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Anthropology meeting

Baylor Anthropology Society will hold an interest meeting at 5:30 p.m. today in 317 Marrs McLean Science Building. Come hear members discuss the cultural events held in the past and upcoming events for this semester. All majors are welcome.

BU united

OneBU will meet at 5:30 p.m. today in the Claypool Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center. OneBU is a multicultural organization with a goal to unite all the people of Baylor's campus and to learn about different cultures.

Snag a job

Students interested in science, technology, engineering or mathematics can impress potential employers at the STEM Job Fair from 1 to 4 p.m. today in Cashion Academic Center.

Schools face brunt of budget cuts



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Rep. Jim Pitts, the chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, answers questions about the proposed Texas budget on Wednesday in Austin. The proposed state budget looks to make a staggering \$5 billion cut to public schools to make up for a \$15 billion state revenue shortfall.

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON
REPORTER

Faced with the prospect of losing up to 13.5 percent of state funding, public school districts across Texas are bracing for what will likely be broad-based layoffs of teachers, administrators and staff.

A state budget proposal submitted to the Texas House of Representatives by the Legislative Budget Board requests cutting \$4.9 billion from the state's Foundation School Program, the primary source of state funding for school districts, in an effort to balance the budget as required by the state constitution. This number includes almost \$3.3 billion in

expiring federal stimulus money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, as well as a \$1.3 billion, or 5 percent, decrease in general revenue funding.

"There's an uneasy feeling at Waco ISD not knowing what tomorrow's going to bring," Dale Caffey, public information officer for the Waco Independent School District, said. "The administration and the school board here are going to have to make tough decisions."

Since 55.7 percent of Waco ISD revenues are supplied by the state, Caffey said the district will likely have to cut employees across the board, although the school board has not yet decided what such cuts would look like.

"You would have more responsibilities delegated to less people," Caffey said. "You would have one person trying to do the job that two or three people were doing before. ... There might be a delay in the turnaround in services. ... You'll have a student-to-teacher ratio that's going to be raised from where it is now. And then of course they're going to have a smaller support staff."

Secondary education major Hannah Hays, a junior from Los Altos, Calif., believes state legislators should increase the amount of funding going to school district budgets, not decrease it.

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JED DEAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Students anonymously attend the fourth annual "Blinded" event, hosted by the office of the external vice president on Tuesday in the Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center. Students were blindfolded, seated and then joined by a member of the Baylor faculty who facilitated open discussion on race, ethics, religion, politics, gender, sexuality and socioeconomic status.

Eyes wide shut: Blindfold facilitates talk

By WILL DEWITT
REPORTER

Baylor Student Government hosted the fourth annual "Blinded" event in Barfield Drawing Room on Tuesday in a continued effort to encourage discussion between students on controversial topics.

The event centers on the concept that when students are blindfolded, their conversations become more frank and open.

"It's so powerful how they will share their ideas and feelings and then all of a sudden the blindfolds are taken off and they stop talking about the issues," said Kathryn Mueller, senior lecturer of sociology and part-time lecturer of civic education and community service. "To get them to share for a few minutes is kind of like having Camelot."

Participants discussed topics that range from religious views, to women in the work force, to

sexuality on campus and nearly every controversial subject in between. A professor or staff member who teaches in these fields led each discussion to ensure that students remain on topic and that the conversation is constructive. The myriad of different opinions offered a glimpse into diversity and how paramount it is to understand one another.

"We can really examine the diversities not only in our students' lives but society as a whole,"

Mueller said.

This year 90 students participated, more than twice as many as last year, and each participant learned something about how he or she communicates.

"It's just interesting to hear other people's views, especially when we're blinded, because everyone opens up so fast," said Chicago freshman Madeline Mohr. "It's something that's effective."

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'Trust' stressed at faculty meeting

By SARA TIRRITO
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Elizabeth Davis, executive vice president and provost, visited Faculty Senate at its meeting Tuesday night and engaged in a discussion centered on the line of communication from the provost through to the deans, to the department chairs, and then to the faculty.

Although Dr. Ray Cannon, chair of Faculty Senate and mathematics professor, said he did not know of any particular recent communicative issues, he said communication is always a topic of concern for the Faculty Senate.

"We're always concerned because communication's never perfect," Cannon said. "People do just kind of worry about communication, and that's something that can always be improved."

The discussion helped to build

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BU book receives award of merit

By JADE MARDIROSIAN
STAFF WRITER

Christianity Today has recognized a Baylor professor with an award of merit for a book he authored, "God of Liberty: A Religious History of the American Revolution."

Dr. Thomas S. Kidd, associate professor of history and senior fellow at the Institute for Studies of

Religion at Baylor, said he felt happy when he learned he received the award.

"It's nice to get national recognition like this, and it also is gratifying to know I'm reaching not just a purely academic audience but a more popular audience, too," Kidd said. "That was good to know be-



Kidd

Alumnus gives BU early access to social site

By MOLLY PACKER
REPORTER

A new social marketing website launched by a Baylor alumnus has the capability to collect dues, connect college students, sell merchandise and give nonprofit organizations the opportunity to change the world.

David Grubbs, CEO of Noozhoo and 2007 Baylor graduate, is giving Baylor student organizations exclusive access to his website before it spreads across the country at the end of the year.

According to Noozhoo, the average sorority or fraternity loses \$8,000 a semester because members do not pay their dues, and Greek organizations lack an easy way for past members to buy current merchandise.

Over the past two years, Noozhoo has tried to solve these problems by offering a trial version of the site, which has been used by 23 student organizations at Baylor. With the trial version of the site, 50 percent more members have paid their dues on time and merchandise sales have grown by

25 percent.

Grubbs said Noozhoo is already popular among college students regardless of the fact that it is not fully up and running yet.

While it would normally cost money for student organizations to use the tools Noozhoo has to offer, Grubbs is offering one year of services free to the first 25 groups to join. Among the first to join were Kappa Omega Tau and the NoZe Brothers.

"So far there has been a lot of interest. We have about a thousand hits a day," Grubbs said.

"But we're still making the website, so it's not completely ready."

With its rising popularity, the company has several short- and long-term goals.

"We really want to implement nonprofits internationally," said Kelsey Grubbs, employee of Noozhoo and David's sister. So far, Noozhoo is helping "The Home of New Beginnings," a Christian nonprofit that helps girls transition out of the sex trade in Bangkok to connect with students in the United States.

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COURTESY PHOTO

David Grubbs, who graduated from Baylor in 2007, founded Noozhoo, a social marketing website.

The power of this page

How the newspeople of our time went to Egypt, researched the situation, informed the world and then fought for democracy



Journalists and Egyptian government clashes

>> Bloggers and lawyers told CPJ that authorities detained Abdel Karim Suleiman—known online as Karim Amer — at some point in the early morning hours in Cairo Monday. Amer completed a four-year prison sentence on charges of insulting Islam and President Hosni Mubarak in late 2010.

>> Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty reporters Robert Tait and Abdellilah Nuaimi, both British citizens, were released on Sunday and left Egypt, according to a statement released by the U.S. government-funded radio station. The journalists were detained on February 4. Tait was reported as saying that "whatever official statements you might hear about the situation of detained journalists, we were not treated well."

>> Journalists Souad Mekhennet and Nicholas Kulish, who were detained on Thursday and released 24 hours later, wrote in the New York Times about intimidation and mistreatment by the plain-clothes officers who held them. "We felt powerless — uncertain about where and how long we would be held. But the worst part had nothing to do with our treatment. It was seeing — and in particular hearing through the walls of this dreadful facility — the abuse of Egyptians at the hands of their own government."

>> Liam Stack, who has been stringing for the New York Times, was also briefly detained on Sunday and tweeted that authorities confiscated his camera.

>> On Friday, Amira Ahmed, business editor at The Daily News Egypt, was attacked by a pro-Mubarak mob, according to news reports. "It was terrifying," Ahmed told the Guardian. "They were chanting: 'We've found the foreigners, don't let them go,' and calling us traitors and spies. When I pointed out to them that I was Egyptian, they responded: 'Your Egypt isn't the same as ours.'"

The global media has turned all eyes upon the upheaval of Egypt's government in recent weeks. The protesters that brought the country to its knees are pleading for the removal of Hosni Mubarak, Egypt's president for the past 30 years.

Playing an integral role in the development of what can rightly be categorized as a revolution for democracy, the media has been captivating and garnering interest from a global audience with its informative, accurate coverage of the events as they unfold.

After the articles were filed and the facts were out, the editorial pages of news outlets around the world took up the protesters' fight — arguing that such a widespread, intense fervor for democracy warrants much change.

But these epic protests did not always garner so much support in the political realm. In fact, President Barack Obama initially shared a similar reaction to the Egyptian revolts as some Arab leaders — silence.

The Obama administration's silence can be easily construed as a move to back Israel's interests and maintain an American ally in the Middle East. It was a choice that allowed political interest to trump democracy.

In fact, the administration released quiet support of the Mubarak regime when Secretary of State Hillary Clinton went so far as to say: "Our assessment is that the Egyptian government is stable and is looking for ways to respond to the legitimate needs and interests of the Egyptian people."

With the entire world watching, the United States chose to remain silent about a corrupt, oppressive regime over supporting a people's cries for democracy.

However, the political rhetoric changed dramatically when the world's media began to highlight our leaders' hypocrisies for the entire world to see.

A Jan. 28 editorial by the New York Times clearly outlined the internal struggle the United States government was having with the Egypt situation.

"Egypt, with Mr. Mubarak in charge, is an American ally and a recipient of nearly \$1.5 billion in aid annually. It is the biggest country in the Arab world and was the first to make peace with Israel. ... All of which leaves Washington in a quandary, trying to balance national security concerns and its moral responsibility to stand with those who have the courage to oppose authoritarian rulers."

The editorial ended with an exhortation for Obama to cut the federal aid money for Egypt if Mubarak continues to escalate the fight against the protesters.

Al Jazeera-English echoed the same sentiments even more vehemently in its opinion section. Its Feb. 1 editorial compared the U.S. support of the 2009 Iranian protests to the U.S. support for the Egypt uprisings, and found disturbing disparities in the stories.

The American government was much more willing to express support for Iranian protesters fighting for the same causes we have now seen Egyptians rally for — liberty and democracy.

During the Iranian uprisings protesters were fighting an oppressive regime with a corrupt voting system. Innocent people were arrested, beaten, intimidated and killed.

Journalists were arrested and beaten and communications were hampered when President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad tried to have major social networks shutdown.

Obama immediately came out and openly condemned Ahmadinejad of Iran and fought to keep Twitter and Facebook open for Iranians. He went so far as to apply pressure to Twitter and Facebook to avoid a scheduled maintenance shutdown to aid the protesters.

Fast-forward two years. Egyptian protesters fighting an oppressive regime with a corrupt voting system are arrested, beaten, killed.

Journalists are arrested and beaten and communications are hampered — as Mubarak not only shuts down Facebook and Twitter, but nearly the entire Internet structure of Egypt.

This time, Obama hesitated. In these remarkably similar situations, the Obama administration's reactions were remarkably dissimilar. What other correlation can be made than that the administration has some hesitation in angering current allies? If we are a country that has backed other revolutions fighting for democracy, then we must stay true to that resolve or else we

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mar our reputation and engage in severe hypocrisy.

In another editorial, The New York Times shed light on the Egyptian protesters, giving voice to the concerns that Obama was acting too slowly in cutting his ties with Mubarak. The Times argued that while a cautious attitude is commendable, this was the time for America to stand strong for democracy.

Across a broad spectrum of outlets, from Twitter to blogs, people assailed America as a hypocrite — talking the talk of democracy but not walking the walk.

After days of assault from the world media, professional news outlets and blogs alike, the Obama administration finally decided to take a stand.

On Feb. 1 Obama asked Mubarak not to run for reelection. Mubarak decided not to seek re-election, but protesters still weren't happy. Editorials after Obama's initial request to Mubarak demanded a stronger response from the country's figurehead.

On Feb. 3, Obama answered with a more forceful request: Step back, Mubarak, and allow Vice President Omar Suleiman to lead the government reform in Egypt.

And most recently, when Suleiman expressed that Egypt wasn't ready for a democracy, the White House announced that Suleiman's views were "unacceptable."

The administration has pushed for amendments to the Egyptian Constitution, legalization of political parties and more free government opponents and members of the media from prisons.

The determined Egyptian protesters should be admired for their courage in the face of arrests, physical abuse and even death. They should be admired for starting the protests and continuing to see them through.

But the world's media, in publishing news articles and editorials about the event, should also be lauded. This will stand as a testament to the power of the editorial page, a time when the national consensus was forcefully presented to America's president.

A time when newspaper editorial boards refused to allow what America stands for to be ignored.

The leaders of modern journalism — a craft famously quoted as mightier than the sword — helped the people of Egypt and they saved face for America.

Members of the media have been victims of intimidation and physical abuse, ranging from beatings to destruction and theft of equipment. Reporters from the United Kingdom's Guardian to Qatar's Al Jazeera have been arrested and physically attacked by Mubarak's police. Yet they still keep writing and photographing.

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Bearathon eliminates cups for green race

By LEIGH ANN HENRY
REPORTER

Running tends to be thought of as a "green sport" as there are no obvious detriments to the environment.

But marathons are different. In a marathon, thousands of paper cups are thrown into the street throughout the race, leaving behind a wake of litter.

In an attempt to combat such waste, on March 19 Baylor Student Foundation will host the ninth annual Bearathon and for the first time it will be cup-free.

Bearathon is a 13.1 mile half-marathon spanning between Baylor, Cameron Park and downtown Waco and has been labeled "the toughest half-marathon in Texas."

Almost 1,400 participants signed up for the 2010 Bearathon, which was canceled due to inclement weather.

A cup-free Bearathon will save more than 28,000 paper cups from littering Waco streets and landfills.

HydraPour is a hydration sys-

tem allowing for a cup-free race and was introduced in 2009 at the Road Race Management Conference in Florida.

The system requires runners to carry their own method of hydration (the new HydraPouch is suggested). As runners navigate the course, designated fill stations equipped with a HydraPour dispenser allow runners to press their container against it and fill their cup quickly without slowing down.

"Bearathon being cup-free is such an awesome thing. It has a positive impact on the environment and a positive impact on Baylor students since the money earned goes toward scholarships," Michael Horne, co-race director for Bearathon, said.

Race organizers had planned to implement the Hydrapour system in 2010, but the canceling of the race meant the eco-friendly solution could not be tested.

The cup-free racing technique was first applied in July 2009 at the Liberty Run in Colorado.



FILE PHOTO

Students competing in the 2009 Bearathon celebrate as they cross the finish line. The 2011 Bearathon will take place on March 19.

Lizzy Davis, director of Student Foundation, said the goal is not only to keep streets clean and avoid filling landfills, but also to help teach runners better habits they can use in other races.

A lot of the largest marathons in the country, such as the New York City or Boston Marathon, have begun using the HydraPour system, but having almost 50,000 runners makes the application of an entirely cup-free race a distant dream.

The inventors of the system say they hope runners who learn these habits and begin using the system are more apt to apply eco-friendly methods at other marathons.

In addition to the hydration method, Student Foundation will also be collecting used running shoes for donation to charities, such as One World Running and Nike's Reuse-A-Shoe program.

One World Running is an organization that donates the shoes to those in need both within the country and around the world.

Davis said by the time a runner finishes a marathon, typically running shoes have reached their maximum mileage, rendering the shoes useless for another marathon but optimum for charitable donations.

If the shoes are no longer usable, they are sent to the Nike recycling center and submitted to the Reuse-A-Shoe program. The shoes are then destroyed and salvaged to be used in courts, tracks, fields and playgrounds.

Race directors are encouraging runners to bring an extra pair of shoes and donate the used pair to these organizations.

These donations have been encouraged in the past and last year more than 50 pairs of shoes were donated.

To further encourage sustainability, local farmers will provide locally grown fruits and vegetables at the race for participants.

The event is the largest fundraiser that Student Foundation shoulders each year. The proceeds from Bearathon are funneled back to Baylor in the form of scholarships. Although the race was canceled last year, race registration fees were not refunded. Proceeds totaled nearly \$20,000 in scholarships, which aids about 100 students.

IRS program offers tax help for low-income families

By ARIADNE ABERIN
STAFF WRITER

For the second year running, the Internal Revenue Service is sponsoring a program called Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, or VITA for short.

VITA is a free tax service offered to low-income families, specifically those who make \$48,000 or less annually.

Volunteers for VITA help prepare the families' income tax returns. The program operates on a first-come, first-served basis and those who plan on receiving help from VITA must have all their tax forms, personal identification and Social Security card available.

VITA is not the only financial program available to Waco residents. Heart of Texas Goodwill is

working with banks around Central Texas to provide services for setting up savings and checking accounts, according to the Central Texas VITA Coalition.

"VITA is in collaboration with the IRS," Shannon Kendrick, the public relations specialist who heads the tax assistance program, said. "VITA is part of a coalition with United Way of Temple, Heart of Texas Goodwill and Belton Housing Authority."

Kendrick said VITA operates five sites in the Central Texas Area. The sites include Belton Housing Authority, Goodwill Learning Center in Waco, Killeen, and Temple and Rose Hall in Temple. An additional VITA site has been added as well — AJ Moore Academy Magnet School.

Kendrick said the recruitment

process for volunteers consists of placing announcements on volunteer websites and word of mouth. She also said anybody willing to

volunteer would have to go through IRS training and pass all the tests required to be a tax preparer.

"This is a great opportunity for lower-income families. The VITA program utilizes local volunteers who are giving up their time to help out the community."

Daniel Nisley | Heart of Texas Goodwill CEO

work with VITA is eligible to volunteer.

"It's something you can learn," Kendrick said. "A lot of people from Extraco Banks are actually volunteering at our sites."

Kendrick said anyone want-

ing to volunteer would have to go through IRS training and pass all the tests required to be a tax preparer. "The training is pretty lengthy, and it's a lot of material that's on the IRS website," Kendrick said. "All the information and the packets with the practice problems and practice tests — we have all of those here at Goodwill that we can

give people so they can go through the training in their spare time online. We can give them the test and then they can volunteer."

According to the VITA website, in 2010, the coalition processed 504 tax returns, resulting in \$600,000 returned to the community.

"We're doing that for free, and we're not charging people to do their tax returns," Kendrick said.

The Central Texas VITA Coalition, says it has brought almost \$700,000 back into the economy to date through federal refunds.

"This is a great opportunity for lower-income families," Daniel Nisley, Heart of Texas Goodwill CEO, said in a Central Texas VITA Coalition press release. "The VITA program utilizes local volunteers who are giving up their time to

help out the community."

Kendrick said the program helps people go to work and also helps make sure they have financial literacy.

"One thing to help them is to do their taxes and to get them to stay away from the places that do the refund anticipation loans," Kendrick said. "This is a free service that we're offering to the public so that people don't get ripped off when they're getting their taxes done."

Kendrick said VITA not only operates in Central Texas; it has sites all over the United States. VITA will be offering free income tax preparation services throughout tax season.

For more information, visit the Central Texas Coalition website at www.CenTexVITA.org.

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Friday: BSB - 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. SUB - 10 A.M. to 7 P.M.

ONLY 3 DAYS LEFT!

Art runs deep: Crafty alumna is 'Jen' of all trades

By Liz Hitchcock
REPORTER

A lot of graduates finish school and try to keep their professional options open, in hopes of finding a job that they love. Baylor alumna Jen Dunlap found quite a few jobs she loves.

Along with being a visual artist, Dunlap has perfected versatility in her career. She incorporates performance art into gallery spaces and painting shows.

Dunlap lives in New York City and is a freelance art director for such organizations as College Humor, Nintendo, MTV, and CNBC. She helps organizations by putting on live performance shows, creating set designs and doing other various tasks that are required for video and film sets.

Shortly after graduating in 2004 with a degree in University Scholars, Dunlap decided to make the move to New York City, where

she first interned for a company called thehappycorp global as the communications director, during which she networked with artists, performers and business-people in the New York area.

"I came up with a lot of creative events for them. ... The biggest contribution I think I made there was with a networking party group called Liv Hard. I would come up with party ideas," Dunlap said.

Dunlap also said that the pressure of this job cultivated her creativity.

"This was before people used their cell phones much and the idea of a flash mob was fairly new," Dunlap said. "You would sign up to be on a mailing list and we would send out e-mails and text messages saying where the party would be that night. The parties would be ways to introduce yourself to other creative people."

This creativity helped her transition into video production and

set designing.

During this time she also co-founded a company called Monster Hoodies, which would later release its clothing designs to a popular T-shirt website, BustedTees.com.

Dunlap's art directing career in New York began when some of her friends asked her to design costumes for their band Apes and Androids' concert.

While doing this, she became close friends with Celia Rowson-Hall, a New York-based choreographer, with whom she would later collaborate for many performances.

"I would say yes, she is a visual artist," Rowson-Hall said. "But I would say her strength is humor."

One large scale performance Dunlap and Rowson-Hall created together - "Wanna Come to My Place?" - where they used an entire gallery to form a series of rooms. Each room was painted and designed by Dunlap in vibrant colors,

and Rowson-Hall choreographed performers in matching costumes who were located in each room to act out different scenes.

"A lot of [our performances] just have to do with having fun and also color and movement," Rowson said.

The job that pushed Dunlap most into performing art was working as an art director and a producer at CollegeHumor.com where she designed sets for and directed many videos that can be found online.

"They're probably my biggest client, in the sense that I get the most work from them. ... They have everything down to a science," Dunlap said. "They get a script, we talk about it, and then we make it. Everyone there is just really fun to work with."

Dunlap recalled that when she began working for College Humor, there were only three people in the art department. The company has since grown and there are currently more than 20 people working in the department.

"[Working at CollegeHumor] helped me learn every aspect of the business of art directing and even production on a small scale level," Dunlap said.

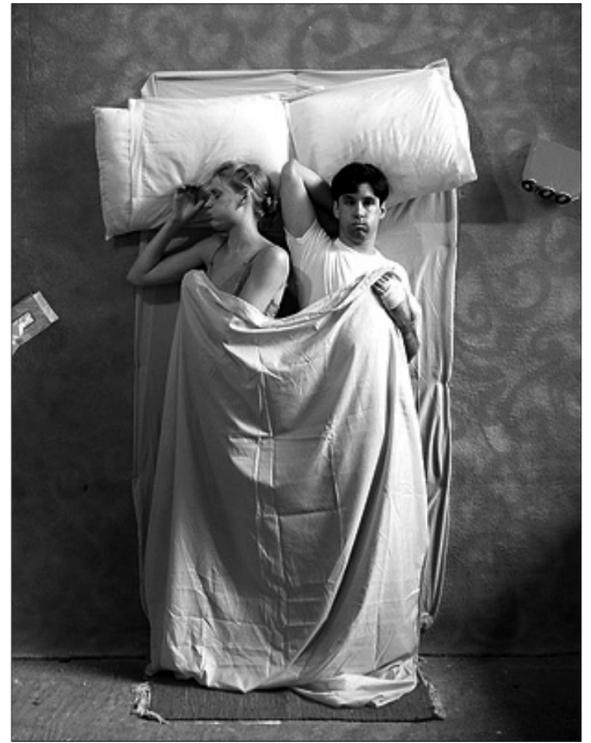
Dunlap resides in an apartment that doubles as a studio and still spends time painting, but is also working as a freelance prop assistant. She frequently scours the city looking for various items needed for props in Broadway plays and musicals.

"My previous studio mate makes props for Broadway," Dunlap said. "That's been this other course of work I've had in New York is doing prop assisting and shopping for Broadway shows."

While at Baylor, Dunlap studied painting under resident artist, Karl Umlauf.

"She was one of the most outstanding assistants I've ever had," Umlauf said. "She did more than just busy work and clean up studio. ... It was quite a responsibility."

"She saw how I had to work and how I had to produce... She even helped me produce a book, called 'The Journey,'" Umlauf said of the



One performance in Jen Dunlap's "Wanna Come to My Place?" appears to portray the standing performers laying down. COURTESY: JEN DUNLAP



COURTESY: JEN DUNLAP

Baylor alumna Jen Dunlap blends performance and still art in her New York City show "Wanna Come to My Place?"

two years that Dunlap worked as his assistant.

Umlauf said he could see Dunlap's work progress from the time she graduated Baylor to the time Umlauf took some senior art majors to visit her art studio in New York.

"[Her work was] moving to another set of color, more intense colors. She changed the ways the forms were working," Umlauf said. "They were larger and not so calculating. They were more aggressive and experimental. I thought that she was really branching out and moving farther ahead."

Although she never took any theater classes at Baylor, Dunlap integrated performance art into the shows that displayed her paintings.

For her thesis painting show, Dunlap organized a performance where she and other girls presented a live dance show at the former

Art Annex on Fifth St., titled "Art is for Eating."

The performers dressed in eccentric costumes with colors that matched those of Dunlap's paintings. Sculptures made from cake were hung from the ceiling, also resembling the paintings on the walls. After a short performance of synchronized dance, the viewers were invited to participate in the show by eating the cake sculptures.

With her studio as her home, Dunlap plans to make more visual art and intertwine other forms of art into her paintings.

"I think my goal for the next few years is to focus on fine arts and get more into painting and incorporate performance arts into that," Dunlap said.

Happily living in New York, Dunlap continues to find odd jobs and creative work to support herself and satiate her need to perform and create.

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Basketball faces Cornhuskers at home, away



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No. 42 sophomore Brittney Griner blocks a shot during Baylor's last matchup with Nebraska on Jan. 17, 2010. Griner scored 18 points in the Lady Bears' 65-54 loss. They travel to Lincoln, Neb., for a 7:05 p.m. game today.

Lady Bears take perfect record to Lincoln

By KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS WRITER

The Lady Bears look to extend their nation-leading winning streak of 18 games as they take on the defending Big 12 champions, Nebraska, at 7:05 p.m. today in Lincoln, Neb.

The Cornhuskers are 2-6 in conference play, ranking them 10th.

"They lost a lot," Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey said. "They've got a kid that's hurt. And [head coach Connie Yori] really only has two seniors in the rotation now."

Senior guard Dominique Kelley was a major offensive threat before her knee injury.

Today could be a reversal of fortune from the defeat Nebraska handed Baylor last January, a game that Lady Bears senior Melissa Jones could only watch from the bench with a stress reactor injury.

In that game, the No. 11 ranked Cornhuskers eventually pulled away from the No. 9 ranked Lady Bears for a 65-56 victory. The senior-laden Nebraska squad committed fewer mistakes down the stretch while Baylor, missing its floor general in Jones, could not find the clutch baskets it needed.

"You want to get back on the

floor and play against the teams you weren't able to last year," Jones said. "Getting the chance to go out there and be able to play them will be exciting."

For Nebraska, freshman forward Jordan Hooper leads the team's scoring, able to take defenders off the dribble, pull down

"Anybody on their home floor is hard to beat. I don't care who you play in this league."

Kim Mulkey | Head coach

boards and accurately shoot from anywhere on the hardwood.

"They've got a freshman, Hooper, that nobody knew about," Mulkey said. "Nobody recruited her. [She] just has made this big splash at Nebraska, and she's good."

On paper, today's game looks over before the teams tip off, with the Lady Bears holding an advantage over the Cornhuskers in nearly every aspect of the game. But the one factor that can't be told on paper is the home court advantage.

"This year we've had a very good crowd, both from Baylor and the opposing teams just wanting to

come out and watch us play," junior Ashley Field said. "Having them out there, you do want to do good. You do want to show them what we have and who we are as Baylor."

Mulkey knows her team is definitely stronger this season, but knows not to overlook a road game.

"Anybody on their home floor is hard to beat," Mulkey said. "I don't care who you play in this league. On any given night, when you're on the road too many bad things can happen. And we've got to remain focused and stay focused and see if we can't go on the road and try to win another one."

Jones said the team is just taking things one game at a time.

"It's obviously a lot harder to go play and get a win on the road, and some of the games that we snuck out with a win have just been crazy how we haven't played to the best of our ability," Jones said. "But really, we're just taking it game by game. I don't think we're looking at that overall goal, just focused on one thing at a time."

Despite their 21-1 record, the Baylor still ranks No. 4 in national RPI behind Duke, Connecticut and Tennessee.

Today's game can be heard on Internet radio at baylorbears.com.

Men fight to stay near top of standings

By CHRIS DERRETT
SPORTS EDITOR

Fresh off what could be a season-turning win at Texas A&M Saturday, Baylor returns to the Ferrell Center for a 7 p.m. matchup today with Nebraska.

The Bears (15-7, 5-4) took sole possession of third place in the Big 12 by beating the Aggies, with three teams tied at 4-4 and another three at 4-5.

"In Big 12 play, every loss is hard to take, and [with] every win, you get very excited," head coach Scott Drew said. "The mature teams move on after each game and get ready for the next game."

The game will be Nebraska's last against Baylor as a member of the Big 12. With a win, the Bears would tie the series at nine games apiece in the Big 12 era.

The Cornhuskers (15-7, 3-5) enter tonight after dropping an 86-66 contest to Kansas at home and a 69-53 contest to Kansas State in Manhattan. Their two other conference losses, however, were a close 63-60 loss at Kansas and a 77-69 fall to Missouri.

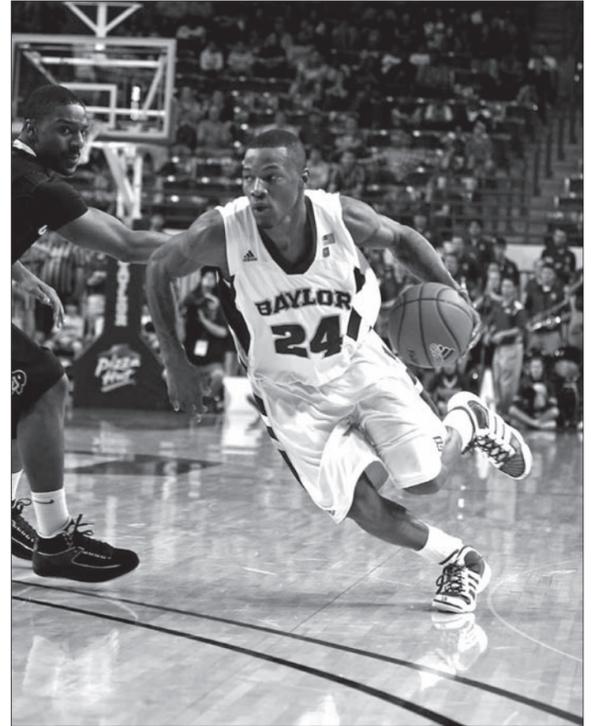
To avoid being upset, Baylor will have to handle a Nebraska defensive that flourishes on slowing the game and keeping opponents away from the rim.

"They really pack it in the paint and make it hard to get easy buckets," Drew said. "They double team the post and are very aggressive on ball screens. The congestion they cause with their help-side defense make it different than most teams."

League opponents have managed just 68 points per game against the Cornhuskers, ranking them third in the conference. Including all regular season games, that number drops to 58.4, good for first among Big 12 teams.

Once a guard-oriented team, Drew said Nebraska's big men have played an increasingly large role offensively. Jorge Brian Diaz, a 6-foot-11 center, leads all Cornhusker posts with 9.5 points per Big 12 game.

The Bears' answer inside will be Perry Jones III, a 6-foot-11 freshman who caught attention from NBA scouts early in the sea-



NICK BERRYMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

No. 24 senior LaceDarius Dunn drives the ball toward the basket in a Jan. 29 70-66 win over Colorado. The Bears face Nebraska at 7 p.m. today in Waco.

son and has built his NBA resume ever since. Jones III dropped a career-high 27 points in College Station, bodying up defenders in the paint and using his smooth stroke to nail key midrange jumpers.

As Jones III's offensive capability has shone at a rate of 18.9 points per Big 12 game, he has forced himself to demand the ball as much as possible. At the same time, his teammates demand such an aggressive attitude.

"It's a freshman thing," junior Anthony Jones said. "I guess he wanted to wait his turn. But we told him, 'Your turn is now. Demand the ball; we have no problem giving it to you. We know how good you are.'"

For Jones III, the process involves separating his off-the-court persona from his gametime decisions.

"I'm so quiet, and I somewhat disappear sometimes on the court," Jones III said. "Being active throughout the whole game is helping me."

On the perimeter, the game could be decided on how well or poorly each team holds onto the ball. Sophomore A.J. Walton will face the best ball-handling point guard he has seen this conference season in senior Lance Jeter. Jeter's 3.07 assist-to-turnover ratio (46-

15) is the second highest among all Big 12 players who average at least three assists per game. Jeter also leads his team in conference scoring at 12.1 points per game.

In its last two games, turnover struggles have plagued the Bears in spurts. At Oklahoma, 12 second-half turnovers led to a seven-point lead evaporating in a 73-66 loss. In Reed Arena, the Bears committed six turnovers in the last four minutes of the first half to squander a 14-point lead.

"[Drew] goes around to each player and tells him what he thinks he can do to cut down at least one turnover," Walton said. "We've just got to stay mentally focused. No mental mistakes."

Another advantage the Cornhuskers hold is depth. Nine players average at least 11 minutes, compared to six for the Bears.

With third and ninth place in the Big 12 separated by one game, every game will be crucial for each squad's NCAA tournament resume. At the end of the season, Drew said, there could be six or more Big 12 squads that earn tickets to the Big Dance.

"The body of work of this conference speaks for itself," Drew said. "We think it warrants six, seven, eight, however many teams."

Wake Forest baseball coach donates kidney to outfielder

By RON GREEN JR.
McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — When a coach says he would do anything for his players, it sounds like a cliché.

Then there is Wake Forest baseball coach Tom Walter.

Monday, Walter donated one of his healthy kidneys to Kevin Jordan, a Wake Forest freshman outfielder talented enough to be drafted in the 19th round by the New York Yankees last year but sick enough to wonder if he'd ever play again.

Surviving became Jordan's challenge.

Walter and Jordan are recuperating together at Emory University in Atlanta, each with one healthy kidney and baseball in their futures.

"I wanted to help this young man," Walter, 42, said on a conference call last week.

"When we recruit our guys, we talk about family and making sacrifices for one another. It's something we take very seriously."

When no one in Jordan's family could give him what he needed, the baseball coach — for whom he's never played a game — did.

"It's something you can't imagine," said Keith Jordan, Kevin's father. "Somebody mentioned divine intervention when you look at how we got to Wake Forest ... it's just one of those things you can't express in words."

Hired by Wake Forest on June 16, 2009, Walter and his staff had their first contact with Jordan 15 days later. A switch-hitting outfielder at Northside High in Columbus, Ga., Jordan was a hot prospect by the time he signed with the Deacons on Nov. 11, 2009.

Two months later, Jordan was diagnosed with the flu. Three months later, Jordan was 30 pounds lighter and struggling on the baseball field.

A visit to Emory University revealed Jordan was suffering from ANCA vasculitis, a condition caused by abnormal autoantibodies that attack cells and tissues. In Jordan's case, it led to kidney failure.

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Tom Walter | Wake Forest coach

With his kidneys functioning at 20 percent of their ability, Jordan was put on medication — 35 pills a day.

By summer, he was on dialysis three times a week.

Last August, Jordan decided to enroll at Wake Forest despite his illness, becoming a sick teenager away from home.

"Kevin showing up on our campus was a courageous act on his part. Far more courageous than anything I'm doing," Walter said. "For him being a freshman, not knowing anyone on campus, having to be in his room on dialysis, took an incredible courage."

Two days before fall classes began, Jordan, Walter and team trainer Jeff Strahm met with Dr. Barry Freedman, a nephrologist at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Freedman told Jordan his kidney function was

down to eight percent and explained a transplant was necessary.

While Jordan waited for a donor, attending practices but not participating, he attended classes, all of which he would pass.

"If you didn't know he was sick, you'd never know he was," teammate James Harris said. "He never seemed down."

When testing Jordan's family failed to find a compatible kidney donor, Walter volunteered to be tested. He passed the first stage in December, a second in early January. More tests followed to confirm the match.

"Most of the anxiety came because it was a waiting game," Walter said. "I had made up my mind it was something I wanted to do. My biggest fear was I wouldn't be able to do it. I would be disappointed."

On Jan. 28, the Deacons were 30 minutes into their first practice of the spring when Walter, who doesn't typically carry his cell phone to practice, got the call.

He was a match. Eight days ago, Walter told Wake Forest athletics director Ron Wellman he wanted to donate his kidney to Jordan.

Wellman immediately offered his support.

Walter, the father of children ages 8 and 11, had already talked with his wife, Kirsten, and other family members about his decision.

"They were certainly stunned, I guess. It was out of left field," Walter said. "Once they got past the initial shock, there was nothing but support."

On the day he told Wellman, Walter called his baseball team together and told them what was happening. For a moment, the players sat quietly. Then they

broke into applause.

"It was like, is this really happening?" Harris said.

If everything goes according to plan, Walter will be with his team Feb. 18 when the Deacons open the season at LSU.

Barring complications, Walter is a few weeks from doing the things he enjoys — running, playing with his kids, playing golf, and

coaching third base. He knows living with one kidney has risks, but chooses not to dwell on them. "You can't plan for that," he said. "It's like telling yourself you can't leave the house because you might get hit by a car."

Walter also understood what Jordan faced if he didn't find a matching donor.

"I think it's everybody's first

goal that Kevin has a normal life. Forget baseball for now. If he gets back on the field, that's another story," Walter said.

It's possible that Jordan can swing a bat again in April. The plan is for him to be in summer school.

"It transcends baseball," Harris, his teammate, said. "It's an inspiration."

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Schools warn of litigation over cuts

By Sommer Ingram
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas school districts could see an increase in lawsuits if special needs children are refused admission to the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the School for the Deaf because of cuts in the proposed state budget, superintendents told senators Monday.

Senators on the finance committee heard from superintendents of both schools, who said they are required under federal law to enroll students who cannot be adequately served by their local school districts.

Bill Daugherty, superintendent for the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, said if forced to operate with less money as proposed under the state Senate's draft

budget, the school won't be able to enroll new students who have a legal right to a "free, appropriate education" under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

He warned that parents of blind children have not hesitated in the past to sue if their children are not provided adequate services, and that restoring the funding that the Senate bill takes away would decrease the likelihood of litigation.

The school has no mechanism to cap enrollment, instead placing students on a wait list until a spot becomes available. Daugherty said students currently have to wait about one month, but that under Senate Bill 1 the wait list would effectively bar enrollment.

The School for the Deaf, which has a legal obligation to accept students referred by local school dis-

tricts for admission, faces similar obstacles.

With more than 500 students and enrollment steadily increasing, the school can't sustain the 10 percent cut lawmakers are proposing without cutting personnel and making drastic changes in services, superintendent Claire Bugen said.

Students remain in local school districts if they are refused admission.

The schools for the blind and deaf serve some of the most complex learners in the state, and a majority of the students have more than one disability. Bugen said only 30 percent of their students have a single disability, she said.

The School for the Blind and Visually Impaired is requesting 15 more teachers and staff, and had hoped for an additional \$1.4 million

to cover the cost of providing an education for 12 to 16 new students. Daugherty said the school is also seeking funds to update technology.

The School for the Deaf wants 18 new teachers and staff. Bugen said the proposed cuts would force the school to lose an overnight physician, leaving sick students to be administered by a dorm parent not a medical expert.

In the face of a \$27 billion budget shortfall, Sen. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, said "it may be appropriate in some cases to charge tuition."

Bugen said that is not allowed under federal law.

"I don't have a mechanism to do that. I think we're going to cross into federal issues under IDEA (Individuals With Disabilities Education Act) when you start talking about charging parents," she said.

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a greater level of trust between the faculty and administration, Cannon said.

"It [the level of trust] was not high several years ago and I think that that is improving a lot, and I think the provost coming and being as open as she was to questions and answering them as frankly as she did — I think that does a lot," Cannon said. "So I don't think it's a particular issue so much as it is a feeling that we're really getting together as a university, headed in the same direction, which hasn't always been the case."

Dr. Todd Still, associate professor of Christian Scriptures and a member of the executive council of the faculty senate, said he believes the relationship between the faculty senate and the present administration is "decidedly positive."

"I think there is a mutual respect and understanding for our various roles and contributions to the university, and we hold both the president and the provost, the two with whom we are in the most consistent contact, in the highest of esteem," Still said. "I think that the relation-

ship that we have with the president and the provost, the central administration is one of mutual warmth and reciprocity."

Dr. Barry Harvey, professor in the great texts program in the Honors College, gave a report to the Faculty Senate about the incoming freshman class.

The class' SAT and ACT scores are considerably higher than last year's class, Cannon said. He said he could only speculate about the reason for the increase.

"As an academic I hate to think it, but maybe due to basketball and football. Kids like the full college experience," Cannon said. "I mean Rice gets good students, Harvard gets good students, but we've generated a lot of excitement in the general atmosphere. As an academic, I like to think that they're coming here because our math department's really great, but ... I think that might have something to do with it, but I don't know. That's pure speculation on my part."

Senate elections were also postponed until April 5 and 6.

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"I think that they should be doing more," Hays said. "If they're going to cut out the most important part of a student's life, it doesn't say much for them."

Hays, who has been teaching in local high schools as part of her degree program, is concerned about the effect that a higher student-teacher ratio could have on the classroom environment.

"Just because I've been in the classroom so much these past few

years, I think having more students in the classroom just makes it hectic," Hays said. "You can't get a lot of one-on-one action with the kids. ... You can't get students to pay attention and be engaged with a lesson plan that's less discussion-based and more lecture-based."

The proposed cuts would likely make the job market even tighter for Baylor students pursuing a career in teaching upon graduation. Tens of thousands of teachers

across the state could be laid off in the coming years, Caffey said, requiring new graduates to compete for fewer jobs with experienced professionals also looking to leave the ranks of the unemployed.

"When you're talking about that many people potentially looking for jobs in addition to college graduates, then that will make the market difficult for teachers," Caffey said.

Although Hays is optimistic about the future of public educa-

tion long-term, she expressed a hope the cuts will ultimately be less than those requested in the Legislative Budget Board's proposal.

"Obviously I'm nervous about if they continue to take things away from the education department in general, but hopefully they'll wise up," Hays said.

Rep. Jim Pitts, a member of the Legislative Budget Board who was involved in the proposed budget cuts, was unavailable for comment.

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Kelsey said David loves Baylor and wants Noozhoo to be affiliated with his alma mater first and foremost.

David remembers his days at Baylor fondly.

"Baylor really kind of provided the foundation," he said. "With everything from Business 1401 to great texts classes."

Grubbs is also grateful for the mentor he found at Baylor, Dr. Kendall Artz, professor and chair of management and entrepreneur-

ship and director of entrepreneurial studies.

"I have known David for probably five years," Artz said. "He has a tremendously high energy level and he is creative. He has great commitment and a wonderful personality that helps him to make contacts."

After Grubbs graduated, he kept in close contact with Artz about everything, including Noozhoo.

"I mostly just act as a sounding board for David," Artz said. "It's

mostly just an informal advisory role actually."

Artz also mentioned Grubbs' strong loyalty to Baylor.

"Even though he's not that much older than the students here, he's so committed to coming back," he said. "He's working with us to perhaps start up a class in the fall."

In the meantime, Grubbs offers a word of advice to Baylor students.

"Find out where your passion is," he said.

"I always was frustrated with

things and that's where your passion lies because you can figure out ways to change it."

Grubbs is also an advocate for the faculty at Baylor.

"You would be surprised at how much the professors can connect you with the business world," he said.

At Noozhoo, employees have high hopes for the future.

"Our goal is to really inspire people to learn, connect and grow," Kelsey said.

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Dr. Jonathan Tran, assistant professor of religion at Baylor, closed out the event with a discussion on how to use these different views and how to stand up for one

another against discrimination not only at Baylor but also in the world.

"This event is only meant to be a starting point for discussion, a

spark," said Cristina Galvan, student body external vice president and Houston junior.

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be heard on topics they might normally avoid.

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