



Controversial bake sale illustrated legitimate point

We’ve all heard the phrase that someone cannot have their cake and eat it too, but what about cupcakes?

Students in conservative groups at the University of California – Berkeley protested Affirmative Action policies by having a bake sale where they sold cupcakes at prices based on customers’ race and gender. If you happen to be a white male, you’d pay the most at \$2. Native Americans pay just 25 cents. All women get 25 cents off of their purchase.

California Gov. Jerry Brown is faced with a proposed piece of legislation that the conservative groups are protesting. If he signs the legislation into law, it will promote the use of racial consideration in admissions decisions for public California schools.

Critics of the bake sale are arguing that the bake sale is, on its face, discriminatory and therefore bad. Critics seem to be missing one small detail: that’s the whole point.

In a Sept. 27 opinion piece for the San Francisco Chronicle columnist Chip Johnson argues, “There’s not only a distinct difference, but a distinguishable line whenever the issue is race relations: You never, ever, ever speak in generalizations about any ethnic group, because people of similar color and ethnic makeup aren’t all the same. ...Ev-

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everyone in America should understand that rule, but these students chose to ignore it.”

It is Johnson and other critics who are ignoring that rule. These students are drawing attention to it.

That’s the whole point of the bake sale. Why is it so difficult for people to understand? Even members within the same racial groups have not faced the same discriminatory factors that are used to justify affirmative action policies. There are white men who have experienced great difficulties in being able to go to college and African-American women who have been given a wide variety of advantages that are not available to everyone.

Neither experience is typical for everyone. Neither experience is representative of anyone other than the individual who experienced it. So why is it that affirmative action policies can say that certain races face discrimination in admissions decisions and others do not? They can’t.

It seems unfathomable that someone could make so little effort to try to under-

stand the point that someone they disagree with is making. It’s one thing to make an argument that overall affirmative action policies help society — there are arguments to be made for that — but it’s another to take two very similar things and say that one is racist and the other is not. Critics like Johnson have to bury their face in the sand to come up with the arguments they’re making in response to this bake sale.

Affirmative action policies are, by definition, discriminatory. Whether they have merit is another debate that is certainly worth having, but there is no reasonable argument to be made that policies that discriminate based on race are not ... well, discriminatory. If you take race into admissions decisions, you’re factoring race into admissions decisions. It’s that simple.

These conservatives are simply making that point. If you’re OK with purchasing cheaper cupcakes at a tiered pricing scale based on the color of your skin, then you can accept such policies. The problem is that critics of the bake sale are calling it racist and then still arguing in favor of affirmative action policies.

Talk about having your cupcake and eating it too. Very seldom is it so literal.

Being yourself ultimately gives best satisfaction

When I was 7 years old, I ran into my older brother’s room in fear that I would be struck by lightning from the developing storm outside.

He comforted me and told me everything would be OK. After that incident, I thought of my brother as my hero and wanted to do everything he did.

But because of our nine-year age difference, he was able to do everything before me and set what I call “unrealistic dreams.”

My brother was involved in many activities in high school and was a straight-A student. He did well on his SAT’s, went to a good college and received his doctorate of jurisprudence from a top 50 law school (according to U.S. News law school ranking).

Everyone just called me “Chris’ little sister” and looked at me as though I could never live up to what he accomplished.

He had everything going for him: a good education, a wife he loved and a job that many would envy.

When I entered high school, I focused on being that straight-A student and getting high SAT scores.

But that wasn’t good enough. I didn’t want to copy my brother anymore; I wanted to be better.

I thought of what talents I had and saw that music was one thing at which I could beat my brother. Sure, he played a couple of instruments, but he never really did anything with it.

So I played every instrument I could.

I played in the orchestra and performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City. I played in the band and performed at prestigious concert halls in California.

But somehow, this just wasn’t good enough.

When I came to Baylor, I wanted to do the same thing my brother did in college (biochemistry and genetics).

But, I thought that if I copied exactly what my brother did, people would catch on to what I was doing. So instead, I stayed with the idea of doing two majors and chose international business and

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Jennifer Kang | Reporter

business journalism.

When I entered the fall semester of my sophomore year, I still focused on beating my brother. It consumed my every waking moment.

But when spring semester rolled around, I changed. Maybe I matured, or maybe I just needed to realize that life isn’t about following others. For whatever reason, I was no longer interested in what my brother did.

In fact, I thought everything he was doing was quite boring.

Don’t get me wrong. I still loved my brother, but I felt it was time for me to break away.

I saw that I was actually interested in the majors I chose. I studied international business in London as an exchange student. I focused on my journalism classes and realized my interest in writing and editing.

I realized that trying to do exactly what my brother was doing did not make me happy.

Whether it was my drive for the “perfect” life or the need to live up to everyone’s expectations, I realized I was living a life that wasn’t mine.

I began to understand that in order to be happy I needed to do something I enjoyed and be myself.

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When all is stripped away, Christians’ identity lies in Christ

Here’s my question: What happens when the wind changes course?

Most of us will agree that life is unpredictable. Gusts of unexpected circumstances may billow through at any point in time. The weather seems calm for a short moment, only to erupt in turbulence the next.

If a person learns to be comfortable trusting in that which is in this temporary moment – the direction of the wind, the “current” of the waves (pun intended) – then what happens when it changes?

I was swept into a chorus of these thoughts one day during what I thought would be the typical morning devotion. But when I thumbed open my Bible, the Book of Job was staring at me. And for some reason, I couldn’t turn away.

Job, a man who was “perfect and upright” before the Lord,



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“feared God and eschewed evil.” God, in return, had blessed him exceedingly. In fact, the text notes him to be “the greatest of all the men of the East.” Observably, Job had a perfect life with a high social status and financial prosperity.

But the wind soon changes. The devil poses a challenge to God. “Does Job fear God for

nothing?” – “I mean, with all these blessings, of course he’s going to love you!” (Grace Gaddy translation)

Enter million-dollar question: If Job were stripped of these temporary comforts, how then would he respond?

Or more notably perhaps, how would we?

As the story unfolds, Job’s children die, his possessions are destroyed, those closest to him turn against him, and – on top of what must have been unfathomable overwhelming grief – his body is consumed in blistering boils “from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.” (Job 2:7)

But despite such an onslaught of evil, Job emitted a resolution that will forever punctuate the story of man’s interaction with the omnipotent God, “Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him.”

Wow. God did later restore every-

thing for Job. At that point, it would be tolerable to fold up the story of Job, happy that everything eventually turned out for the better.

But I sensed the urge to dig a little deeper. So I did. I slipped Job’s shoes on for size.

They are not comfortable, to say the least.

Here I am, privileged to attend this university for higher education. I have a wonderful family, friends and loved ones. I can walk, I can talk, I can hear a piano playing. I have clothes to wear, a warm bed to sleep in and delicious food to eat.

But none of these blessings come miles within the greatest of all: the miracle of salvation. I have encountered the love of Almighty God, who died on the cross to wash away sin and give me eternal life through a relationship with himself.

So what if everything else

were stripped away?

My family? My friends? My education? What if this physical house I live in – my body – suddenly stopped functioning properly or failed to mold into some society-shaped standard of what is “attractive”?

Well, I took a good long look at myself, and what I saw was unacceptable. “Take it all, Lord,” I would pray. Just not my physical appearance, not my social life, not this little something, this comfortable little security.

My identity raised its head in other things. The hardest part to realize was that I had become comfortable with a life that allowed for “worshipping God” in the peace and comfort of my little routine.

Though I claim to follow Christ, I had to ask myself, “Am I trusting in God, or my own form of a religious structure? Is this who Christ has called me to be?”

Short answer: no.

In order to faithfully follow a faithful God, I must let go – a fearful thought while still holding on – and lose my identity in everything except for him. That takes faith, and that takes trust. But if everything I have is a result of what He has given me, what have I got to lose?

Nothing.

But what have I got to gain? Eternal peace and joy through a life surrendered, handed over to the one who breathed it into my lungs.

And this God who spun the earth and planets into existence – he loves me. And you. And he will take care of us. What more do we need? He satisfies our every longing.

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Gungor stops in Waco, leads Chapel in worship

By GRACE GADDY
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Chapel attendants heard a message combined with melodies Monday morning in Waco Hall. The service featured a 45-minute concert with rising Christian worship band Gungor.

The group, which consists of singer-songwriters Michael and Lisa Gungor, took listeners on a spiritual journey examining life's questions, offering reflections and praising the creator through lyric and original song.

Sounds ranged from an acoustic blend of vocals, piano and guitar to the soothing bells of a glockenspiel, a German instrument similar to a xylophone.

Also contributing to their collaboration was Kevin Olusola, a guest on tour, who combined years of classical cello experience with a backdrop of modern beatboxing.

Olusola is also featured as a contestant on this season of NBC's "The Sing-Off," which airs at 7 p.m. Mondays. He is one of a five-member team from Arlington, known as Pentatonix.

Baylor's Chapel event marked a

special stop for the Grammy-nominated band Gungor, said Ryan Richardson, associate chaplain and director of worship.

When he heard the band would be playing nearby with David Crowder's "7 Tour," also featuring John Mark McMillian and Chris August, he asked if they would bring their musical gift to Baylor's campus. They agreed.

Michael said he hopes the music will open students' hearts to the personalized message God wants to send each of them.

"Art to me —what I love about it— is there's room for different interpretations," he said. "So I hope that people take different things away from it. ... I hope that God speaks through that somehow."

One of the things Gungor members said they personally hope to emphasize is the need for Christians to rise up and make a difference in the world around them, particularly in matters of social justice.

While the music in worship — spiritual in nature — can definitely carry with it that "goose bumps experience," it also encompasses so much more, he said.

"If that spiritual experience with God doesn't lead me to go out to be sent into the world as salt, as light, as an agent of change, as somebody bringing hope and life and peace and love and all that we are supposed to be into the world, then we are wasting our breath, I think," Michael said.

To this, he added that he hopes students will see the bigger picture — and music can provide the lens.

"There's something about music that gets into the soul, that gets people beyond just the surface of circumstances and the chaos of, 'I've got a test in an hour,'" he said.

In that moment, it is important to remember that there's a bigger picture and a larger story, he said.

It has to do with seeing "that we're all a part of this beautiful thing together, we're family, we're loved by God," he said, adding that to connect with God in that sense is to ultimately connect with humanity.

"As you become more human, you can't help but be aware of what's around you," Michael said. When God's love and hope takes root in a person's heart, it spreads, he said.



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Gungor and guest Kevin Olusola on cello lead Baylor Chapel sessions in worship Monday at Waco Hall. Gungor and Olusola are on tour with the David Crowder Band.

Music can provide an avenue for people to experience that impact, both for themselves and their world, Michael said.

"As we have these moments of

worship with spirituality in the center, our hope is that people's hearts are softened — opened both to God and to each other and to themselves," he said.

The tour will cover several cities across America, with the final show on Nov. 13 at the Jackson Academy Performing Arts Center in Jackson, Miss.

Hughes fund will create paid summer library internships

By ALYSSA MAXWELL
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Baylor's libraries are aiming to increase the number of endowed internships sponsored through the Sue Margaret Hughes Library Internship Fund, with the ultimate goal of two per library.

The Sue Margaret Hughes Library Internship Fund was named in honor of Dr. Hughes, a former Baylor library employee of 31 years, and is part of the \$100 million President's Scholarship Initiative.

The fund will provide internships to students interested in gaining professional experience in

a library setting.

Students walking down to the garden level of Moody Library and into the Vice President of Information and Technology and Dean of the University Libraries office area may notice a black plaque trimmed in gold that honors Hughes' service to the university.

"She is a sweetheart, very intelligent and sharp as a tack," Pattie Orr, vice president for information technology and dean of university libraries, said. "She took me under her wing."

Hughes served in the Baylor libraries in a variety of roles, such as acquisitions librarian, Moody librarian and university librarian.

"Sue Margaret Hughes was working the day they opened Moody," Orr said. "Before she retired, she helped plan Jones Library."

She gained respect from her colleagues by working to improve the libraries. She kept the students close to her heart and ultimately put their interests first, sources said.

"She is a quiet, calm and serious person," Lori Evers, budget associate for libraries and administrative assistant to Hughes for seven years, said. "Her office was filled with books. There was no space not covered with a stack of books."

The Board of Library Advisers

deliberated when deciding who to name the scholarship fund after, but eventually agreed on Hughes.

"The Board of Library Advisers met last spring in Independence and decided to contribute to making an endowed fund of a minimum of \$25,000," Orr said.

The Endowed Scholarship Fund will support student learning and growth and enhance the educational experience.

The internships will occur each summer and are open to all students regardless of graduate or undergraduate status.

"There is a preference for graduate students, but anyone can apply," Orr said.

Orr said students from a variety of majors could be considered, though the libraries' needs would determine which major got preference.

A student majoring in film and digital media might be matched with an internship focused on digitizing editions of The Baylor Lariat, while a history major may be suited for an internship in the Texas Collection Library.

The internships offer in-depth, hands-on instruction in a variety of career areas in the Baylor libraries. Enrichment opportunities will be available during the internships.

These could include trips to the Harry Ransom Center at Uni-

versity of Texas at Austin and the presidential libraries, Orr said.

The libraries used the \$25,000 contributed to the fund for five internships last year, although not all of those were endowed.

"Ultimately our goal will be to have 10 endowed internships," Orr said.

A private reception will be held this Thursday for Hughes at Armstrong Browning Library.

The reception will publicly announce the Sue Margaret Hughes Library Internship Endowed Scholarship Fund and honor the former university librarian.

Students can apply for internships at www.baylor.edu/lib/give.

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Wall Street protests spread throughout nation

By CHRIS HAWLEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Protests against Wall Street spread across the country Monday as demonstrators marched on Federal Reserve banks and camped out in parks from Los Angeles to Portland, Maine, in a show of anger over the wobbly economy and what they see as corporate greed.

In Manhattan, hundreds of protesters dressed as corporate zombies in white face paint lurched past the New York Stock Exchange clutching fistfuls of fake money.

In Chicago, demonstrators pounded drums in the city's financial district.

Others pitched tents or waved protest signs at passing cars in Boston, St. Louis and Kansas City, Mo.

The arrests of 700 protesters on the Brooklyn Bridge over the weekend galvanized a slice of discontented America, from college students worried about their job prospects to middle-age workers who have been recently laid off.

Some protesters likened themselves to the tea party movement, but with a liberal bent, or to the Arab Spring demonstrators who brought down their rulers in the Middle East.

"I've felt this way for a long time. I've really just kind of been waiting for a movement to come along that I thought would last and have some resonance within the community," said Steven Harris, a laid-off truck driver in Kansas City. Harris and about 20 other people were camped out in a park across the street from the Kansas City Federal Reserve building,

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Marisa Engerstrom | Protester and Harvard Student

their site strewn with sleeping bags, clothes and handmade signs. Some passing drivers honked in support.

The Occupy Wall Street protests started on Sept. 17 with a few

dozen demonstrators who tried to pitch tents in front of the New York Stock Exchange.

Since then, hundreds have set up camp in a park nearby and have become increasingly organized, lining up medical aid and legal help and printing their own newspaper, the Occupied Wall Street Journal.

About 100 demonstrators were arrested on Sept. 24 and some were pepper-sprayed. On Saturday police arrested 700 on charges of disorderly conduct and blocking a public street as they tried to march over the Brooklyn Bridge.

Police said they took five more protesters into custody on Monday, though it was unclear whether they had been charged with any crime.

Wiljago Cook, of Oakland, Calif., who joined the New York protest on the first day, said she was shocked by the arrests.

"Exposing police brutality wasn't even really on my agenda, but my eyes have been opened," she said. She vowed to stay in New York "as long as it seems useful."

The city's Law Department said the NYPD's actions were proper.

On Monday, the zombies stayed on the sidewalks as they wound through Manhattan's financial district chanting, "How to fix the defi-

cit: End the war, tax the rich!"

They lurched along with their arms in front of them.

Some yelled, "I smell money!" Reaction was mixed from passers-by. Roland Klingman, who works in the financial industry and was wearing a suit as he walked through a raucous crowd of protesters, said he could sympathize with the anti-Wall Street message.

"I don't think it's directed personally at everyone who works down here," Klingman said.

"If they believe everyone down here contributes to policy decisions, it's a serious misunderstanding," he added.

Another man in a suit yelled at the protesters, "Go back to work!" He declined to be interviewed.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, a billionaire who made his fortune as a corporate executive, has said the demonstrators are making a mistake by targeting Wall Street.

"The protesters are protesting against people who make \$40- or \$50,000 a year and are struggling to make ends meet. That's the bottom line. Those are the people who work on Wall Street or in the finance sector," Bloomberg said in a radio interview Friday.

Some protesters planned to

travel to other cities to organize similar events.

John Hildebrand, a protester in New York from Norman, Okla., hoped to mount a protest there after returning home Tuesday. Julie Levine, a protester in Los Angeles, planned to go to Washington on Thursday.

Websites and Facebook pages with names like Occupy Boston and Occupy Philadelphia have also sprung up to plan the demonstrations.

Hundreds of demonstrators marched from a tent city on a grassy plot in downtown Boston to the Statehouse to call for an end of corporate influence of government.

"Our beautiful system of American checks and balances has been thoroughly trashed by the influence of banks and big finance that have made it impossible for the people to speak," said protester Marisa Engerstrom, of Somerville, Mass., a Harvard doctoral student.

The Boston demonstrators decorated their tents with hand-written signs reading, "Fight the rich, not their wars" and "Human need, not corporate greed."

Some stood on the sidewalk holding up signs, engaging in de-

bate with passers-by and waving at honking cars.

One man yelled "Go home!" from his truck. Another man made an obscene gesture.

"We lean left, but there have been tea party people stopping by here who have said, 'Hey, we like what you're doing,'" said Jason Potteiger, a media coordinator for the Boston protesters.

In Chicago, protesters beat drums on the corner near the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. In Los Angeles, demonstrators hoping to get TV coverage gathered in front of the courthouse where Michael Jackson's doctor is on trial on manslaughter charges.

Protesters in St. Louis stood on a street corner a few blocks from the shimmering Gateway Arch, carrying signs that read, "How Did The Cat Get So Fat?" and "We Want The Sacks Of Gold Goldman Sachs Stole From Us."

"Money talks, and it seems like money has all the power," said Apollonia Childs. "I don't want to see any homeless people on the streets, and I don't want to see a veteran or elderly people struggle. We all should have our fair share. We all vote, pay taxes. Tax the rich."

Sexual assault forum aims to prevent attacks

By JORDAN HEARNE
REPORTER

Students and faculty will have an opportunity to discuss unhealthy relationships, sexual assault and other issues at a forum at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Kayser Auditorium.

The event will be hosted by Student Life's Sexual Assault Work Team and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.

The forum will feature two speakers from the Baylor community who will share their personal experiences with unsafe relationships.

The Sexual Assault Work Team is a collaboration of Baylor and Waco organizations dedicated to outreach and the education of Baylor students and faculty on the subject of sexual assault.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. is a group composed of students devoted to community service in the Baylor area. The forum is a part of Delta Week, during which the sorority sponsors a different outreach event each day for seven days.

Lori Genous, director of Baylor's Department of Wellness and facilitator for the Sexual Assault Work Team, said the goal of the forum is to provide education on campus about sexual assault and inform students of the available resources.

"There's not a lot of discussion about this subject, and we want students to know what do if they find themselves in this situation," Genous said.

Genous said the forum is meant to educate not only potential victims, but bystanders as well. She said bystanders can safely intervene during a dangerous situation if they know how to approach the

problem, and proper training can give faculty and staff members the skills to assist victims that confide in them.

Natashia Doolittle is an educator and sexual violence prevention specialist at the Advocacy Center for Crime Victims and Children, one of the Waco organizations involved in the Sexual Assault Work Team collaboration.

She said she believes there is definitely a need for college students to understand exactly what sexual assault is and how they can speak out.

"I'm hoping that something someone says will touch a person who had not felt comfortable asking questions before and that it will inspire them to get help," Doolittle said.

New Orleans, La., junior Claire Dunlap, president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., said she wants people that have suffered from sexual assault to know who to contact through the information provided at this event. She also said she hopes that this event will prevent students and faculty from getting into a position that could lead to an attack.

"There are a lot of unhealthy relationships in the community, and I hope that this gets the word out there and educates people," Dunlap said.

For Doolittle, this forum will hit close to home. Her friend, she said, was sexually assaulted while Doolittle was a sophomore in college.

"There was an incident with a friend, and luckily, I knew what to do and who to contact, but if I wasn't educated about this, I wouldn't have known what to do," Doolittle said. "This forum will equip people with the tools and skills they might need."



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Honoring service with service

Delta Epsilon Psi Fraternity, Inc., Delta Phi Omega Sorority, Inc. and the Indian Subcontinent Student Association hosted Be the Change, a day of service in honor of Mahatma Gandhi, on Saturday. Service sites included the Habitat for Humanity Restore, Mission Waco, Cameron Park (pictured here), Salvation Army and a stretch of Highway 6 that was cleaned of litter.

Republican rival criticizes Perry over racial slur scandal

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney is criticizing rival Rick Perry for what he calls "offensive" language in the name of a Texas hunting camp his family once leased.

Romney told Sean Hannity's radio show Monday that he found the camp's name, Niggerhead, inappropriate and said he called on Perry to address it.

The campaign says the Texas governor and his family never controlled, owned or managed the

property.

The Washington Post reported Sunday there was no definitive account for when and how the name first appeared on rock at property's gate.

People interviewed for its story remember seeing the rock with the name at various points during the 1980s and 1990s, the period in which the Perrys had the hunting lease and Perry brought friends to the site. Some of those interviewed said they worried that it could become a political liability for Perry.

The White House says the

name is "clearly offensive." But press secretary Jay Carney says Perry evidently thinks so, too, and passed up a chance to criticize the GOP presidential hopeful over the racial slur.

Perry has said it's an offensive name and that once he saw it, sometime in 1983 or 1984, he raised it with his parents and the word was painted over.

He told the Post that the word on the rock is an "offensive name that has no place in the modern world."

Ray Sullivan, communications

director for the Perry campaign, said the governor's father, Ray Perry, leased the hunting rights in the early 1980s and that Rick Perry was on the lease from 1997 to 2007.

Rick Perry has not visited the property since December 2006, Sullivan said.

"Mr. Cain is wrong about the Perry family's quick action to eliminate the word on the rock, but is right the word written by others long ago is insensitive and offensive. That is why the Perrys took quick action to cover and obscure it," Sullivan said.

Terror suspect pleads not guilty

By DENISE LAVOIE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WORCESTER, Mass. — A man accused of plotting to fly explosives-packed remote-controlled model planes into the Pentagon and the U.S. Capitol pleaded not guilty Monday.

The bail hearing that had been scheduled for Rezwan Ferdaus was delayed for several weeks because his lawyer, Catherine Byrne, asked for more time to prepare.

His arrest was the latest in a

string of terror arrests to emerge from similar sting operations.

A federal affidavit says Ferdaus began planning jihad, or holy war, against the U.S. in early 2010 after becoming convinced that America was evil.

Ferdaus faces as much as 100 years in prison on charges including attempting to damage and destroy national defense premises and attempting to provide material support to terrorists. A detention hearing is set for later this month, Oct. 20.

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Brad Pitt and Jonah Hill star in the well-received film adaptation of Michael Lewis' best-selling book, "Moneyball: The Art of Winning an Unfair Game." Pitt plays Billy Beane, the general manager of the Oakland A's.

'Moneyball' drama gives Jonah Hill chance to shine

By RACHEL AMBELANG
CONTRIBUTOR



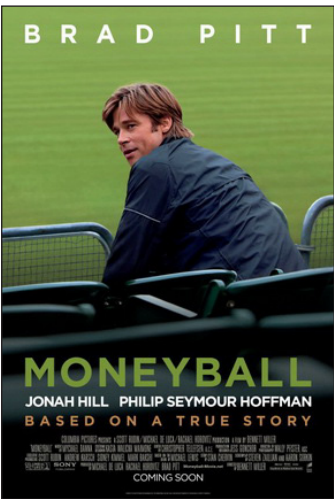
"Moneyball" is the remarkable, true story of a man that risks everything. Billy Beane (played by Brad Pitt) is the general manager of the Oakland Athletics, which means that he is in charge of contracting the players he believes his team needs in order to have a winning season.

Billy's main setback is the A's budget constraints.

The story begins with the A's losing their last game of the season, the only one that matters to Billy. On top of that, he receives news that he is going to lose his top three players next season to bigger franchises.

Billy knows that not only can he not afford to compete with the salaries being offered to his players, but also that there is no chance of replacing their talent.

While desperately looking for a way to put together a team that he can pay for, Billy meets a seemingly out of place young man named Peter Brand.



Courtesy Photo

Brand is portrayed by Jonah Hill. The character is based on several real life figures, although Brand himself does not actually exist. One of the inspirations for his character is Paul DePodesta.

Brand is a 25-year-old with his first job as a player analyst. While talking to Brand, Billy finds out he has developed a new way to think about players. Brand has invented a computer system that can calculate statistically what a player's strengths are, and from those numbers can tell where and how a player can be used effectively.

So far, everyone has tossed Brand's system aside because he is

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new to the game and has no recruiting experience, but Billy decides to take a chance on him. Together they roll the dice and come up with a team of undervalued, out-of-date and injured players they claim will win the championship.

The performances given by both lead actors were spectacular. Pitt is an acclaimed household name that everyone expects the best from, and he gives it in this film.

Hill, who is better known for his roles in comedies such as "Superbad," was trying something new with his first major role in a drama film, and I was blown away by how well he pulled it off.

Between the superb acting and how well this true story was adapted to the big screen, "Moneyball" is an inspiring movie that makes you leave the theater thinking about whether or not there is something you believe in enough to truly fight for.

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Opinion: Sports numbers are everything for Reyes

By CHRIS DERRETT
EDITOR IN CHIEF

I've been a baseball fan for quite some time now. I've heard of every statistic one can imagine, and I agree that just as Billy Beane found out, numbers aren't everything in baseball. But at least one MLB player this season, in perhaps the weakest decision I've seen in a long time, thought one statistic was so important that even dignity was worth losing for it.

Every year somebody has to finish with the highest batting average. This year in the National League it came down to the New York Mets' Jose Reyes and the Milwaukee Brewers' Ryan Braun. Going into the final game of the season last Wednesday, Reyes's average bested Braun, .335 to .334.

The Mets' game was scheduled to start in the afternoon, seven hours before the Brewers played.

Barely 10 minutes into the game in the bottom of the first inning, Reyes hit a single that raised his average to .337. And that was it.

In a move that virtually guaranteed him the highest average, Reyes pulled himself out of the game after the inning. He rode the bench for

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the rest of the game, not wanting to take anymore at-bats and possibly lower his average.

Braun would need three hits in his game, a doable but not common feat, and he got none.

Reyes had no excuse for not playing; he wasn't hurt. In fact, he admitted after the game that he had every intention of quitting if he got a hit in his first at-bat.

"I said, 'If I go 1-for-1, take me out of the game,'" Reyes said after the game. "And I did that. If I went 0-for-1, maybe I'm still in the game until I get a hit. ... I wanted to stay in the game, but (Mets fans) have to understand, too, what's going on."

The fans knew exactly what was going on. They responded appropriately by booing Reyes when it became apparent he was not playing.

I think the only person who didn't understand what was going on was Reyes.

Words like "coward" and "selfish" come to mind when I think about the situation. No, the game

didn't mean anything to the Mets' season at that point, as they had been eliminated from playoff contention weeks before their final game. But Reyes, like every other player in the major leagues, was still under contract to do his best to help his team win in every situation.

Reyes is a great player and exciting to watch. His speed, which is paralleled by few in the league, makes each of his at-bats potentially electrifying for the crowd.

Instead of Reyes, the Citi Field crowd saw Justin Turner for the rest of the game, a .260 hitter with average speed and strength.

Braun took the high road, saying, "I respect whatever decision he decided to make, and I'm not really here to judge him."

I'll do it for you, Ryan. Reyes cheated the fans and cheated the game.

Granted, as ESPN's David Schoenfeld reported, other players have done the same thing in the past in terms of removing themselves from the game to protect batting titles. But it doesn't make that choice OK.

Indeed, numbers aren't everything.

Lewis' 'Moneyball' is excellent baseball read

By JOSHUA MADDEN
A&E EDITOR

I am hardly the most knowledgeable person in the world when it comes to baseball. I'm also not the world's greatest statistical analyst. So, knowing that it's all about baseball statistics, why would I possibly want to read Michael Lewis' book "Moneyball: The Art of Winning an Unfair Game"?

There's an easy answer to that question: it's excellent. I don't know how he did it, but somehow Lewis wrote a book that was fascinating to even me, who arguably was the furthest thing possible from his target audience.

The book follows Billy Beane,

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the general manager of the Oakland Athletics, as he struggles to make his relatively poor team be competitive with teams that have payrolls many times larger than that of the A's.

The book explores the development of what have come to be called sabermetrics — essentially applied baseball statistics — and how people like Beane are using them to win games, despite the fact that the establishment still doesn't really like them very much.

No matter how I try to summarize the book, it doesn't do it justice. It's not just a book about

baseball statistics, but it's not a biography of Beane either. Lewis somehow took what could have been an incredibly mundane topic and made it to something great.

As a work of nonfiction, it's hard to call "Moneyball" a true work of art, but there's also no other way to describe it. It is a stunning literary achievement on Lewis' part.

Given that Brad Pitt has brought out "Moneyball" fever by starring in the film, now is as good of a time as any to read the book. Don't strike out and skip this one.

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Michael Lewis is the author of "Moneyball: The Art of Winning an Unfair Game." "Moneyball" was released in 2003 and explores the development of sabermetrics and their use in baseball.

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Across

1 Its "fleece was white as snow"

5 ___ Sutra

9 Go with the flow

14 Pastoral verse

15 Pink-slipped

16 Ladies' man

17 Nicolas of "Adaptation"

18 Got one's uniform dirty, maybe

19 Mississippi, e.g.

20 Understand how things are done

23 Many frozen dinners are high in it

24 Taker of vows

25 Def Jam genre

28 Native American group

31 As plain as day, e.g.

33 Tax pro

36 Places to see links

38 Friend

40 Cancun uncle

41 36-Across opening

42 Simple floral garlands

47 Fair-hiring initials

48 Forensic facility

49 Spy wear

51 Si or oui

52 Do-favor link

54 Broadside

58 Stage name of Erich Weiss, for whom the ends of 20-, 36- and 42-Across were props

61 Wife of Abraham

64 Long, long time

65 ___ Three Lives": TV oldie

66 Michelangelo figure

67 Pear variety

68 Charity

69 Suisse peaks

70 Like an animated Pea?

71 Cold-cock

Down

1 The home team gets the last ones

2 Hershey's "A Bell For ___"

3 "Nearer, __, to Thee"

4 Messed up

5 Former Asian state known for goat wool

6 Wheel holder

7 Golda of Israel

8 Supplement

9 Poison in some whodunits

10 Kids' book connectables

11 GP's gp.

12 Gently stroke

13 Place for a ring

21 Racetrack surface

22 Door sign

25 Go through energetically, as drawers

26 1966 Michael Caine title role

27 Pasta topper

29 "Little Women" woman

30 Pioneering computer

32 Letters before nus

33 Tea leaves holder

34 Wood shaver

35 Fake name

37 Slinky's shape

39 Fashion monogram

43 Steinway alternatives

44 Trucker with a handle

45 Never

46 "Elephant Boy" actor

50 Alaskan brown bear

53 Iraqis, usually

55 Nabisco brand named for its flavor

56 The Penguin, to Batman

57 Playground retort

58 Can't stand

59 "Ouch!"

60 Fire truck item

61 Mineral spring

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Wildcats wreck Baylor’s momentum with late victory

BY TYLER ALLEY
SPORTS EDITOR

Saturday’s game against Kansas State should have looked very familiar for Baylor football. There was a late lead lost in the fourth quarter. Junior quarterback Robert Griffin III and senior receiver Kendall Wright were both putting up ridiculous numbers.

The opponent’s color was even purple, but unlike the TCU game, Baylor did not make a last-ditch effort to win, losing 36-35.

“We played with a whole lot of passion and effort Saturday, and played a good football team,” head coach Art Briles said. “Kansas State’s a good football team. I don’t want to take away anything from them. But we certainly let one slip through our fingers.”

Baylor (3-1) shot itself in the foot with eight penalties for 103 yards and three turnovers, including Griffin’s interception — his first of the season — late in the fourth quarter that led to Kansas State (4-0) hitting go-ahead field goal. Griffin said after the game that the blame goes to him for the loss.

“We didn’t win, so who do you point the finger at?” Griffin said. “Point it at me. I’m not going to take it pointing at anyone else. I’m the guy who gets all the fame, so

I got to take all the blame as well. I’ll take on that burden because I know I can handle it.”

Baylor still had a chance to come back on its final drive, taking over at its own 27-yard line with 3:05 left in the game. After a sack on first down for a loss of 3 yards, Griffin threw to junior receiver Terrance Williams for nine yards, followed by a 2-yard run by senior tailback Terrance Ganaway.

“I’m the guy who gets all the fame, so I got to take all the blame as well. I’ll take on that burden because I know I can handle it.”

Robert Griffin III | Quarterback

On fourth-and-2, Griffin looked right for Wright but his pass was batted at the line, sealing the victory for the Wildcats.

“It sucks, but that’s the way the game is played,” Griffin said. “They made a play there and that won them the game. It’s tough to look back on that, but we got to move forward and learn from the whole experience, come home and take care of what’s ours.”

The Heisman candidate still had a great game, throwing for 346 yards and five touchdowns, but best player for Baylor in this game was Wright. The receiver had nine catches for 201 yards and three touchdowns, two of which were great highlight-reel plays.

In the second quarter, Wright caught a pass over the middle, avoided defenders, then somehow tip-toed down the sidelines for about 20 yards before diving into the end zone for a 43-yard score. That wasn’t even his play of the game.

In the third quarter, on a fourth-and-5, Wright had a crowd-silencing full-extension diving catch over his back shoulder for the 35-yard touchdown.

“When I was watching the ball in the air, I was like, ‘This ball is too far,’ but I had to accelerate,” Wright said. “It was instinct, just diving to get it. That was the hardest catch I’ve ever had to make by far: back shoulder and diving. I knew I caught it the whole time.”

Griffin said the play was only supposed to get them the first down, but that an opportunity like that could not be passed up.

“I knew he was going to run vertical,” Griffin said. “The safety was sitting there at seven yards flat-footed. Kendall ran right past



No. 9 cornerback Chance Casey pushes No. 33 John Hubert out of bounds. Kansas State defeated Baylor 36-35 Saturday at Bill Snyder Stadium in Manhattan, Kan. Hubert had 57 rushes on 16 carries for the Wildcats.

him. The ball didn’t get to him as clean as we’d like, but he made the catch. After watching the film, that’s a great catch. Kendall’s that guy: he’ll catch anything you throw near him.”

Still, the effort was not enough to push the Bears to victory.

“I’m sick that we can’t enjoy that

game,” Briles said. “Because that’s as good of a play as I’ve seen made in a long time. That just shows the effort and attitude and passion. That’s the thing I love about Kendall. He’s going to play with every fiber of his body. I respect the heck out of him for that.”

Baylor’s attempt at its first 4-0

start since 1991 and its first conference-opening road in school history.

Baylor outgained the Wildcats through the air 346 yards to 146 yards but allowed 210 rushing yards while only earning 83. Kansas State’s time of possession was double Baylor’s in the first half.

Griner excels for U.S. team in victory over Italian champion

BY DANIEL WALLACE
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor junior Brittney Griner led all scorers in her first international game as the USA Women’s Basketball team surged past its Italian opponent. Griner had 15 points Friday in the 77-48 victory over 2010 Italian league champion Famila Schio in Monte di Procida, Italy. Baylor alumna Sophia Young added eight points to help guide the team to a win in the tournaments’ opening game.

“I think that Brittney and Sophia Young, as their first time playing USA Basketball, were a little

bit nervous going in, didn’t know what to expect,” head coach Geno Auriemma said in a press release. “But once you start playing, basketball is basketball and I think their instincts took over. Even when Brittney doesn’t know what she’s doing out there, she impacts the game because everyone’s looking to see where she is.”

Auriemma also said the game changed on both ends of the floor when Griner entered the game, and he mentioned the potential she has to dominate women’s basketball for the next 10 years. Griner went 6-for-13 from the floor and 3-for-3 from the free-throw

line, playing 26 minutes. She also registered seven rebounds and was responsible for the team’s only two blocks.

Swin Cash, Tina Charles and Renee Montgomery also scored in double figures for team USA, all netting 12 points apiece. Auriemma was satisfied with the total effort of the team and said he was pleasantly surprised.

“All in all, I didn’t know what to expect in this game after just being with these guys for two days, but I’m really thrilled with the way we played,” Auriemma said. “We just beat a really, really, really good team. Probably the best team here

in Italy. I’m really pleased. I really am.”

On Saturday, the team improved to 2-0 with a 78-68 victory over Ros Casares Valencia. Cash scored a team-high 17 points and was named MVP for the two-night, four-team tournament. Cash averaged 14.5 points per game and 7.5 rebounds per game.

“Swin throughout these past two games has been exactly what Swin’s always been,” Auriemma said. “She’s a high-energy player who’s around the ball all the time and makes big plays. She had a couple offensive rebounds and put-backs that I thought were exactly

what we needed when we needed them. She is a leader out there for them.”

Griner was named the tournament’s best post player after averaging 12.5 points per game and 7.5 rebounds per game, coming off the bench.

In Saturday’s game, Griner hit a turn-around jumper at the top of the key with 4:05 remaining in the third quarter that sparked a 10-4 USA run. At the end of the third quarter, the score was 66-59 in favor of the Americans, who never looked back.

MVP Cash said she was pleased with the team’s performance

against a tough opponent in a hard-fought game.

“Ros Casares is a very physical team,” said Cash. “They have very good players. We knew, with them having Ann Wauters, that she was going to be a physical presence on the block. I was really just happy with our post players, with Tina, with Brittney, just holding their ground down low, playing solid defense and rebounding the basketball.”

Griner and the rest of the USA Women’s team will take the court again at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, in Valencia, Spain, to take on Ros Casares Valencia once again.

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Bears defeat KU for first Big 12 win



No. 21 middle blocker Brianna Tolbert leaps up to spike the ball during the third set in the game against Kansas on Saturday in the Ferrell Center. The Lady Bears beat the Jayhawks 3-1.

By DANIEL WALLACE
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor volleyball notched its first Big 12 win of the season on Saturday against Kansas. The Bears downed the Jayhawks 3-1 (25-23, 23-25, 25-17, 25-22) to come out of the Ferrell Center victorious. Baylor avoided starting conference play 0-4 with the win. The first and final set victories for the Bears came in comeback style. BU faced a 22-20 deficit in

the first set and a 22-18 deficit in the fourth set. Both times, though, the team was able to rally for dramatic victories. “It wasn’t easy tonight. We had to come back from down three or four points late in the game,” head coach Jim Barnes said. “I think we showed a lot of character and a lot fight, and it paid off. This (Kansas) is a good team, and they are very talented. We finally played with the sense of urgency that we have talked a lot about. That’s what we need to maintain.”

The net defense and back-row play contributed to the Bears’ victory. Senior Briana Tolbert had a season-high seven block assists, while five other players tallied 10 or more digs. Senior Qian Zhang was one of those five players, with 21 digs. Redshirt sophomore Zoe Adom paved the way for the offense, totaling 17 kills. Her play in this game was exemplary of what the coaches saw in her at practice, and their decision to put her in the game paid off.

“[Adom’s production] was crucial,” Barnes said. “We saw some things in practice, and we thought she could come in and have a good night. She didn’t make many errors, and that’s a big part of what we ask from Zoe.” Adom attributed her success on the court to her teammates and spoke of the amount of teamwork it took for her to have that kind of success in the match. “It was literally the passes,” she said. “We can’t get a kill without a great pass and a great set, so I just worked with it.” Barnes was pleased with the overall effort of the team and said she admired the way it played with a sense of urgency. When the team was playing urgently, Barnes said he was happy to see what he had been preaching that in practice all week. “(Kansas is) a good team,” he said. “They beat the number six team in the country, Minnesota. So they are very talented. We knew they would come back and make us earn every point. To our credit, we started playing with that sense of urgency we talked about. Once we started playing with that sense of urgency, we’d get the edge back. That’s what we had to maintain.” In terms of kills, Baylor (12-6, 1-3) outscored Kansas (11-4, 0-3) 58-52. The team was also able to hold the Jayhawks to a .136 attack percentage. BU had 10 blocks on the evening, as compared to KU’s five.

“We focused on not winning, and just getting each point,” she said. “Just working on getting each point. We didn’t want to think about getting the whole game won so that’s all we did. It worked for us.” A 12-match win streak over the Red Raiders will be on the line on at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Ferrell Center for the second game of a four-match homestand.



No. 18 sophomore defender Selby Polley fights for the ball against the Red Raider attack Friday at Betty Lou Mays Field. Baylor earned a 0-0 draw with Texas Tech, remaining undefeated at home.

Soccer earns tie against Raiders

By LAUREAN LOVE
REPORTER

The Baylor soccer team keeps their perfect 7-0-1 record at home with a 0-0 draw against Texas Tech on Friday at Betty Lou Mays Field. Senior goalie Courtney Seelhorst had four big saves, which helped the Lady Bears to their eight shutout of the season. “Our defense was amazing tonight and Courtney came up big like the captain she is,” head coach Marci Jobson said. “We had our chances and really controlled the last 75 minutes of the game. We just have to be more composed in front of the goal.” Sophomore forward Vic Hoffman had the most shots on goal with four for the evening, while junior midfielder Lisa Sliwinski had two of the team’s three shots. Texas Tech’s Jessica Fuston had a straight shot during the 68th minute, but Seelhorst had a big save and kept the game scoreless. Sophomore midfielder Karlee Summey came close to making the first goal in the 89th minute, but the shot was tipped just over the crossbar by Tech goalie Victoria Esson. Senior Midfielder Bethany Johnston also took a shot, but went high over the post during the first overtime. During the 105th minute Seelhorst gained her final save with a dive to her left, keeping the tie. This game marks the first game of the season the Lady Bears have not scored. Baylor outshot the Red Raiders 16-11, with four shots on goal against their three. Baylor returns to play at 4 p.m. Friday at Kansas. After Kansas Baylor heads to Iowa State Sunday, then comes back for three straight homes games against Missouri, Jackson State and Oklahoma State.

Big 12 leaders reach deal involving television revenue

By LUKE MEREDITH
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Big 12 university leaders agreed to equally share the wealth from the conference’s most lucrative television deals if its members agree to lock those top-tier TV rights into the league for at least six years. The league’s announcement Monday was an encouraging sign for the long-term health of the conference, but it is no done deal. Missouri is considering leaving the Big 12, possibly for the Southeastern Conference, and the uni-

versity’s board of curators is scheduled to meet today in St. Louis. Interim Big 12 Commissioner Chuck Neinas hopes the approval by the presidents and chancellors of equal revenue sharing and a grant of tier-one and tier-two TV rights to the league will help convince Missouri to stay instead of joining Texas A&M in the SEC. “In an objective view, this should be a positive sign for Missouri,” Neinas said during a teleconference with reporters. Neinas said he plans to visit

with Missouri officials this week, but not before today’s curators’ meeting. Neinas said Missouri should consider its long-standing rivalry with Kansas, the Kansas City-based Big 12 basketball tournaments and the close proximity between Columbia to other Big 12 schools. “It’s one thing to talk about the Southeastern Conference, but how many people are going to be able to afford to travel to Gainesville, Florida, or Columbia, South Carolina, or Tuscaloosa, Alabama,” Neinas

said. “You know, John Q. Fan, he can get in the car and drive to Big 12 games. “Besides, Missouri is midwestern, not southern.” The revenue-sharing model had been proposed by Texas several weeks ago, but was waiting for a vote by league presidents. Neinas said that school leaders, who make up the Big 12 Board of Directors, voted unanimously in favor of it on Sunday. Each school must still approve the granting of TV rights, and

that’s where the Missouri curators come in. The Big 12 also plans to move forward with expansion plans, apparently regardless of what Missouri decides. Neinas said the Big 12’s expansion committee has been “activated” and will start meeting sometime this week. Neinas said the league has been encouraged by the amount of interest other schools have shown in the Big 12. Neinas said the move toward sharing TV rights for football and men’s basketball will help

the league’s expansion efforts and pointed to the 13-year, \$1 billion television deal reached with Fox Sports in April. Neinas said the conference has no timetable on expansion, though the league’s athletic directors must still come to a consensus on what approach they want to take. “We have some things in mind that I’m not prepared to reveal at this point, but we’re working in a very positive way toward improving what is already a good conference,” Neinas said.

Sports Take: Hockey warrants watching next to football, baseball

Postseason baseball is here, as well as college football and cooler weather. What most people may not care about, but I am here to advocate, is the arrival of the 2011-2012 hockey season. I understand that here in Texas, football presides in the avid athletic fan’s mind. Hockey is mostly popular in the Northeast. If you don’t like hockey, I suggest you go to a game.



Krista Pirtle | Sports Writer

True, you will need a sweatshirt because the ice, unbelievably, is cold. However, the atmosphere of hockey is what the game is all about. We watch guys run around AstroTurf passing an awkwardly shaped pigskin around, trying to score while knocking each other down. We watch both men and women run while bouncing a ball on the hardwood to try and put the ball into the hoop 10 feet off the

ground. We watch as men take a swing at a small white ball with a wooden bat, trying to hit it out of the park. Imagine if all these athletes tried their sport on ice. Hockey is more than the sporadic fighting and checking against the glass. It’s about strategy, timing, accuracy and speed. Think back to your childhood and the movie *The Mighty Ducks*. Try to remember all the goals the scored. They weren’t scored in the normal slap shot fashion. “Duck Danglefest” was the term for these goals because they were artistic in nature. For example, the Flying V where all five players skate down the ice just like a flock of ducks would. That technique is better revealed in the movie, but in real life, strategy is revealed as superior. But if you don’t understand hockey, how are you supposed to understand the sport? Here’s a quick rundown: Hockey is divided into three periods of 20 minutes. There are two blue lines on the court on either side of the red line, which is like the half court line in basketball. The puck must always pass over the blue line before a player of the offensive team or else it is offsides. You cannot pass over two lines or else the referee will blow the whistle. That whistle is also blown for numerous penalties, which lead the guilty player to two minutes in the penalty box. Toward the end of the game, if

a team is down by a goal and it is desperate to tie, the team can pull its goalie from the ice and replace him with another offensive player, making the game 6-on-5. However, that leaves an open net. If all of this is still like Spanish at Baylor for you, I suggest watching *Miracle*, the movie depicting the true story of the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team. “If all of this is still like Spanish at Baylor for you, I suggest watching *‘Miracle’*, the movie depicting the true story of the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team.”

Olympic hockey team. After watching that movie, I would be surprised if you don’t want to watch a real hockey game. Coincidentally, the perfect opportunity to watch these games are emerging as the regular season starts this week. For the Dallas Stars, the season begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday on Fox Sports Southwest. The Stars won the Stanley Cup in 1999 over the Buffalo Sabres in a triple-overtime Game 6. Since then, not much has been impressive from the franchise. Sounds kind of like the Cowboys. Nevertheless on Friday night, order some pizza and turn on the TV to Fox Sports Southwest to catch the opening game of the Stars 2011-2012 season.

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threat to public health.”

One fire truck was destroyed when a tank of chemicals spilled out of the building, changing the course of the fire and igniting the vehicle, Hudgins said.

City officials, worried the fire could spread beyond the limits of the Magnablend property, ordered a local elementary school and other buildings near the area evacuated until the fire was brought under

“At this point, the results show no threat to public health.”

Amy Hollywood |
City of Waxahachie public
information officer

control, Hudgins said.

Aside from a small grass fire across the access road, the fire was successfully contained.

“Our main concern was that we had several tank cars over there, and if one of them had caught on fire, they can shoot off like a rocket,” Hudgins said. “They were all aimed these two directions, so we had to evacuate everything [in those directions].”



A cloud covers the structures of the Magnablend Incorporated Chemical Plant at 2:42 p.m. Monday in Waxahachie. The smoke was seen more than 60 miles away from the location of the fire.

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of the management and entrepreneurship department, said Baylor has had a strong reputation in family business ever since the entrepreneurship program was founded in the late 1970s.

“Baylor is known as the place to go if you’re interested in family business and has a national reputation in that area,” Artz said. “So it would be natural for Baylor to be included in this type of affiliation because of their current strength and historical strength in family businesses.”

Artz said as regional coordinator, Baylor will do case research on different family businesses and provide information to those con-

nected with STEP.

“We will analyze family businesses and then provide that information to others,” Artz said. “Baylor will coordinate the research efforts and act as the hub, if you will, for research efforts that are going on at other schools throughout the network.”

Baylor was chartered in 1845 and since then, a number of family-owned businesses have been associated with Baylor, either directly or indirectly.

The mission of the Institute for Family Business, according to Baylor’s Institute for Family Business website, is to help family businesses survive to the second and third

generations and beyond.

Worthington said this connection with Babson College and designation of regional coordinator is a great vehicle to increase the interaction between Baylor and family businesses, by engaging the family business people inside classrooms.

“The people can be research subjects for our case studies and fill out surveys,” Worthington said. “We will be able to take the accumulation of not only our knowledge, but also a combined knowledge that STEP is creating as a global body, and be able to repack-age that and send it out and help family businesses become more successful.”

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Award Committee spoke about the award and then presented Matusow with a \$15,000 check, which each finalist receives.

The academic department of each finalist’s home university also receives \$10,000.

Dr. Jeffrey Hamilton, professor and chair of history at Baylor, introduced Matusow, saying he is well known for his scholarly publications.

“His scholarship will no doubt inform his presentation today and it is his ability to translate this scholarship into the classroom that brings him to us here today,” Hamilton said.

Hamilton said Matusow “has won a staggering eight different

awards for outstanding teaching at Rice, in an altogether distinguished career.”

Matusow said he was stunned to learn he had been named a finalist and that he has never had an honor he appreciated more.

“I think the real significance of the award is not the honor it bestows on the people who receive it, but on the message Baylor is sending to its own community and to universities nationwide,” Matusow said. “That statement is: the very first responsibility of faculty members is to teach. That may sound like a cliché, but in fact that conception of a professor is under considerable assault. To me, it is a great credit to the university to make the

statement it is making.”

The two other finalists for the award are Dr. Heather Macdonald, chancellor professor of geology at the College of William and Mary, and Dr. Brian Coppola, Arthur F. Thurnau professor of chemistry at the University of Michigan, who will present lectures at Baylor on Oct. 24 and Nov. 2, respectively.

The winner of the Cherry Award will teach in residence at Baylor during the 2012 fall or 2013 spring semester and will receive a prize of \$250,000, the largest monetary award for teaching.

Their academic department at their home university will also receive \$25,000.

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after learning about Knox in the news.

From trips to Italy to sending Knox books, the group has been a pillar of support for the family.

Kellanne Henry is friends with Edda Mellas, Knox’s mother, and has visited the family in Italy.

“It’s the first night in four years that (Edda) is going to know her daughter is safe,” said Henry, holding crumpled tissues in her hand. “That was a really overwhelming thought for me.”

Some of the people gathered for Knox wore T-shirts that said “Free Amanda and Raffaele.”

Photographs of Knox, Sollecito and Kercher, illuminated by candles, were set up in the suite.

“It’s unreal,” John Lange, Knox’s former teacher, kept repeating after the verdict was read.

Lange remembers Knox as the modest drama student who played an orphan in the high school’s production of “Annie.”

“There’s the person you know

and there’s the widely varying depictions of her character largely wrong, and upsetting to those of us who know her,” Lange said earlier in the day.

Wright spent the last minutes leading to the verdict writing a speech, pending a verdict.

When asked, he said his words didn’t anticipate that the conviction would not be overturned.

“It was inconceivable for me that she wasn’t coming home,” Wright said.



Flames engulf a pile of rubble at 2:47 p.m. Monday at the Magnablend Incorporated Chemical Plant in Waxahachie. 25 to 30 employees inside the building made it out safely, but the building was not salvageable.



A member of the Waxahachie Fire Rescue Team takes in the reality of the devastation Monday at the Magnablend Incorporated Chemical Plant.

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