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Rogers, Lyssy win runoff elections

By MOLLY DUNN
REPORTER

Houston junior Zach Rogers defeated Houston junior Ben Aguinaga for student body president and Falls City junior Michael Lyssy defeated Houston sophomore Brian Kim for internal vice president in a runoff election Tuesday.

Rogers won with 52.87 percent of the 1,880 votes cast for president.

"It was a great race; 52 to 48



Rogers

[He's a] great individual and I'm really happy for him. I think he'll be a wonderful man with out-

percent is about as close as it gets," Rogers said.

"I'm really proud of Zach," Aguinaga said. "Zach did a fantastic job.

standing character to run the student body."

Aguinaga said he was also impressed by the number of votes cast by students and how close the runoff election was.

"It was a great race, honestly. It was something that surpassed a lot of our expectations as far as runoffs go," Aguinaga said.

Rogers was thankful and appreciative to everyone who cast a vote in the election this year.

"I'm very excited and looking forward to this next year as



Lyssy

as student government be a transparent organization to represent students."

student body president," Rogers said. "I hope that the Lord will guide my thoughts and my actions and that we will

With 1,828 votes cast for internal vice president, Lyssy received 60.61 percent of the votes over Kim.

Both internal vice presidential candidates said they were happy for the election race to conclude, but said they enjoyed campaigning.

"Running for this office has been a pleasure," Kim said. "I had so much fun just getting to meet new people and I'm just re-

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Starr stresses gravity of TEG funding

By SARA TIRRITO
STAFF WRITER

With Texas Equalization Grant funding in peril in the state Legislature, President Ken Starr called on the Baylor family last week to contact legislators in hopes of saving the program.

"This is a Baylor family matter," Starr said. "One of the important lessons of recent years is that the entire Baylor community has to come together to help meet the challenge of financing higher education, so this is a challenge for all of us and not just for the families themselves."

Through the Baylor family's efforts, Starr said he hopes to educate new members of the Legislature and show them the importance of TEG funding. In an email to the Lariat, Texas Sen. Brian Birdwell said the TEG remains intact, though its future is still uncertain.

"As of now, the TEG remains intact in both versions of the budget (SB 1 and HB 1). SB 1 funds the TEG at \$168,845,655 for the biennium, which is \$44,229,251 more than HB 1," Birdwell wrote. "The Senate Committee on Finance is still in the process of working out the budget, so much is subject to change. I have and will continue to support the TEG, and thus, is my hope that the fund will be cut the least amount possible."

The funding was slated for a 41.5 percent cut in the original state budget proposal.

"The TEG has existed for 40 years and has now served literally tens of thousands of students and has made our state better, but there's certain basic facts that simply may not be known, especially to newly elected members," Starr said. "So this is, as I see it, an edu-

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MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Left: Performing her practice walk down the temporary runway, Springfield, Mo., sophomore Krystal Joiner holds her head high and maintains form during the Project Greenway practice session and show preview Tuesday in the Bobo Spiritual Life Center. Right: Lincoln Faulkner, Rockdale senior and vice president of Uproar Records, provides instructions for the runway walk to Lewisville sophomore Nellsyn Hill.



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Green fashion to strut at Uproar release

By LEIGH ANN HENRY
REPORTER

Uproar Records will release its third annual compilation album on April 27, but this year the record label is adding a twist by incorporating a sustainable fashion show and calling the event Project Greenway.

"This is first and foremost a concert," said Houston senior Laura Williams when describing the breakdown of events at the show.

Williams serves as Uproar Records vice president with Rockdale junior Lincoln Faulkner.

Uproar Records is a student-run record label that features local Baylor artists.

Project Greenway will start at 6:30 p.m. in the Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student

Center and will open with sets from three artists. The fashion show, which also includes live music, will follow.

Eight student teams, made up of three to four people each, will participate in the fashion show. The teams were instructed to design outfits using recycled materials as well as reused and repurposed materials.

"They're going to be judged on innovation/resourcefulness, execution, wearability and use of recycled materials versus new materials," Faulkner said.

Innovation and resourcefulness is the overall creativity of the design, execution is how well the designers matched their original sketch in the final product and wearability is the overall look and poise of the model as well as the outfit's durability on the runway,

Faulkner said.

The designers get more points by incorporating reused versus new products; for instance, buying something plastic compared to using plastic found in someone's house.

The judges will deliberate during a final set from another artist and announce the results.

The release of a compilation Uproar CD is an annual event, but this is the first year sustainability has been incorporated into the event.

"This is the first time Baylor has seen something like this. It's definitely the biggest thing Uproar has ever done and it's been a huge collaborative effort that I hope will continue to add more people as years go by, like businesses getting involved with sponsorship and more organizations on cam-

pus getting involved," Faulkner said. "We hope this grows to be as big as any event at Baylor and becomes one of Baylor's favorite events every year."

Faulkner said he got the idea for the event from another university.

"I first got this idea from a student newspaper at Iowa State that did a fashion show made out of newspapers and I kind of took that and developed it, made it into more generally sustainable items," Faulkner said.

Williams and Faulkner said some of the items seen in the designs include newspapers, magazines, can tabs, bottle caps, paper mache, feathers, umbrellas, tissue paper and much more.

"Sustainability was the first

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It's his birthday: BU student can serve if he wants to

By STORI LONG
REPORTER

Whether they're young or old, people typically want their birthdays to have one thing in common: They want it to be about them. But one Baylor student wants something a little different this year.

When Houston senior Kyle Kahlden turns 22 Monday, he doesn't want his friends to buy him gifts or throw a party. Rather, he requested that they join him on a one-day mission trip to serve the Waco community.

"God was really putting it on my heart that I needed to get outside of my

bubble and do something, as corny as it may sound," Kahlden said. "I also never really did a lot to celebrate my birthday because I never felt like I did anything worth celebrating on that day and I thought this was something worth doing."

Last year for spring break, Kahlden participated in a service project with his church, helping a church in Bellmead clean and paint. For his birthday soon after, he asked a group of friends to accompany him to return to the church for a day and serve more.

This year, Kahlden wants to celebrate his birthday by serving members in his church at First Baptist Church

of Woodway and meeting the various needs of some of the members, from power washing to helping around the house.

For those who know Kahlden, this desire to make his birthday more than just about him does not come as a surprise.

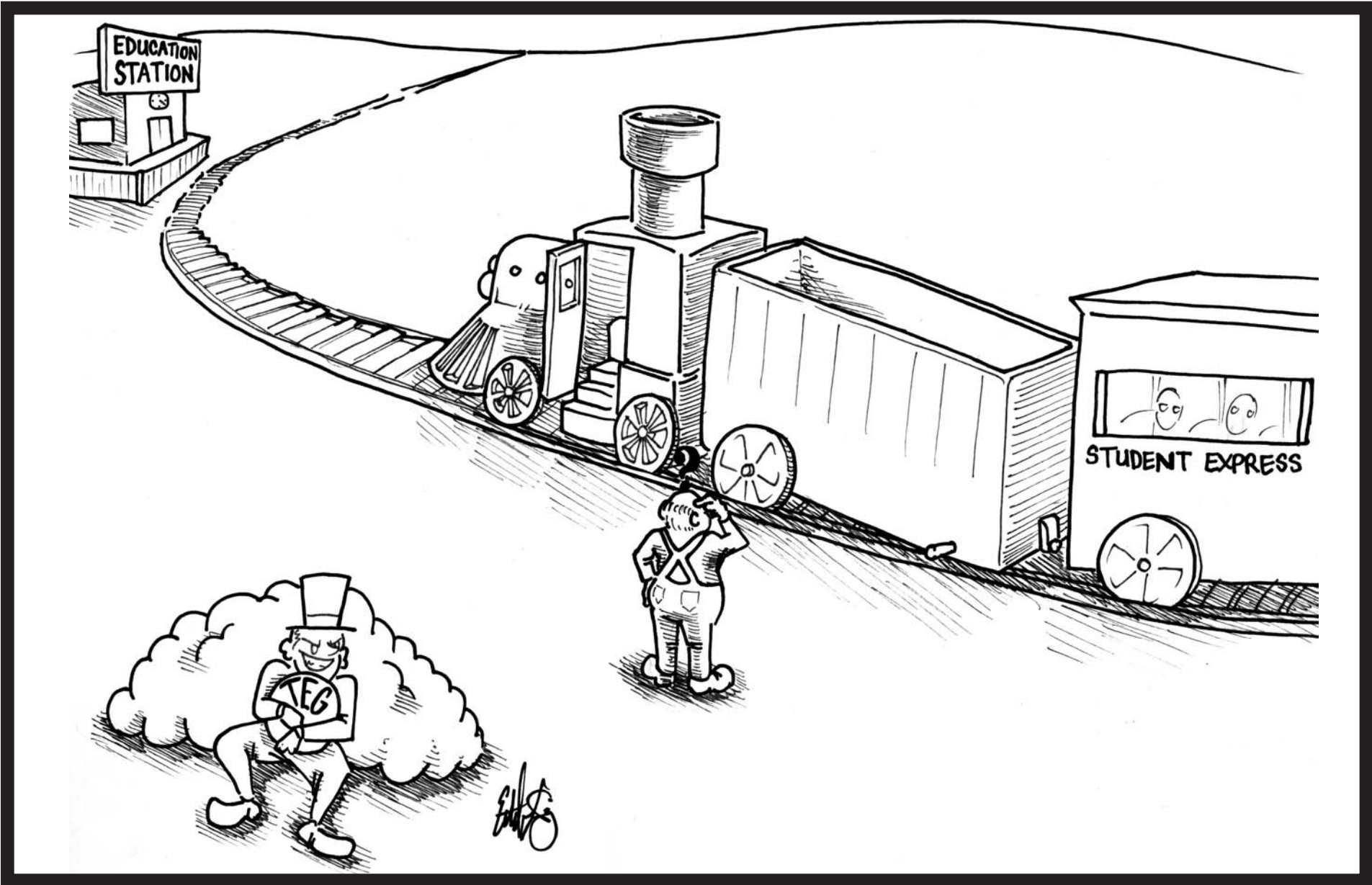
"This is a part of Kyle that he doesn't go around bragging about," Colorado Springs, Colo., senior John Funk said. "He's super friendly and outgoing, but stuff like this he doesn't go around broadcasting he just does it. He's very humble in that way."

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JED DEAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Houston senior Kyle Kahlden doesn't ask for cards or money for his birthday. Instead, he simply asks that his friends join him in serving the community.



Protect the TEG

Why it matters so much and fighting for it costs us so little

Backed with facts

Taxpayers pay
55 percent less
per student enrolled in a private institution

Baylor has
THE MOST
TEG recipients out of
all private institutions
in Texas

Source: Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas Inc.

Editorial

Time and time again editorial pages, news stories and press conferences have started out with some mention of the state's lack-luster financial situation and the inevitability of reining in spending.

State legislators are taking blind hacks at small programs — and in their path is the Texas Equalization Grant, an initiative that provides funds to first-generation and minority students for their college tuition.

The proposal cuts the total allotment of TEG funds by 41.5 percent.

For Fiscal Year 2011, the state spent \$102 million on the TEG. Of that, Baylor was awarded \$12.3 million. The cut would eliminate more than \$42 million from that budget, a slash that would affect 3,200 current Baylor students and, eventually, private higher education across the state.

Fifty-two percent of Baylor students awarded the TEG identify themselves as minorities. If funds

are cut, private schools will see a decrease in the number of students financially able to attend — despite their academic capabilities.

Nearly 700 of the 3,200 Baylor students that have capitalized on the TEG have no way of paying for college aside from financial aid. In fact, it can be assumed that with the TEG cut almost in half, some students will no longer be able to attend Baylor.

More than 38 percent of all TEG recipients have no capacity to pay a portion of their college costs — meaning those individuals have an estimated family contribution below \$1,000.

It is not logical to cut the TEG, a program that actually saves the state money. It costs the state \$4,175 more for a public university student than for a private university student.

Taxpayers would have paid more than \$232 million in fiscal year 2009 had TEG recipients enrolled in public universities.

Therefore, if the state were to cut the TEG, more students would not have the option of attending a pri-

vate university and would instead rely more heavily on the state for public education support.

Private universities like Baylor look to extend scholarships to each of its attendees.

According to the Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas Inc., its member institutions provided more than \$506 million in non-governmental financial assistance to students. That's nearly five times the amount awarded by the TEG.

At Baylor specifically, students that are accepted are awarded a scholarship based on their ranking and test scores. There are also numerous other scholarship opportunities afforded to Baylor students.

Baylor has increased its scholarship endeavors, most recently with the President's Scholarship Initiative set to raise \$100 million for students.

If the TEG is cut, however, private universities and the state suffer a major setback.

The funds raised by the schools

for scholarships have to cover more of the students' costs in order to retain the students and the state has to dish out more money for each student that won't be able to afford a private school without the TEG.

The proposed cut is to a program whose budget accounts for less than one-tenth of 1 percent of the entire state budget. That amounts to less than 1 percent of the total higher education budget in Texas.

Students are given the chance to earn a degree from a private institution. Private universities are able to give more scholarship money to students.

Texas taxpayers are able to pay less for a student to earn a degree — a degree that prepares them for the workforce and, in turn, benefits the Texas economy.

In these dire times, the state Legislature is hunting for cuts. The TEG has fallen prey to off-the-mark scalpels and we, as a Baylor family, have to step up and fight for this program.

President Ken Starr has launched a website — Baylor.edu/saveteg

— dedicated to informing people of the value of the TEG. Much of the information provided here is found at that site.

He has asked for Baylor faculty, staff, students and alumni to contact their state representatives and tell them what the TEG has done for Baylor, Texas and themselves. We advise readers to do the same.

For almost 40 years, Texas Equalization Grants have helped Texans across the state break free from the financial burdens of attending private universities like Baylor.

At the suggestion of Starr, for the concern of fellow students and for the protection of Baylor, Texans should use their right as a represented body to make their voices heard. Only through vocalizing the importance of this issue can the outcome be changed.

As students, who are most affected, we have a responsibility to protect institutions like Baylor that have helped us so much. Stand up for the TEG, students; future students like us depend on us to.

86%
of TEG students are undergraduates

\$232 million
what taxpayers would have paid in FY2009 if TEG recipients enrolled in public universities instead

\$102 million
the total budget for the TEG in FY2011, just one-tenth of 1 percent of the state's entire budget

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Baylor in China offers language immersion

By MADISON FERRIL
CONTRIBUTOR

For those brave enough to spend four weeks without the English language, Baylor in China has proven to be a rewarding program. Directed by Dr. Xin Wang, assistant professor of Chinese and director of Asian Studies, the program is open to students who have taken their first year of Chinese. Students take two classes and are not allowed to speak English during their time in the country. Participants will spend most of their time in Beijing, but travel to other places as well, such as the an-

cient capital city of Xi'an. Wang said he started the program five years ago after teaching and doing research in China. About 50 students have participated since it started. "I realized that many other universities had established language programs and we didn't have one organized," he said. "And while I was teaching here, students had been telling me that they really wanted to go see the country and learn about the culture." Wang said Chinese is a difficult language to master without being placed in the cultural and social setting of China. The program al-

lows students to learn about different aspects of the culture. Wang said he believes that knowing the language helps career-wise. Alumni of the program have used the language in their career or pursued further study in areas related to China. One student works at Hewlett-Packard Co. in Beijing, while another teaches at a university in the same city. One student works at the Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C., as a research associate for the China section. Three students are currently enrolled in graduate programs re-

lated to East Asian studies. "Both government and business institutions are looking for people with Chinese background, language proficiency and study abroad experience," Wang said. Houston sophomore Christy Pyle is one of 14 students going on the trip this year. "It will be overwhelming to not be able to speak English," Pyle said. "I'm trying to speak as much Chinese as I can to prepare." Pyle said she has been planning to study abroad since she started college and she wanted to participate in Baylor in China after the fall semester.

"I felt like I would learn more and get a better feel for China with this program," she said. San Jose, Calif., junior Cassie Yip said she hopes the trip will allow her to better grasp the language. "I wanted to immerse myself in the culture because that's a better way to learn, at least if you want to be fluent," Yip said. Yip said she thinks the program will open up future career prospects. "I am still trying to figure out what field to go into," she said. "I am looking at teaching English, and one of those options is teach-

ing in Hong Kong. Even if I don't do that, it's good to have another language." Both students said they are concerned about traveling to China. "It's going to be an experience in itself being in a different country without my family," Pyle said. "This is the farthest I've been away from them." However, Yip said she is ready for the experience. "I think it opens the door to a different culture," Yip said. "They see the world a completely different way. It's just a window into a completely different perspective."

Wildfire rips across Texas, threatens major cities

By APRIL CASTRO AND
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DALLAS — State officials said Tuesday that wildfire burning about 70 miles from the Dallas-Fort Worth area has blackened an area twice as big as previously estimated, and that strong wind gusts and hot temperatures would make it tougher to fight the blaze. The fire at Possum Kingdom Lake about 70 miles west of Fort Worth has grown to nearly 150,000 acres from estimates a day earlier of about 63,000 acres, according to the Texas Forest Service. The fire is the fifth in Texas to have burned at least 100,000 acres in the past two weeks. Most of the state is in extreme drought, and wildfires in the past week alone have burned more than 1,000 square miles of parched Texas ranchland — an area that combined would be the size of Rhode Island. The weather was expected to complicate matters in North Texas Tuesday, with temperatures forecast in the mid-90s and wind gusts of up to 35 mph. There was a chance of evening thunderstorms. "Gusty winds, it's going to make any fire suppression efforts problematic," Texas Forest Service



A plume of smoke from burning wildfires near Possum Kingdom Lake blows west Monday at Texas State Highway 337 south of Grafton. Motorists were prohibited from heading west from Grafton to Possum Kingdom Lake due to the wildfires. About 1,500 firefighters are battling blazes that have consumed more than 1,000 square miles of parched Texas ranchland.

spokesman Marq Webb said Tuesday. "The public just needs to be mindful that any use of outdoor fire should not be considered." More than 30 homes have been confirmed destroyed in the Possum Kingdom area, and the forest service says that number will grow. Trooper Gary Rozzell of the Texas Department of Public Safety

said heat from the flames of fires near Possum Kingdom on the Brazos River grew so intense Monday that cinders were sent high into the atmosphere. There, they became icy and fell to the ground in a process called "ice-capping," he said. "They tell me it's like a roof falling in," he said. The fires drove residents from

their homes along the shore of the North Texas lake, with at least 18 homes and two churches burned. The flames reached a storage building containing fireworks on the reservoir's western shore, lighting up the night but causing no injuries, Palo Pinto County Judge David Nicklas said. In West Texas, rugged, hilly

terrain north of San Angelo was complicating efforts to bring the Wildcat Fire in Coke County under control. However, firefighters gained ground on it Monday after using "burnouts" on Sunday to clear out fuel needed by the advancing flames, according to Texas Forest Service spokesman Oscar Mestas. He said some scattered rural areas were evacuated as a precaution, but no homes were reported destroyed by the 104,000-acre fire. Two people who apparently wanted to see the fires from the air died when their single-engine biplane crashed near San Angelo, Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Lynn Lunsford said Monday. Witnesses told investigators the two-seater took off from Mathis Field/San Angelo Municipal Airport on Sunday and that the two people on board, whose identities had not been released, indicated they wanted to go on a sightseeing trip over the wildfire, Lunsford said. The wreckage was found Monday east of San Angelo. In Austin, some residents of a neighborhood in the southwestern corner of the capital city returned Monday to find charred ruins of their homes after a wildfire a day earlier.

The blaze destroyed 10 homes in the affected area and significantly damaged 10 others, and those numbers are likely to rise as fire officials continue searching the area, said Austin Fire Department spokesman Palmer Buck. David and Kris Griffin returned home from out-of-town weekend trips on Monday to find that their house was one of at least 20 in their Austin neighborhood destroyed or nearly destroyed by a weekend wildfire. Nearly all of their possessions went up in flames, and their cat of 11 years, was missing. Making their loss even tougher to grasp, the homes on both sides of theirs survived relatively unscathed. "All the other houses got saved except ours ... we're just kind of speechless right now," said Kris Griffin. She said finding the cat was their priority, because their possessions were replaceable. Authorities charged a 60-year-old homeless man with arson on Monday, saying he defied a nearly statewide burn ban and left a campfire untended Saturday. Fire officials say wind-blown embers ignited the blaze, which spread quickly through a suburban-like area of southwest Austin and forced the evacuation of about 200 homes.

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Baylor Spiritual Life resurrects Easter tradition of Holy Week

By STORI LONG
REPORTER

As the end of Lent approaches, Christians all over the world are preparing themselves for the celebration of Easter.

The Spiritual Life Center is giving students a chance to experience not just Easter, but the Holy Week leading up to it.

A Holy Week service open to all students will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Seventh & James Baptist Church, located on Seventh Street and James Avenue.

“The idea is to take people through the whole week because often we go from Palm Sunday and jump straight to Easter,” Dr. Katie Long, director of Wesley Foundation at Baylor and United Methodist

campus minister, said.

The service will include many different ways of experiencing Holy Week.

There will be several short sermons, or homilies, each focusing on different movements in the Holy Week, such as Palm Sunday and Good Friday. These sermons will be presented by leaders of different denominations, including Catholics, Baptists, Methodists and Lutherans.

The bringing together of different denominations is important to the Spiritual Life Center, especially in view of Holy Week and Easter.

“We are all Jesus-following people,” Ryan Richardson, director of worship and associate pastor at Spiritual Life Center, said. “We may have different theologies

on some things but we can come together in Holy Week to observe Christ’s walk to the cross. There is no need for separation in observing this.”

Giving special observance to the week leading up to Easter and focusing on Jesus’ crucifixion has long been a part of Christian history and tradition.

According to New Advent, one of the biggest online resources for Catholics in the world, observance of Holy Week dates at the close of the fourth century in Jerusalem when crowds of people were recorded to meet together and hear Scripture and sing hymns.

The tradition continues in the hopes that Christians can better understand Easter by observing the Holy Week.

“If people are only in church on Sunday, sometimes all they get is the ‘Hosanna’ one Sunday and ‘He is risen’ the next and there is nothing about the pain and the sacrifice,” Long said.

Richardson agrees that focusing on the suffering of Christ is something that makes Easter even more significant.

“We won’t get to Easter at this service,” Richardson said. “But we will observe the death of Christ, and I think this is a good thing for Christians to do. ... We know he is resurrected but the idea is that this will mentally prepare us for what Easter is and allow us to experience the resurrection better. The narrative leading up to the cross is what allows us to see and understand how magnificent it is.”

Fitness team works for championship win

By MOLLY DUNN
REPORTER

Four students will represent Baylor at the American Collegiate Intramural Sports Fitness National Championships in Colorado Springs, Colo., on April 30 and hope to bring home the win this time around.

Ames, Iowa sophomore Lucas Borg, Dallas senior Josh Brame, Carrollton junior Chistabelle Alexander and Rural Valley, Pa., master’s candidate Krista Nordby will represent Baylor in the tournament, which brings together teams from universities across the nation.

Van Davis, assistant director for fitness and nutrition education, coaches the team and wants to bring home first place after placing second the past two years.

“I really think we’re going to do well. I think we have a really solid team. I’m giving it 110 percent, just go out there and do the best I can,” Alexander said.

In the competition, one male and one female competitor will do the biking section of the mini-triathlon, the other two competitors will do the running section and then all four will swim in the final part. All competitors will also participate in a tug o’ war and an obstacle course.

Davis said the obstacle course will be the most challenging for all teams competing.

“It covers the whole football field. So not only is it taxing endurance-wise, but you have got to have the quickness, you’ve got to be able to be smart on a certain event,” Davis said. “This year I’m bringing home the trophy. We’ll continue to strive for that until we get it.”

None of the team members competing this year have competed in previous ACIS Fitness Na-



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Rural Valley, Pa., masters Candidate Krista Nordby; Carrollton junior Chistabelle Alexander; Ames, Iowa sophomore Lucas Borg; and Dallas senior Josh Brame will soon head to Colorado to participate in the National Fitness Challenge.

tional Championships.

“I think it’s going to be neat because [for] all of them this will be their first time,” Davis said. “It will be fun because they’ll get to experience all the new things together. From the trip, traveling together and just being there, I think that’ll be great.”

Along with excitement comes nerves.

“I’m kind of nervous because I’ve never gone before, but in the past years my friends have gone, so I’ve talked with them about what it’s like,” Alexander said.

Brame competes on Baylor’s

crew team and said he feels prepared to compete nationally.

“I’ve always been driven to work hard and play harder,” Brame said. “ACIS Fitness Challenge is another way for me to compete and hopefully succeed at what I do. I feel like I can compete heavily with the top percentage of the school or nation, so ACIS is definitely a way to do that.”

Although competitors can physically prepare themselves for competing in each event, preparing to cope with the altitude change from Texas to Colorado is a difficult adjustment, Davis said.

“There are a lot of other teams that are from the north part of the country, so the altitude, they’re pretty much used to that, especially the two teams from the Air Force Academy,” Davis said. “They really have the inside advantage because they’re used to the weather, they’re used to the campus and a part of their physical training revolves around swim, bike and run.”

The two teams representing the Air Force Academy have taken first place the past two years and are Baylor’s biggest competition.

“The altitude, to me, is a big deal. They’re [the Air Force Academy] already adjusted to it. If you’re in the academy, you’re fit,” Borg said.

Brame said rowing for the crew team has helped him with oxygen consumption and usage, which will come in handy during his biking event outside.

Although the altitude puts the southern teams at a disadvantage, the competitors representing Baylor said they are excited to compete.

“Give it my best and let God do the rest. If I give my best, there are no regrets; I won’t be able to regret anything,” Alexander said.

Davis has been encouraging and motivating her students to work hard in training so that it will pay off when they compete nationally, but she said she wants them to enjoy their time in Colorado and at the competition.

“I do tell everyone that we’re going to bring home the trophy, but I say that but the bottom line is really for our students to go up there and experience this weekend and just really enjoy it,” Davis said. “I know they’re in great shape, I know they’re going to give it all they got, so I’m not worried about that.”

Non-Christian Baylor students embrace Easter, own cultures

By TAYLOR REXRODE
CONTRIBUTOR

Pastel-colored eggs, oversized chocolate bunnies, people dressed in their colorful Sunday best for church: These are all images of what most would consider a typical American Easter celebrating the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus.

For four Baylor students, however, Easter is just another American holiday in the spring.

These students do not celebrate the Christian tradition of Easter because they are not Christians. At Baylor, though they are a minority within the predominantly Christian community, these students are proud of their non-Christian beliefs and the cultures they represent.

As many Baylor students celebrate the Easter holiday at their home churches, non-Christian students, such as Sugar Land freshman Nevin Shah, a Jain, will enjoy the natural splendors of spring with family.

“I celebrate Easter more as a celebration of the coming of spring, including the rebirth of life all around me,” Shah said. “As a Jain, we have a Lent-like celebration in late August and September called Paryushan. My family’s major Easter tradition is just spending time together and reflecting on the year so far ... along with the aesthetic joys of Easter like candy and bunnies.”

Another student considered the Christian community an important deciding factor for choosing to attend Baylor.

Edmond, Okla., freshman Azeem Malik is originally from Karachi, Pakistan, where he grew up in a conservative home practicing Islam. Malik said religion factored into his decision to attend Baylor.

“When I came to the U.S., my parents, who are conservative, wanted me to go to a college that wasn’t too liberal, but, at the same time, they wanted me to get a good education. I wanted that, too. I thought Baylor, because of its Christian values, would be a good place,” Malik said.

Even though Baylor was his “perfect fit,” Malik said he feels Baylor students, as a whole, should

be more open to and cognitive of other religious practices.

“I think if we focus on a more world religion type class, make that mandatory, I think the students would be better equipped to understand their own beliefs of Christianity as well as understand the ideas of others and become more tolerant as a whole. I think that’s what the scope of education is.”

Malik said he was not exposed to much Christianity until he moved to the United States in 2009.

Since moving to the U.S., Malik said he has enjoyed the cultural experience of attending churches and the close friendships he has made with Christians here at Baylor.

Katy senior Maithilee Bedre said she sometimes feels the tension over her Hindu beliefs when talking with Christian students.

“I find it disrespectful when I occasionally find those people who try to tell me that I am following a baseless religion because the only true religion is Christianity,” Bedre said.


“I have faith in what I believe, and, at the end of the day, that is all that matters. I have been exposed to some people who have tried to talk me into seeing what a great religion Christianity is, and to that I completely agree. However, I don’t believe that my religion is any less in greatness.”

Katy freshman Mihir Bedre, Maithilee’s brother, said he enjoys the community he found at Baylor even before he sent in his application.

“I was dropping my sister off at move-in day, and the first time I drove onto the campus, I saw how beautiful it was. I saw the community. Knowing that it was Baptist, it was just the icing on the cake,” Mihir Bedre said.

Along with the community aspect of Baylor, Mihir said he has also enjoyed attending Chapel and growing spiritually in fellowship with his Christian friends.

“It allows you to relate to the Lord, whether you call him Jesus Christ or Krishna, whatever it is. That’s basically what it comes down to. You have a relationship with the Lord and Chapel really incorporates that,” Mihir said.



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Two brothers push art boundaries

By Liz Hitchcock
Reporter

Taking visual and performance art to the next level is the goal for two brothers and Baylor alumni John and Charles Hancock.

Printmaking has always been the pair's strong suit, but The Amazing Hancock Brothers – the name that the brothers have chosen for their collaborative efforts – cross boundaries with their art into gallery performances and throwing art parties.

Professor of art, Berry Klingman, said, "Most of their work is based on social and political issues. It is sharp-edged and in your face. A lot of it is pigs, coneheads, Shriners or mostly people that are involved in circus performance."

Before graduating in 1983, the two brothers began producing art as a team, but it hasn't been until fairly recently that they have shared creative license over each other's work.

"It's easy to work with [Charles]. Proximity makes it a little bit of a challenge," John said. "We share imagery. I will say, 'Here, Charles, do something with these prints.' We're just very passionate about fixing things. It's more of repair work. Right now, we are working

on Samurai and Kabuki imagery."

The art collaboration they have created, The Amazing Hancock Brothers, is known for its focus on Día de los Muertos-themed prints.

"When we got out of Baylor, we showed with some friends and started Big Snuff, a collaboration in which we showed throughout the Southwest," Charles said. "Me and John's work is similar in subject matter and technique, but we really didn't start collaborating until recently. We started out showing together. I'll tell John to give me some prints and I'll work on them and pass them back to him."

Everything from hot rods, dancing skeletons and clowns to guns, monkeys and tanks. It's all fair game for The Amazing Hancock Brothers.

"We like teenage boy type stuff, skulls and hot rods," John said. "I guess you could call it low-brow art. We're a lot less sophisticated than you think."

Using mainly woodcuts, the brothers' controversial subject matters are sketchy, morbid and often childish, John said.

"Their style comes from German expressionism, political cartoons of all time periods and poster art," Klingman said, "Political and social satire is what they have

been working with for a long time."

Their works' raw appeal is able to draw some in but may also steer others clear. Aside from being known for their, the brothers are avid partiers and like to perform at their gallery openings.

"We have always had some sort of performative element in our work since the mid-'80s," John said. "There will be banjos, megaphones, girls in crazy hats, always all kinds of things at our shows."

One of the brothers' favorite shows was an Oklahoma City, Okla. opening. Showing with artists known as The Inger Brothers, The Amazing Hancock Brothers said the highlight of the night was when they used live ammunition fired from old guns and they shot at an effigy they had created.

"[Our past performances] all fall somewhere around poetic readings and ritualistic ceremonies, usually in some sort of costume or fez. We usually do something to make the opening spatial ... The greatest one was in Oklahoma, with the Inger Brothers. We fired guns in the gallery at a sculpture with a voice recorder that would yell at you. The gallery had no windows, so there was a bank of gun smoke."

John is a professor at University

of Mary-Hardin Baylor, teaching printmaking, photography and drawing, while Charles is working in South Austin.

The two are currently showing at The Croft Gallery with The Mighty Mighty Seals Family Singers. The show is titled "Slop Bucket" because the two did not have a set organization for it, but they just "slopped" it together, John said .

"I don't think there's any real concept behind it," John said. "I was just trying to figure out a good title, and it just seemed like a big slop bucket of art, not very elegant, but a pro po. It's mostly art we have done over the last 6 months to a year, a lot of it is still pretty fresh. Katie [Croft] is really good at giving us a vehicle for our bad habits, I suppose."

At the gallery opening, the brothers recited poetry and were involved in a musical performance act.

"Pat [Seals] was playing bass behind us, playing random noise and used his effects pedal," Charles said. "Then me and John just alternated with a kind of our greatest hits of spoken word poetry."

The "Slop Bucket" show will be up the entire month of April in downtown Waco. It is free of charge.



COURTESY

Two brothers and Baylor alumni, John and Charles Hancock, push the boundaries of both performance and visual art through unconventional pieces. Their artwork is shoing at The Croft Gallery in downtown Waco.

Toms Shoes founder is literally keeping a lid on it

By Booth Moore
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES – Toms Shoes founder Blake Mycoskie is one of my favorite Angelenos, if you can call him one, as he spends so much of his time traveling on shoe drops in South America and Africa and giving speeches about his One for One business model (for every pair of shoes sold, a pair is donated to someone in need).

I caught up with him over tea at his Santa Monica, Calif., office recently, and even though I had to use my BlackBerry, I wanted to take a picture of his wonderfully wacky outfit.

He was wearing a nubby Edun cardigan with pants he picked up at a market in Nepal and carrying his journal, purchased at the San Telmo market in Buenos Aires.

He was also wearing Toms, of course, from the latest collection, inspired by the journals and images left by activist Dan Eldon, the young photographer who was killed in 1993 covering the war in Somalia. (The shoes have a finger-print-print, which Mycoskie took from Eldon's passport.)

It's appropriate that Mycoskie looks a little like a guru, because thousands of people from Seattle to Tampa and points between followed him Tuesday in spending a day without shoes to raise awareness for those who do not have a choice.

AOL employees, including Arianna Huffington, went barefoot, and so did the Dallas Cowboys cheerleaders, Charlize Theron and Russian model Anna Vyalitsyna.

It was quite a turnout, especially considering the brand isn't yet 5

years old.

Mycoskie recently commissioned studies to measure the effect of the million-plus pairs of shoes that Toms has donated worldwide. Not that he's anywhere close to completing his goal of stamping out foot diseases that can spread from the ground to bare feet.

To that end, on June 7, he's announcing a new product that will guide the next phase of growth for his business.

But he's keeping that product shrouded in mystery – literally hidden in a box, which he presented to an audience for the first time last month while giving the keynote speech at a South by Southwest conference in Austin, Texas.

I tried to play 20 questions with him. Is it bigger than a breadbox? Will it sell at the same stores as Toms shoes?

Is it a product in the fashion space? But he wouldn't budge.

He says his staff doesn't even know what it is. He asked retailers to purchase the product sight unseen.

"If they open the box and don't think (the product) is a fit for them, they can send it back to us," he said. "And I do believe it can be sold in 50 percent of our stores, and that it will open up new doors, and new places. Our first big retail account was actually a furniture store," he pointed out.

The plan for June 7 is to distribute 200 of the mystery boxes to influential people around the world, and to have them open the boxes simultaneously. (Which could be exciting, considering the folks with whom Mycoskie keeps company – such as Bill Clinton and Morgan Spurlock.)

Until then, we'll just have to keep guessing.

From a fashion perspective, it's incredible how many people are wearing Toms, which seem to be almost as popular as flip-flops.

In June, the summer collection will land in stores, with a new crochet style. And for fall, Toms has collaborated with the Row on a collection of shoes designed by Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen.

Mycoskie is also putting the finishing touches on his first book, titled "Start Something That Matters," out Sept. 6.

"It's the No. 1 question I get asked: 'I have an idea, how do I get it started?' And I think I have some ideas to help people with that," he said.

Part of the book is about challenging people – to volunteer at a homeless shelter, start a nonprofit

or start a giving program at their for-profit business, he explained.

"It's not only an entrepreneurial book, it's personal."

The book also makes a case for simplicity – simplicity in design, message and in how you live.

"People are addicted to stuff," said Mycoskie, who lives on a houseboat to keep his stuff in check.

"They think they can't live without it. But intellectually, they also understand how not having a lot of stuff to keep, and take care of, lets you lead a more free life."

Except that Mycoskie sells shoes, and he doesn't want you to buy just one pair.

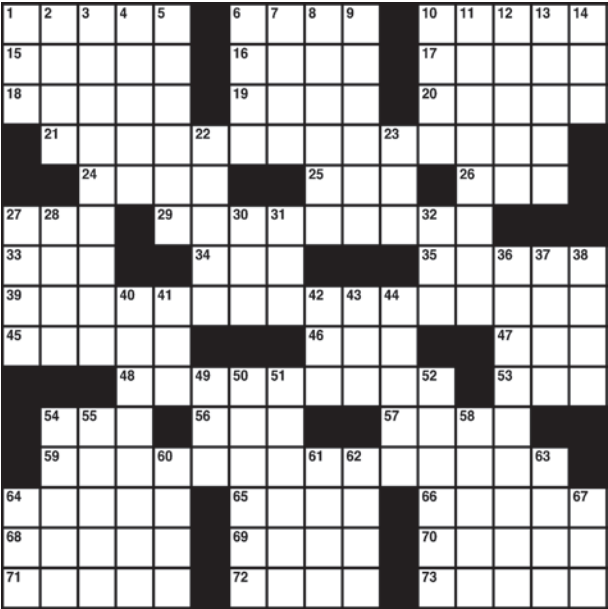
"That is a dilemma," he acknowledged. "But everything has its flaws."

At least Toms don't take up a lot of room.

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Pitching can't contain UNLV in Bears' loss

By MATT LARSEN
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor pitching and hitting alike appeared bogged down as the Bears dropped the muggy Tuesday night matchup to the University of Nevada Las Vegas, 7-4, at Baylor Ballpark.

Three UNLV pitchers held Baylor's (20-18) lineup to seven hits while the Rebels (25-14) posted 15 hits against the six Bears' pitchers they faced.

"We hit some balls good, but timing is everything when it comes to hitting," head coach Steve Smith said. "I don't like taking anything away from the way they pitched, particularly the left-hander, because he did a good job himself of changing speeds. They played a good ballgame."

The first few innings largely belonged to UNLV.

After loading the bases with the help of a wild pitch, Casey Sato notched an RBI single to give the Rebels a 1-0 lead in the first.

Junior Brooks Pinckard took over for senior starter Jon Ringenberg in the second, and in three innings of relief work allowed one run off two hits.

Ringenberg picked up his first career loss after giving up one earned run on three hits while

walking one.

Pinckard got Danny Higa to ground into double plays in both the second and fourth.

Pinckard's replacement, junior Tyler Bremer, did not fare as well in the fifth. The Yavapai Junior College transfer faced four batters, and those four UNLV hitters managed three singles and a double to take a 5-0 lead.

After senior Landis Ware fled

"We hit some balls good, but timing is everything when it comes to hitting."

Steve Smith | Head coach

out for the first out of the bottom of the fifth, eight of the Bears' 13 outs had come on flyouts or line drives. In the fourth, all three Baylor hitters sent UNLV outfielders back to the warning track.

Sophomore Max Muncy would liked to have seen a couple of those shots go over, but can't complain about the solid contact.

"The middle of the order for us, the big thing is to put good swings on the ball," he said.

That trend changed in the fifth

as Muncy sent a liner two feet over the extended glove of UNLV second baseman Scott Dysinger to bring home two of the three base runners. Smith said Muncy was the only Baylor batter who delivered a timely hit with two strikes, noting the left-handed Muncy got it against a left-handed hurler.

Junior Josh Ludy thought for a second he had added a homerun to the Bears' most active inning, but the line drive shot sailed just foul over the left field fence. The threat came quickly to a close after that as Muncy was thrown out attempting to advance to second on a wild pitch and Ludy struck out, stranding sophomore Logan Vick at third.

Freshman Trae Davis came in to relieve Bremer in the fifth, but gave up a run of his own in the sixth as the Rebels stretched their lead to 6-2 with a double and single.

Smith opted to bring in freshman lefty Brad Kuntz to secure the last out of the inning.

UNLV added one more against Kuntz in the eighth to make it 7-2 before Kuntz took a seat. He gave up three hits off 53 pitches in his two innings of work.

The Bears went quietly until the ninth when junior Dan Evatt battled Garcia to a full count before sending one over the left-cen-



NICK BERRYMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Baylor No. 10 pitcher Jon Ringenberg tries to pickoff a UNLV runner with No. 9 first baseman Max Muncy on Tuesday at Baylor Ballpark. The Bears lost, 7-4, and are now 2-4 in 2011 midweek games since Big 12 play began.

ter field fence for his team-leading sixth homer of the season.

"Last year was a mess. He couldn't time up a ball in [batting practice]," Smith said of Evatt. "He has worked really hard at it, both the physical side and the mental side. Him and Muncy are the guys

right now that give us the best quality at-bats."

The left-fielder seemed to agree. "I feel like I have a pretty good feel for the strike zone right now, pretty good feel for my mechanics and my swing," Evatt said.

Baylor tacked on one more

in the ninth as Ware reached and advanced to second thanks to an error and then scored when sophomore Jake Miller singled to center.

Any thoughts of a rally ended shortly after as Rebel righty Zach Hartman came in and got Vick to fly out for the final out of the game.

BU seniors await huge match at home against Texas A&M

By WILL POTTER
REPORTER

The stage is set for a clash between two of the nation's top tennis teams today as the Baylor men play host to Texas A&M at 6 p.m. at the Baylor Tennis Center.

The Bears and Aggies will meet for the first time this season in a battle between the two teams tied atop the Big 12 with a combined 9-0 record in conference.

"The excitement of the match and the rivalry is really exciting," senior John Peers said. "All of the talk and the hype has been very intense, and I can't wait to get out there. And, as a team, we can't wait to compete."

The matchup between the No. 7 Baylor men and the No. 6 Texas A&M Aggies will decide who earns the Big 12 regular season championship and heads to the Big 12 tournament as the top seed.

"The team is really coming together, and everyone is improving each and every day," Peers said. "If we come out on Wednesday night and click it is going to be really good. We can send a message to the conference and the rest of

Women travel to College Station

No. 7 women's tennis (8-1, 19-3) battles No. 30 Texas A&M (6-3, 13-6) at the George P. Mitchell Tennis Center today. Baylor has not lost since being upset by Kansas State on March 18 at the Baylor Tennis Center. The Aggies have won three straight matches.

the country that we are a dangerous team heading into the NCAA Championships."

Baylor heads into the showdown riding a 10 match winning streak, playing some of their best tennis of the season. Texas A&M is coming in to the match with a hot streak of its own, having won eight consecutive matches.

Neither team is looking to stop those streaks, and head coach Matt Knoll said the match is going to be a battle from first serve to the final match point.

"It is great to be in a conference like the Big 12 and have these

major rivalries between two great athletic programs like Baylor and Texas A&M," Knoll said. "The rivalry between these two schools in all sports and the rivalry between the fans is great. It is great to be a part of such an intense rivalry."

The Bears are hosting the Aggies on senior night where Baylor will be honoring the senior trio of Peers, Jordan Rux and Sergio Ramirez.

"I don't think that senior night is as big of a deal as it is that this match is for the Big 12 title," Rux said. "I think it is a much bigger deal what this match means for our season. Winning on Wednesday night solidifies our place as number one in the conference."

Fans are encouraged to come out, support the seniors in their last match of the Big 12 regular season at home and enjoy a battle between two top-10 programs.

"All of the fan support that we could get would be great," Rux said. "I don't think any of our fans want to see us lose to the Aggies. It would be pretty special if we could win the Big 12 title uncontested at home in front of a huge crowd."

Celtics sneak past ailing Knicks

By HOWARD ULMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Kevin Garnett sank the go-ahead basket with 14 seconds left, then stole the ball as the Boston Celtics overcame Carmelo Anthony's 42 points and beat the depleted New York Knicks 96-93 to take a 2-0 lead in their playoff series on Tuesday night.

The Knicks played the entire second half without Amare Stoudemire, who had back spasms. Chauncey Billups missed the game with a sore left knee.

Garnett hit the decisive jump hook after backing Jared Jeffries into the lane. The Knicks then got the ball to Anthony in the left corner, where he was double-teamed by Paul Pierce and Glen Davis. Anthony passed inside to Jeffries, but Garnett stole the ball and called timeout with 4 seconds remaining.

The Knicks then fouled Delonte West, who made two free throws with 0.6 seconds to go.

Rajon Rondo led the Celtics with a career playoff-high 30 points.

Game 3 of the best-of-seven Eastern Conference first-round series is scheduled for Friday night in New York.

Anthony matched his career playoff high for points and set a new high with 17 rebounds. Toney Douglas had 14 points in place of Billups, whose status for Game 3 was uncertain.

Pierce had 20 points after missing his first five shots, and Ray Allen, who hit the game-winning 3-pointer in Boston's 87-85 win in the opener, scored 18.

Anthony was the obvious choice to shoot on New York's final possession. So Pierce and Davis swarmed him when he got the ball just inches from Boston's bench, forcing him to pass to Jeffries, who tried an interior pass instead of going up with the shot.

The Knicks had gone ahead 91-88 with 2:35 left when Anthony took a pass beyond the left arc and made a 3-pointer despite being bumped by Pierce.

Pierce followed with two free throws, then both teams missed jumpers.

On the next possession, Pierce drove the lane to draw a defender and fed a wide-open Garnett for a dunk that put the Celtics on top 92-91 with 49 seconds to go.

Jeffries followed with a layup, giving New York its last lead at 93-92 with 20 seconds left.

Now the sixth-seeded Knicks, who have given the third-seeded Celtics all they could handle in two down-to-the-wire games, must win at least one of two at home to bring the series back to Boston.

With the score tied at 59, the Celtics went on a 15-4 run led by Pierce's seven points. Allen and Jeff Green hit 3-pointers during the surge that put Boston on top 74-63 with 45 seconds left in the third quarter.

Then Anthony single-handedly brought the Knicks back by scoring their first seven points of the fourth quarter while Boston managed just a jumper by Pierce. New York was making a game of it, down only 76-74 with 10:01 to play.

After a timeout, Ronny Turiaf tied the game for the Knicks at 76 with a short shot.

Rondo, threading his way at high speed through New York's big men, had 14 of Boston's first 18 points after scoring just 10 in the entire first game. On one play, he sprinted like a wide receiver and hauled in a long pass from Garnett ahead of the field and drove for an easy layup.

But the Knicks scored the last eight points of the quarter to cut the lead to 23-21. The teams then took turns taking leads of no more than three points.

The half ended with two free throws by Shawne Williams with 1.2 seconds remaining that put the Knicks ahead 45-44.

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group we thought of in putting on a recycling fashion show. ... We knew that they'd be all for something that actively demonstrates what they do in a cool and unique way," Williams said.

Smith Getterman, sustainability coordinator at Baylor, said Williams and Faulkner approached him soon after the idea hatched last fall and he's been helping to highlight all recyclable materials around campus.

"I tried to help mentor and guide them, help streamline their thought process. They had great ideas and were really great to work with," Getterman said.

This is the first time Uproar Records and the sustainability department have had the opportunity to work this closely together.

"Sustainability has been really great. It wouldn't even have been possible for us to do this without their support and advising us on certain things," Faulkner said.

The event also had help from the family consumer sciences department, which provided Dr. Rochelle Brunson, Dr. Jaynie Fader and Dr. Mary Simpson, who serve

as full-time lecturers in the department, to help host the fashion show and also provide three student mentors.

"We have no idea how to do a fashion show because we're marketing students and they really helped us pull this off," Faulkner said.

Faulkner and Williams said the student mentors were crucial in the event because it allowed more students to participate by helping them learn to size, measure and design.

Not all of the teams participating are from fashion-related majors.

Individuals, as well as various organizations on campus, are represented in the eight participating teams.

Maroa, Ill., senior Casey Barillas is working with a group representing the Collegiate Entrepreneurs Association.

"It has piqued my interest in fashion. I've never had a chance to design or anything. Overall, it's been a really good time to build something from scratch and do it in a really innovative way," Barillas

said.

Barillas said the design and construction of her group's outfit has taken about seven hours.

Williams and Faulkner said Tyler James, owner and head stylist at Salon Evidence in Waco, has played a big role in putting the show together.

His team will provide makeup for each of the models in the show.

Last week, the teams met with James individually and showed them their designs.

James will also serve as one of the judges for the fashion showcase.

The concert will open with Emory sophomore Brin Beaver followed by Plano freshman Amy Boykin then David Dulcie and the RagTag Army. K.J. Doug Grate will provide live music during the fashion showcase and Zoo Studio will play the final set while the judges deliberate. Each set will last about 20 minutes.

First place in the fashion showcase will receive \$500. Teams ranked first through third will receive a photo shoot as well as a free copy of the album.

There will be prizes for the audience as well.

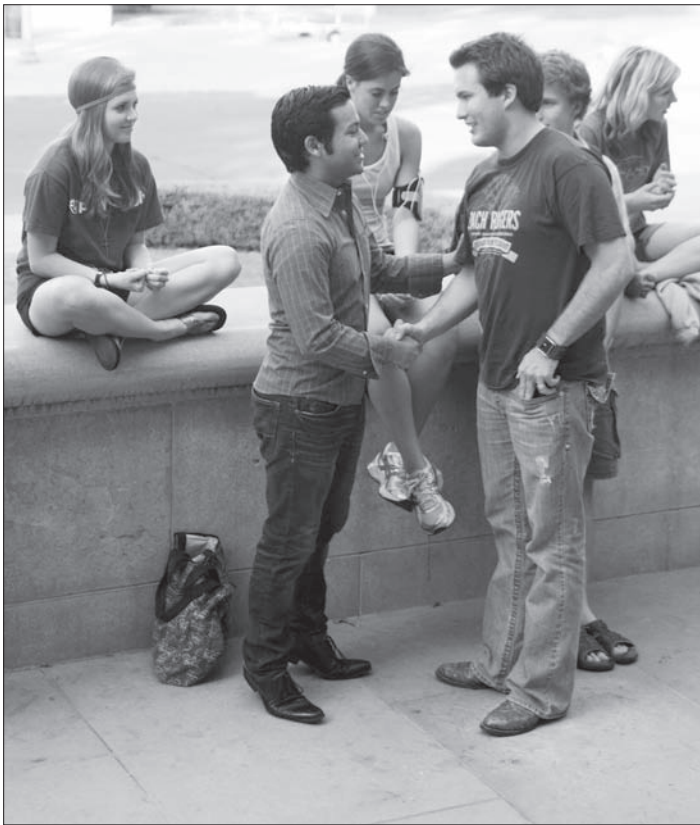
A booth called "Twitter Booth" will be set up in which students are instructed to take fun and creative pictures in front of the Uproar Records banner, where certain items such as newspapers and hats will be provided.

Students are asked to tweet their picture with the hashtag Project Greenway and between each set Uproar students will browse the pictures and announce their favorite. Students in the winning photo will also receive a free compilation album.

"I'm excited to see the talent and creativity of our students from every realm of the student body," Getterman said.

Thousands of invitations to the event in the form of paper flowers will be handed out in the Bill Daniel Student Center on April 26 and old copies of the Lariat will be used as decorations at Project Greenway.

General admission to Project Greenway will be \$5 and admission with the inclusion of a compilation album will cost \$7.



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Student body president candidates Ben Aguinaga, left, and Zach Rogers shake hands after the announcement of Rogers' victory Tuesday on the front steps of the Bill Daniel Student Center.

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cation process to provide information and facts as to how important the TEG has now been for 40 years under both Republican and Democratic administrations in Austin."

Baylor receives the largest portion of TEG funding of all 40 private colleges and universities in Texas. In fiscal year 2011, Baylor received \$12,328,026 from the TEG, followed by Southern Methodist University, which received \$6,324,641.

"We're also the most diverse," Starr said, "and Baylor prides itself on being a university that seeks to be accessible to students from all communities and we want to make sure that the Baylor education remains as accessible as possible to all our students, including, of course, minority students. So the TEG has been a great source of encouragement and practical help to so many of our students over these last 40 years."

The TEG has also benefitted taxpayers, allowing them to pay less to educate students at private

universities than they pay to send students to public schools. In fiscal year 2009, full-time students attending state universities cost taxpayers \$7,616 each, while the average TEG funding was \$3,441 per recipient.

Private institutions, which account for about 22 percent of all bachelor's degrees in Texas, are a vital part of the education system and are cost-efficient for tax payers, Starr said.

"Almost one-fourth of Texas college graduates come out of the private school system and they come out of that private college and university system in a very efficient way in terms of the cost to the taxpayers," Starr said. "So if students, instead of going to a private college or a university, said, 'Well, then I'll go to a public,' then it puts an enormous burden on the public university system."

Carol McDonald, president of Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas, said she believes many legislators "understand that

this is probably one of the best bargains that the state gets" but that they are currently having to weigh cuts to a number of programs.

"The Legislature is faced with a lot of decisions about how much can it afford to do with regard to any program that the state has created and funded over the years," McDonald said. "It's not just a matter of student financial aid ... it's a question of what can the state afford to do about everything that it does."

However, McDonald said that with sales tax collections going better than expected and the possibility of funding part of the appropriations bill through "non-tax revenue," there is hope for the TEG.

"I think there is a good reason to be optimistic that TEG will come out of the Legislature considerably better than it went in," McDonald said.

Efforts of the Baylor family to persuade their legislators to save the TEG can make a difference in

the program's fate as well, McDonald said.

"I think the important thing to remember is legislators do what the people of the state ask them to do," McDonald said, "and Baylor is making its constituents aware of the plight of the TEG program, and that helps make those [Baylor] family members aware that they need to communicate with their legislator."

Birdwell said constituents' efforts to communicate with elected officials will always make a difference, and he encourages them to make those efforts. Birdwell's office has already been contacted concerning the TEG.

"Regarding President Starr's efforts, I am pleased to hear that he is striving to see TEG funds continue to help Baylor students," Birdwell said. "While I cannot speak for other Senate offices, I know my staff and I have received several emails on this subject, and we're paying close attention to what will happen next."

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ally blessed that God has given me the strength to finish even with the runoff, so I'm just really thankful."

After being in a runoff for the second consecutive year, Lyssy said he was relieved and thrilled to hear the results.

"I'm looking forward to working next year and starting off with Senate," Lyssy said. "I think we'll be really effective this year especially having some experienced leader-

ship on board."

Lyssy said he will begin working with Senate after Easter break.

"I'm looking forward to working with the new senators and the new officers and advocating for student body," Lyssy said.

Rogers and Lyssy join Corpus Christi junior Angela Gray, the recently elected external vice president, in student government for the 2011-2012 academic year.

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Senior Jeremy Ervin, Kahlden's roommate, echoes this sentiment.

"Kyle has a genuine care for people," Ervin said. "He's a pretty selfless guy. Most people for their birthdays want to go to dinner or have a party, but Kyle wants to go serve and he takes all the attention off himself."

Taking the attention off himself and putting it on God is exactly what Kahlden said he wants to

achieve.

"My birthday should be a day to celebrate the fact that God is giving me breath every day. It should put the focus on God and not me," Kahlden said. "I really just want it to be a day when God's beauty can be celebrated."

Those interested in helping with Kahlden's birthday event from 2 to 5 p.m. Monday can contact Kyle at Kyle_Kahlden@baylor.edu.



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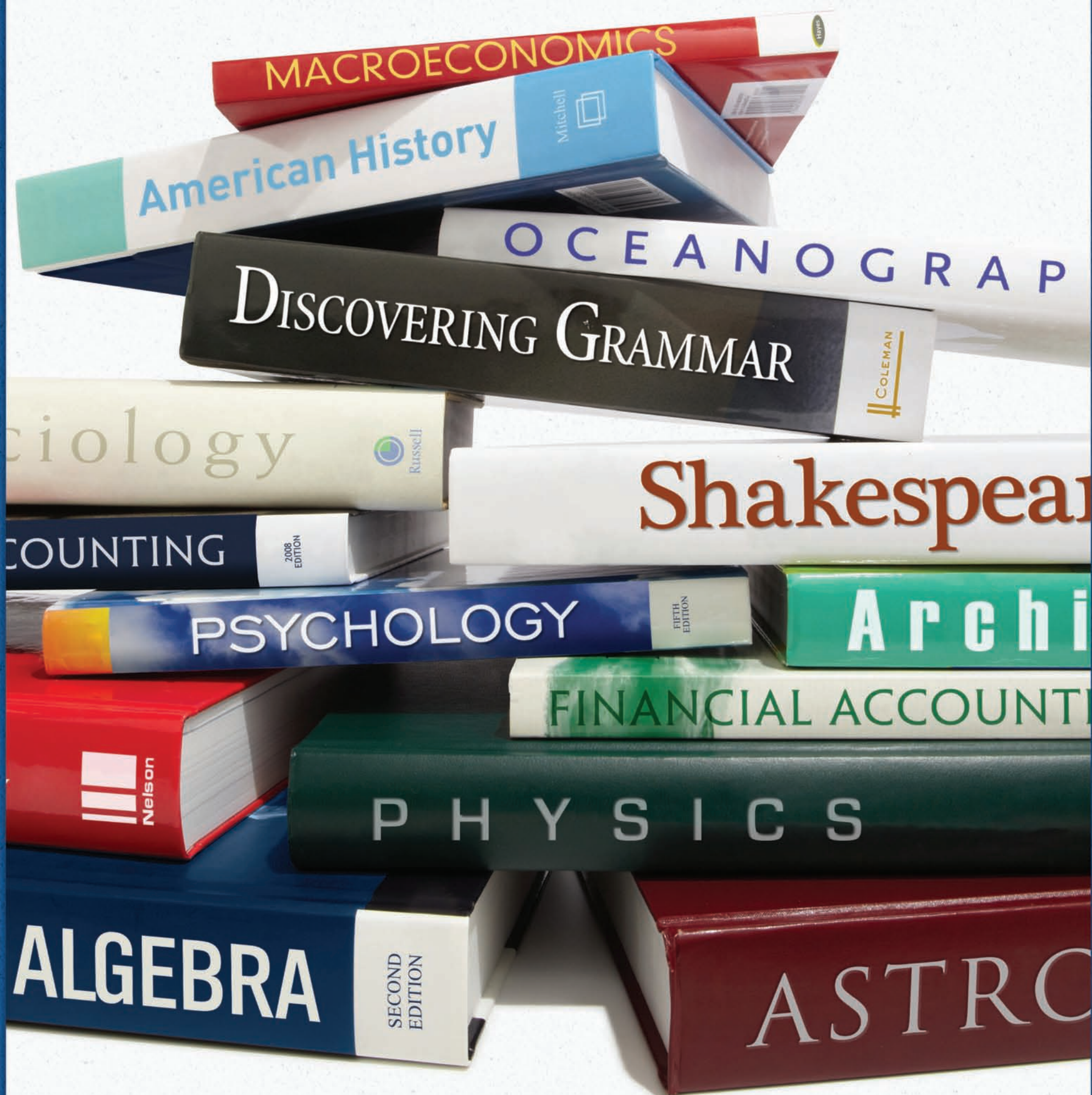
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