

Defend the perimeter
Colorado enters Saturday hitting six 3-pointers per game. Baylor's opponents have attempted a conference-high 124 treys.

and Texas at 46. The three teams are the only in the Big 12 with accuracy greater than 40 percent.

While the Buffaloes differ, however, is in their rotation and bench play. Guards Levi Knutson, Andre Roberson and Shannon Sharpe combine for an average 19 minutes and 6.1 points in Big 12 games. Knutson leads both categories with 11.7 points and 25.8 minutes.

But the Baylor bench could see a spike in points and minutes as well, as junior Quincy Acy continues to serve as the Bears' sixth man after moving from the starting rotation two games ago.

Freshman Stargell Love could

get more playing time also given his 11-point, 18-minute game against Kansas State.

"Whatever's best for the team. Sometimes A.J. [Walton]'s turnovers come from fatigue, so allowing him to have more rest would be a great option," Drew said.

One thing for certain is the importance of Saturday's game, especially for the Bears defending their home floor. After Saturday, the team must travel to Oklahoma on Tuesday then Texas A&M on Feb. 5.

"I guess both of us need this game as much as the next," Acy said.



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No. 24 guard Lacey Dunn lays the ball up against Oklahoma State University last Saturday at the Ferrell Center. Dunn scored 16 points and freshman Perry Jones III had 24 as the Bears won, 76-57.

Nationally ranked track and field travels to Arkansas

By LINDSAY CASH
REPORTER

After both the men and women's track teams received Top 25 spots for this week, Baylor prepares to travel to participate in the Razorback Invitational on Jan. 28 and 29 at the University of Arkansas Randal Tyson Track Center.

With the brand new surface on one of the NCAA's fastest tracks, the Razorbacks are eager to put the competing and contending sprinters to the test.

Ranked No. 12 nationally, the Arkansas track and field team shows no signs of holding back in its home meet. The Razorbacks

have invited an array of competitive universities from the SEC and Big 12 conferences. This invitational undoubtedly serves as a revolving competition for Bears fans.

Along with No. 25 Baylor, six other top-25 ranked teams will also be attending, including No. 1 LSU, No. 8 Stanford, No. 9 Florida State, No. 11 Nebraska, No. 18 Texas and No. 19 Oklahoma State. Arizona, TCU and Iowa are also attending.

The Bears have continued to perform at a pleasing rate, and it shows.

The United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association deemed both the Bay-

lor women and men No. 25 nationally. These rankings are based off of current student-athlete performances at last year's NCAA Championships, as well as the performances this season.

Baylor has 15 student-athletes ranked in the top 50, and it doesn't plan on stopping there. Consistent improvement and healthy preparation are on the agenda for coach Todd Harbour and his team.

"Staying healthy is our main focus, and we're where we need to be to succeed in Arkansas," Harbour said.

With sophomore Skylar White continuing on from her personal best throw at 55 feet, 8.25 inches,

she is looking forward to the indoor competition. Senior Marcus Boyd accompanies her, with the NCAA's second-fastest 400-meter time of the year at 46.77 seconds.

Whitney Prevost and Jessica Ubanyionwu are also ranked in the top 10. Prevost is fourth in 200 meters, and Ubanyionwu holds ninth in the triple jump at 41-5.75.

Woodrow Randall was able to grab the 24th best 200-meter time in the country at his first-ever meet in uniform with a time of 21.36.

Reflecting on the solid performances at the Texas A&M Challenge, the women are set for success and continual improvement

at this weekend's meet. Freshman Tiffani McReynolds stands at No. 12 nationally after breaking an 11-year school record in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.35 seconds. Diamond Richardson reached a national top-10 time in the 400 meters at 54.52. Transfer Brittany Ogunmokun currently resides at 12th in the NCAA with her 800-meter time of 2:10:98.

The meet in Arkansas is scheduled to begin with multi-events at 11 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Field events begin at 3 p.m. Saturday, followed by the running preliminaries at 6 p.m. Saturday's events will begin at 11 a.m. and end with the running finals.

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No. 1 BU meets No. 6 Aggies at College Station

By MATT LARSEN
SPORTS WRITER

Whether it be national No. 1 against No. 5/6, Big 12 No. 1 against Big 12 No. 2 or the conference's two leading scorers pitted against each other in the paint, Baylor will face its biggest conference challenge of the season at Texas A&M at noon Sunday.

After a 64-51 win over Tech last Saturday, in which the Lady Bears got outrebounded and trailed at halftime for the first time since the Connecticut game Nov. 16, head coach Kim Mulkey voiced her displeasure in the effort underneath the basket.

She expected to use the week of practice to refocus her team for their trip to College Station.

"I am sure it won't be a fun practice when we go back," she said after beating Texas Tech.

The Aggies bring the toughest road test for Mulkey's team since that loss to the Huskies.

Undefeated thus far in conference play, the Aggies carry an 18-1 overall record, a win on the road against No. 12/13 Oklahoma and a bitter taste from their last matchup with the Lady Bears. Then 16th-ranked Baylor upset then 12th-ranked A&M, snatching a 65-63 win out from under their feet in College Station last February.

Last year, then-freshman post Brittney Griner took her team on her shoulders. She finished that

game with 22 points, 21 rebounds and the go-ahead bucket.

This year Griner comes with a healthier and more developed cast of teammates around her.

Senior guard Melissa Jones and sophomore forwards Brooklyn Pope and Destiny Williams provide a wealth of rebounding presence in the paint, each averaging more than six boards a contest.

Meanwhile, freshman Odyssey Sims has established herself as a consistent outside threat, something the Lady Bears lacked last season. Sims follows only Griner in points per game (13.3) and leads the team in 3-point percentage (.481) and attempts (77).

The Aggies, too, return with a more developed core.

To say that core is led by senior post Danielle Adams would be an understatement.

A&M head coach Gary Blair set a challenge before Adams prior to the season.

"Leadership and dependability are traits of big-time players and Danielle has all the skills," he said. "This is her year to step up."

Adams stepped up in just about every aspect of the game.

The 6-foot-1, forward/center blend not only leads her team in points per game, but also leads the conference with 22.9 a contest. (Griner follows right behind her in the Big 12 with 22.2).

She hauls in a team-high 8.4 rebounds a game and has man-

aged an unusual combination 31 blocks and 22 steals on the year.

As if her work in the paint were not enough to lead her team, she also has attempted more 3-pointers than anyone else on the squad (64), connecting on 34 percent of them.

Junior guard Tyra White picks up outside where Adams leaves off.

White, 6-foot, adds 13.9 points per game and boasts a .400 3-point percentage.

As a team, the Aggies look to capitalize off turnovers.

They lead the Big 12 in steals, picking opponents' pockets more than 12 times a game.

The Aggies' conference-leading turnover margin of +10.5 is nearly twice that of all Big 12 opponents. Baylor sits at No. 3 in the Big 12 with a +4.95 turnover margin.

Coming off one of the least satisfying wins this season, the Lady Bears know they can't afford to come out slow on the road.

"We have to come with more intensity," Griner said.

Her team's focus aside, the co-captain will look to carry over a mindset she embodied both last week against Tech and last year against the Aggies.

"On the inside I just had to do whatever I do to help out our team, whether it is scoring or passing to the open players."

Last year, her team needed her



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Freshman No. 42 forward Brittney Griner defends against Texas Tech's offense last Saturday at the Ferrell Center. Griner's 25 points helped the Lady Bears beat the Lady Raiders, 64-51.

to score.

This year they will need to out-score the only player in the confer-

ence who averages more points a game than Griner does.

Somebody will have to score,

and the 6-foot-8 sophomore post should not be surprised to find all eyes on her come noon Sunday.

Texans' Foster among first-time Pro Bowlers enjoying Hawaii

By JAYMES SONG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KAPOLEI, Hawaii — Arian Foster usually gets where he's going in a hurry — at least on the football field.

This week, the first-time Pro Bowl selection is in no hurry.

Houston's All-Pro running back was one of the last players to leave the practice field Thursday as he posed for photos, signed autographs and chatted at length with reporters.

Foster is one of 35 first-timers selected for Sunday's NFL all-star game, including 23 from the AFC. The most is when 44 first-timers were selected to the game in 2000, including 26 on the NFC.

And it's usually not difficult to spot a first-timer. Besides being the last off the field, they're also the ones that look like they've had too much sun — but still grinning ear to ear.

"You have no choice but to enjoy Hawaii. You've got a problem if you don't," Foster said. "This is like heaven. I'll die and go to Hawaii. That's all right with me."

The 24-year-old Foster earned a spot by going from undrafted member of the Texans' practice

squad to the league's leading rusher with 1,616 yards and 16 touchdowns this season.

Foster said it first sunk in that he was among the NFL's all-stars when he saw AFC teammates such as Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning and Baltimore Ravens linebackers Ray Lewis and Terrell Suggs at the first meeting.

"When you just see them, it's just surreal," he said. "[Then] you kind of realize they have the same amount of respect for you as you do for them. That makes it all worth it."

The new Pro Bowlers generally take guidance from the veterans as far as how to act, where to go and what to eat. But they really don't know what to expect on game day.

"I have no clue. This is my first rodeo. I don't know if these guys are really going to come out and try to hit hard," Foster said.

While Foster made his first trip in his second year in the league, others have had to wait much longer, like Atlanta Falcons fullback Ovie Mughelli, who is in his eight season and will start for the NFC.

"I'm loving it. For years, and years and years, I've been trying to get here," he said. "It took eight years but now that I've got it, I

don't want to let it go."

Mughelli, one of an NFC-leading nine Falcons, said the experience is much better in person than watching on TV. He did attend the 2008 Pro Bowl, but that was to support teammate Michael Turner.

This time, someone else is

"This is like heaven. I'll die and go to Hawaii. That's all right with me."

Arian Foster | Houston Texans

room ... I'm hoping one day I'll be looked at like I look at them. But right now, it's just a blessing to be around here."

It also took eight years for Denver Broncos receiver Brandon Lloyd, who is cherishing every moment and even went surfing this week.

"There's probably nobody as honored as I am to be out here and playing in this game," he said.

Kansas City running back Jamaal Charles remembers watching the Pro Bowl for years on TV. He said being in Hawaii is "a trip."

"I watched other people and I'm like, 'Why can't I be up in there?'" he said. "All it takes is hard work."

Charles, making his first appearance in his third season, plans to visit Pearl Harbor this week.

Oakland Raiders tight end Zach Miller, also a first-timer, said it has been an amazing experience so far and he's enjoyed catching passes from his AFC quarterbacks.

"It's cool because they're All-Pro guys, multiple-time Pro Bowlers and they're just at the top of their game," he said. "You could see it out here, the way they lead the offense and the way they play."

Lewis, meanwhile, is making his 12th trip, leading all players.

"It's an honor every time whether it's one, two [or] 12," he said. "For me, it's always a blessing."

In his 15th season, Lewis said he's committed to playing the all-star game, but realizes other veterans have decided to pass on the Pro Bowl, which may be the reason for youth movement.

"This is your reward. If you don't appreciate this, if you think you're too big for this, it's a sad day

because this day will soon come to an end for all of us," he said.

Lewis remembers making his first trips to Hawaii and learning from former greats like Reggie White and Derrick Thomas. Now, the first-timers are all hitting Lewis is up for some wisdom. He tells them to learn and soak it all in.

"When you see these young guys, you see how big their eyes are, you see how excited they really are to be over here, it makes you feel good all over again," Lewis said.

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"To be a great university, Baylor must celebrate and display the life of the mind in all its aspects, as well as make public the quality of work being done on campus," Kvanvig said.

Dr. Jonathan Kvanvig
Distinguished Professor of
Philosophy

"It gives us an opportunity to present Baylor well and contribute to the kinds of conversations that are going on. It has certainly been a boost to our graduate program and our graduate students really enjoy it."

According to Abel Reyna, district attorney of McLennan County, the charges against the individuals involved in the case were refused Dec. 30, 2010. The owner of the bar, Linda McWilliams, and bartenders Carol Baker and Amy Free were originally facing criminal charges of furnishing alcohol to a minor, but the District Attorney's Office dropped the charges because there was "insufficient evidence to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt," according to the report. The charges against Baylor students Matt Crowe and Brandon Bingham were also refused.

Hayes said the Baylor Ambassadors are focusing on state grants in Tuesday's lobbying efforts, but added that they could potentially

"We have to be mindful of all the things that could impact our students," Davis said. "We will be lobbying for anything that adversely affects our student body."



Sherman freshman Tyler Noblett plays his guitar during a hammock hangout Thursday with Abilene sophomore Kim Proctor and Richardson sophomore Josh Moorman in the Vara Martin Daniel Plaza.

“The book includes a lot of great stories and a lot of great research,” Roberts said. He explained that

"We are no happier in 2011 than we were in 1970," Roberts said. "The


“Money Crunch” will be playing at Clifton Robinson Tower so students can view it while they are waiting in line at the Financial Aid Office. The DVD can also be viewed at the Texas Attorney General’s Website by clicking the graphic titled “Money Crunch.”

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