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Baylor University will remember the heroes of 9/11 with "A Tribute to Fallen Heroes," at 3 p.m. Friday on the northwest patio of Moody Memorial Library. The event honors the U.S. Armed Forces who gave their lives on Sept. 11. The event will also recognize current Baylor students who are Air Force, Army ROTC and military veterans.

Making it big

Think you have what it takes to be signed? Uproar Records will hold auditions from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday on the SUB Stage.



Plot thickens in A&M SEC invite

By DANIEL WALLACE
SPORTS WRITER

Texas A&M's entrance into the Southeastern Conference is on hold as the possibility of legal action from other Big 12 schools looms. Baylor is one of eight schools that have not agreed to waive their institutional rights regarding A&M's departure from the Big 12 and entrance into the SEC, multiple news outlets reported Wednesday.

Nick Joos, Baylor senior associate athletic director, declined specific comment at this time but said that reports earlier Wednesday stating that Baylor was the only school involved were inaccurate. Athletic Director Ian McCaw was not available for comment.

Baylor says it is committed to keeping the Big 12 intact for the sake of all conference members.

"Lost in the midst of this mad scramble for the next lucrative TV contract is any sense of what's best for the universities involved," said

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Texas A&M president R. Bowen Loftin addresses members of state and national media in the A&M Board of Regents room on August 15 in College Station. Texas A&M announced their intention to leave the Big 12 conference this summer.

Microscope brings atom imaging to campus

By ROBYN SANDERS
REPORTER

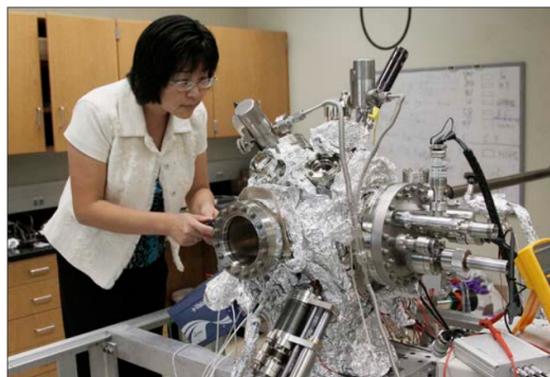
The Baylor department of Physics is now able to image individual atoms using a Scanning Tunneling Microscope, under the direction of Dr. Zhenrong Zhang, assistant professor of physics.

"We never thought that we'd be able to individually image atoms," Dr. Greg Benesh, professor and chair of the physics department, said.

Benesh said the microscope has a probe that moves along a surface and moves up and down according to the density of electronic charge of the atom or atoms.

"And so by putting together the up and down motion, then we can get an image of the surface on an atomic level," Benesh said.

The lab is located in the "C"



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Dr. Zhenrong Zhang, associate professor in the department of physics, runs the STM laboratory for atomic level imaging studying Wednesday in the Baylor Sciences Building.

wing of the Baylor Sciences Building on the first floor. Zhang says the lab is in this part of the building because the instruments in

the lab are sensitive to noise and vibration.

"I'm very thankful for the university to be able to provide the

support and build a new lab in the ground floor," Zhang said.

Dr. Zhang's research will also examine the catalytic conversion of carbon dioxide to liquid fuel, as well as ways to produce alternative energy sources such as hydrogen.

"For now our focus is on titanium dioxide, which has a wide range of applications—photo catalytic applications, that is: UV light, or sunlight—to convert molecules to useful chemicals," Zhang said. "That's one of the properties that we're interested in as well: to incorporate sunlight into useful energy. Titanium dioxide can also be used to clean up organic pollution, to convert the harmful organics into unharmed molecules."

The microscope will also be able to examine different surfaces that speed up chemical reactions.

"We're still trying to understand what it is about certain surfaces that makes these chemical reactions go faster," Benesh said, "We're trying to scrub pollutants out of emitted gasses as quickly as possible so that our atmosphere isn't polluted."

Zhang has two graduate students working in the lab, and two undergraduate students worked in the lab during the summer. She said that it's a great opportunity for the students to conduct advanced research.

"I think that's the best way to be able to engage them into science and to research, which is very important for the future, for the science and engineering area," Zhang said. "They will receive the training on the most advanced

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BU curriculum makes the grade

By JADE MARDIROSIAN
STAFF WRITER

Students are not the only ones working hard to make A's these days. Universities across the country are striving to have their core curriculum recognized with a grade of 'A' in the American Council of Trustees and Alumni's report "What Will They Learn?"

Baylor has received an 'A' grade for its core curriculum for the second consecutive year. In the report, institutions are given a grade ranging from 'A' to 'F' based on the number of seven core subjects they require their students to take. The subjects included are: composition, economics, foreign language at an intermediate level, literature, math, science and U.S. government or history.

Baylor was the only Big 12 university to be named to the 'A' list, requiring that students take six of the seven required core subjects, excluding economics.

Dr. Heidi Bostic, chair of the modern foreign languages department, said a well-rounded college education works to prepare students for life.

A college education needs to prepare students for life, not just for work," Bostic said. "That's really why an education has to be broad and wide-ranging, because it's preparing students to meet all of life's challenges and to have an open mind and learn how to think critically."

Dr. Dianna Vitanza, chair of the English department, said he believes education serves as a preparation for life.

"One needs to have experience and knowledge in many areas of life in order to have a successful life," Vitanza said. "[Students] need to know about history, politics, literature, and be able to communicate in a language other than their own, otherwise they just live in a cocoon. Preparing for one narrow job doesn't prepare you to live in a world."

Dr. Kimberly Kellison, director of undergraduate studies in the history department, said the type of core curriculum Baylor offers also allows students to expand their understanding of many subjects.

"As the term [well-rounded] implies, it broadens one's focus, allowing one to explore, outside of a particular specialty or area of interest," Kellison said. "[This is] so important because it allows one to explore and investigate questions and learn about ideas, cultures and belief systems from all sorts of perspectives."

Kellison said she believes that through a strong general education students can gain confidence to find and cement their own beliefs.

"General Education challenges students to question and explore new ideas," Kellison said. "I think that gives students more confidence to embrace their own beliefs and also to recognize the

breadth of knowledge and diversity in the world. Being familiar with that diversity gives students more confidence to find their own beliefs."

All three agree that the core subjects students are required to take each have an important effect on how students understand and interact with others and the world.

"Something like reading literature really develops the ability for a student to empathize and identify with characters different than themselves. It makes them more sympathetic and compassionate," Vitanza said. "Reading narratives is the way we learn about the world."

Kellison said that understanding past and present political systems and history helps students to become better and more informed citizens.

Bostic touched on the importance of foreign languages.

"Students must know how to work with people from other cultures and traditions," Bostic said. "Studying a foreign language is the only way to gain that; you can't really know how to come at a problem from another culture unless you've studied a foreign language."

Vitanza said being named to this list for the second consecutive year shows that Baylor is concerned with its students developing all aspects of their intellectual

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Romney, Perry debate jobs, Social Security

By KASIE HUNT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Eager to tangle, Republican presidential rivals Rick Perry and Mitt Romney sparred vigorously over job creation and Social Security Wednesday night in a feisty campaign debate that marked a contentious new turn in the race to pick a 2012 challenger to President Barack Obama.

Far more than in earlier GOP debates this summer, the candidates mixed it up in their first faceoff since Perry entered the race and almost instantly overtook Romney as the front-runner in opinion polls. Those two — and other contenders — sniped at one

another, contradicted allegations and interrupted media questioners to demand opportunities to take each other on.

"Michael Dukakis created jobs three times faster than you did, Mitt," Perry jabbed in the debate's opening moments, referring to Romney's Democratic predecessor as governor of Massachusetts.

"As a matter of fact, George Bush and his predecessors created jobs at a faster rate than you did," Romney shot back at Perry, the newcomer who has quickly become the front-runner in the race.

The debate was the first of

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Republican presidential candidates Gov. Mitt Romney, left, and Gov. Rick Perry at the Reagan Library Wednesday in Simi Valley, Calif during the GOP presidential debate.



Grad student booted for unfounded reasons

Editorial

A graduate student says he was dropped from the family counseling program at Webster University after the school determined he was lacking empathy.

David Schwartz, 44, earned all A's and one C during his master's program at the University but was dismissed on March 14 after failing to complete the real-world practicum.

Schwartz filed a suit shortly after, claiming up to \$1 million in losses and seeking at least \$2 million in punitive damages. Schwartz further alleges in his suit he was deemed a poor performer after writing an anonymous letter to the dean, in which he criticized a professor. Schwartz's letter also described a romantic relationship between that professor and an administrator.

Webster University states in its Aca-

ademic Probation, Warning, and Dismissal code, "students may be required to meet with the campus Counseling Advisory Committee if they are not able to demonstrate academic success, appropriate interpersonal and/or counseling skills development, and/or if they are perceived as resistant to professional clinical supervision." Schwartz, however, says he was not given the opportunity to do so. Additionally, the school's code says, "This Committee will review the reasons for student lack of success and will interview relevant instructors and the student to determine the most appropriate path for student success related to a potential future in the counseling profession."

The Saint Louis Post Dispatch reported that Schwartz stated he felt he was in good standing until Feb. 24. That day,

"The question is, did Schwartz really get dropped because he lacked empathy toward students, or because he lacked empathy toward a teacher and administrator in an inappropriate relationship?"

Dr. Stacy Henning, the university's director of counseling education, told him he needed to improve his empathy.

A week later, Henning met with

Schwartz again and referenced three taped counseling sessions that showed he was lacking empathy, the lawsuit said.

Maybe the counseling school felt the best path for Schwartz was to leave the profession altogether. It sounds like the board didn't do too much reviewing.

The question is, did Schwartz really get dropped because he lacked empathy toward students, or because he lacked empathy toward a teacher and administrator in an inappropriate relationship? Students are now left wondering if the same could happen if their school administrators decide they don't care for a student's personality.

If so, according to a study conducted between 1979 and 2009, many college students would find themselves out of school. Themoneytimes.com reports that researchers who studied roughly 14,000

college student's personalities found that young adults, unable to elicit feelings of concern for others, are definitely less empathetic than they used to be.

What was Schwartz's lack of empathy compared to? Although Schwartz is older than most college students, he was judged on the same level academically. If empathy was truly a way to judge program readiness, the board should have accounted for the lower empathy most college students possess today and judge Schwartz on the same level in this instance too. Empathy, however, is a subjective quality – too subjective a quality to be used to judge a candidate's readiness for a career.

Perhaps Webster's advisement board should retake the real-world practicum themselves. It isn't clear if they would pass the empathy portion either.

Hey, Rope — the tables have turned: We're writing about you

I have to admit, I was pleasantly surprised Tuesday upon reading *The Rope*. I picked up a copy from the floor in Carroll Science and carried it with me over to the SUB to get my morning coffee. I planned on reading it with my caffeine boost, but I wasn't really looking forward to it. After last year's second-semester edition, my expectations had been very much lowered.

I started reading and caught myself actually snickering. The Aggies were appropriately picked on, the Collins fire was satirized, and President Kenneth Starr

made his usual appearance. *The Lariat* made its traditional appearance, but this time the piece was at least comical, unlike last year's attack that smacked of personal dislike for the then editor-in-chief.

These are the kinds of articles I like to read in the school's only inappropriate, off-the-record, bordering-on-sacrilegious newspaper. Personal attacks, sorority stereotypes and excessive typos (even to make some kind of point) are childish and, quite honestly, boring to read. If the NoZe brothers want people to continue picking up their randomly produced pa-

per from the floor of buildings on campus, they need to focus on wit and satire.

I haven't been at Baylor long enough to have an opinion, but I have been told by other students that the brotherhood used to mean more. My understanding of the NoZe brothers is that they're a prank society, but all I've ever seen is college guys (and girl) with noses, and the occasional statue with a painted nose. I was glad to see that the Student Foundation billboard was spray painted — at least that took initiative and forethought.

What I would like to see is the revival

of the NoZe brothers as they apparently used to be. I want to hear, at least every once in a while, of something the brotherhood did that at least slightly pushed the limits.

A secret society based on pranks shouldn't limit itself to painting Judge Baylor's nose. Shake things up around Baylor. Lord knows we need it.

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Simply Good Eatery provides personal touch

By DAVID McLAIN
STAFF WRITER

Tucked toward the back of the quaint collection of shops in Spice Village rests a café offering fresh fare to casual shoppers: the Simply Good Eatery. Simply Good Eatery sits on the second floor of the Spice Village building, located downtown in the Warehouse Shopping District at the corner of Franklin and Third streets. The small restaurant serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to those perusing the wares of

the shops during weekdays.

Paula Parsons, the owner, works in the kitchen with two other employees. She attempts to provide a warm, personal atmosphere for the restaurant by working in the kitchen.

"It just started as a place for employees to eat, really," Parsons said. She cites the why-not factor in her decision to begin cooking.

"We have this kitchen, so why don't we open the kitchen up and cook? That's why we only have three employees and are still pretty small."

The café has added a different dimension to the collection of shops since the early 2000s when it opened. Due to its popularity, the little eatery has started developing its own business flow instead of just getting sparse business from casual passerby shoppers.

"It has just evolved to people coming up here to eat and then shopping, whereas it kind of started out as people coming up here to shop and then eating," Parsons said.

Each day of the week has a lunch special that is chosen before

the work week starts. Parsons creates the menus herself.

All five dollar lunch specials include an entrée, a side and a dessert, according to the Simply Good Eatery's website.

The café sees a big increase in customers when school starts in the fall, Parsons said.

"When school comes back in we notice a lot of Baylor students," Parsons said. "This is a real popular place for the girls to shop because this is one of the only places in town that offers different kind of stuff."

Parsons said the chicken panini and the nada lada sandwich as the two most popular items among Baylor students.

"We always make a joke when the school season comes back in session to get the Panini machine, ready because [the students] eat paninis like crazy," she said.

Nathan Reynolds, a recent Baylor alum, said he enjoys the restaurant.

"It's fresh, cheap and I heard a friend say that they got a chicken fried steak on their lunch special once," Reynolds said.

Despite its popularity with students, much of the café's business still comes from people who work nearby. Parsons acknowledges having neighboring shop owners as regular customers.

"It's a little more personal atmosphere. We have days where we're busy and the line is around the corner. But basically it's still regular customers," Parsons said. "People will peek their head in and say how are you doing. It's just a little different than working in a fast place say where you see new faces everyday."

Democrats, Republicans argue jobs but have no answer

By TOM RAUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — America's sickly economy can be healed with jobs, jobs and more jobs. On that, everyone agrees. Figuring out how to produce them is what is stumping everyone.

Recent streams of bleak employment and economic data drive home the difficulty of the challenge.

As President Barack Obama prepares to tackle jobs issues in a speech to Congress today, deep divisions persist among economic policymakers on just how to spur job growth. The speech comes as national polls show a clear majority of those surveyed say they disapprove of the way Obama is handling the economy.

Lots of schemes have been tried or floated. More than \$2 trillion has been plowed into stimulus

spending, loans and bailouts to banks, auto companies and other corporations, tax cuts for individuals and businesses, mortgage refinancing assistance and aid to state and local governments.

But so far, the needle has barely moved on unemployment, which has stayed near or above a frightening recession-level 9 percent for 29 months. It was 9.1 percent in August, same as the month before, with zero net job gains during the month.

Obama favors a mix of new short-term deficit spending on tax breaks and jobs programs, including ones for roads, bridges and other infrastructure, to keep the economy from falling back into a recession, combined with longer-term steps to trim ballooning deficits.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said Wednesday that Obama's set of proposals for both short-term job creation and

longer-term deficit reduction are "things that Americans across the board are demanding."

The need for infrastructure jobs is one of the few areas where there's anything approaching consensus. The concept has won the support not only of Obama, but such rival groups as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the AFL-CIO. The differences come in how to pay for it.

Republicans, who now control the House, overwhelmingly oppose further stimulus measures and are emphasizing deep spending cuts and eliminating regulations they claim discourage business expansion and job creation. Republicans say the private sector, not the government, is the engine of growth and should be allowed to function without government meddling.

With Congress now back from its summer break, Republicans will "focus on how we stop the federal

government from making it so difficult for small business people to create jobs," said Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va.

Some 16 million Americans are jobless, nearly half of them for more than six months. The number of unemployed and underemployed is some 25 million, or 16 percent of the adult population. There is but one job available for every four job seekers.

A major obstacle to job creation is the "mismatch between the jobs being created and the skills of those people who are unemployed," said Rob Shapiro, a former undersecretary of commerce in the Clinton administration.

Economist Mark Zandi of Moody's Analytics, who has advised both Republican and Democratic lawmakers, said it also "depends on policymakers getting it roughly right."

It's the getting it right part that's such a tall order.



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Job seekers stand in line to enter a job fair on Aug. 16 in Independence, Ohio. The unemployment rate was 9.1 percent in August, same as the month before, with zero net job gains during the month. President Obama plans to address Congress on the issue Thursday in a special joint session.

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Organic churches offer alternative to traditional service

By GRACE GADDY
REPORTER

As God builds his church, sometimes he does it in a home, a park or a pizzeria, said Lindsay Cofield, director of multi-housing/organic churches for the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Cofield assists and mobilizes the birth, growth and development of organic churches across the state, he said.

He described an organic church as one detached from the conventional concept of a traditional church.

Organic churches typically exhibit a much more informal setting and meet in homes, apartments, recreation centers and other locations.

Cofield said just as Christians point to verses like John 3:16 to grasp the essence and meaning of salvation, organic churches do the same with the definition of a church.

"One of the things I encourage people to do is to read the Bible and decide what they think a church is from the Bible," Cofield said. "There's not a place where the Bible says, 'Here's what a church is.' You just have to read the New Testament, particularly the book of Acts and the epistles."

Cofield said people should ask themselves, "What did the original

church look like?"

Dr. Rishi Sriram, assistant professor and program coordinator for Baylor's higher education and student affairs, said he remembers doing just that.

After bonding with a small group of students during his own years at Baylor, he thought there was something more for them after graduation.

The group decided to form its own local body of Christ.

"We felt like maybe God was leading us to try and do what we saw in Acts together," Sriram said.

Without a name, a building or a budget, the church took off, rotating meeting locations among members' houses.

The community celebrated 10 years in July.

"It's been a huge learning curve. It's been a huge struggle at times," Sriram said. "I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world."

Cofield referenced the biblical account of Priscilla and Aquila, who led a group of believers in their home, to support organic churches.

The apostle Paul, inspired by the Holy Spirit, greeted them and affirmed the work of the church that was taking place there, Cofield said.

In a similar way, members of organic churches generally do not have a paid staff.

In fact, they would rather give their resources for the work of Christ, he said.

Organic churches often provide a place for "overlooked people" — those who may not attend a larger institution but would be more open to participating in an organic church setting, Cofield said.

Jimmy Dorrell, who serves as pastor for Church Under the Bridge, echoed Cofield's sentiment.

Church Under the Bridge, which attracts many of Waco's poverty-stricken and homeless, gathers every Sunday under the I-35 and Fourth Street underpass.

Dorrell said many of the church's members would not attend a traditional church.

Without the expense of a building, the organization is able to give away over half of their resources to those who need it.

Cofield, Sriram and Dorrell emphasized that relationships provide a foundational key.

Cofield said since an organic church is generally smaller, it is more relational and community-based.

"There is no back row," Cofield said.

Amanda and Adam Horton led a group of college students for three years as an extension of University Baptist Church and witnessed the community that blossoms from a home church environment.



LARIAT FILE PHOTO

Wacoans gather at Church Under the Bridge on Jan. 23, for a sermon about the power of the word of God. A wedding between two members followed the sermon, demonstrating the sense of community in the organic church.

"Oftentimes, we go to larger churches just to fade into the background, and people can go to church, and not go to Church," she said. "The Church — capital C — is meant to be about intertwining with people and being in community."

This summer, the Hortons branched out to open their home to people who may not have found the larger institution church yet.

Amanda called it a "God thing," because the response to their invitation was overwhelming.

She said many of the participants were in a phase of transition and the home group was their only church.

To represent a true church, Cofield said, people have to love God, love others and be passionate about making disciples.

He listed five functions every

church should have: fellowship, ministry, worship, evangelism and discipleship.

Even in the larger institution churches, everything comes out of those five functions, he said.

"It's about the people being the church," Cofield said. "It's not a place you go to. It's being Christ's hands and his heart and his voice and his compassion in the lives of people."

Paul L. Foster Success Center launches skill-enhancing challenge

By JENNIFER KANG
REPORTER

The Paul L. Foster Success Center is starting a Most Likely to Succeed Career Challenge, in which students must complete nine out of 13 events, such as attending a mock interview or going to a career fair. Once these events are completed, students become eligible for a drawing for an iPad2. Events start Tuesday and the competition ends Nov. 11.

Carolyn S. Muska, associate director of career services, said students participate in this challenge to develop the right skills for finding a career.

"By participating in this challenge, students can show on their resume that they took the initiative to enhance their skills," Muska said.

The Success Center is also starting its HireABear Career Prep Series this month. The Success Center offers a variety of workshops that

help students improve their skills and give them an opportunity to write a better resume, practice interviewing and find employment.

The Success Center is offering mock interviews on Wednesday and Sept. 28.

Muska suggests students use these opportunities to increase their skills, even if not looking for an internship or job right now.

"Students learn to not be so intimidated, because they get a chance to talk with others and ex-

perience what an interview may be like," Muska said. "But if students don't have the time, they can record an interview online for us to review and give feedback."

According to Kevin Nall, associate director of career services, many students who take the exit surveys say they wish they had used the resources at the Center.

"Students can learn to build a network at Baylor, right here in their own backyard," Nall said. "People can learn to develop their

personal elevator speech and learn to appeal with their skill sets and experiences. Students have access to over 200 companies and can look right here on campus. They don't have to go all the way to Dallas or Austin, but can find the right company here."

The Success Center also offers tools to help students find their personality type and interests in order to start choosing career. The two assessments that Baylor offers are the Myers-Briggs Type Indica-

tor and the Strong Interest Inventory assessment.

Grace Kim, a May 2011 graduate, participated in the Strong Interest Inventory assessment and learned she would find a compatible career in finance, data analysis or management.

"The assessment showed results that I thought I would never be interested in," Kim said. "But right now, I am working for Samsung as a data analyst and I do enjoy what I'm doing."

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Batter Up

San Antonio freshman Austin Hank tosses around a baseball Wednesday on Fountain Mall. Students opted for outdoor activities in the cooler weather. After weeks of temperatures over 100 degrees, a Texas-style cold front brought temperatures in the 90s that offered much-needed relief.

Pandemic movie aims to take science seriously

By JOHN HORN
McCLATCHY-TRIBUNE

LOS ANGELES — Before you see a single frame in “Contagion” you listen to a cough, and by the time the movie is just a few minutes old, Gwyneth Paltrow’s Beth Emhoff - the character heard hacking off-screen - suffers a fatal seizure (relax, it’s in the trailer).

MEV-1, the fictional virus with the starring role in director Steven Soderbergh and screenwriter Scott Z. Burns’ pandemic thriller, is nearly as deadly as 1918’s Spanish flu (an estimated 50 million killed worldwide), but the filmmakers are less interested in mass graves than epidemiological war rooms.

Constructed much like Soderbergh’s “Traffic” - overlapping, international narratives linked to the central plot - “Contagion,” which opens Friday, has far more in common with Albert Camus’ “The Plague”: How does civilization react - for better and worse - to a global health crisis?

A lot of really dangerous human behavior,” Burns said, “comes out of fear.”

Suddenly widowed, Mitch Emhoff (Matt Damon) tries to protect his daughter as the virus races from Hong Kong to Chicago, Minneapolis, London and Tokyo, triggering quarantines, quack cures and panic. While the mutating virus marches forward in time, “Contagion’s” epidemiologists and molecular biologists struggle to rewind the clock; only in discovering how and where MEV-1 originated and spread can it be understood and controlled.

The film’s heroes are the doc-



McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Chin Han and Marion Cotillard star as Sun Feng and Dr. Leonora Orantes in the thriller “Contagion.”

tors and the agencies charged with preventing a real-life replica. At the World Health Organization, Dr. Leonora Orantes (Marion Cotillard) tries to trace the virus back to Patient Zero. Inside the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Dr. Ellis Cheever (Laurence Fishburne) and Dr. Erin Mears (Kate Winslet) struggle to control the virus’ spread, while Dr. Ally Hextall (Jennifer Ehle), at great personal risk, searches for a vaccine.

Soderbergh said he was determined to avoid the usual mistakes and cliches of the genre: The science would be correct, and nameless hordes wouldn’t succumb.

“When you’re making a movie about an issue this serious, inaccuracy and misinformation is not cool,” Soderbergh said.

Burns, who researched the

script with a prominent epidemiologist, said he was also interested in the potential perils of media speculation - personified by a double-dealing blogger played by Jude Law.

“Unfiltered communication has the same sort of radioactive pulse in the world as a virus does,” said Burns. “How do you contain information? How do you vaccinate against misinformation when you don’t have your own story to put out?”

While “Contagion” doesn’t minimize the mortality of its pandemic, it’s ultimately a hopeful tale of how people facing extreme peril rise to the challenge. But the filmmakers admit that they now look behind them when they hear someone cough. “It made me nervous,” Soderbergh said of making “Contagion.”

Man Booker winner worthy read

By JOSHUA MADDEN
A&E EDITOR

James Scudamore’s novel “Heliopolis” was nominated for the Man Booker Prize, one of the most prestigious awards that can be given to contemporary literature, but it went relatively unnoticed by many avid readers.

Few people I have spoken with have even heard of Scudamore’s second novel, which is a shame given how well-written the book is.

Set in São Paulo, Brazil, the novel tells the story of Ludo dos Santos, a man who was born in a favela (a slum-like area in Brazilian cities) but raised by a wealthy Brazilian businessman who shelters Santos and his mother.

Scudamore uses this plot to explore the contrast between Brazilian life for the very wealthy busi-

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nessmen, who control a great deal of the country’s policies, and the lives of poor Brazilian citizens who are simply looking for the next meal.

Wisely choosing not to focus exclusively on this aspect of the novel, it becomes more of an element that operates in the background as Ludo attempts to figure out the meaning of his life.

He struggles with his relationship with his adopted sister, whom he has been in love with since before they were legally siblings. Ludo fights to adapt to a new reality when his love is suddenly taboo.

Scudamore explores the relationship between Ludo and his adopted sister throughout the novel, but he also explores the relation-

ship between Ludo and his mother. His mother, who was born into poverty, comes from a background that Ludo is expected to understand and a heritage he knows almost nothing about.

Ludo’s relationships serve as a way for Scudamore to tie several distinctive themes together in the novel and he does so successfully, artfully weaving together issues of urban poverty and corporate culture in a way that I wouldn’t have thought possible.

The book is a terrific view into the life of many Brazilians, but “Heliopolis” is a book that I probably would have never discovered had it not been for a chance encounter at a bookstore.

I am glad I had the opportunity to read it. At just under 300 pages, it’s not too long and would make perfect weekend reading.

Baylor students await Fashion Week

By JESSICA FOREMAN
REPORTER

Lights, camera, catwalk! It is that time of year again. Anticipated by fashion designers, models, fashionistas and all involved within the fashion industry worldwide look forward to one thing: New York City’s semi-annual fashion week.

Today through Sept. 15 at the Lincoln Center in New York City, this year’s scheduled shows include BCBG Max Azria, Lacoste, Tommy Hilfiger, Betsey Johnson, Vera Wang, Michael Kors, Ralph Lauren and Calvin Klein.

“Fashion week determines what is going to be considered potentially fashionable for the upcoming season,” said Fort Worth junior Shalyn Nasi, a fashion de-

sign major. “It allows new designers to be heard.”

New York Fashion Magazine’s blog, The Cut, showcased an exclusive preview of what will be revealed on the runway throughout the week. 56 designers sent in one snapshot along with a word that captures what their collection will look like. “Retro-glamour,” “Asian influences” and “humorous prints” were a few descriptions of the apparel to come.

The “Mercedes-Benz Presents” designer for this season’s spring/summer 2012 collections was awarded to San Francisco native, Derek Lam, the designer and brand distinguished by clothes that are “both luxurious and wearable, with a feminine but unfussy beauty about them,” according to

the official Derek Lam website. When asked by Vogue Magazine to describe his line in 2010, Lam replied, “Sensual, relaxed luxury.”

The “Mercedes-Benz Presents” program has featured designers over the past eight years including Carolina Herrera, Monique Lhuillier and Narciso Rodriguez, whose designs boast quality materials, distinctive style and innovative design. Lam’s collection will be shown on Sunday at the Lincoln Center.

This season’s fashion week will include more labels with live-streaming during their shows than ever before, from Marc Jacobs to Jason Wu, giving those unable to attend the opportunity to watch more than 50 spring collections unveiled on the runway.

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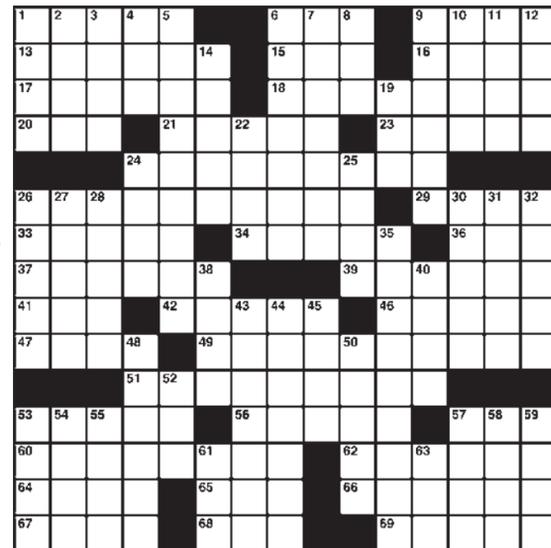
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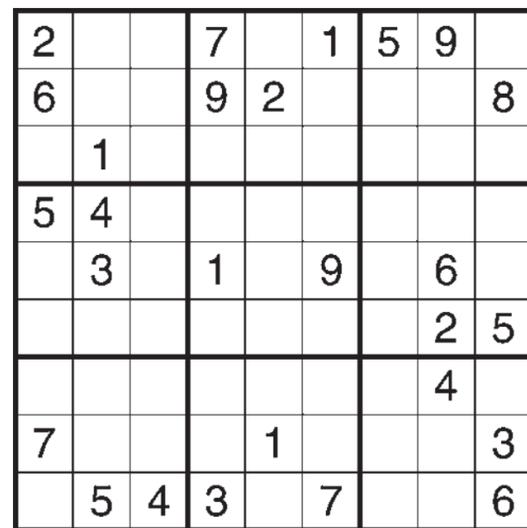


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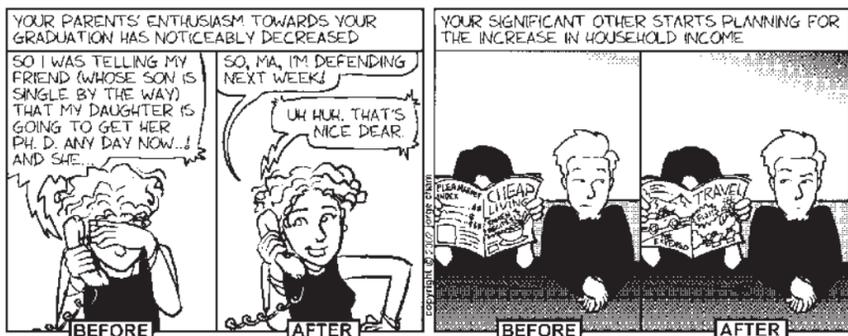
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Receiver breaks records

By TYLER ALLEY
SPORTS EDITOR

Senior Kendall Wright broke yet another Baylor football record Friday against TCU, grabbing his 11th 100-yard receiving game of his career.

"It feels good," Wright said. "I work hard every day just to get to where I am."

The two-time All Big 12 honoree came into this season already owning or sharing five school receiving records. He owns the school record for career receptions, 194 going into this season, and receptions in a single season with 78 in 2010. He ranks third in career yards with 2,341 and fourth in TD receptions with 16.

He also appears on the watch list for the Biletnikoff Award for the best receiver in the nation and for the All-America team.

"He's the best receiver nobody knows about," junior quarterback Robert Griffin III said. "He's got everything you want: big-play

ability; he catches tough passes; he takes hits; he blocks. He's a good leader. He deserves to be up there with Ryan Broyles and Justin Blackmon in the top part of league when it comes to receivers."

Wright finished the TCU game with 12 receptions, 189 receiving yards and two touchdown receptions. The 12 receptions tied his own school record for one game and made him the first Baylor receiver with 200 receptions. He also set a new career high with the 189 receiving yards.

"The reason Kendall was so productive the other night is because of how he prepared," Briles said. "When you prepare well, you perform well. That's what really set him apart the other night. His preparation the last seven months has been unparalleled with what he's done prior to that. He had a fast start and he'll have a fast finish."

Wright also threw two passes, one for a touchdown to junior Terrance Williams, and the other an important first down late in the

game to Griffin.

Wright now has 2,530 career receiving yards, needing 122 more to become the school's all-time receiving leader.

"I guess it feels good," Wright said. "Me, personally, I don't care about the records. I never knew I broke a record until [the media] asks me after the game. I guess it's a great accomplishment. I'm not here for the records; I'm here for the wins."

Wright came to Baylor from Pittsburg High School as a three-sport standout. The difference from the Kendall Wright who came to Baylor and the player now, according to him, is vast.

"I've changed a lot," Wright said. "Coach [Briles] asked me to do a lot of things at first that I didn't want to do, but it's all panned out and I think he's wanted me to do it for a reason. I think it's good, and I've changed a lot."

Wright leads the team with 31 career starts and has caught a pass in 38 straight games, the fourth-longest streak nationally.



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Senior receiver Kendall Wright, 1, heads up the field after catching a short pass from quarterback Robert Griffin III on Friday, in Floyd Casey Stadium. Wright had a career night in the 50-48 victory over the TCU Horned Frogs.

Linemen create yards for explosive offense without grabbing spotlight

By KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS WRITER

Amid an unstable conference and a doubting nation, the Bears chose the opportune time to show the nation who they are, not who they were.

Junior quarterback Robert Griffin III got the accolades for the night.

Griffin also broke many Baylor records including his fifth career 300-yard passing game and five touchdown passes.

Senior running back Terrance Ganaway rushed for a career-high 120 yards.

Both Ganaway and senior Kendall Wright had record-breaking

performances as well, with 11+ games of 100 yards receiving (189) for Wright and 120 rushing yards for Ganaway.

However, none of this offensive firepower would have happened without the five men on the line.

That strong front line only allowed one sack on the evening, giving Griffin III plenty of time in the pocket, and busting open holes for Ganaway to run through.

"I do my job," senior right guard Robert T. Griffin said. "I stay dirty, I block for [Griffin III] every day. He stays pretty. It's my job. I'm going to do what I have to do to protect me and keep him off the grass."

Alongside Griffin for the offensive line were junior right tackle

Ivory Wade, senior center Philip Blake, junior left guard Cameron Kaufhold and sophomore left tackle Cyril Richardson.

"It all starts with them," Griffin said. "I don't get the ball unless Philip Blake snaps me the ball. If he doesn't feel like snapping me the ball, we're just not going play offense. If those guys aren't up there, taking care of business, then we don't succeed, and they did a good job of that against TCU."

TCU's offense was under speculation being led by sophomore quarterback Casey Pachall; the defense, however, had some hype behind it.

Last year in their 45-10 blow-out, the Horned Frogs held Bay-

lor's offense to only 263 yards.

This year, Baylor's offense couldn't be contained as it recorded 564 yards.

As the game went on, the battle between Baylor's offensive line and TCU's defensive line emerged as the game-changing factor.

"They were fast and athletic, and they knew what they were taught," Richardson said. "We did what we did better. We outsmarted them. [Coach Randy Clements] was just telling us to keep focused on the small things and keep up with our technique. We were being aggressive and hitting first."

And that they did. "I left everything out on that field," Griffin said. "I think every-

body on our roster did that, from playing in the game, from sitting on the sidelines and from coaching."

Anchoring the unwavering line is senior Philip Blake, who is stepping up as leader for the Bears.

"I thought we did a good job," Blake said. "We've been training since day one since the last game of the season against Illinois. We had a little scheme against TCU, which we accomplished, was to just run the ball. Ground and pound."

The line created huge gaps for Ganaway to break through, into TCU's secondary, their Achilles heel, where Baylor gained 414 yards.

"I think our front five line, we

totally dominated them," Griffin said. "Last year, our coach said we got dominated, and it was round one last year. We came back with a fight and came back for round two, and I believe we beat them. We got our running backs in the secondary and we got to break tackles."

Despite the lack of attention the line gets, the unit has received high praise from their coach since day one.

"[They] played hard," Baylor head coach Art Briles said. "Played physical; played tough; played aggressive; played with passion. That's what we ask. When they click up front, we're going to click as an offense. They're everything They make everything happen."

Sports Take: Epic game to be a fan in the seats

As a member of the media, I often get the privilege of viewing athletic events from the press box. This allows me to see the game at a whole different level and from a whole different perspective. When I am in the press box, viewing the game becomes my job. Thus, I must act as a professional and that means the way I show my fandom for the team I am rooting for drastically alters. In other words, I am prohibited to cheer while in the press box. I found this out the hard way in the spring at a softball game. Watching the game from the press box has its many perks, but few experiences in athletics are quite like viewing an exhilarating, dramatic game from the stands.



Daniel Wallace | Sports Writer

During last Friday's opening football game against TCU, I had the privilege of doing just that. I was not working the game and was free to sit (ok, stand) in the crowd amongst nearly 40,000 of my closest friends to cheer on the Bears. Coming off a bowl season last year, the anticipation and expectations going into the first game were high. That expectation led to high energy and an electric atmosphere before, throughout, and after the game.

Even before the game began, the Baylor Line provided the spark for the crowd and did a great job pumping up for the fans for what would prove to be an intense, heart-pulsating gridiron battle. Before the Bears even played a snap, the game had the feel of a bowl game. With the stadium packed to its core, it was hard to believe it was only Week 1.

Then the game began. After that, only one word can adequately describe what type of event would take place in the next four hours.

Magical. From the first touchdown of the season, a 40-yard pass from Kendall Wright to Terrance Williams, the stage was set for an unforgettable evening. Last time I checked, receivers don't normally throw touchdowns. When a season starts like that, it's hard to contain your excitement. This was definitely the case on Friday night. It is often said that players feed off each other on the field. After Friday's game, I think the same goes for the fans. It definitely helped that by the end of the third quarter, our Baylor Bears had a 24-point lead against the 14th ranked team in the nation. But as the game went along and the lead got bigger, the roars of the crowd grew and general excitement drastically increased as well.

It was the fourth quarter and I looked around and thought to myself, "I have never seen this stadium so full. This is awesome." There were times in the game I could not hear myself think because it was so loud. Then the fourth quarter came. Shortly into it, I could hear myself think again. I did not like what I was thinking, because it was along the lines of "oh no, here we go again, Baylor..." TCU was in the middle of a furious 24-point comeback and eventually took a one-point lead with four minutes left in the game.

The emotional roller coaster I had witnessing the game from the stands was intense. The way the game unfolded made it all worth it. In no way am I happy about blowing a 24-point lead, but had the fourth quarter not gone the way it did, the game and the experience as a whole would not have been so...magical. When Aaron Jones hit the field goal to give Baylor the 50-48 lead, the sea of gold in the stands went nuts and it was amazing to see and experience. The whole atmosphere changed on one kick; it was so sudden, so emotional. Words can't describe the feeling in the crowd or the ecstasy of the moment when safety Mike Hicks clinched the game with the interception late.

I love my job and the perks it involves. But Friday night was one night I was glad I got to experience the game from the stands and not the press box. It was an instant classic, and the atmosphere and unity of the green and gold faithful was unlike any other collegiate athletic event I've attended. Sic 'em!

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an email from Baylor Proud sent to students Wednesday night.

The email later continued, "There are real costs when universities begin to break commitments and contracts (beyond simply setting a bad example for the young minds on campus) -- up to and including anarchy in the world of college athletics."

According to the Waco Tribune-Herald, a source close to Baylor said that Baylor was among six Big 12 schools that will not sign a waiver allowing Texas A&M to enter the conference. Kansas, Kansas State, Texas Tech, Iowa State and Missouri are the other schools that

"There are real costs when universities begin to break commitments and contracts"

BAYLOR PROUD

are unwilling to sign the waiver that would grant Texas A&M entrance into the SEC, the source said.

After a Big 12 chancellor conference call Wednesday afternoon, ESPN reported that Oklahoma State and Texas would not waive their right to litigation as well. That leaves only one Big 12 school, Oklahoma, who has agreed to waive its rights to litigation, according to ESPN. Oklahoma is also unsure of its status in the Big 12 and is mulling a move to the Pac-12; a decision is expected to come from Oklahoma within two weeks on whether it will remain committed to the Big 12 or not.

The chancellors of the SEC met on Tuesday night with the intention of accepting Texas A&M's application into the conference, according to a statement from Dr. Bernie Machen, SEC

chairman. The vote was unanimous to accept Texas A&M University but was contingent upon each Big 12 institution agreeing not to pursue legal action against the conference or the university. According to Joe Schad of ESPN, "Baylor has not given that assurance to this point" and "Iowa State also has made known its intention not to waive its rights to sue either the SEC or A&M." The SEC's statement said that there must be "no contractual hindrances to its departure" to consider an institution for membership.

On Sept. 2, the SEC received unanimous written assurance from the Big 12 that it was free to accept Texas A&M as the thirteenth member of its conference. This came in a letter from Big 12 commissioner Dan Beebe to SEC commissioner Mike Slive. The letter also stated that "the Big 12's board of directors—not the individual schools—wouldn't pursue litigation," according to ESPN. However, the acceptance hit a snag Tuesday.

"We were notified (Tuesday) afternoon that at least one Big 12 institution had withdrawn its previous consent and was considering legal action," Machen said in the statement.

John McCarroll, an Iowa State spokesman, told the Des Moines Register that Iowa State "has not waived its rights to sue either the SEC or Texas A&M for the involvement in that university's decision to leave the Big 12 Conference."

Machen's statement claimed that Texas A&M will have official acceptance into the conference "upon receiving acceptable reconfirmation that the Big 12 and its members have reaffirmed the letter dated September 2, 2011."

Conference realignment is currently at the heart of the drama in the Big 12, and with Texas A&M's departure on hold, the future of the conference remains immensely uncertain.

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"We want students to be able to live successfully in the world and to do that you've got to be well-rounded," Vitanza said. "Students need to

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know about political life in order to make thoughtful decisions. They need to know about other languages and be able to communicate with people different than themselves. They need to be open to the world and a lot of these courses help students to become that way."

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nano-technology instrument, and it will be great for their future career. I think this is a really great opportunity for them to be able to really use this instrument."

This summer, Zhang was able to obtain another Scanning Tunneling Microscope for the lab, which was purchased by Baylor. "This is another great opportunity," she said.

"This will enlarge our opportunities to obtain external funding for research," Zhang said. "So I think this is a great advantage now that we have two instruments and [it] will really increase our chance to get funded."

Zhang said she has submitted research proposals to organizations such as the National Science Foundation and the Petroleum Research Fund in hopes of gaining funding.

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three in as many weeks, at a time when the economy is struggling, unemployment is seemingly stuck at 9.1 percent and Obama's popularity is sinking in the polls — all events that could make the GOP nomination worth more than it appeared only a few months ago.

Former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman sided with Perry when he turned to Romney and said, "47th just isn't going to cut it, my friend," a reference to the rank Massachusetts had among the 50 states in creating jobs during Romney's term.

But he also sought to rebut Perry's claim to be chief executive of the country's top job-producing state.

"I hate to rain on the parade of the great Lone Star State governor, but as governor of Utah, we were the No. 1 job creator during my years in service," Huntsman said.

Businessman Herman Cain, Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann, Texas Rep. Ron Paul, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and former Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania shared the stage for the debate hosted by MSNBC and Politico.

Not surprisingly, none of the GOP contenders had anything positive to say about Obama.

Bachmann said she would provide the "strong, bold leader in the presidency who will lead that effort. None of us should ever think that the repeal bill will just come to our desk," she said in a pledge that drew applause from the audience.

Gingrich resisted an effort to draw him into conflict with other Republicans on stage. "I'm frankly not interested in your efforts to get Republicans fighting each other," he said, sparking an even louder round of applause. He said all Republicans should "defeat efforts by the news media" to spark an internal struggle when the real objective is to defeat Obama in 2012.

But moments later, Cain said that after trying to defeat Democratic efforts to create national health care, "I'm running against Romneycare," the legislation that

passed requiring residents of Massachusetts to purchase coverage.

Social Security produced more sparks, when Perry said the program was a "Ponzi scheme" and added it was a lie to tell young workers they will ever receive the benefits they have been promised.

Romney quickly referred to Perry's book, "Fed Up," in which the Texas governor said that by any measure the program was a failure. Perry also said states should be able to opt out of the program, Romney added.

Perry was unrepentant — "You cannot keep the status quo in place and call it anything other than a Ponzi scheme," he said.

The Texas governor also made it clear he doesn't intend to take advice from Karl Rove, the former Bush political adviser who recently said some of Perry's rhetoric has been too provocative for a general election.

"Karl has been over the top for a long time now," he said.

Backstage, Romney and Perry exchanged small talk, but when they were introduced on stage, they stood stiffly side by side.

Romney, slightly taller and just an arm's length away for the debate, frequently turned his body toward Perry when the Texas governor spoke, watching him intently.

When Romney talked about rebuilding the Massachusetts economy, Perry looked toward the audience with a broadly arched

eyebrow.

Despite their clashes, Romney defended Perry from criticism from other contenders who said he had infringed on parents' rights when he tried to require young girls to be vaccinated for sexually transmitted diseases and some cancers. Romney said he had disagreed with Perry's methods but that the Texas governor's heart was in the right place — then sought to move the conversation away from social issues and back to job creation.

The event was Perry's first opportunity to share a debate stage with his rivals since he joined the race last month and shot to the top of the public opinion polls. He displaced Romney as front-runner and stepped on the momentum that Bachmann had generated with her victory in a straw poll at the Iowa State Fair earlier in the summer.

A governor for more than a decade, he seemed at ease on stage in his campaign debut and moved quickly to assert his claim to having the best record of all on stage in creating jobs.

"We created 1 million jobs in the state of Texas at the same time the United States lost 2 million," he said, adding that the issue for the nation this election season is "who on this stage can get America working. Because we know for a fact that the resident of the White House cannot."



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STATEMENT ON HAZING
Fall 2011

Section 51.936 (c) of the Texas Education Code requires Baylor University to publish and distribute during the first three weeks of each semester a summary of the Texas Hazing Law, subchapter F, Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code, and a list of organizations that have been disciplined for hazing or convicted of hazing on or off the campus of the institution during the preceding three years. In compliance with this law, Baylor provides the following information:

Texas Hazing Law, Subchapter F, Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code

§ 37.151. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter: (1) "Educational institution" includes a public or private high school. (2) "Pledge" means any person who has been accepted by, is considering an offer of membership from, or is in the process of qualifying for membership in an organization. (3) "Pledging" means any action or activity related to becoming a member of an organization. (4) "Student" means any person who: (A) is registered in or in attendance at an educational institution; (B) has been accepted for admission at the educational institution where the hazing incident occurs; or (C) intends to attend an educational institution during any of its regular sessions after a period of scheduled vacation. (5) "Organization" means a fraternity, sorority, association, corporation, order, society, corps, club, or service, social, or similar group, whose members are primarily students. (6) "Hazing" means any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in an organization. The term includes: (A) any type of physical brutality, such as whipping, beating, striking, branding, electronic shocking, placing of a harmful substance on the body, or similar activity; (B) any type of physical activity, such as sleep deprivation, exposure to the elements, confinement in a small space, calisthenics, or other activity that subjects the student to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the mental or physical health or safety of the student; (C) any activity involving consumption of a food, liquid, alcoholic beverage, liquor, drug, or other substance that subjects the student to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the mental or physical health or safety of the student; (D) any activity that intimidates or threatens the student with ostracism, that subjects the student to extreme mental stress, shame, or humiliation, that adversely affects the mental health or dignity of the student or discourages the student from entering or remaining registered in an educational institution, or that may reasonably be expected to cause a student to leave the organization or the institution rather than submit to acts described in this subdivision; and (E) any activity that induces, causes, or requires the student to perform a duty or task that involves a violation of the Penal Code.

§ 37.152. PERSONAL HAZING OFFENSE. (a) A person commits an offense if the person: (1) engages in hazing; (2) solicits, encourages, directs, aids, or attempts to aid another in engaging in hazing; (3) recklessly permits hazing to occur; or (4) has firsthand knowledge of the planning of a specific hazing incident involving a student in an educational institution, or has firsthand knowledge that a specific hazing incident has occurred, and knowingly fails to report that knowledge in writing to the dean of students or other appropriate official of the institution. (b) The offense of failing to report is a Class B misdemeanor. (c) Any other offense under this section that does not cause serious bodily injury to another is a Class B misdemeanor. (d) Any other offense under this section that causes serious bodily injury to another is a Class A misdemeanor. (e) Any other offense under this section that causes the death of another is a state jail felony. (f) Except if an offense causes the death of a student, in sentencing a person convicted of an offense under this section, the court may require the person to perform community service, subject to the same conditions imposed on a person placed on community supervision under Section 11, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, for an appropriate period of time in lieu of confinement in county jail or in lieu of a part of the time the person is sentenced to confinement in county jail.

§ 37.153. ORGANIZATION HAZING OFFENSE. (a) An organization commits an offense if the organization condones or encourages hazing or if an officer or any combination of members, pledges, or alumni of the organization commits or assists in the commission of hazing. (b) An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by: (1) a fine of not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$10,000; or (2) if the court finds that the offense caused personal injury, property damage, or other loss, a fine of not less than \$5,000 nor more than double the amount lost or expenses incurred because of the injury, damage, or loss.

§ 37.154. CONSENT NOT A DEFENSE. It is not a defense to prosecution of an offense under this subchapter that the person against whom the hazing was directed consented to or acquiesced in the hazing activity.

§ 37.155. IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION AVAILABLE. In the prosecution of an offense under this subchapter, the court may grant immunity from prosecution for the offense to each person who is subpoenaed to testify for the prosecution and who does testify for the prosecution. Any person reporting a specific hazing incident involving a student in an educational institution to the dean of students or other appropriate official of the institution is immune from civil or criminal liability that might otherwise be incurred or imposed as a result of the report. Immunity extends to participation in any judicial proceeding resulting from the report. A person reporting in bad faith or with malice is not protected by this section.

§ 37.156. OFFENSES IN ADDITION TO OTHER PENAL PROVISIONS. This subchapter does not affect or repeal any penal law of this state. This subchapter does not limit or affect the right of an educational institution to enforce its own penalties against hazing.

§ 37.157. REPORTING BY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES. A doctor or other medical practitioner who treats a student who may have been subjected to hazing activities: (1) may report the suspected hazing activities to police or other law enforcement officials; and (2) is immune from civil or other liability that might otherwise be imposed or incurred as a result of the report, unless the report is made in bad faith or with malice.

The following student organization has been disciplined for hazing or convicted for hazing during the previous three years:

Sigma Alpha Epsilon Spring 2010

Baylor's Statement on Hazing can be reviewed online at: http://www.baylor.edu/student_policies/hazing.

HONOR CODE REPORT
Fall 2011

The Baylor University Honor Council is charged with the responsibility of reporting each semester to the campus community violations of the Honor Code.

During the summer 2011 semester, there were 7 reported violations of the Honor Code; 3 of these cases proceeded to Honor Council hearings. The other 4 cases were handled by faculty. Some cases are still pending.

The types of violations and sanctions for each may be reviewed on the Academic Integrity Web site under the Honor Council Reports at: http://www.baylor.edu/student_policies/honorcode.

Copies of Baylor's Statement on Hazing and the Honor Code are available from Judicial Affairs and the Office of Academic Integrity.

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